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PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MEETING THURSDAY, MAY 23, 2024 | 5:30 P.M. PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT 196 LAUREL STREET (SIDE ENTRANCE)

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. APPROVAL OF APRIL 25, 2024 MINUTES
- III. CRITERIA

IV. PUBLIC HEARINGS - VARIANCE REQUESTS

- A. Samuel Vazquez, property owner, requests a variance from the strict application of the City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), *Section 5.2.1-Accessory Structures*, for the property located at **3424 Longwood Lane**. (PIN 368-16-04-0033)
- B. Joe Burch, agent for Horry County Board of Education, property owner, requests a variance from the strict application of the City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), *Article 11-Signage*, for the property located at **1101 Snowhill Drive**. (PIN 338-00-00-0029)
- C. Joe Burch, agent for Horry County Board of Education, property owner, requests a variance from the strict application of the City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), *Article 11-Signage*, for the property located at **1104 Elm Street**. (PIN 338-13-01-0045)
- D. Joe Burch, agent for Horry County Board of Education, property owner, requests a variance from the strict application of the City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), *Article 11-Signage*, for the property located at **108 N Clemson Circle**. (PIN 325-00-00-0036)
- E. Kallyon and Ashlyn Montomery, property owners, request a variance from the strict application of the City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), *Section 6.2-Residential Dimensional Requirements, Dwelling Types & Design Standards*, for the property located at **456-A Court Drive**. (PIN 368-02-02-0003)

V. ADJOURN

CITY OF CONWAY BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS MEETING THURSDAY, ARPIL 25, 2024 BUILDING & PLANNING DEPARTMENT 196 LAUREL STREET

Present: Paul Lawson, Sandra James, Lesley Hill, Donna Baxley

Absent: Blake Hendrick, Catherine Dingle, Jay Sellers

Staff: Kym Wilkerson, Zoning Administrator; Anne Bessant, Planning Assistant; Marcus

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Others: Edmilson Vicente, Mike Higgins, Lori Posey, Harold Johnson, Bridjeet Moore, & others

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Lawson called the meeting to order at approximately 5:28 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Hill made a motion, seconded by James to approve the March 28, 2024 minutes as written. The vote in favor was unanimous and the motion carried.

Lawson swore in the applicants and staff.

III. CRITERIA

Lawson read the following four criteria required to be met in order for the Board to grant a variance:

Extraordinary conditions: There are extraordinary and exceptional conditions pertaining to the particular piece of property;

Other Property: The extraordinary and exceptional conditions do not generally apply to other property in the vicinity;

Utilization: Because of the extraordinary or exceptional conditions, the application of the ordinance to a particular piece of property would effectively prohibit or unreasonably restrict the utilization of the property;

Detriment: The authorization of a variance will not be of substantial detriment to the adjacent property or the public good and the character of the district will not be harmed by granting a variance.

IV. VARIANCE REQUESTS/PUBLIC INPUT

A. Lori Posey, property owner, requests a variance from the strict application of the City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), *Section 5.2.3-Fences &*

Walls, for the property located at **904 Oglethorpe Drive**. (PIN 336-05-02-0024)

Wilkerson stated that the applicant hired a contractor to apply for a fence permit to install a 6-foot vinyl fence at 904 Oglethorpe Drive. The rear of the applicant's house is adjacent to a "Public Alley" which is considered a "Double Front".

Per **Section 6.1.9** of the UDO: "In the case of any lot that adjoins two or more streets, yards abutting streets shall be treated as front yards."

Per Section 5.2.3 – Fences & Walls of the UDO:

- A. Commercial & Residential:
 - 1. Front yards 4 feet
 - 2. Corner front yards 6 feet (provided it meets a 10-foot setback from the property line)
 - 3. Side yards 6 feet
 - 4. Rear yards 8 feet

The applicant is seeking the following variance(s):

Section 5.2.3 – Fences & Walls:

• A variance of two (2) feet to allow a six (6) foot fence in the Double Front Yard (*adjacent to the Public Alley*) with the condition that the fence meets a two (2) foot setback from the property line along the "Public Alley".

Staff recommends that the BZA conduct a thorough review of the request and determine if a legal hardship exists and if the best interests of the City of Conway would be served by granting the request.

Lori Posey, owner, was present and further explained the request.

The board and applicant discussed the request at length.

There was no public input.

