Board of Zoning Adjustment Staff Report

May 18, 2015



Case No:15Variance1023Project Name:Kentucky One HealthLocation:3920 Dutchmans LaneOwner(s):Kentucky One Health

Applicant: Lloyd Graves, Signaroma Louisville East

Representative: Lloyd Graves, Signaroma Louisville East Project

Area/Size: 0.39 Acres

Jurisdiction: City of St. Matthews **Council District:** 26 – Brent Ackerson

Case Manager: Sherie' Long, Landscape Architect

REQUEST

- Variance #1: Variance from the Development Code, Article 11.E.2.b to allow a sign to be located 15 feet from the front property line and 9.5 feet from the street side property line.
- Variance #2: Variance from the Development Code, Article 11.E.2.f to allow the sign to be located 55 feet from the Dutchmans Lane street centerline.
- Variance #3: Variance from the Development Code, Article 11.E.2.g to allow the sign to be located approximately 100 feet from the nearest edge of the residential property to the north.
- Variance #4: Variance from the Development Code, Article 11.E.2.g to allow the sign to be located approximately 200 feet from the nearest edge of the residential property to the west.

Variance #1

| Location | Requirement | Request | Variance |
|---|-------------|----------|-----------|
| Front Property Line Setback (Dutchmans Ln) | 30 feet | 15 feet | 15 feet |
| Street Side Property Line Setback (Breckenridge Ln) | 30 feet | 9.5 feet | 20.5 feet |

Variance #2

| Location | Requirement | Request | Variance |
|---|-------------|---------|----------|
| Intersecting Street Centerline/Dutchmans Lane | 75 feet | 55 feet | 20 feet |

Variance #3

| Location | Requirement | Request | Variance |
|------------------------------------|-------------|------------------|----------|
| Nearest Edge of a Residential Zone | 300 feet | Approx. 100 feet | 200 feet |
| (north) | 300 1661 | Approx. 100 feet | 200 1661 |

Variance #4

| Location | Requirement | Request | Variance |
|---|-------------|------------------|----------|
| Nearest Edge of a Residential Zone (west) | 300 feet | Approx. 200 feet | 100 feet |

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CASE SUMMARY/BACKGROUND/SITE CONTEXT

The property owner is requesting variances to allow an existing illuminated off-premise sign to be refaced and reused. This existing sign is located in the City of St. Matthews at the corner of Breckenridge Lane and Dutchmans Lane. City of St. Matthews Council has approved the off-premise sign on condition the applicant is granted the required variances.

LAND USE/ZONING DISTRICT/FORM DISTRICT TABLE

The site is zoned C-2 in the Regional Center Form District (RC). It is surrounded by Commercial, Office, and residential property zoned C-1, C-2, OR-3, and R-4 in the Regional Center Form District (RC).

| | Land Use | Zoning | Form District |
|------------------------|---|------------|---------------|
| Subject Property | | | |
| Existing | Medical Facility | C-2 | RC |
| Proposed | Medical Facility | C-2 | RC |
| Surrounding Properties | | | |
| North | Commercial Parking Lot across Dutchmans Lane | R-4 | RC |
| South | Office, Utility Property | OR-3 & C-2 | RC |
| East | Medical Facility | C-2 | RC |
| West | Office & Commercial across Breckenridge Lane | OR-3 & C-2 | RC |

PREVIOUS CASES ON SITE

14Variance1073 Variances were granted to allow attached signage to exceed the maximum height on August 18, 2014.

B-216-02 Variances were granted to allow attached signage to exceed the maximum height on October 21, 2002.

INTERESTED PARTY COMMENTS

No inquiries were received.

APPLICABLE PLANS AND POLICIES

Development Code (City of St. Matthews, Ordinance 14-04, adopted August 12, 2014)

STANDARD OF REVIEW AND STAFF ANALYSIS FOR VARIANCES

(a) The requested variance will not adversely affect the public health, safety or welfare.

