

ORDINANCE NO. 3

SERIES OF 2016

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF CARBONDALE, COLORADO
AMENDING THE TOWN LIGHTING ORDINANCE**

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 3.6(c) of the Home Rule Charter of the Town of Carbondale, the Board of Trustees is authorized to amend the provisions of the Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, Section 18.53.060 of the Municipal Code (Non-Residential Lighting Standards) presently includes a sub-section -C.2 that regulates lighted signs; and

WHEREAS, sub-section -C.2 was adopted in 2002; and

WHEREAS, certain types of modern lighted signs, including those that use L.E.D. technology, can be inconsistent with the Town's goals of reducing glare and offensive light sources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF CARBONDALE, COLORADO, THAT:

1. Sub-Section 18.53.060(C)(2) of the Municipal Code is hereby amended as follows (additions are **bold underlined**, deletions are in **~~bold strike through~~**):

2. Signs. The applicant shall provide the building official with a sign permit, sufficient technical and design information to demonstrate that the following provisions are met:

- a. Externally Illuminated Signs-Preferred Method of Illumination.

- i. The average level of illumination on the vertical surface of the sign shall not exceed ten foot-candles.

- ii. Point source of light shall not be visible to a passerby.

- iii. Lighting fixtures for illuminating signs shall be carefully located, aimed and shielded so that light is directed only onto the sign façade. Down directed lighting for signs is preferred. If ground mounted lighting is used,

the light source must be fully shielded by landscaping or other means.

b. Internally Lit Signs.

i. Illumination sources shall not exceed a total of 9600 (nine thousand six hundred) lumens.

ii. Color-changing and animated signs are prohibited.

iii. Signs with visible (unshielded) light sources are prohibited.

~~iiiv.~~ For boxed internally lit signs, backgrounds shall be dark with white, yellow or light lettering.

~~iiiv.~~ Pan channel lit signs are preferred versus internally lit signs. White lettering is not permitted.

vi. Excessive glare, color changing light sources, and visible lamps oriented towards roadways are prohibited.

vii. Light produced by signs shall comply with light trespass thresholds listed elsewhere in this chapter.

c. All lighted signs shall be reduced by 50% or more at the close of business or servicing or by 9:00 p.m., whichever is later. Signs within the Historic Commercial Core (HCC) zone district may remain fully illuminated until close of business or midnight, whichever is later at which time lighting shall be reduced by 50% or more.

2. If any other ordinance or parts of ordinances are in conflict with the standards set forth in this Ordinance, they are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict only.
3. This Ordinance shall be effective upon posting and publication in accordance with the Carbondale Home Rule Charter.

INTRODUCED, READ AND PASSED this 13th day of January,
2015.

THE TOWN OF CARBONDALE

Stacey Bernot
Stacey Patch Bernot, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Cathy Derby, Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Town Attorney

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