Lawson made a motion to grant the variance as requested with the condition the fence meet a 5-foot setback. Hill seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

B. Edmilson Vicente, property owner, requests a variance from the strict application of the City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), Section 5.2.1 Accessory Structures, for the property located at 1700 Horry Street. (PIN 368-01-02-0043) Board of Zoning Appeals 4/25/24

Wilkerson stated the applicant applied for an "*Accessory Structure*" Building Permit to construct a 23-ft x 13-ft pool house on the parcel. The parcel is located on the corner of Horry Street and Maple Avenue. The location of the "*Accessory Structure*", based on the site plan provided, is the **Corner Front Yard**.

Per Section 5.2.1-Accessory Structures the location of an "Accessory Structure" shall be in the rear yard only.

Per Section 6.1.9-Side Yard Setbacks for Corner Lots of the UDO, "In the case of any lot that adjoins two or more streets, yards abutting streets shall be treated as front yards".

On January 26, 2023, the applicant was granted a variance on the fence height of the front yard and the corner front yard; therefore, the applicant was aware of the conditions that exist for corner lots.

Variances requested (per site plan):

Section 5.2.1 – Accessory Structures:

• A variance to allow an "Accessory Structure" in the corner front yard along Maple Avenue.

Staff recommends that the BZA conduct a thorough review of the request and determine if a legal hardship exists and if the best interests of the City of Conway would be served by granting the request.

Edmilson Vicente was present and further explained the request.

Bridjeet Moore and Harold Johnson spoke during public input.

Lawson made a motion to deny the variance as requested. James seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

C. A1 Signs, agent for the property owner, Palmetto Real Estate of Conway LLC, requests a variance from the strict application of the City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), *Article 11-Signage*, for the property located at **1122 Fourth Avenue**. (368-04-02-0010).....**WITHDRAWN BY STAFF.**

V. AJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The vote in favor was unanimous. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

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Board of Zoning Appeals 4/25/24	
	Paul Lawson, Chairman

Variance: 3424 Longwood Lane

DATE: May 23, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: IV.A

ISSUE:

Samuel Vazquez, property owner, requests a variance from the strict application of the City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), *Section 5.2.1-Accessory Structures*, for the property located at 3424 Longwood Lane. (PIN 368-16-04-0033)

BACKGROUND:

The property owner has applied for an "Accessory Structure Permit" to install a 20-ft x 12.5-ft wooden detached carport on his property at 3424 Longwood Lane. The rear of the applicant's house is adjacent to Highway 701 South which is considered a "**Double Front**".

Per **Section 6.1.9** of the UDO: "In the case of any lot that adjoins two or more streets, yards abutting streets shall be treated as front yards."

The applicant's lot is considered "Legal Nonconforming" since it is a nonconforming lot of record. Double Front lots are not allowed to be created per the current UDO. **Table 9.1** of the UDO states: "Residential developments containing lots with double frontage shall adhere to the Type B Landscape Buffer Requirements, or install a berm, as specified in Section 9.3.1, J. Buffer / berm must be located behind the lots that would otherwise have double frontage and be platted separately as a landscape buffer / berm, to be owned and maintained by the HOA/POA."

The applicant currently has two (2) Existing Accessory Structures in his yard and per **Section 5.2.1-Accessory Structure**, would only be allowed to permit one (1) additional structure.

Per Section 5.2.1 – Accessory Structures of the UDO:

1. Location: Shall be located in the rear yard only.

Variances requested (per site plan):

Section 5.2.1 – Accessory Structures:

 A variance to allow an Accessory Structure to be permitted in the Double Front Yard (adjacent to Highway 701 South).

The applicant cites the following reasons for which a variance should be granted:

**See attached application.

CITY OF CONWAY UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE (UDO) & ANALYSIS

In Section 14.2.1 of the UDO, the duties and powers of the Board of Zoning Appeals reflect Section 6-29-800 of the South Carolina Code of Laws.

Variance: 3424 Longwood Lane

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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the BZA conduct a thorough review of the request and determine if a legal hardship exists and if the best interests of the City of Conway would be served by granting the request.



