

COUNCIL POLICY NO. Y-2

TITLE: BILLBOARDS IN COMMERCIAL ZONES

POLICY: Directs staff to include for any future land use decision a condition which precludes the installation of a billboard on all commercial or industrial zoned property.

REFERENCE: Council minutes for October 23rd and November 20, 1989.

OCTOBER 23, 1989

CLOSED Determining that no one else wished Historic Bldg. to speak regarding this matter, Mayor Neilsen declared public hearing CLOSED. He advised that there would be deliberations at the next regular meeting.

Sign Code (b) Public hearing to consider amendments to the Salem Revised Code, Chapter 62 (sign code) primarily pertaining to increasing the minimum space between billboards.
Attached: Staff Report (CD) Addition: Communication from North Gateway Plan Development Committee

OPEN Mayor Neilsen declared public hearing open to receive comments.

Elegant John Elegant, Building and Safety Administrator, asked that the staff report be made a part of the record.

Moss Councilor Moss asked if there is a zone change from residential multi family to commercial retail, is there a way under the code to condition the zone change so that it does not gain the ability to put in a billboard.

Elegant Mr. Elegant replied that such a condition is allowable and that Council could approve to limit the height or totally prohibit a billboard.

Saabye, H Hap Saabye, Chairman of the Sign Code Committee, complimented the committee members for doing a good job, and said that as far as the committee is concerned, their work is complete.

Mayor Mayor Neilsen thanked the committee.

Blakely, J June Blakely, Sign Code Committee member and member of the North Gateway Plan Development Committee, asked if the moratorium on billboards be continued an additional 45 days until a decision is made on the North Gateway Urban Renewal Plan.

Juza City Attorney Juza explained that the present moratorium will terminate December 21st, and an effective date for the urban renewal plan is not anticipated until December 27th. He recommended that

the moratorium extension be included in the ordinance so that there will be no permits for that area for that period of time.

CLOSED

Determining that no one else wished to speak regarding this matter, Mayor Neilsen declared public hearing CLOSED. He advised that there would be deliberations at the next regular meeting.

NOVEMBER 20, 1989

Motion

Councilor Thompson moved approval of the Hearings Officer report, with the two following additional conditions: (1) That no billboards will be allowed to be placed on the property; and (2) that a roadway be built on the western edge of the property to line up with Croisan Creek; however, if the various property owners all agree to realign Golf Course Road and Acacia Drive, that credit for the costs of alignment of the westerly roadway would be applied to Golf Course Road and the requirement for that westerly access would be removed. The motion was seconded.

Moss

Councilor Moss announced that he has had an ex parte contact with the appellant, who is his neighbor, that although there has been discussion of the issues, he does not feel it will affect his participation in discussion or voting.

Jackson

Councilor Jackson advised that although he was absent from the public hearing, he has listened to the tape recordings and will participate in discussion and voting.

CARRIED

The motion was put to a vote and declared CARRIED.