

May 9, 2017

To: Yachats Planning Commission

From: Larry Lewis, City Planner

Re: Amendments to Sign and Lighting Regulations

City staff has identified the need to update Chapter 9.44 Signs and Section 5.08.165 Exterior Lighting.

Chapter 9.44 Signs has not been updated since 1999. City staff plans to research existing sign ordinances and prepare draft sign regulations to be reviewed and discussed by the Planning Commission at a future work session(s).

Lighting regulations are not part of the Yachats Title 9 Zoning and Land Use Code. Lighting regulations are located in Yachats Municipal Code Section 5.08.165 and include the following regulations:

- A. Exterior lighting shall not be directed from the property of the owner onto private residential or commercial property, streets, parklands, or other public properties.
- B. Non-directional porch lights of one hundred (100) watts or less are not affected by this provision. For the purposes of this code section, a directional light is one that by means of a lens, reflector or other means directs the light in a desired direction.
- C. Where a public safety concern can be demonstrated, the City may grant exceptions.
- D. Adjacent commercial property owners may have shared lighting so long as the property of others is not affected.

City staff plans to research existing lighting ordinances and prepare draft lighting regulations. Although not a part of the Zoning and Land Use Code, the Planning Commission may choose to review and discuss lighting regulations at a future work session(s).