



Meeting Date: 6/18/12
Agenda Item: #11-12

PLAN COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

REPORT TO: President Burt McIntyre and Village Plan Commission

REPORT FROM: James Korotev, Director of Code Administration

AGENDA ITEM: The Village of Howard Plan Commission will hold a public hearing at 6:40 p.m. on June 18, 2012 in the Village Hall Board Room at 2456 Glendale Avenue concerning a proposed amendment to Section 50-1296 of the Zoning Ordinance regarding the regulations for realignment of nonconforming signs pertaining to sign elevation. **ACTION BY THE PLAN COMMISSION IS A RECOMMENDATION ONLY. THE VILLAGE BOARD HAS FINAL APPROVAL AUTHORITY FOR THIS MATTER**

APPLICANT: James Korotev, Director of Code Administration

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Newly adopted Ordinance #2011-19 establishes rules for nonconforming signs which are realigned because of a State highway project in accordance with Section 84.30(5r) of the Wisconsin State Statutes. Neither Ordinance #2011-19 nor the State Statutes, however, address sign elevation when establishing regulations for realignment. The proposed ordinance establishes rules for a realigned sign that limit the elevation of such sign to that of the sign prior to realignment.

RECOMMENDED ACTION BY PLAN COMMISSION

It is recommended that the Plan Commission open the public hearing, invite comments from the public, and then close the public hearing. After the public hearing is closed, the Plan Commission should review the request and, if satisfied with the proposal, recommend approval to the Village Board with any specific conditions as may be necessary to address concerns voiced by the public, staff or Commission members.

ATTACHMENTS

I Proposed Ordinance 2012-09

ORDINANCE NO. 2012 - 09

**AN ORDINANCE CREATING SECTION 50-1296(4) OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE
PERTAINING TO THE PERMITTED ELEVATION OF REALIGNED NONCONFORMING SIGNS**

WHEREAS the Village Clerk published a notice of public hearing regarding such proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance and a public hearing was held at the Village Hall on June 18, 2012, at 6:40 P.M., whereupon the Plan Commission heard all interested persons and/or their agents and attorneys; and

WHEREAS the Village Board of the Village of Howard has received a written recommendation and findings of the Village Plan Commission regarding such proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance;

NOW THEREFORE the Village Board of the Village of Howard, Brown County, Wisconsin, does hereby ordain that the Zoning Ordinance be amended as follows:

SECTION 1 Section 50-1296(4) is hereby created to read as follows:

(4) No realignment of a nonconforming sign undertaken in accordance with subsection (3) above, shall result in an increase in elevation of the realigned sign. For the purposes of this subsection, the "elevation" of a sign shall mean the elevation of the highest point or component of a sign in relation to mean sea level.

SECTION 2 All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3 This ordinance shall take effect upon its adoption and publication.

Approved and adopted this 18th day of June, 2012.

Burt McIntyre, Village President

ATTEST:

Christopher A. Haltom, Village Clerk

DATE OF PUBLICATION: 6/22/2012