

Armstrong Boulevard/Highway 10 Sign Overlay Public Written Comments

From: Carl Shaffer
Sent: Monday, June 13, 2022 1:00 PM
To: Ramsey Planning; Todd Larson
Subject: ordinance 22-20 amendments

Planning Commission and Mr. Todd Larson:

I am writing in regards to my property at 13900 Sunfish Lake Blvd. (PID 34-32-25-14-0019). This property lies within the boundary of the Armstrong Blvd. Interchange Overlay district.

I wish to express my support for the amendments introduced in your Public Hearing Notice dated June 9, 2022, for the following reasons:

1. Due to the changes on Sunfish Lake Blvd., there will be a significant negative impact on the daily operations of the tenant, Midwest Overhead Crane if changes are not made to the ordinance due the roadway changes.
2. The new height of Sunfish Lake Blvd. on the East side of the property will change from 0' to a 30'-18' wall. The height of the current building is only 21'. With current banner placement at 6' and Company building sign at 15', the signage will no longer be visible to traffic.
3. With the roadway change it will be harder for delivery personnel, vendors, customers, potential employees, visitors and others to find the company, as the building will be totally obscured from the road.
4. Currently, when the current divider was installed on Sunfish Lake Blvd., access was eliminated to the property from Sunfish Lake Blvd., so all traffic must come in on McKinley St., and mapping software has not been able to adapt to the access change. The new roadway will make this much more difficult for above mentioned populations.
5. The current system of a banner on a fence works extremely well to attract potential employees due to traffic counts and current visibility. When the wall is installed and the roadway height is increased, these tools will no longer be viable, and the current ordinance would require a variance to obtain a sign that would be appropriate in this situation.

For those reasons, I request the ordinance changes be made to accommodate the hardship the Midwest Overhead Crane and similar area businesses will be forced to endure when the changes to the overpass and roadway occur.

Please feel free to contact me for more information, via email (preferably), or phone below.

Thank you for your consideration .

Respectfully submitted,

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From: Karen Blaska
Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2022 9:04 AM
To: Ramsey Planning
Cc: Jeff Perry
Subject: Notice of Public Hearing - Zoning Code Amendment

Good Morning.

The Anoka County Parks Department received the City's notice regarding the zoning code amendment to increase the height and area for multi-user/tenants signs.

While it is understood the highway improvements may affect visibility for some local businesses, the Parks Department is concerned that new taller and bigger signs adjacent to Mississippi West Regional Park will detract and infringe on the overall feel and aesthetic of the nature based park. The Department requests that no new signage, other than for safety and regulatory purposes, be permitted immediately adjacent to the park.

Thank you for your consideration.

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