

THE CITY OF MOBILE, ALABAMA BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT LETTER OF DECISION

January 7, 2015

Goodwyn, Mills & Cawood, Inc. ATTN: Tracy Bassett P. O. Box 242128 Montgomery, AL 36124

Re: #5942

(Case #ZON2014-02580)

Goodwyn, Mills & Cawood / Attn: Tracy Bassett

101 Dauphin Street

(Southwest corner of Dauphin and Royal Streets).

Dear Applicant(s) / Property Owner(s):

On January 5, 2015, the Board of Zoning Adjustment considered your request for Sign Variance to allow 1 logo wall sign, 2 hanging blade signs and 2 backlit upper building signs for a total of 161 sf. of signage on a multi-tenant office building with 2 previously approved upper building signs in the Downtown Development District at the above referenced location.

The Board determined the following findings of fact for approval:

- 1) Approving the variance request will not be contrary to the public interest as all of the proposed signs have been granted approval by the City of Mobile's Architectural Review Board (ARB) and the fact that adequate signage for any business is necessary to both the business owner and customers alike;
- 2) Special conditions appear to exist, including the buildings size, location within a downtown environment, and prior ARB signage approvals, that a literal enforcement of the provisions of the chapter will result in unnecessary hardship; and
- 3) That the spirit of the chapter shall be observed and substantial justice done to the applicant and the surrounding neighborhood by granting the variance since not approving the variance would result in an unnecessary hardship for the business owner and potential customers due to an insufficient amount of identifying signage.

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The approval is subject to the following conditions:

1) Obtainment of the proper sign-related permitting for all proposed signage and the four (4) previously approved upper building signs.

Any party aggrieved by this decision may, within fifteen days of the date of the decision, appeal to the Circuit Court of Mobile County by filing a written notice of appeal, specifying the decision from which the appeal is taken. Notice of the appeal, as well as a date stamped copy of the appeal filed in Circuit Court must be filed with this Board within the fifteen-day appeal period.

No permit, license or certification can be issued until the 15-day appeal period has expired and no appeal has been made. If a permit/license has not been obtained on or before July 5, 2015, the **Sign Variance** will expire and become null and void. For additional assistance call (251) 208-5895.

Sincerely,

BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT

William Guess, Chairman

By:

Bert Hoffman, Planner

cc: Retirement Systems of Alabama/ATTN: Steve Timms

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