

CITY OF AUSTIN
Board of Adjustment
Decision Sheet

DATE: Monday March 12, 2018

CASE NUMBER: C16-2018-0002

Y Brooke Bailey
 Y William Burkhardt
 Y Christopher Covo
 Y Eric Goff
 - Melissa Hawthorne (OUT)
 Y Bryan King
 Y Don Leighton-Burwell
 - Rahm McDaniel (OUT)
 Y Veronica Rivera
 Y James Valadez
 Y Michael Von Ohlen
 Y Kelly Blume (Alternate)
 Y Martha Gonzalez (Alternate)
 - Pim Mayo (Alternate)

OWNER/APPLICANT: Edward Johnson

ADDRESS: 507 23RD ST

VARIANCE REQUESTED: The applicant has requested a variance(s) to Section 25-10-133 (University Neighborhood Overlay Zoning) to:

1. (F) allow a sign to be placed above the second floor of a building that is electric and not engraved, cut into the building surface or otherwise inlaid to become part of the building in order to add 1) one 4th - 6th story electric projecting sign attached to the North side of the building and 2) one top floor electric building sign attached to the South side of the building and 3) one electric building sign attached to the West side of the building above the second floor; and to

2. (G) (2) to increase the sign area of a projecting sign from 35 square feet (required, permitted) to 100 square feet (requested) within a "GO-CO-NP", General Office – Conditional Overlay – Neighborhood Plan and "GO-NP", General Office – Neighborhood Plan zoning district. (University Neighborhood Overlay, Inner)

Note: Section 25-10-133 (F) currently reads, "No sign may be placed above the second floor of a building, except for a non-electric sign that is engraved, cut into the building surface, or otherwise inlaid to become part of the building."

BOARD'S DECISION: The public hearing was closed on Board Member Michael Von Ohlen motion to Grant Item 1.1 for the proposed projecting blade sign on the north side of the building and Grant Item 2 limited to 50 square feet per side for the projecting blade sign on the north side of the building only, Board Member Veronica Rivera second on an 11-0 vote; GRANTED ITEM 1.1 FOR THE PROPOSED PROJECTING BLADE SIGN ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE BUILDING

**AND GRANTED ITEM 2 LIMITED TO 50 SQUARE FEET PER SIDE FOR THE PROJECTING BLADE SIGN ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE BUILDING.
EXPIRATION DATE: MARCH 12, 2019**

FINDING:

1. The variance is necessary because strict enforcement of the Article prohibits and reasonable opportunity to provide adequate signs on the site, considering the unique features of a site such as its dimensions, landscape, or topography, because: the blade is the only part of the building above Level 1 where could meet the requirements that a sign engraved cut into the building surface or otherwise inlaid to become a part of the building

OR,

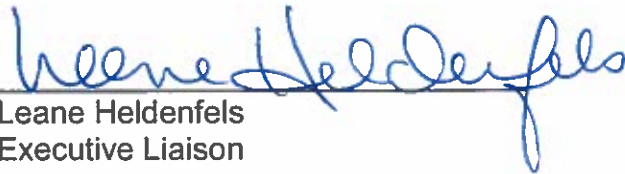
2. The granting of this variance will not have a substantially adverse impact upon neighboring properties, because: these signs would not change the character of the neighborhood buildings

OR,

3. The granting of this variance will not substantially conflict with the stated purposes of this sign ordinance, because: they are building identity signs conforming to neighborhood standards and they were in compliance with this Section of the LDC at the time of SDP and Building Permit approval

AND,

4. Granting a variance would not provide the applicant with a special privilege not enjoyed by others similarly situated or potentially similarly situated, because: Planned new developments are able to design buildings and building signs in compliance with the new code changes.


Leane Heldenfels
Executive Liaison


William Burkhardt
Chairman