

Zoning Division  
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Department of Urban Development  
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## CITY OF PORTLAND

Leed Foster  
38 Meadow Lane  
Saco, ME 04072

February 1, 1999

RE: 664-672 Forest Ave., cor 149-157 Woodford St. - B-2 Zone - 129-A-9,10  
Sign permit application

Dear Leed,

I have reviewed all the information that you submitted with your permit application. I am denying your permit. As I mentioned previously, what you are proposing does not meet today's sign ordinance. Roof top signs are prohibited in all zones. The roof top sign you applied for to reactivate its use, was abandoned for many years. As I mentioned in my letter to you dated January 8, 1999, Section 14-372.b of the City of Portland sign ordinance requires that all nonconforming signs be removed when an application is filed for new building signs. " all building signs on the lot shall be required to come into compliance." On nonconforming signs that have been consistently in use, the panels may be replaced. This sign has not been in use for many years and can not take advantage of that provision of the sign ordinance.

Please note that Section 14-368.5 (g) states that if a permit has been denied for failure to meet the sign regulations, the applicant may apply to the Planning Authority for review of the denied signage pursuant to the standards set forth in Section 14-526(a)(22) or the Site Plan Ordinance. Your contact person in the Planning Department who ordinarily reviews denied signage applications, is Deb Andrews, who can be reached at 874-8726. I suggest contacting Deb Andrews as soon as possible. If you need any of the materials that you submitted to me, they will be available to you at any time.

Very Truly Yours,

Marge Schmuckal  
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cc: Mark Adelson, Housing & Neighborhood Services  
Deb Andrew, Senior Planner  
Penny Littell, Corporation Council  
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