



Legislation Text

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Public hearing to consider the appeal of the District 6 Planning Council to a decision of the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA) approving two variances from the sign code requirements in order to allow a 21 square foot sign with dynamic display on a multi-tenant free standing sign at 1200 Rice Street.

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The applicant, Bilal Alsadi, applied for variances from the sign code requirements of Section 64.405(e)(3) in order to install a new sign with dynamic display. A public hearing was held on February 19, 2014. Staff recommended denial of the variance request. After hearing testimonies from the applicant and other parties, the BZA moved to approve the requested variances to allow a full color sign with dynamic display and a message display that would not change faster than every 60 seconds.

The appellant, District 6 Planning Council has provided documentation as grounds for their appeal. The above mentioned documents are attached to this file.

Does this issue fall within the 60 day rule? Yes

If yes, when does the 60 days expire? April 13, 2014

Has an extension been granted? Yes

If so, to what date? June 12, 2014

The variance application was received on February 4, 2014. The 60 day period expires on April 13, 2014. A letter extending the deadline has been sent. The new deadline is on June 12, 2014.

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