CITY OF AUSTIN Board of Adjustment Decision Sheet

DATE: Monday May 13, 2019	CASE NUMBER: C16-2019-0001
Y Ada Corral Y William Burkhardt Y Darryl Pruett Y Eric Goff R Melissa Hawthorne (RECUSED) Y Yasmine Smith Y Don Leighton-Burwell Y Rahm McDaniel - Martha Gonzalez (Alternate) Y Veronica Rivera Y Jessica Cohen Y Michael Von Ohlen	
Kelly Blume (Alternate) Alternate (Vacant)	

APPLICANT: Ann B Lewis

OWNER: Steven Spratt

ADDRESS: 1201 WEST 38TH ST

VARIANCE REQUESTED: The applicant has requested a variance (s) to:

- A. Section 25-10-131 (D) (Additional Freestanding Signs Permitted) to increase the total number of freestanding signs from 2 (required, permitted) to 4 (requested, 1 to be replaced 3 existing to remain); and to
- B. Section 25-10-191 (Sign Setback Requirements) (E) to decrease the feet a sign with a support of more than 36 inches in diameter must be set back from street right of way from 12 feet (required) to 6 feet (requested, existing)

in order to replace one existing freestanding sign at this site in the Commercial Sign District within a "PUD", Planned Unit Development zoning district.

BOARD'S DECISION: BOA meeting May 13, 2019 The public hearing was closed by Chair William Burkhardt, Board Member Michael Von Ohlen motion to Grant only Item A to 3 free-standing signs and Item B withdrawn, Board Member Rahm McDaniel second on an 10-1 vote (Board member Melissa Hawthorne recused); GRANTED ONLY ITEM A TO 3 FREE-STANDING SIGNS AND ITEM B WITHDRAWN.

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: this sign is replacing existing signs which are wayfinding directional, the hospital fronts on four streets and needs adequate signs for the safety of traffic flow and finding the emergency room. OR,
- 2. The granting of this variance will not have a substantially adverse impact upon neighboring properties, because: the sign will only help the surrounding properties and will cause no adverse effect and is replacing an existing sign

OR.

- 3. The granting of this variance will not substantially conflict with the stated purposes of this sign ordinance, because: these signs are directional and wayfinding to the emergency room and parking for safety and traffic flow. 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: no special privilege will be enjoyed just lifesaving information and directional flow.

Elaine Ramirez **Executive Liaison**

Chairman