

# PUBLIC NOTICE & AGENDA BELOIT PLAN COMMISSION

# City Hall Forum - 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511 7:00 PM

Wednesday, March 3, 2021

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

### 2. MINUTES

2.a. Consideration of the minutes of the February 17, 2021 Plan Commission meeting Attachment

### 3. REPORTS

 Consideration of a Resolution approving a 2-lot Certified Survey Map for the property located at 2225 W Creedy Road in the Town of Beloit Attachment

### 4. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 4.a. Consideration of a Zoning Map Amendment from C-1, Office District, to C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District, for the property located at 2315 Prairie Avenue

  Attachment
- 4.b. Consideration of a Resolution approving an Exception to Section 30.13(2)(a) of the Outdoor Sign Regulations to allow a temporary banner sign greater than 100 square feet on the Flood Arena (845 Pleasant Street)

  Attachment
- 4.c. Consideration of a Resolution approving an Exception to Section 30.40(2)(c) of the Outdoor Sign Regulations to allow two secondary, on-premise signs larger than 30 square feet for the new Verizon store located at 2911 Milwaukee Road Attachment
- 5. STATUS REPORT ON PRIOR PLAN COMMISSION ITEMS Comprehensive Plan Amendment for 3155 Prairie Avenue Attachment Petition for 1945 Prairie Avenue

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### 6. ADJOURNMENT

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# MINUTES PLAN COMMISSION City Hall Forum - 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511 7:00 PM Wednesday, February 17, 2021

### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM. Chairman Weeden, Commissioners Robson, Toral, Finnegan, Ramsden, Ruster, and Councilor Preuschl were present.

### 2. MINUTES

2.a. Consideration of the minutes of the February 3, 2021 Plan Commission meeting
A motion was made by Commissioner Robson, seconded by Commissioner Ruster to
approve the minutes, as submitted. Motion carried, roll call vote.

### 3. REPORTS

3.a. Consideration of a Petition for Attachment of the property located at 1945 Prairie Avenue from the Town of Turtle to the City of Beloit

Julie Christensen, Community Development Director, presented the staff report and recommendation.

Commissioner Ramsden asked what would happen if someone's septic system failed and Plan Commission decided they did not want to attach the property. Ms. Christensen stated that the Attachment request would still go to City Council for consideration with a negative recommendation and then City Council would have to decide if they wanted to attach it. Commissioner Ramsden stated what if City Council decided not to attach it, then what would the person do with their sewer. Ms. Christensen stated that if the City Council decided not to attach, we would mostly support the replacement of the septic system. Commission Ramsden asked if there isn't really an option for the applicant, why do we make him go through this whole process. Ms. Christensen explained that this process is required by State law in order for a property to be annexed or attached to the City.

Motion was made by Commissioner Finnegan to approve the Petition for Attachment of property located at 1945 Prairie Ave, seconded by Commissioner Ramsden. Motion carried, roll call vote.

# 3.b. Consideration of a Resolution approving an Extraterritorial Certified Survey Map for the property located at 9127 S Lathers Road in the Town of Turtle

Julie Christensen, Community Development Director, presented the staff report and recommendation.

Motion was made by Commissioner Ruster to approve the Extraterritorial CSM, seconded by Commissioner Robson. Motion carried, roll call vote.

### 4. STATUS REPORT ON PRIOR PLAN COMMISSION ITEMS

Ms. Christensen stated that City Council approved the Final Subdivision for Parkmeadow North Plat Number Four, and the next meeting will be on March 3, 2021 with four items on the agenda.

Chairperson Weeden requested that if a request for a sign ordinance exception will be made in the future for new development, he would like it included in the staff report for the initial item coming before them.

Commissioners discussed stop signs on Sutler and Morgan Square.

### 5. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Commissioner Robson, and seconded by Commissioner Ramsden. Motion carried, roll call vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:18 PM.



### REPORT TO THE PLAN COMMISSION

Plan Commission Meeting Date: March 3, 2021

Agenda Item: 3.a.

File Number: CSM-2021-02

### **General Information**

Applicant: R.H. Batterman

Owner: Stephen K & Joyce H. Williams and Rodney & Lesia Burzinski

Address/Location: 2225 and 2137 W. Creedy Road

Applicant's Request: The applicant has proposed a two-lot Certified Survey Map (CSM) for

2225 & 2137 W. Creedy Road in the Town of Beloit.

### **Staff Analysis**

**Existing Conditions:** The current use of the area covered by this CSM is residential.

**Proposed Land Division:** The intent of the proposed CSM is to adjust a lot line to provide additional land to Lot 1.

**Surrounding Land Use and Zoning:** There are rural residential uses to the east and south of the subject property zoned R-1, Single-Family Residential. The properties to the north and west have agricultural uses zoned A-1, Exclusive Agriculture. All properties are located in The Town of Beloit and are subject to Town zoning.