STAFF: The variance will not adversely affect the public health, safety or welfare because the sign is an existing sign. The only alteration of this existing signage is to replace the sign faces with new sign faces. The location of the existing sign does not interfere or impede traffic flow at the intersection.

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- (b) The requested variance will not alter the essential character of the general vicinity.
 - STAFF: The requested variance will not alter the essential character of the general vicinity because the sign is an existing sign which is being refaced.
- (c) The requested variance will not cause a hazard or nuisance to the public.
 - STAFF: The requested variance will not cause a hazard or nuisance to the public because the sign is an existing sign which is being refaced. The location of the sign does not interfere or impede traffic flow.
- (d) The requested variance will not allow an unreasonable circumvention of the zoning regulations.
 - STAFF: The requested variance will not allow an unreasonable circumvention of the zoning regulations because the sign is an existing sign being used. The location of the sign is an existing condition.

ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- 1. <u>The requested variance arises from special circumstances which do not generally apply to land in the general vicinity or the same zone.</u>
 - STAFF: The requested variance arises from special circumstances because the sign is an existing sign being refaced.
- 2. The strict application of the provisions of the regulation would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land or create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant.
 - STAFF: The strict application of the provisions of the regulation would create an unnecessary hardship on the applicant because the owner would be required to relocate the sign on the property. This new sign would be required to conform to both the size and setback regulations.
- 3. The circumstances are the result of actions of the applicant taken subsequent to the adoption of the zoning regulation from which relief is sought.
 - STAFF: The sign is an existing sign, plus the applicant is reusing the sign by only re-facing the structure.

TECHNICAL REVIEW

No technical issues to be addressed.

STAFF CONCLUSIONS

Based upon the information in the staff report, the analysis of the standards of review support the request to grant the variances. Therefore, the Board of Zoning Adjustment must determine if the proposal meets the standard for a variance established in the Development Code based on the testimony and evidence provided at the public hearing.

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NOTIFICATION

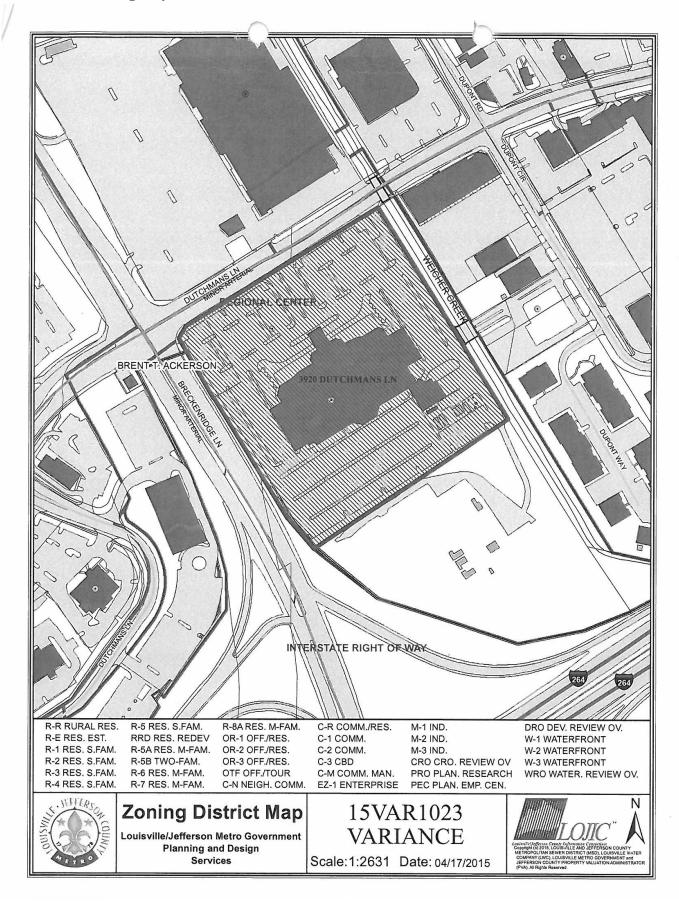
| Date | Purpose of Notice | Recipients |
|------------|-------------------|--|
| 05/01/2015 | BOZA Hearing | Neighborhood notification recipients |
| 05/04/2015 | BOZA Hearing | 1 st tier adjoining property owners |
| 05/04/2015 | Sign Posting | Subject property |

