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MINUTES GRAPHIC REVIEW BOARD September 5, 2013

Chairman, John Janek, called the meeting of the Graphic Review Board to order on Thursday, September 5, 2013, at 6:00 PM.

PLEDGE, SWEAR-IN & COMMENTS

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and those present in the audience were sworn in. Following the welcoming remarks, the Chair stated the Graphic Review Board is a recommending body to the City Council and the Council will make a final determination at their next meeting scheduled on September 17, 2013.

ATTENDANCE

Members present: John Janek, Sam Akeman Sharon Ryan and Martha Burich. Excused absence: Andy Mathes. Also present was Steve Willaredt, Planning & Zoning Administrator.

MINUTES & AGENDA

A motion to approve the Minutes from the previous meeting (April 18, 2013) and this evening's Agenda was made by Sam Akeman and seconded by Sharon Ryan. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried.

PETITIONER: Arrow Signs & Outdoor Advertising
for ILMO Products
1096 Geil Drive

Mr. Lance DeMond, representing Arrow Signs, introduced himself and stated their request is to add an additional 200 sq. ft. of signage on the property occupied by ILMO Products located on Geil Drive. He distributed 3 color drawings of the proposed signage (Attachment A, copies available upon request).

The Chair called for a Motion to place the drawings on file. The MOTION to place the drawings on file was made by Martha Burich and seconded by Sam Akeman. Voice vote. All ayes. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

Discussion followed. Of concern was the total square footage of the existing, three signs, plus the proposed 200 sq ft. for the new "V" shaped signage to be situated on Route 3.

The Zoning Administrator reported ILMO Products is situated in a Special Highway District and the maximum allowed signage is 400 square foot. He stated his belief with the additional signage the business will be over the allowable amount.

The Administrator read aloud the Sign Ordinance pertaining to the Special Highway District and

questioned whether the proposed signage is an advertisement Billboard type sign; and if so, is not allowed by Ordinance.

The discussion included the number of existing signs and square footage, plus the proposed “V” signs and that square footage. Martha Burich reported the total signage would be under 400 sq. ft. but that was not including the sign on the “tank” which the Zoning Administrator did include in his computation. No further discussion.

MOTION to approve the signage as presented was made by Sharon Ryan and seconded by Martha Burich. Roll call vote. All ayes. Motion carried by unanimous consent.

NEW BUSINESS

The Zoning Administrator distributed a Draft of the Sign Ordinance #4849 dated August 9, 2011, and requested the Board review it and return on October 3, 2013 for a final passage and/or comments and changes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None voiced.

Motion to adjourn by Sharon Ryan and seconded by Sam Akeman. All ayes.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Hawkins
Secretary,
Graphic Review Board

GRAPHIC REVIEW BOARD ADVISORY REPORT

Date of Hearing September 5, 2013

PETITIONER: Arrow Signs & Outdoor Advertising
for ILMO Products Company

LOCATION: 1096 Geil Drive

REQUEST: Variance request to allow additional signage exceeding the maximum square footage amount in a District Zoned M-4 (Special Highway District).

MOTION: A motion to approve the signage as presented was made by Sharon Ryan and seconded by Martha Burich.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

John Janek	Yes
Sam Akeman	Yes
Sharon Ryan	Yes
Martha Burich	Yes

Motion carried by unanimous consent.