City of Beloit Comprehensive Plan and Strategic Plan: The Comprehensive Plan's Future Land Use Map states these properties are outside the long range Urban Growth Area and recommends Single-Family Residential-Exurban uses for the subject properties. Land use cannot be considered when reviewing Extraterritorial CSM applications per state law.

Municipal Utilities: The subject property is not currently served by municipal utilities.

**Review Agent Comments:** The proposed Certified Survey Map (CSM) was sent to the City of Beloit Staff and Utility Contacts, and they did not have any comments.

### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

The Planning & Building Services Division recommends <u>approval</u> of the attached two-lot Certified Survey Map (CSM) for the properties at 2225 and 2137 W. Creedy Road in the Town of Beloit, subject to the following condition:

1. The final CSM shall be recorded with the Rock County Register of Deeds by December 31, 2021 and a copy provided to the Planning and Building Services Division.

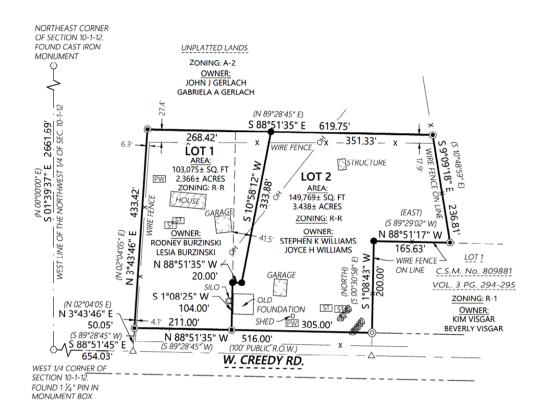
**ATTACHMENTS:** Location Map, Preliminary Certified Survey Map, Application, and Resolution.

### **LOCATION MAP**

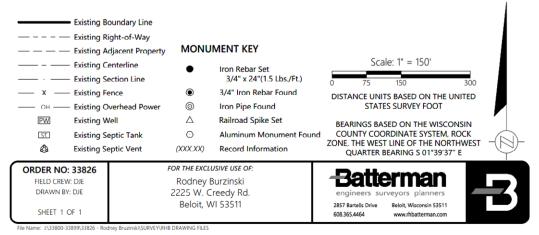


# PRELIMINARY CERTIFIED SURVEY MAP

OF LOTS 1 AND 2 OF CERTIFIED SURVEY MAP DOC. No. 1424057 RECORDED IN VOL. 22 ON PGS. 294-296, BEING PART OF THE SW 1/4 OF THE NW 1/4 OF SECTION 10, T. 1 N., R. 12 E., OF THE 4TH P.M., TOWN OF BELOIT, ROCK COUNTY, WISCONSIN.



### **LEGEND**



### CITY of BELOIT

### **Neighborhood Planning Division**

100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511 Phone: (608) 364-6700 Fax: (608) 364-6609 Application for Review of a Minor Subdivision 5m-2001-0 File Number (Please Type or Print) 1. Address of property: 2225 / 2137 W. Creedy Road 2. Tax Parcel Number(s): 6-2-31.10B / 6-2-91.10A 3. Property is located in (circle one): City of Beloit or Town of: Turtle; Beloit; Rock or LaPrairie In the NW Quarter of Section 10, Township 1 North, Range 12 East of the 4th P.M. 4. Owner of record: Stephen K. & Joyce H. Williams AND Rodney & Lesia Burzinski Phone: 811 Chapin Street AND 2225 W. Creedy Road WI 53511 (Address) (State) (ZIp) Phone: (608) 365 - 4464 R. H. Batterman & Co., Inc. (Kristin Belongia) 5. Surveyor's name: 2857 Bartells Dr. WI Beloit 53511 (Address) (Zip) (City) (State) 0 (Combination) 6. Number of new lots proposed with this land division is lot(s). 5.805 Acres 7. Total area of land included in this map: 8. Total area of land remaining in parent parcel: 9. Is there a proposed dedication of any land to the City of Beloit? 10. The present zoning classification of this property is: 11. Is the proposed use permitted in this zoning district: R-R (No Change) 12. THE FOLLOWING ITEMS MAY NEED TO BE COMPLETED AND/OR ATTACHED: ☐ Site Assessment Checklist; is required if the total area of CSM is over 5 acres. ☐ Pre-application meeting; a pre-application meeting was held on with City of Beloit Staff. ☐ Developer's Statement; as required by section 12.02(7) of the Subdivision Ordinance. ☐ Phase One Environmental Assessment: as per section 12.05(1)(c) of the Subdivision Ordinance. ☑ Certified Survey Map: one copy as required by section 12.05(1) of the Subdivision Ordinance. The applicant's signature below indicates the information contained in this application and on all accompanying documents is true and correct. The undersigned does hereby respectfully make application for and petition the City Plan Commission or City Council for approval of this Certified Survey Map for the purpose stated herein. The undersigned also agrees to abide by all applicable federal, state and local laws, rules, and regulations .00 2 - 14 - 2021 (Name of applicant) (Date) This application must be submitted at least 21 days prior to the Plan Commission meeting date. Amount paid: Review fee: \$150 plus \$10 per lot 202 Scheduled meeting date: Date: 2 Application accepted by: Planning Form No. 53 Established: June 1998 (Revised: January, 2006) Page 1 of 1 Pages