ATTACHMENTS

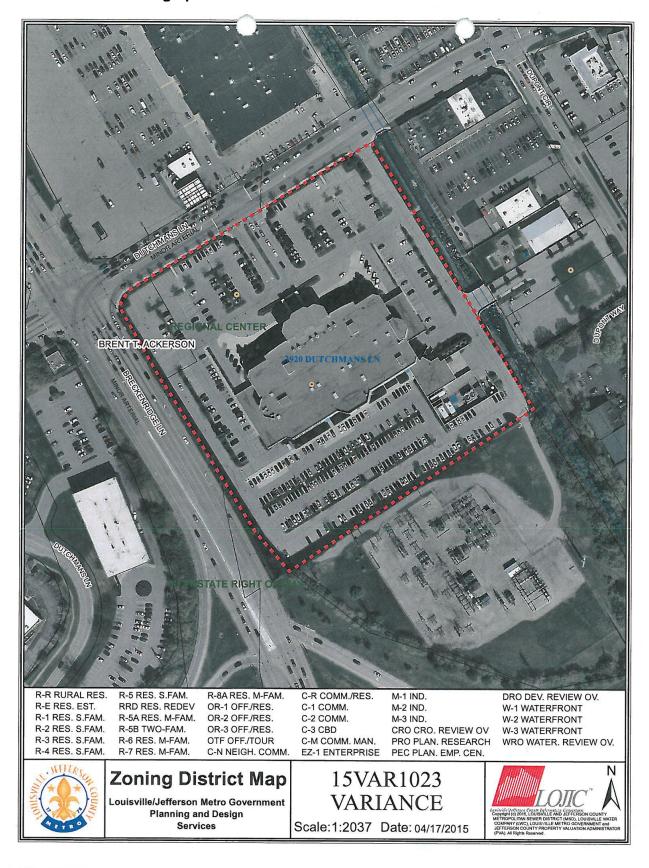
- 1. Zoning Map
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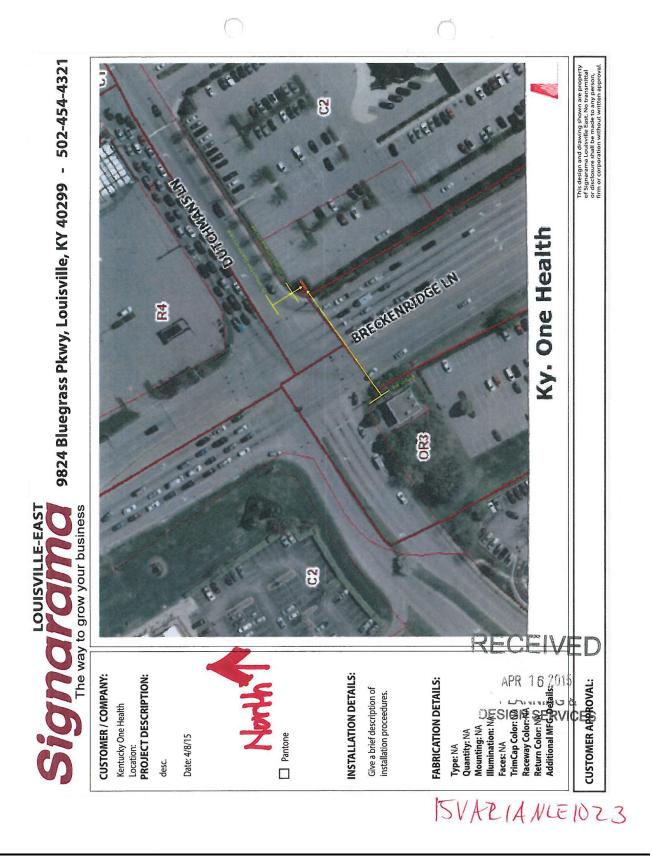
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Attachment 1: Zoning Map

