

MISSING SIGNS?



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Are your signs coming up missing? Well there is a good reason why. The City of Gainesville is busy enforcing the codes and ordinances. Specifically sections 30-316 and 30-317 of the cities codes and ordinances.

Section 30-316 states that no sign other than a city sign is allowed on the public right of way. Although the public rights of ways vary considerably, it is safe to assume that if there is a sidewalk, the sidewalk is placed on the outer edge of the right of way. However, if there is no sidewalk then you must try and use the utility poles or water meters to determine the right of way. This can

prove to be a challenge, so as long as the sign is at least 10 feet in from the street and 15 feet from the side property line, it will be safe. Of course, you must keep in mind that we are talking about signs on the property that is for sale, rent or lease. Section 30-317 clearly states that you can only have one on-site sign. This means that any sign other than the one on the property for sale, rent or lease is in violation. Section 30-317 goes on to say that the sign must be removed no later than 30 days after the sale of the property. It also restricts the size to 6 square feet in signage and 6 feet tall.

The ordinances refer to in this letter may be viewed in there entirety at the Code Enforcement Division web page <http://www.gainesvillecodes.org>. We can be reached at (352) 334-5030. Please don't hesitate to call with any questions or concerns.



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