# RESOLUTION APPROVING A TWO-LOT CERTIFIED SURVEY MAP FOR THE PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 2225 AND 2137 W. CREEDY ROAD

**WHEREAS**, Section 12.05(1)b of Chapter 12 of the Code of General Ordinances of the City of Beloit entitled "Subdivision and Official Map Ordinance" authorizes the City Plan Commission of the City of Beloit to approve, conditionally approve, or reject any minor subdivision of land within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the attached two-lot Certified Survey Map for the properties located at 2225 and 2137 W. Creedy Road, containing 5.805 acres, more or less, is located within the extraterritorial jurisdiction of the City of Beloit; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Plan Commission of the City of Beloit has reviewed the attached two-lot Certified Survey Map, which pertains to the following described land:

LOTS 1 AND 2 OF CERTIFIED SURVEY MAP DOCUMENT NUMBER 1424057 RECORDED IN VOLUME 22 ON PAGES 294-296, BEING PART OF THE SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  OF THE NW  $\frac{1}{4}$  OF SECTION 10, T. N., R. 12 E., OF THE  $4^{TH}$  P.M., TOWN OF BELOIT, ROCK COUNTY, WISCONSIN.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Plan Commission of the City of Beloit does hereby conditionally approve the attached two-lot Certified Survey Map for the properties located at 2225 and 2137 W. Creedy Road, subject to the following condition:

1. The final CSM shall be recorded with the Rock County Register of Deeds by December 31, 2021 and a copy provided to the Planning and Building Services Division.

Adopted this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2021.

Plan Commission

Timothy Weeden, Chairman

ATTEST:

Julie Christensen,
Community Development Director



### REPORT TO THE PLAN COMMISSION

Plan Commission Meeting Date: March 3, 2021

Agenda Item: 4.a.

File Number: ZMA-2021-01

### **General Information**

**Applicant:** Amy Jacobson, President on behalf of Teachers Credit Union

Owner: Teachers Credit Union

Address/Location: 2315 Prairie Avenue

Applicant's Request/Proposal: The applicant is requesting a Zoning Map Amendment from C-

1, Office District to C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District

### **Staff Analysis**

**Existing Site Conditions:** The current site is located on the corner of Prairie Avenue and Robin Road across the street from Aldrich Intermediate School with three access points. One of the access points is from Prairie Avenue and two are off Robin Road.

**Surrounding Land Use and Zoning:** To the north is River of Life United Methodist Church zoned PLI, Public Lands and Institutions. To the east are single-family dwellings zoned R-1A, Single-family Residential. To the south is the Good News Christian Center zoned C-2, Neighborhood Commercial. To the West is Aldrich Intermediate School zoned PLI, Public Lands and Institutions.

City of Beloit Comprehensive and Strategic Plan: The Comprehensive Plan's Future Land Use Map recommends Neighborhood Commercial Uses; this land use category is intended for neighborhood-scale residential, office, and neighborhood supporting institutional and commercial land uses. C-2 zoning is consistent with this future land use recommendation.

**Zoning Map Amendment Findings of Fact:** Based on Section 2-304 of the Zoning Ordinance, the Plan Commission shall make a recommendation based on the following considerations:

1. The existing use of property within the general area of the subject property.

The current use is compatible with the adjacent commercial uses and will not change.

- 2. The zoning classification of property within the general area of the subject property. The requested zoning classification is consistent with the zoning classification of land uses in the general area, specifically the existing C-2 zoning district immediately south of the subject property.
- 3. The suitability of the subject property for the uses permitted under the existing zoning classification.

A financial institution is a permitted use within the C-1, Office Use. However, the City's Comprehensive Plan identifies this property as Neighborhood Commercial, which specifies a zoning classification of C-2, Neighborhood Commercial.

4. The trend of development and zoning map amendments in the general area of the subject property.

The subject area is already fully developed, and the applicant does not plan on changing the current use of the property. The church property to the south was rezoned from C-1 to C-2 in 2013.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION – ZONING MAP AMENDMENT:

The Planning & Building Services Division recommends <u>approval</u> of a Zoning Map Amendment to change the zoning district classification from C-1, Office District to C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District, for the property located at 2315 Prairie Avenue.

