

NOTE CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

The following Council minutes were noted:

- 1) City Council regular meeting minutes dated February 22, 2011
- 2) City Council regular meeting minutes dated March 8, 2011
- 3) City Council regular meeting minutes dated March 22, 2011

PUBLIC HEARINGS/COMMISSION BUSINESS

Case #1: Public Hearing – Request for a Conditional Use Permit to Exceed Sign Size Restrictions at 7333 Sunwood Dr. NW; Case of Leroy Signs, Inc.

Public Hearing

Vice Chairperson Van Scoy called the public hearing to order at 7:02 p.m.

Presentation

Senior Planner Gladhill presented the Staff Report.

Citizen Input

Senior Planner Gladhill stated this seems consistent with the approval already given to NAU and Staff is recommending approval.

Scott Laage with Leroy Signs stated the illuminated back letters didn't fit their need, because they are using LED and it absorbs into the background and does not reflect the light. The face lite letters NAU is requesting to use are the same type of lettering as on the Medical Examiners building.

Commissioner Bauer asked if the applicant's request is consistent with the changes that the City is looking at making to the sign ordinance.

Senior Planner Gladhill stated absolutely, we are going to look at what we have approved and look at what can be approved administratively and at the design guidelines. There are some ways for flexibility. The applicant is asking for 24 inches in height and 18 inches is what is going to be the baseline height for administrative approval.

Vice Chairperson Van Scoy stated that one of the discussions in the past was that a lot of the signs in The COR would be at street level, and most of what the Commission is asked to approve are second story, and he asked if this would be addressed with the new ordinance.

Senior Planner Gladhill confirmed that it would and added that what makes this request different is that it is a single tenant building.

Motion by Commissioner Dunaway, seconded by Commissioner Field, to close the public hearing.

Motion Carried. Voting Yes: Vice Chairperson Van Scoy, Commissioners Dunaway, Field, Bauer, Brauer, and Schiller. Voting No: None. Absent: Chairperson Levine.

The public hearing closed at 7:13 p.m.

Commission Business

Motion by Commissioner Dunaway, seconded by Commissioner Bauer to recommend City Council approve the resolution adopting findings of fact favorable relating to Leroy Signs, Inc. request for a conditional use permit to exceed sign size restrictions established in City Code.

Motion Carried. Voting Yes: Vice Chairperson Van Scoy, Commissioners Dunaway, Bauer, Brauer, Field, and Schiller. Voting No: None. Absent: Chairperson Levine.

Motion by Commissioner Dunaway, seconded by Commissioner Field to recommend City Council approve the issuance of a conditional use permit based on findings of fact relating to Leroy Signs, Inc. and adopt the resolution declaring the terms.

Motion Carried. Voting Yes: Vice Chairperson Van Scoy, Commissions Dunaway, Field, Bauer, Brauer, and Schiller. Voting No: None. Absent: Chairperson Levine.

Case #2: Public Hearing – Request for a Home Occupation Permit to Operate an Auto Body Repair Business on the Property Located at 17441 Baugh St. NW; Case of Lawrence and Paula Ferber

Public Hearing

Vice Chairperson Van Scoy called the public hearing to order at 7:14 p.m.

Presentation

Senior Planner Gladhill presented the Staff Report.

Citizen Input

Two letters in support of the applicant were submitted after the agenda was created.

Lawrence Ferber, 17441 Baugh St. NW, the applicant stated he has been operating the business for 39 years. It is a clean operation, a nice looking property and he does not have junk.

Vice Chairperson Van Scoy stated he would like to have a time limit on the permit and asked the applicant what was his timeframe for retirement, as was noted in the staff report.

Mr. Ferber replied two or three years.