

Variance – Sign Area

Resolution 04-2019

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Requested Board Of Adjustment Action

- Approval of a variance for 1599 W. Littleton Blvd.
 - Increase the allowed sign area from 226.67 square feet to 254.56 square feet



Overview

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Application Details

- 1599 W. Littleton Blvd.
- Applicant seeking to rebrand the existing gas station from Diamond Shamrock to Circle K.
- The site is allowed a total of 226.67 sq. ft.
- The reface of the existing ground sign and replacement of awning and wall signs results in a requested sign area of 254.56 sq. ft.





Sign permit details

Sign Area	Total	Ground Sign		Awning Sign 2	Wall Sign
	(sq. ft)	(sq. ft)	(sq. ft)	(sq. ft)	(sq. ft)
Existing	327.14	222.14	33.00	33.00	39.00
Proposed	254.56	222.14	4.79	4.79	22.84



Sign permit details – Ground Sign





Sign permit details – Awning Signs 1 and 2



Sign permit details – Wall Sign







Criteria Review 10-17-7-11

(A) There are special circumstances or conditions such as the existence of buildings, topography, vegetation, sign structures or other matters on adjacent lots or within the adjacent public right-of-way, which would substantially restrict the effectiveness of the sign in question; provided, however, that such special circumstances or conditions must be peculiar to the particular business or enterprise to which the applicant desires to draw attention, and do not apply in general to all businesses or enterprises in the area.

- There do not appear to be any special circumstances that restrict the effectiveness of the ground sign
- The desire for additional sign area is not unique



Criteria Review 10-17-7-11

(B) The variance would be in general harmony with the purposes of this chapter, and specifically would not be injurious to the neighborhood in which the business or enterprise to which the applicant desires to draw attention is located.

- Signage does not pose a risk to safety or is injurious
- Sign code establishes limits to reduce visual clutter and improve aesthetics



Criteria Review 10-17-7-11

(C) The variance is the minimum one necessary to permit the applicant to reasonably draw attention to [the] business or enterprise.

- Ground sign's size and location is reasonable to draw attention to the business
- Other sign area requested goes above and beyond



Review Criteria & Analysis

• 10-17-7-11

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(C) The variance is the minimum one necessary to permit the applicant to reasonably draw attention to his business or enterprise.

(D) The board may grant a variance subject to any conditions which it deems necessary or desirable to make the device which is permitted by the variance compatible with the purposes of this chapter.



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Recommendation

Staff finds that the application does not meet the criteria for approval. Therefore, staff recommends **denial** of BOA Resolution 04-2019



Board of Adjustment Action

Applicant is requesting a variance to increase the allowed sign area from 226.67 square feet to 254.56 square feet at 1599 W. Littleton Blvd.

Options:

- Approval
- Approval with conditions
- Denial
- Continue to a Date Certain