**ATTACHMENTS:** Location & Zoning Map, Application, Public Notice, and Mailing List.

### **Location Map**



### CITY of BELOIT

### PLANNING & BUILDING SERVICES DIVISION

100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511 Phone: (608) 364-6700 Fax: (608) 364-6609 Zoning Map Amendment Application Form File No.: 7 MA 000 (Please Type or Print) 1. Address of subject property: 2315 Prairie Ave., Beloit, WI 53511 2. Legal description: Lot: 3,4 Block: 3 Subdivision: Greenfield (If property has not been subdivided, attach a copy of the complete legal description from deed.) Property dimensions are: \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ feet by \_\_\_\_ feet = \_\_\_ If more than two acres, give area in acres: overall area is 1.29 3. Tax Parcel Number(s): 21970600 4. Owner of record: Teachers Credit Union Phone: 608-362-8983 WI 2315 Prairie Avenue Beloit 53511 (Address) (City) (State) (Zip) 5. Applicant's Name: Amy Jacobson, President on behalf of Teachers Credit Union 2315 Prairie Avenue Beloit WI 53511 (Address) (City) (State) (Zip) 608-362-8983 ajacobson@tcubeloit.net (Office Phone #) (Cell Phone #) (E-mail Address) 6. THE FOLLOWING ACTION IS REQUESTED: to: C-2 Change zoning district classification from: C-1 All existing uses on this property are: for financial purposes 7. All the proposed uses for this property are: Principal use(s): Financial Services Secondary use(s): Accessory use(s): \_ Planning Form No. 13 Established: January, 1998 (Revised: November 2012)

Ci	ity of Beloit Zoning Map Amendment App	plication Form (continued)		
8.	I/we represent that I/we have a vested interest in this pro	operty in the following manner:		
	(X) Owner			
	( ) Leasehold, Length of lease:			
	( ) Contractual, Nature of contract:			
	( ) Other, explain:			
9.	Individual(s) responsible for compliance with condition	ns (if any), if request is granted:		
	Name(s): Amy Jacobson, President	Phone: 608-362-8983		
	2315 Prairie Avenue Beloit	WI 53511		
	(Address) (City)	(State) (Zip)		
	he applicant's signature below indicates the informatio Il accompanying documents is true and correct.	on contained in this application and on		
Co rep the	I/we, the undersigned, do hereby respectfully make application for and petition the City Plan Commission and City Council to grant the requested action for the purpose stated herein. I/we represent that the granting of the proposed request will not violate any of the required standards of the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Beloit. I/we also agree to abide by all applicable federal, state and local laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations.    Amulacobs			
	(Signature of Owner) (Print name)	(Date)		
_	(Signature of Applicant, if different) (Print name)	/ (Data)		
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In order for your request to be heard and considered in a timely manner, you must submit the completed application and all accompanying documents to the Division for acceptance by the filing deadline date prior to a scheduled Plan Commission meeting. This application must be submitted with the \$275.00 application fee. Applicants will also be charged a fee for mailing public notices at the rate of \$0.50 per notice. An invoice for this fee will be sent to the applicant, and it is typically between \$5.00 and \$20.00.				
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### **NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC**

February 11, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

The Teachers Credit Union has submitted an application for review and consideration for a Zoning Map Amendment to rezone the subject property located at: **2315 Prairie Avenue** from C-1, Office District to C-2, Neighborhood Commercial District.

The following public hearings will be held regarding these applications:

<u>City Plan Commission:</u> Wednesday, March 3, 2021, at 7:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard in The Forum, Beloit City Hall, 100 State Street.

<u>City Council:</u> Monday March 15, 2021, at 7:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard in The Forum, Beloit City Hall, 100 State Street.

### We are interested in your opinion.\*

\*Due to the COVID-19 crisis, members of the public are highly encouraged to provide oral or written comments to the Commission and City Council via alternative means. You may mail your comments to the attention of Hilary Rottmann at 100 State Street or via email to <a href="mailto:rottmannh@beloitwi.gov">rottmannh@beloitwi.gov</a>. You may also call (608) 364-6708 to provide your comments over the phone. In-person attendance at Commission and Council meetings will be limited.