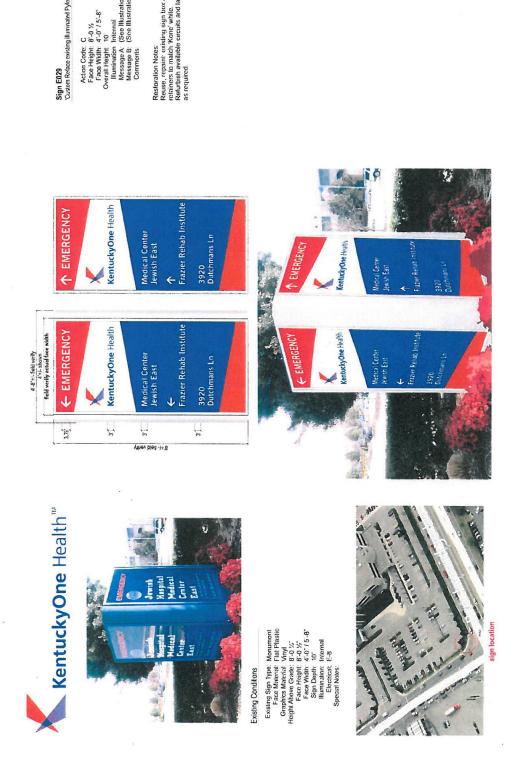


Attachment 2: Aerial Photograph





Attachment 4: Elevations



Attachment 5: Applicant's Justification

Variance Justification:

In order to justify approval of any variance, the Board of Zoning Adjustment considers the following criteria. Please answer <u>all</u> of the following items. Use additional sheets if needed. <u>A response of yes, no, or N/A is not acceptable.</u>

1. Explain how the variance will not adversely affect the public health, safety or welfare.

This variance will not adversely affect the public health. Saftey or welfare because the sign has been at this spot for many years and aids the fublic directionally.

2. Explain how the variance will not alter the essential character of the general vicinity.

Keeping the sign where it is and allowing a face change will still be in line with the essential character that exists now.

3. Explain how the variance will not cause a hazard or a nuisance to the public.

Not allowing the face change for new directional Durposes will cause a pursance to those in the public that itsed direction to the services the hospital provides-

4. Explain how the variance will not allow an unreasonable circumvention of the requirements of the zoning regulations.

Allow the face replacement on a sign that has had a permit for years is not a cir cum vention of the zoning requirements.

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Additional consideration:

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1. Explain how the variance arises from special circumstances, which do not generally apply too land in the general vicinity (please specify/identify).

These are special corcums fonces because this funce I is in st. Matthews the life Council was allow the face change and has granted a permit, but the Plan Colair Says BOZ4 Must approve any change to the sign.

2. Explain how the strict application of the provisions of the regulation would deprive the applicant of the reasonable use of the land or would create unnecessary hardship.

Not allow the use of the existing grans face to be changed out will check a hardship not only for known but every one who is coming to the facility.

3. Are the circumstances are the result of actions of the applicant taken subsequent to the adoption of the regulation which relief is sought?

No not at ail.

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Attachment 6: Site Photographs



Existing sign to be replaced



Existing Sign looking southeast from the Breckenridge Lane & Dutchmans Lane intersection



Looking west across Breckenridge Lane



Looking north across Dutchmans Lane



Looking east along Dutchmans Lane



Looking south along Breckenridge Lane