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City of Conway Board of Zoning Appeals VARIANCE/APPEAL REQUEST

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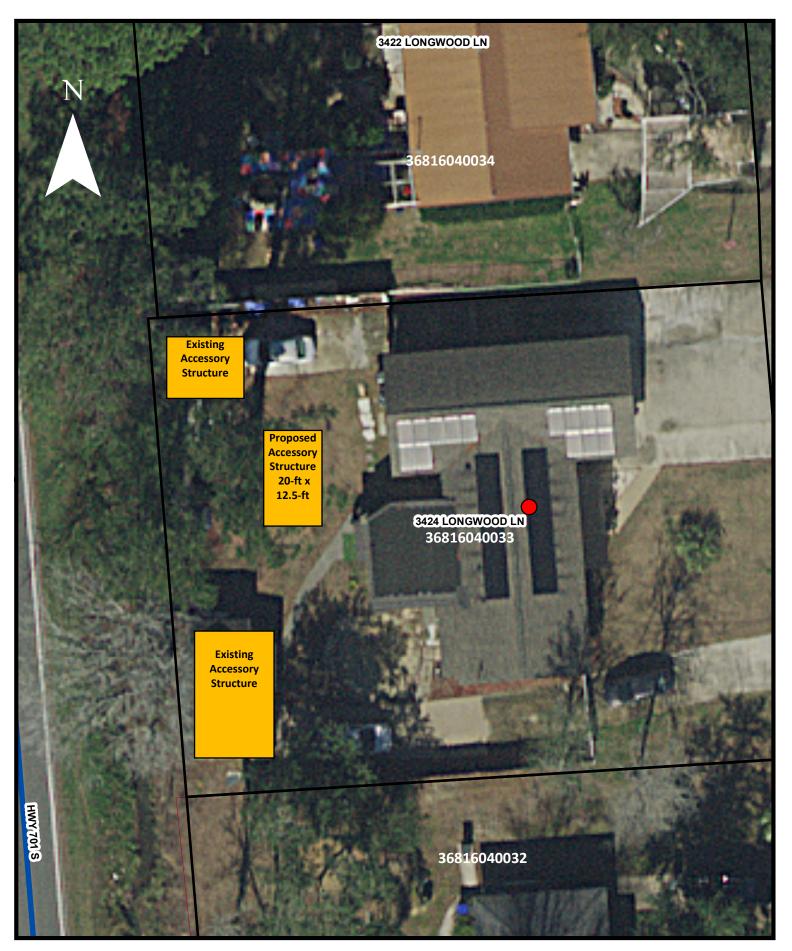
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Property Address: 3424 Longwood La Conway SC 29527				
Property Owner: Sqmuc Uazquez Daytime phone: 704-502-7253				
Agent: NA Daytime phone: 704-502-7253				
Agent's E-Mail Address:	1/A hildascleaning	@gn		
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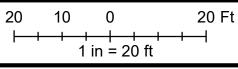
1. Describe the extraordinary conditions pertaining to your particular piece of property:
I have Two Front yard in the back I have 701 and my
Front Longwood Lane
2. Are the conditions described above particular to your piece of property? Explain. no are many neighbors with the Same Condition.
3. Would the strict application of the Zoning Ordinance prohibit or unreasonably restrict the use of your property? Explain. NO Restriction and we don't have
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4. Will the granting of the variance harm adjacent property, the character of the area or the public good? Explain: ND FIS RWAY From the road and adequate
Spacing between the Carport and neighbors.
and; "Is the variance request initiated because of hardship and not to increase the profitability of the property?" The Carport we needed because we needed because
you weather.
Application Requirements:
 A completed BZA application including required signatures (incomplete applications will not be accepted)
A filing fee of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00)
 A digital site plan illustrating property lines, existing structures, proposed structures and any other relevant site information. (may be emailed to planning@cityofconway.com)
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A REPRESENTATIVE MUST BE PRESENT AT THE MEETING TO HAVE YOUR REQUEST HEARD.
Applicant's Signature: Date: 4-18-2024
Print name legibly: Samuel U42quez





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3424 LONGWOOD LANE ²⁰ PIN# 368-16-04-0033









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PIN #: 368-16-04-0033 TMS #: 136-16-02-013 3424 LONGWOOD LN (P24-0088)



DATE: May 23, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: IV.B

ISSUE:

Joe Burch, agent for Horry County Board of Education, property owner, requests a variance from the strict application of the City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), *Article 11-Signage*, for the property located at 1101 Snowhill Drive. (PIN 338-00-00-0029)

BACKGROUND:

Horry County Department of Education has applied for a "Sign Permit" to install an EMC Monument Sign at Conway Elementary School. The parcel is zoned **R1 (Low/Medium Density Residential)**.

Per Section 11.3.1 (C)-Signs in Residential Zoning Districts of the UDO:

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- Such signs shall be located a minimum of ten (10) feet from any adjoining property boundary.