The River of Life Umc 2375 Prairie Ave Beloit, WI 53511

Ladder Property Ventures, LLC 828 E Nakoma Ct Beloit, WI 53511

> Amanda Kober 2312 Sunshine Ln Beloit, WI 53511

> Raul N. Casique 2306 Sunshine Ln Beloit, WI 53511

Hernan Zagal Vazquez 2298 Sunshine Ln Beloit, WI 53511

Jeremy J. Badger Melissa M. Badger 2290 Sunshine Ln Beloit, WI 53511

> Ruby M. White 2280 Sunshine Ln Beloit, WI 53511

Good News Center 2293 Prairie Ave Beloit, WI 53511

School District of Beloit 1500 Fourth St Beloit, WI 53511

# Beloit WISCONSIN

### REPORT TO THE PLAN COMMISSION

Plan Commission Meeting Date: March 3, 2021

Agenda Item: 4b

File Number: SOE-2021-03

### **General Information**

**Applicant:** Beloit College **Owner:** Beloit College

**Address/Location:** Flood Arena (845 Pleasant Street) with Parcel Address of 601 Emerson St. **Applicant's Request:** Exception to the Sign Ordinance to allow a 112 square-foot banner sign

### **Staff Analysis**

**Request Details:** Beloit College has filed an application for an exception to Section 30.13(2)(a) of the Outdoor Sign Regulations (the "Sign Ordinance") to allow a 112 square-foot temporary banner sign on the gym building located at 845 Pleasant Street/601 Emerson Street. Banner signs are limited to 100 square feet in area (including both sides of the banner). The applicant's sign is single-sided and 112 square feet in area. The display area is the western exterior wall of the Flood Arena, which faces Pleasant Street and the Powerhouse as shown in the attached photo. Since the content of the sign cannot be regulated, the exact banner sign is not shown.

**Exception Standards:** Section 30.48(2) of the Sign Ordinance outlines standards for granting an exception. The Ordinance states that the Plan Commission may grant an exception if it determines that:

- a. Compliance with the strict letter of the Sign Ordinance would create an economic hardship by either unreasonably restricting an on-premises sign owner from advertising a business or rendering conformity with such regulations unnecessarily burdensome upon an owner of an on-premises sign.
  - Compliance with the Ordinance may create an economic hardship by requiring the applicant to discard existing banner signs and to purchase new signs that are 12 square feet smaller.
- b. The hardship is not self-created.
  - The need for a larger sign is largely created by the setback from the roadway (greater than 100 feet) and grade differential.
- c. The exception will not undermine the purpose of the Sign Ordinance or the public interest.
  - The banner sign is single-sided, professionally made and installed and is only slightly larger than what is allowed by code.

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

The Planning & Building Services Division recommends <u>approval</u> of an exception to Section 30.13(2)(a) of the Sign Ordinance to allow a 112 square-foot temporary banner sign on the gym building located at 845 Pleasant Street/601 Emerson Street, based on the above Findings of Fact and subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The applicant shall obtain a Sign Permit by March 31, 2021.
- 2. Any major changes in the adopted conditions of this Sign Ordinance Exception shall be approved by the Plan Commission. The Director of Planning & Building Services may approve minor changes administratively.

**ATTACHMENTS:** Site Photo, Sign Location Map, Application, Public Notice, and Resolution.

### Google Maps 950 Pleasant St



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Street View





### CITY of BELOIT

# Planning & Building Services Division 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511 Phone: (608) 364-6700 Fax: (60

Fax: (608) 364-6609

	Sign Ordinance Exception Application Form			
Pla	(Please Type or Print) File number:	OE-2021-03		
-	Name of applicant: Beloit College Phone #:	608-363-2408		
١.	700 College Street Beloit WI	53511		
	(Address) (City) (State)	(Zip)		
2.	2. Address of subject property: 845 Pleasant Street (Flood Arena)	601 Emerson		
3.	<ol> <li>Tax Parcel Number(s): 13670455 (Parcel address is 601 Emersor</li> </ol>	n St.)		
4.	4. Legal description: L 1 CSM V 12 PGS 244 & 245			
5.	5. Present zoning: PLI, WPO Present use: Gymnasium			
6.				
7.	7. Owner of record: Board of Trustees of Beloit College Phone: 6	08-363-2408		
	(same as applicant)			
	(Address) (City) (State) E-mail address: schooffd@beloit.edu	(Zip)		
8.	8. State specific sections of code and exception(s) requested: (Use separate sh	eet if necessary)		
	30.13 (2)(a) Temoorary Banner Signs. Beloit College seeks permi	ssion to display		
	one 8x14 sign high up on the west facing wall of Flood Arena (	The colleges's		
	basketball and volleyball gym). This 112 sq ft. sign would be display	yed until the end		
	of the spring semester (this year, due to covid, the semester	30.)		
	The wall is approx. 125 feet from the edge of pleasant street,	he		
	right-of-way.			
9.	<ol> <li>State specific hardship experienced by the applicant: (Use separate sheet if n The current ordinance would limit the sign to 100 sq feet and only to</li> </ol>			
	30 days.			
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10. In order for this application to be considered complete, the applicant must attach a scale drawing (1" = 20' usually works best) showing the location of property lines and their dimensions, existing buildings and improvements, all abutting properties and improvements thereon, and the proposed changes or additions. A professional drawing is not required. You are required to furnish a legible drawing with enough detail that will adequately advise and inform the Commission.

