

ISSUE: Variance 06-12

DATE OF DECISION: December 20, 2006

APPLICANT: Confederate Tribes of Siletz

PURPOSE OF REQUEST:

To request a variance from SRC 62.502(e) to allow a five foot tall, sixteen square foot driveway entrance sign where a four foot tall, eight square foot sign is allowed in an IC (Industrial Commercial) zone for property located at 4751 Astoria St NE.

ACTION:

The Hearings Officer GRANTS the request for a five-foot tall, sixteen square foot driveway entrance sign in an IC (Industrial Commercial) zone, for property located at 4751 Astoria Street NE, subject to the following conditions:

1. The freestanding sign on Astoria Street NE shall be limited to sixteen square feet in area.
2. The driveway entrance sign on Astoria Street NE shall be limited to sixteen square feet in area.
3. Permits for both signs shall be obtained.

Application Filing Date: September 5, 2006
Mandated Decision Date: March 2, 2007

This decision is final unless written appeal from an aggrieved party is filed with the City of Salem Planning Division, Room 305, 555 Liberty Street SE, Salem OR 97301, no later than **January 4, 2007**, 5:00 p.m. The appeal must state where the decision failed to conform to the provisions of the applicable code section of SRC Chapter 115. The appeal must be filed in duplicate with the City of Salem Planning Division. The appeal fee must be paid at the time of filing. If the appeal is untimely and/or lacks the proper fee, the appeal will be rejected. The Salem City Council will review the appeal at a public hearing. After the hearing, the City Council may amend, rescind, or affirm the action, or refer the matter to staff for additional information.

A copy of the findings and conclusions for this decision may be obtained by calling the Salem Planning Division at (503)588-6173, or writing to the following address: Salem Planning Division; Room 305, Civic Center, 555 Liberty Street SE; Salem, Oregon 97301.

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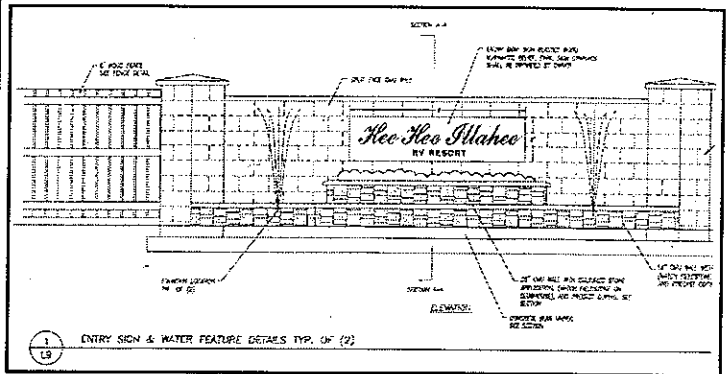
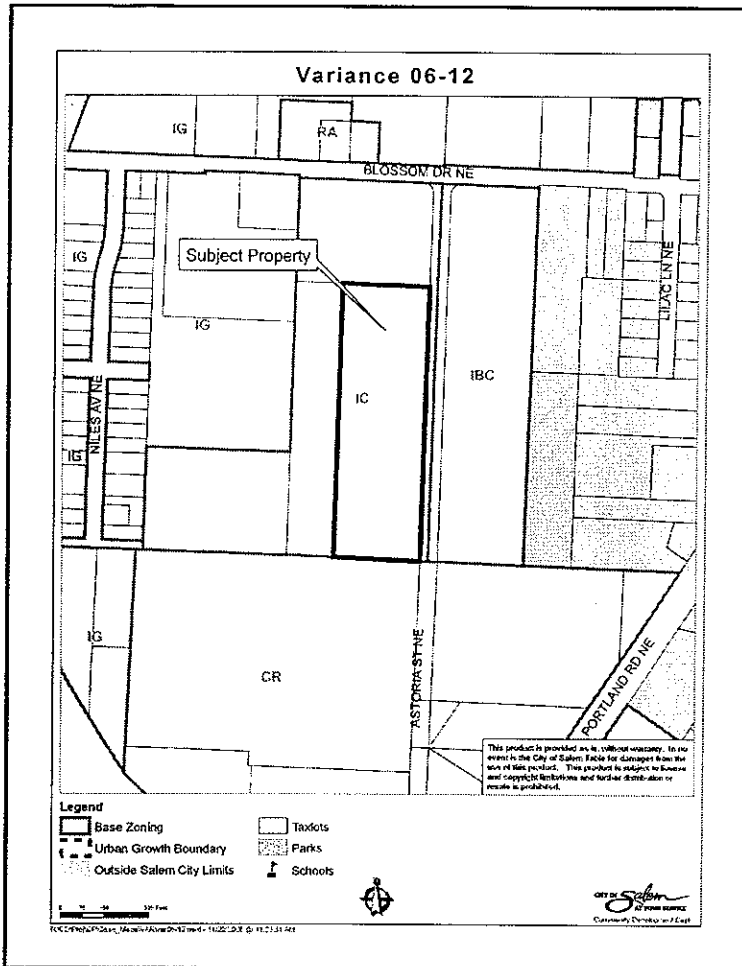
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NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING AFFECTING THIS AREA



