

716 N. Perry

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Zoning Appeals
FROM: Roger O. Freytag, Zoning Administrator ROF
SUBJECT: Request for Variance - Harmon Sign Co. Marquee
Date: April 6, 1988

BZA 88-05

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Zoning Appeals not approve a Variance to allow the marquee to be constructed at 8'6" above the sidewalk.

BACKGROUND

A request has been received from Scott Smith of the Harmon Sign Co., Wauseon, Ohio to allow a marquee to be constructed at 8'6" above the sidewalk rather than the 10' required by Sections 153.16 and 153.43 of the City of Napoleon, Code of Ordinances.

There has been discussion about what this particular sign should be classified as. I have classified it as a sign or a marquee, but not as an awning because it is not a movable type cover.

Since it will be fixed and not movable and will project out over the sidewalk, it will be classified as a marquee.

I have measured several other marquees and/or signs in the area and have listed my findings below:

Collins Insurance, Ed Rohrs Realty - 10.51'
The Gamble Store mounted at 7' (is badly bent up)
Kurtz True Value Hardware - 10'
DC's 5 Star Saloon - 9'
Wendt Shoes - 9.3'
Charles Co. - 10.2'
Hilvers Jewelers - 10' with sign to 9'
Spenglers (unmovable section) - 10'
B & I TV (unmovable section) - 10.1'

I have reviewed these findings with the staff and it is our recommendation that marquees and signs should be kept at 10' above the walk without exception.

ROF:skw