The applicant's signature below indicates the information contained in this application and on all accompanying documents is true and correct.

Daniel Schooff	Daniel J. Schooff - A	uth. Rep. <sub>/</sub> 2/2/2021
(Signature of Owner)	(Print name)	(Date)
	/	
(Signature of Applicant, if different)	(Print name)	(Date)

The applicant acknowledges that this application is not deemed filed until dated and receipt acknowledged by a person authorized to receive the application. The applicant is entitled to receive a copy of the acknowledged application once it is officially reviewed and accepted.

### Hearings are usually held in City Hall Forum, City Hall, 100 State Street at 7:00 P.M.

In order for your request to be heard and considered in a timely manner, you must submit the completed application to the Planning & Building Services Division for acceptance by the filing deadline date prior to a scheduled Plan Commission meeting.

The application fee will be \$100 and applicants will be charged actual out-of-pocket costs for mailing public notices at the rate of \$0.50 per notice.

To be completed by Planning staff			
Filing fee: \$100.00 Amount paid: \$100. Meeting date: March 3, Zoz1  Application accepted by: Date: 2/5/21  No. of notices: x mailing cost (\$0.50) = cost of mailing notices: \$			
Date Notice Published: Date Notice Mailed:			

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#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

February 17, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

Beloit College has filed an application for an exception to Section 30.13(2)(a) of the Outdoor Sign Regulations (the "Sign Ordinance") to allow a 112 square-foot banner sign on the gym building located at 845 Pleasant Street/601 Emerson Street.

The following public hearing will be held regarding the proposed exception:

<u>City Plan Commission:</u> Wednesday, March 3, 2021, at 7:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard in The Forum, Beloit City Hall, 100 State Street.

### We are interested in your opinion.\*

\*Due to the COVID-19 crisis, members of the public are highly encouraged to provide oral or written comments to the Commission via alternative means. You may mail your comments to the attention of Drew Pennington at 100 State Street or via email to <a href="mailto:penningtond@beloitwi.gov">penningtond@beloitwi.gov</a>. You may also call (608) 364-6711 to provide your comments over the phone. In-person attendance at Commission meetings will be limited.

#### RESOLUTION

## AUTHORIZING AN EXCEPTION TO SECTION 30.13(2)(A) OF THE SIGN ORDINANCE FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 845 PLEASANT STREET

WHEREAS, the application of Beloit College for an exception to Section 30.13(2)(a) of the Outdoor Sign Regulations (the "Sign Ordinance") to allow a 112 square-foot banner sign on the gym building located at 845 Pleasant Street/601 Emerson Street, having been considered by the Plan Commission of the City of Beloit, Wisconsin at a public hearing held for that purpose.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED,** that the Plan Commission of the City of Beloit, Rock County, Wisconsin does hereby grant an exception to Section 30.13(2)(a) of the Sign Ordinance to allow a 112 square-foot banner sign on the gym building located at 845 Pleasant Street/601 Emerson Street in the City of Beloit, for the following described premises:

Lot 1 of a Certified Survey Map recorded in Volume 12 on Pages 244-245 as Document No. 1016178, located in the City of Beloit, Rock County, Wisconsin. Said parcel contains 3.584 acres, more or less.

This exception is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. The applicant shall obtain a Sign Permit by March 31, 2021.
- 2. Any major changes in the adopted conditions of this Sign Ordinance Exception shall be approved by the Plan Commission. The Director of Planning & Building Services may approve minor changes administratively.

Adopted this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2021.

	PLAN COMMISSION
	Tim Weeden, Plan Commission Chairman
ATTEST:	
Community Development Director	

# Beloit WISCONSIN

### REPORT TO THE PLAN COMMISSION

Plan Commission Meeting Date: March 3, 2021

Agenda Item: 4c

File Number: SOE-2021-02

### **General Information**

**Applicant:** Signs Now

Owner: M & W Development, LLC

Address/Location: Verizon Wireless Store, 2911 Milwaukee Road

Applicant's Request: Exception to the Sign Ordinance to allow two secondary, on-premises

signs larger than 30 square feet in area.

### **Staff Analysis**

**Request Details:** Signs Now has filed an application for an exception to Section 30.40(2)(c) of the Outdoor Sign Regulations (the "Sign Ordinance") to allow two secondary, on-premises signs to exceed thirty (30) square feet in area, for the property located at 2911 Milwaukee Road. There is a recently constructed Verizon Wireless store on the subject property that has installed a 50 square-foot primary wall sign on the front (southeast) side of the building (see attached rendering). In lieu of constructing a freestanding pole or monument sign near the street, the applicant has proposed the installation of two additional 50 square-foot wall signs on the building sides as shown. The proposed signs are internally illuminated channel letters in white & red against the gray façade.