TIME OF HEARING: 5:30 P.M.
HEARD BY: HEARINGS OFFICER
DATE OF HEARING: DECEMBER 13, 2006

LOCATION OF HEARING: City Council Chambers
 City Center/Room 240
 555 Liberty Street SE
 Salem, OR 97301

CASE NO. VARIANCE 06-12

ADDRESS: 4751 Astoria Street NE
PROPERTY OWNERS: Confederated Tribes of Siletz
FILER: Gregg Gubuan

PROPOSAL

VARIANCE: To request a variance from SRC 62.502(e) to allow a five foot tall, sixteen square foot driveway entrance sign where a four foot tall, eight square foot sign is allowed in an IC (Industrial Commercial) zone for property located at 4751 Astoria St NE.

NOTICE MAILING DATE: November 22, 2006

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SUMMARY OF ACTION

1. **Case:** Variance Case No. 06-12
2. **Summary of Issue(s):** To request a variance from SRC 62.502(e) to allow a five foot tall, sixteen square foot driveway entrance sign where a four foot tall, eight square foot sign is allowed in an IC (Industrial Commercial) zone for property located at 4751 Astoria St NE
3. **Staff Recommendation:** Based on the Facts and Findings presented in this staff report, staff recommended the Hearings Officer APPROVE the request for a five foot tall, sixteen square foot driveway entrance sign in an IC (Industrial Commercial) zone for property located at 4751 Astoria St NE:
 1. The freestanding sign on Astoria St shall be limited to sixteen square feet in area.
 2. The driveway entrance sign on Astoria St shall be limited to sixteen square feet in area.
 3. Permits for both signs shall be obtained.
4. **Neighborhood Assoc:** Northgate Neighborhood Association
 - a. **Oral Testimony:** Birdsong, Northgate Land Use Chair reiterated the approval for Hee Hee Illahee RV park sign by Northgate Neighborhood Association.
 - b. **Written Testimony:** Birdsong, Northgate Land Use Chair, stated Northgate Neighborhood Association was in approval of this variance for the signs at the entrance to the RV Resort. Although they are larger than allowed by city ordinance, they felt they were aesthetically pleasing along with the entire entrance structures comprised of brick walls and water fountains. Drivers traveling on Astoria Street coming from either direction will be able to easily locate the entrance with its welcoming signs.
5. **Interested Parties:**
 - a. **Oral Testimony:** None
 - b. **Written Testimony:** None
6. **Decision:** Hearings Officer GRANTED the request for a five foot tall, sixteen square foot driveway entrance sign in an IC (Industrial Commercial) zone for property located at 4751 Astoria St NE:
 1. The freestanding sign on Astoria St shall be limited to sixteen square feet in area.
 2. The driveway entrance sign on Astoria St shall be limited to sixteen square feet in area.
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7. **Basis of Decision:** The decision was based on the fact the signs are minimal in size for the identification purposes and safety of those entering the Park. Huge recreational vehicles going by the entrance would need this size sign to quickly identify the entrance, or else go down past the entrance, turn around and come back creating traffic safety issues.

Note: This summary statement is for information only and is not a part of the official record or finding of the case.