City of Lawrence Sign Code Board of Appeals June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Perez, Christie, Kimzey, Mahoney, Lowe, Edie, Holley

**STAFF PRESENT:** Guntert, Walthall, Parker

PUBLIC PRESENT: Harnack

# SIGN CODE BOARD OF APPEALS Meeting Minutes of June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2012 –6:30 p.m.

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Members present: Perez, Holley, Mahoney, Lowe, Edie, Christie, Kimzey

Staff present: Guntert, Walthall, Parker

#### ITEM NO. 1: MINUTES

Motioned by Edie, seconded by Holley, to approve the January 5, 2012 Sign Code Board of Appeals minutes.

Motion carried unanimously, 7-0

## ITEM NO. 2: COMMUNICATIONS

No communications came before the Board.

No Board member disclosure of ex parte contacts or abstentions from agenda items.

No agenda items deferred.

# ITEM NO. 3: 1740 MASSACHUSETTS STREET; DILLONS STORE PHARMACY

**SV-5-1-12:** A request for a variance from the provisions of Chapter 5, Article 18 (Signs), in the Code of the City of Lawrence, Kansas, 2011 edition. The variance is from the provisions of Section 5-1842.3(A) in the Sign Code which restricts the number of walls on a building that may be used for signage to no more than two (2). The applicant is seeking a variance to place a drive-thru pharmacy sign on a third wall of the new building, which also adjoins a Single-Dwelling Residential District (RS5) to the east. The sign will be on the east wall of the new Dillons Store at 1740 Massachusetts Street. Submitted by Schurle Signs, Inc. for Dillon Companies, Inc. the property owner of record.

#### STAFF PRESENTATION

Mr. Walthall presented the item.

Lowe asked Mr. Walthall if he had examples of businesses in town that had signs on three sides of a building.

Mr. Walthall stated Bauer Farm had three signs on four walls. He said tenants at Bauer Farm had no more than two walls each.

#### APPLICANT PRESENTATION

Keith Harnack, Dillon's Store construction manager stated he was available to answer questions

the Board may have.

Christie asked Mr. Harnack why neighbors in the area had a concern with the height of the letters on the sign.

Mr. Harnack stated he was not at previous meetings but presumed it was due to the secondary signs on the front of the building.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

#### PUBLIC HEARING CLOSED

Motioned by Holley, seconded by Mahoney, to close the public hearing.

Motion carried unanimously, 7-0

#### **BOARD DISCUSSION**

Mahoney said if the signs were not illuminated he did not see an issue.

Kimzey stated he did not see an issue with the signs.

#### **ACTION TAKEN**

Motioned by Edie, seconded by Holley, to approve the variance request at 1740 Massachusetts Street, based on the recommendation and findings of fact in the staff report.

Motion carried unanimously, 7-0

## ITEM NO. 4: MISCELLANEOUS

a) Mr. Guntert stated two sign variances were scheduled for the July 2012 Sign Code Board meeting.

#### **ACTION TAKEN**

Motioned by Mahoney, seconded by Edie, to adjourn the Sign Code Board of Appeals meeting.

Motion carried unanimously, 7-0

# ADJOURN- 6:48 p.m.

Official minutes are on file in the Planning Department office.