**Applicant's Hardship Argument:** According to the applicant, the proposed signs are required by Verizon corporate marketing as part of uniform sign standards. The applicant has volunteered to forgo a freestanding primary sign as a condition of approval, which would otherwise allow a freestanding sign up to 150 square feet in area and 50 feet in height.

**Exception Standards:** Section 30.48(2) of the Sign Ordinance outlines standards for granting an exception. The Ordinance states that the Plan Commission may grant an exception if it determines that:

- a. Compliance with the strict letter of the Sign Ordinance would create an economic hardship by either unreasonably restricting an on-premises sign owner from advertising a business or rendering conformity with such regulations unnecessarily burdensome upon an owner of an on-premises sign.
  - Because corporate standards require the size of all wall signs to be uniform when more than one sign is visible on the building, compliance would require three 30 square-foot wall signs. According to the applicant, 30 square-foot signs would not be adequate along a heavily traveled state highway with a 40 MPH speed limit.

- b. The hardship is not self-created.
  - The applicant is required to display a certain amount and type of signage in order to operate a Verizon store.
- c. The exception will not undermine the purpose of the Sign Ordinance or the public interest.
  - The proposed signage (three 50 square-foot signs) is compatible with the scale of the building and will not add to visual clutter along the street.
  - Compliance with the Ordinance would actually allow significantly more signage (primary sign at 150 square feet plus 90 square feet of secondary signage totaling 240 square feet) than what is being proposed as a compromise by the applicant. This compromise will mean that there will <u>not</u> be an additional pole sign along Milwaukee Road.
  - This is the rare scenario in which the Plan Commission can actually ensure a reduction in overall signage on the property by granting the requested Exception, subject to conditions.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

The Planning & Building Services Division recommends <u>approval</u> of an exception to Section 30.40(2)(c) of the Outdoor Sign Regulations (the "Sign Ordinance") to allow two secondary, onpremises signs to exceed thirty (30) square feet in area, for the property located at 2911 Milwaukee Road, based on the above Findings of Fact and subject to the following conditions:

- 1. This approval authorizes two secondary, on-premises wall signs at 50 square feet each as shown in the application attachments. If the applicant elects to install a fourth wall sign on the rear facade in the future, it may not exceed 30 square feet in area.
- 2. No freestanding primary sign (ground or pole) may be constructed on the property. One directional sign that meets code may be installed to guide vehicular traffic.
- 3. An Architectural Review Certificate and Sign Permit are required prior to construction of any and all signs.
- 4. Any major changes in the adopted conditions of this Sign Ordinance Exception shall be approved by the Plan Commission. The Director of Planning & Building Services may approve minor changes administratively.

ATTACHMENTS: Site Diagram, Sign Renderings, Application, Public Notice, and Resolution.

### **Sign Location Diagram**



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LEGEND		
1	SOUTHEAST ELEVATION WALL SIGN	1
2	NORTHWEST ELEVATION WALL SIGN	1
3	NORTHEAST ELEVATION WALL SIGN	1
4	DOOR VINYL	1 SET

### Existing Primary Wall Sign (50 SF) on Front



### Proposed Secondary Wall Signs (50 SF Per Sign X 2 Sides)



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CITY of BELOIT Planning & Building Services Division 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511 Phone: (608) 364-6700 Fax: (608) 364-6609 Sign Ordinance Exception Application Form (Please Type or Print) File number: Phone #: 815-398-8371 1. Name of applicant: Signs Now 700 20th Street, Rockford, IL 61104 (Address) Address of subject property: 2911 Milwaukee Road, Beloit, WI 53511 Tax Parcel Number(s): Legal description: 5. Present zoning: C-3 Present use: Community Commercial Proposed use (if different): \_ 7. Owner of record: M& W Development, 16e E-mail address: todd & marder. com 8. State specific sections of code and exception(s) requested: (Use separate sheet if necessary) 30.40 - SECONDARY, ON-PREMISES SIGNS. (2) REGULATIONS. Secondary signs shall: (c)Not exceed 30 square feet in area or 10 percent of the sign area of the primary, on-premises sign, whichever is less, unless a larger sign area is permitted by §30.31(3). 9. State specific hardship experienced by the applicant: (Use separate sheet if necessary) Verizon requires national banding to such that all letter sizes will remain the same size from any view point where more than 1 sign is visible. Tenant elected to forego the large 150 sf Pylon sign in order to try and get thesame size letterin on the building. The collective sf of the signage we are proposing is less than the signage given up to try and obtain the branding standard for his company We are asking for approval based on the hardship of being able to use addition SF for the building due to this purpose. Wall signage is calculated @ 50 SF ea. x 3 Established: March 2006 Revised: November, 2012 Planning Form No. Page 1 of 2 Pages

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### Sign Ordinance Exception Application Form

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10. In order for this application to be considered complete, the applicant must attach a scale drawing (1" = 20' usually works best) showing the location of property lines and their dimensions, existing buildings and improvements, all abutting properties and improvements thereon, and the proposed changes or additions. A professional drawing is not required. You are required to furnish a legible drawing with enough detail that will adequately advise and inform the Commission.

