



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

January 7, 2015

Yoko Allen
Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce
P. O. Box 2187
Mobile, AL 36601

Re: #5944/5732/5632
(Case #ZON2014-02589)
Mobile Area Chamber of Commerce
451 Government Street
(Block bounded by Government, Hamilton, Church, and S. Lawrence Streets).

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

On January 5, 2015, the Board of Zoning Adjustment considered your request for **Sign Variance to allow two (2) 25' X 10' wall banners and eight (8) 3' X 2' gas light post banners in the Downtown Development District** at the above referenced location.

The Board determined the following findings of facts for approval:

- 1) **Based on the fact that the site is the headquarters for an organization which promotes the economic enhancement of a community in general and not a specific business, the variance will not be contrary to the public interest;**
- 2) **These special conditions (the Downtown Development District Signage Standards make no reference to allowing banners, nor do the Standards specifically disallow banners) exist such 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 in that the banners will serve to promote the activities of an organization devoted area-wide enhancement.**

The approval is subject to the following conditions:

- 1) **the banners are allowed for the period of January 2015 to December 2017;**

- 2) the approval by the Board of Zoning Adjustment of the appeal of the Architectural
 - a. Review Board's denial of the wall banners; and
- 3) full compliance with all other municipal codes and ordinances.

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 II

cc: The Architects Groups, Inc.

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