



**PROCLAMATION
TOWN OF TUSAYAN
MAYOR CRAIG SANDERSON**

WHEREAS, the Governor of Arizona declared an emergency due to the Novel Coronavirus Disease ("COVID-19") and issued Executive Order 2020-07 providing Proactive Measures to Protect Against COVID-19, and on March 13, 2020 the President of the United States, Donald Trump, declared a National Emergency concerning the COVID-19 outbreak; and

WHEREAS, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention ("CDC") has issued guidelines for the COVID19 outbreak;

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020 I issued a Proclamation encouraging Tusayan residents to follow the current CDC guidelines and protocols of the Arizona Department of Public Health Services, and to limit large gatherings on their premises and to mitigate the potential for transmission, including using delivery, take-out, drive-through service and use of social distancing; and

WHEREAS, this state of emergency resulted in the closure of Grand Canyon National Park, and of nearly every business in the Town of Tusayan; and

WHEREAS, once the Park reopens, the businesses in Tusayan need to be ready to serve the visitors, which is the main economic activity in the Town, and the businesses will want to be able to welcome back the visitors and share information about the services that are available.

WHEREAS, the Mayor the Town of Tusayan, Arizona hereby finds it necessary to proclaim that the sign code is modified as stated below to provide a temporary modification of permitted signage in the Town of Tusayan citing extreme financial hardships caused by the COVID-19 emergency; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that this proclamation is necessary for the immediate preservation of the economic success of the Town;

THE MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF TUSAYAN, ARIZONA DOES HEREBY PROCLAIM AS FOLLOWS:

Because of extreme financial hardships created by the COVID-19 pandemic emergency, the following shall apply:

A. The Town shall permit each occupant of a business property within the Town to post up to two "sandwich board" signs displaying directions or special advertising. These signs shall (i) be placed so as not to block any public thoroughfare, sidewalk, or easement; (ii) not exceed 25 square feet per panel (50 total); and (iii) be professional in construction and appearance.

B. Each occupant of a business property may also display up to two vinyl or canvas signs on the property, either free standing or as a banner attached to the building, of up to 120 square feet. All signs must be (i) professional in construction and appearance; (ii) located on a building wall, below the roof line; and (iii) properly maintained in a safe and aesthetic manner.

C. This proclamation shall be in effect from May 12, 2020 until April 30, 2021 provided such change in the sign ordinance is not detrimental to the public health, safety, and welfare. This proclamation may be extended by the Mayor and/or Town Council as determined by events related to the COVID 19 pandemic state of emergency and its severe impact on the economy. Unless otherwise directed, this proclamation shall expire on April 30, 2021 and business owners shall have five business days to remove the temporary signage allowed under this proclamation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Craig Sanderson, Mayor of the Town of Tusayan, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of the State, do hereby proclaim that to support the economic reopening of the community, the sign code zoning restriction in regard to banners and temporary signs will be in revised as stated in this Proclamation, pursuant to A.R.S. 26-311, I do hereby declare:

This declaration and order shall remain in full force and effect until April 30, 2021, unless amended or terminated by further order of the Mayor or the Tusayan Town Council.

PROCLAIMED THIS 22nd day of July, 2020.

TOWN OF TUSAYAN



Craig Sanderson, Mayor

ATTESTED TO:



Town Clerk

REVIEWED BY:



Town Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Town Attorney