The applicant's signature below indicates the information contained in this application and on all accompanying documents is true and correct.

(Signature of Applicant, if different)

(Print name)

(Print name)

(Print name)

(Date)

The applicant acknowledges that this application is not deemed filed until dated and receipt acknowledged by a person authorized to receive the application. The applicant is entitled to receive a copy of the acknowledged application once it is officially reviewed and accepted.

### Hearings are usually held in City Hall Forum, City Hall, 100 State Street at 7:00 P.M.

In order for your request to be heard and considered in a timely manner, you must submit the completed application to the Planning & Building Services Division for acceptance by the filing deadline date prior to a scheduled Plan Commission meeting.

The application fee will be \$100 and applicants will be charged actual out-of-pocket costs for mailing public notices at the rate of \$0.50 per notice.

To be completed by Planning staff			
Filing fee: \$100.00 Amount paid:	Meeting date:		
Application accepted by:	Date:		
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### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

February 11, 2021

To Whom It May Concern:

Signs Now on behalf of Verizon Wireless has filed an application for an exception to Section 30.40(2)(c) of the Outdoor Sign Regulations (the "Sign Ordinance") to allow two secondary wall signs to exceed thirty (30) square feet in area, for the property located at:

#### Verizon Wireless, 2911 Milwaukee Road.

The applicant recently obtained approval to construct a Verizon Wireless retail store on the subject property. The proposed sign package includes three secondary wall signs on the building. The Sign Ordinance allows three secondary wall signs on the building up to 30 square feet each. All three of the proposed secondary wall signs are 50 square feet each.

The following public hearing will be held regarding the proposed exception:

<u>City Plan Commission:</u> Wednesday, March 3, 2021, at 7:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard in The Forum, Beloit City Hall, 100 State Street.

### We are interested in your opinion.\*

\*Due to the COVID-19 crisis, members of the public are highly encouraged to provide oral or written comments to the Commission and City Council via alternative means. You may mail your comments to the attention of Hilary Rottmann at 100 State Street or via email to <a href="mailto:rottmannh@beloitwi.gov">rottmannh@beloitwi.gov</a>. You may also call (608) 364-6708 to provide your comments over the phone. In-person attendance at Commission and Council meetings will be limited.

# RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXCEPTION TO SECTION 30.40(2)(C) OF THE SIGN ORDINANCE FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2911 MILWAUKEE ROAD

WHEREAS, the application of Signs Now for an exception to Section 30.40(2)(c) of the Outdoor Sign Regulations (the "Sign Ordinance") to allow two secondary, on-premises signs to exceed thirty (30) square feet in area, for the property located at 2911 Milwaukee Road, having been considered by the Plan Commission of the City of Beloit, Wisconsin at a public hearing held for that purpose.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED,** that the Plan Commission of the City of Beloit, Rock County, Wisconsin does hereby grant an exception to Section 30.40(2)(c) of the Outdoor Sign Regulations (the "Sign Ordinance") to allow two secondary, on-premises signs to exceed thirty (30) square feet in area, for the property located at 2911 Milwaukee Road in the City of Beloit, for the following described premises:

Lot 2 of a Certified Survey Map recorded in Volume 40 on Pages 448-450 as Document No. 2168734, located in the City of Beloit, Rock County, Wisconsin. Said parcel contains 22,820 square feet, more or less.

This exception is subject to the following conditions:

- 1. This approval authorizes two secondary, on-premises wall signs at 50 square feet each as shown in the application attachments. If the applicant elects to install a fourth wall sign on the rear facade in the future, it may not exceed 30 square feet in area.
- 2. No freestanding primary sign (ground or pole) may be constructed on the property. One directional sign that meets code may be installed to guide vehicular traffic.
- 3. An Architectural Review Certificate and Sign Permit are required prior to construction of any and all signs.
- 4. Any major changes in the adopted conditions of this Sign Ordinance Exception shall be approved by the Plan Commission. The Director of Planning & Building Services may approve minor changes administratively.

Adopted this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2021.

	PLAN COMMISSION	
	Tim Weeden, Chairman	
ATTEST:		
Julie Christensen Community Development Director		