

**CITY OF RICHARDSON
SIGN CONTROL BOARD MINUTES – OCTOBER 3, 2018**

Mr. Petty called a regular meeting of the Sign Control Board to order at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 3, 2018, at the Civic Center Heights Room, 411 W. Arapaho Road, Richardson, Texas.

MEMBERS PRESENT: ALICIA MARSHALL, MEMBER
 SCOTT PETTY, MEMBER
 SEBRENA BOHNSACK, ALTERNATE
 CHARLES WARNER, MEMBER
 ART WATERMAN, ALTERNATE

MEMBERS ABSENT: CHIP IZARD, CHAIR
 MUHAMMAD Z. IKRAM, VICE CHAIR

CITY STAFF PRESENT: STEPHANIE JACKSON-VEACH, BUILDING INSPECTION MGR.
 RICARDO ROCHA, BUILDING INSPECTOR

Scott Petty stated there is a quorum present.

Mr. Warner asked for an approval for the minutes from the September 12, 2018 meeting as written. Ms. Marshall seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR SIGN CONTROL BOARD CASE #18-06 TO CONSIDER THE REQUEST OF CARE CHURCH FOR A VARIANCE TO THE CITY OF RICHARDSON CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 18, ARTICLE I, SECTION 18-5(4); CHAPTER 18, ARTICLE, SECTION 18-96(8)(B)(2) AND CHAPTER 18, ARTICLE III, SECTION 18-96(30)(b)(2) TO ALLOW FOR A 7 FOOT TALL MONUMENT SIGN WITH A DIGITAL DISPLAY GREATER THAN 50% OF THE SIGN AREA AND TO ALLOW FOR A TIME AND TEMPERATURE JUMP CLOCK AT THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1504 E. CAMPBELL RD.; AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION.

Mr. Petty opened the Public Hearing and Mrs. Veach introduced the request of Care Church for a variance to the City of Richardson Code of Ordinances, Chapter 18, Article I, Section 18-5(4); Chapter 18, article III, section 18-96(8)(B)(2) and Chapter 18, Article III, Section 18-96(30)(b)(2).

Mr. Petty asked if an applicant or representative of Care Church would like to speak on their behalf.

Mike Sparks 1504 E Campbell Rd Richardson, Tx 75081, Executive Minister of the Church, as all the information has been presented he is mainly here to answer questions.

Mr. Warner asked how long the Church has been there and Mr. Sparks replied since 1984.

Mr. Waterman asked Mr. Sparks to explain their reasons for the variance request from the current sign. Mr. Sparks replied that the Church operates past 10 pm and per code, the digital display must be turned

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off by 10 pm. Due to mature oak trees around the church an attached sign would not be visible from Campbell and signage advertising the church name is necessary.

Ms. Marshall asked for confirmation that this was the only sign at the Church and Mr. Sparks confirmed that it was.

Ms. Bohnsack asked how long the sign has been there and Mr. Sparks replied only a few months. Mr. Sparks also stated that once the sign was up, they quickly realized it would not suit their needs.

Mr. Petty asked what was the rationale for the time and temperature clock and Mr. Sparks replied it was to provide that information to the community and draw extra attention to the sign as well.

Mr. Waterman asked if a variance for the current digital sign was considered to allow for only the top portion on the LED sign to remain on after hours. Mr. Sparks replied it had not been considered as they did not think that could be an option. He consulted a sign expert and based on the speed of traffic along Campbell it was recommended that they use the entire digital display for their message. If the font is too small on the sign then readers could not read it or have to take their eyes off the road for a longer period of time to read it.

Ms. Marshall asked how many displays they plan on running at a time and Mr. Sparks replied only 3 to 4 messages during the week.

Ms. Marshall asked if they have enough lighting in the Church to see the sign if they added the name on top of the sign and Mr. Sparks added that the Church is lit at night, but the letters will be back lit as well.

Mr. Waterman asked if they planned on adding any extra signs later and Mr. Sparks said they do not.

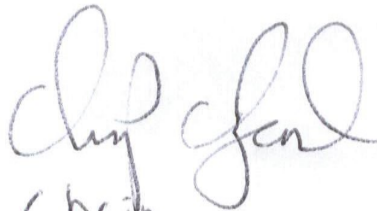
Mr. Petty opened the discussion for members, and concerns including the necessity of the time and temperature jump clock as well as setting the precedent of allowing for a larger sign. Mr. Waterman stated that the height difference is not that much higher from the old sign or their newly installed sign. Ms. Bohnsack stated that she was comfortable with the height increase since they cannot install an attached sign that would be readily visible from Campbell and other similar requests may not have the same hardship.

Mr. Petty closed the public hearing and asked for a motion to approve SCB Case #18-06.

Mr. Warner moved to approve SCB Case #18-06 as proposed with all variances included. Ms. Bohnsack seconded the motion and it failed 3-2.

Ms. Bohnsack moved to approve SCB Case #18-06 but not allow the time and temperature jump clock. Ms. Marshall seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

There being no other business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m. by Mr. Petty.


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