#### Signage

The purpose of sign regulations is to provide fair, comprehensive, and enforceable laws that will foster a good visual environment for Bullhead City, thus enhancing it as a place to live and do business.

Signage information is covered in more detail in pamphlet numbers 9 through 13.

#### Zoning

Certain business types may be limited to a specific zoning district.

The commercial and industrial districts are listed below. Pamphlet number 3 indicates the permitted uses within each zoning district.

- C1 Commercial Neighborhood Sales and Services
- C2 General Commercial
- C3 Commercial and Minor Industrial
- M1 General Limited Industrial
- M2 Heavy Industrial

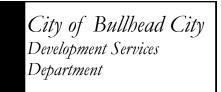
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#### **Courtesy Site Inspection**

Before you sign a lease or purchase a piece of business property in Bullhead City, contact the Development Services Department at (928) 763-0123. We will be happy to meet with you and help you coordinate with other Departments as necessary, to discuss the improvements specific to your potential business site. We can perform a courtesy site inspection to determine whether existing buildings and improvements will comply with applicable city codes.

#### **INFORMATION PAMPHLETS AVAILABLE**

- 1. Single Family Residential
- 2. Multiple Family Residential
- 3. Commercial and Industrial
- 4. Planned Area Development
- 5. Public Lands
- 6. Residential Park
- 7. Parking Regulations
- 8. Parking Spaces Required per Use
- 9. Business Sign Regulations
- 10. Promotional Display Signs
- 11. Subdivision Sign Information
- 12. Off Premise Signs
- 13. Temporary Signs
- 14. Landscaping Regulations
- 15. Plant List
- 16. Screening Regulations
- 17. Garage/Yard Sales and Home Occupations
- 18. Manufactured/Factory Built Home Permits
- 19. New and Used Vehicle Sales and Rentals
- 20. City Organization
- 21. Zoning Regulations for New Businesses
- 22. Alternative Energy Systems
- 23. Mixed Use (MU) Overlay Zoning District



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Zoning Regulations for New Businesses



## Zoning Ordinance Information Series

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## Zoning Regulations for New Businesses

#### **Purpose**

The use of this pamphlet is to help familiarize potential business owners with the required city codes for landscaping, parking, screening and signage relating to potential business sites.

The requirements vary depending upon a number of factors: is this a new business site; is this an existing site that has been vacant for one year or longer; does the nature of the proposed business differ from past uses; etc.

#### Overview

Compliance with the regulations for landscaping, parking, screening and signage are required when one or more of the conditions described in this section are applicable.

- 1. As a condition of rezoning or conditional use permit issuance.
- 2. As a condition of permit issuance for construction of a main building or for work that results in an increase in the square footage of the structure(s) by more than ten percent.
- 3. When a building, lot or structure has a change of use and the improvements existing on the subject lot do not meet the regulations established herein.
- 4. When a piece of property containing a legal non-conforming use has been vacant for over one year and the improvements existing on the subject lot do not meet the regulations established herein.

## General Business Site Requirements

#### **New Business Site Requirements**

New business sites must comply with all applicable requirements in Chapters 17.26 (permitted uses), 17.42 (signage), 17.44 (offstreet parking) and 17.48 (landscaping and screening) of the city code. See pamphlet numbers 3 and 7 through 16 for more information.

## Existing Business Site Requirements

- 1. If the proposed business site has been used for a similar business type and been vacant less than one year, then it will not require any additional improvements.
- 2. If the proposed business site has been vacant more than one year, regardless of use, then it must comply with all of the requirements in Chapters 17.26 (permitted uses), 17.42 (signage), 17.44 (off-street parking) and 17.48 (landscaping and screening) of the city code. See pamphlet numbers 3 and 7 through 16 for more information.
- 3. If the proposed business site is not being used for a similar business type, then it must comply with all requirements in Chapters 17.26 (permitted uses), 17.42 (signage), 17.44 (off-street parking) and 17.48 (landscaping and screening) of the city code. See pamphlet numbers 3 and 7 through 16 for more information.

#### **Business Licenses**

To legally conduct business in the City of Bullhead City, it is necessary to obtain a city business license. Contact the Finance Department at (928) 763-0110 for further information.

#### Landscaping

The purpose of the landscaping regulations is to provide the means for the promotion of the beautification of the City of Bullhead City, the general welfare of its residents, and the conservation of its water resources.

Landscaping information is covered in more detail in pamphlet numbers 14 and 15.

#### **Parking**

The purpose of the parking regulations is to alleviate or prevent congestion of the public streets and to promote the safety and welfare of the public by establishing minimum requirements for the off-street parking of motor vehicles in accordance with the use to which the property is utilized.

Parking information is covered in more detail in pamphlet numbers 7 and 8.

#### Screening

The purpose of the screening regulations is to provide the means for the promotion of the beautification of the City of Bullhead City and the general welfare of its residents.

Screening information is covered in more detail in pamphlet number 16.