

## Most Common Code Violations In the DH District

**Signs** (non-compliance with color/material restrictions)

**Signs** (failure to obtain design approval and permits)

**Signs** (failure to remove portable signs during non-business hours)

**Parking** (overtime parking violations)

**Parking** (non-display of special placard)

**Parking** (parking in a rented/leased stall not belonging to such lessee)

**Snow/Ice Removal** (failure to remove ice/snow from adjacent sidewalk)

**Trees** (maintenance of trees and bushes along rights of ways)

### GENERAL CITY CODE REQUIREMENTS

The following are city codes that are often unknown or mis-understood; and therefore, become violations for non-compliance.

- Property owners/tenants are responsible for maintenance of sidewalks adjacent to their property.**
  - Ice/snow removal
  - Weeds/shrubs
  - Trash/debris
  - Repair/replacement
- Property owners/tenants are responsible for the maintenance of all trees and shrubs located within the right of way adjacent to their property.**
- Property owners/tenants are responsible for any graffiti on their buildings, fences, or sidewalks (adjacent to their property)**
- Mis-use of irrigation water.**
- Signs placed or located within any public rights of way.**
- Unsecured, dangerous, and/or un-maintained vacant structures.**
- Failure to properly display address numbers on the building/tenant space.**

## Downtown Historic District

Nampa's Historic Downtown stands **poised for renaissance.**



An Introductory Overview  
Of  
Zoning Ordinance  
Requirements



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## ORDINANCES WITHIN THE DH DOWNTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT

The DH ordinances shall apply to all forms of buildings and site improvements, including expansions, façades, new construction, rehab, remodel, ext. site improvements, & signs. The ordinances contain requirements for:

- Architectural Design/Form
- Building Structure Width
- Roofs/Walls
- Projecting Spaces/Elements
- Awnings/Marquees/Pedestrian Shelters
- Windows/Openings/Entrances
- Overhead Doors
- Exterior Finish/Materials/Colors
- Mechanical Equipment/Utilities
- Lighting/Signs/Parking
- Landscaping/Street Amenities

## BUILDING AND SITE DESIGN REVIEW

Design review is required for any and all new buildings, or modifications/alterations to the exterior of an existing building. Please contact the Planning and Zoning Department prior to making any changes to your building and/or tenant space.

## SIGNS PROVISIONS

- Architecturally compatible w/ building.
- Colors, materials, & lighting visually restrained & be a minimal feature.
- Wall signs incorporated into existing features of a building's façade.
- Signs aligning with other signs
- (1) monument sign per building.
- Manual reader boards are permitted at 25% of the overall allowed sign area.
- Portable type signs are encouraged. Max. of 9' sf per side, with a 36" max. height. **FLUORESCENT, BLACK OR BRIGHT COLORS ARE NOT PERMITTED.** Such signs must comply with the following:
  - Be removed during non-business hours
  - Only one portable sign per business is permitted
  - Must be placed within 50' of the business for which they are advertising
  - Can be located on the sidewalk, so long as pedestrian paths are not obstructed, to include ADA
- PROHIBITED SIGNS:**
  - Rotating, moving or flashing signs
  - Flags and/or banners; unless used for grand openings
  - Electronic message center displays
  - Internally illuminated projecting cabinets
  - Neon; except for single tube.

## PARKING

The Downtown Historic District has a vast array of parking configurations and regulations.

- Leased Parking** : Persons parked within a designated leased space must be the lessee and have a valid lease agreement with the City of Nampa. All lessees must display their parking permit within the vehicle when parked within the space.
- Accessible Parking**: Persons parked in an accessible parking space must have their special plates, card or temporary card displayed on the vehicle. Parking in the adjacent access loading & unloading aisle is **PROHIBITED**.
- Time Restricted Parking**: It is unlawful for any person to park a vehicle in excess of the duration of time allowed.
- Alleys**: Parking in alleys **IS PROHIBITED**; except for a period of time reasonably necessary for the purpose of loading or unloading of a vehicle.
- STRICTLY PROHIBITED:**
  - Parking in a No Parking Zone
  - Parking 15' of a hydrant
  - Double Parking
  - Parking wrong direction
  - Parking on sidewalk
  - Parking wheels > 18" from curb
  - Parking in fire lane or along any yellow painted curb
  - Parking backed into a stall
  - Parking 20' of a crosswalk
  - Parking within 20' of a stop sign.