

**AMENDING THE CODE OF THE CITY OF PITTSFIELD
CHAPTER 23, “ZONING ORDINANCE”**

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Pittsfield, as follows:

SECTION I

That the Code of the City of Pittsfield Chapter 23, Zoning, Article 23-4, District Regulations, Section 4.202, Table of Principal Permitted Uses, Subsection (f), Retail and Consumer Services Uses, shall be amended for the billboard use category under the “Use Group” column by replacing the “SR” (“special requirements”) with “SP” (“special permit”):

PRINCIPAL PERMITTED USES	USE GROUP	R-43	R-20	R-12	R-6	R-G	R-M	B-C	B-G	B-D	C-W-S	I-L	I-G	L-D-I	B-N
Billboards	SP							X	X	X	X	X	X		

SECTION II

That the Code of the City of Pittsfield, Chapter 23, Article 23-7, Section 7.7 (Conditional Uses Subject to Special Requirements) shall be amended by removing, Section 7.711 “Billboards”.

SECTION III

That the Code of the City of Pittsfield, Chapter 23, Article 23-7, Section 7.8 (Conditional Uses Requiring Special Use Permit), shall be amended by the creation of Section 7.852 “Billboards”.

SECTION 7.852 BILLBOARDS, REQUIREMENTS

A. Purpose

The purpose of this section is to minimize the impacts of the design of billboards and other off premises signs within view of a public way, public park or conservation lands.

B. Special Permit Granting Authority

The City Council shall be the Special Permit Granting Authority for this use category.

C. Performance Standards

All billboards and off premises signs shall be subject to the following standards:

1. No billboard or off-premises sign shall exceed twenty-five (25) by twelve (12) feet in size;
2. No billboard or off-premises sign shall be located within any required yard or setback area prescribed by the Zoning Ordinance.

3. No billboard or off-premises sign is recommended to be located within 500 feet of an intersection or crosswalk.

SECTION IV

This ordinance shall become effective upon enactment.