The applicant is proposing an EMC Monument Sign at Conway Elementary School which is allowed per the above section of the UDO. The EMC Monument Sign proposed would have a sign surface of 4.75-feet x 9.25-feet equaling a total sign surface area of **44-square feet** and a **height of 8-feet**.

Variances requested:

Section 11.3.1 (C)-Signs in Residential Zoning Districts:

A variance of 2-feet to allow the proposed EMC Monument Sign to be 8-feet in height.

The applicant cites the following reasons for which a variance should be granted:

**See attached application.

CITY OF CONWAY UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE (UDO) & ANALYSIS

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Variance: 1101 Snowhill Drive

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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the BZA conduct a thorough review of the request and determine if a legal hardship exists and if the best interests of the City of Conway would be served by granting the request.



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Pin#:3380000029	Zoning District:R1		Meeting Date: May 23, 2024	
Property Address: 1101 Snowhill Dr. Conway, SC				
Property Owner: Horry County Dept. Of Education Daytime phone: 843-488-6712				
Agent:Joe Burch			Daytime phone:same	
Agent's E-Mail Address:jburo	ch@horrycountyso	chools.ne	et	
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Please describe your proposal in detail:				
Horry County Schools is finishing up a district-wide project to provide electronic message centers to all schools. Many of these projects required replacement of the monument sign and base to accommodate the new message center. We are requesting a variance on the height for the sign at this location to allow us to accommodate the base and the new message center.				
This proposal does not conform to the Unified Development Ordinance in the following way:				
UDO Section and Requirement: Proposed Instead:				
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1. Describe the extraordinary conditions pertaining to your particular piece of property: The school is zoned a Rt which only allows for a 6' max height sign. The message center needs to on a base for elevation and viewing purposes. The minimum height needs to be at 8' for viewing purposes.

2. Are the conditions described above particular to your piece of property? Explain. Yes. The conditions ar particular due to the school being zoned residential.

3. Would the strict application of the Zoning Ordinance prohibit or unreasonably restrict the use of your property? Explain. Yes. We would be unable to install the digital portion of the sign which would inhibit effectiviely communicating information for the school and the community.

4. Will the granting of the variance harm adjacent property, the character of the area or the public good? Explain:

No. It will enhance the public good by communicating information from Horry County School District and the school to the Conway community in a timely way.

Application Requirements:

- A completed BZA application including required signatures (incomplete applications will not be accepted)
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profitability of the property?"

• A digital site plan illustrating property lines, existing structures, proposed structures and any other relevant site information. (may be emailed to <u>planning@cityofconway.com</u>)

and; "Is the variance request initiated because of hardship and not to increase the

Yes. We are a public school district and only want to provide effective signage and communicate to the public.

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BURCH

Applicant's Signature:

Print name legibly:

Date: 4/22/24

CONWAY ELEMENTARY

1101 SNOWHILL DRIVE CONWAY, SC 29526 **DECEMEBER 2023**

CURRENT SIGN



SPECIFICATIONS

- D/F fabricated aluminum sign cabinet with recessed surrounding reveal and raised outer trim/decor as shown; painted finish
- Routed alum, header section faces with 3/4" clear push-thru acrylic "CONWAY ELEMENTARY" letters + trans. vinyl face overlays
- White LED internal illumination

LED DISPLAY:

- D/F Watchfire 16mm Color LED displays (48x144 matrix, 3'-5" x 9'-3" cabinets) with Broadband communication

BRICK BASE:

- Brick base included (shown typical)
- Cut-out 1/4" thick plate aluminum "229" numerals with painted finish: flush mounted to brick

INSTALLATION & ELECTRICAL:

- Typical direct embed installation (steel column with footing as reg'd) in location to be selected by customer
- Signage to be wired for 120V (unless specified otherwise)
- 5 AMPS rea'd for letters
- 16 AMPS reg'd for EMC

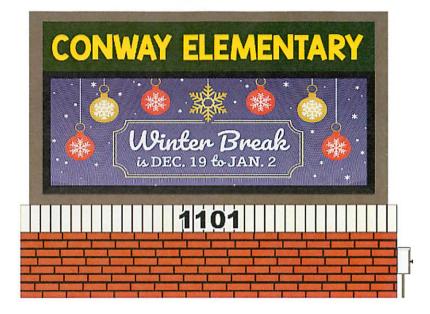


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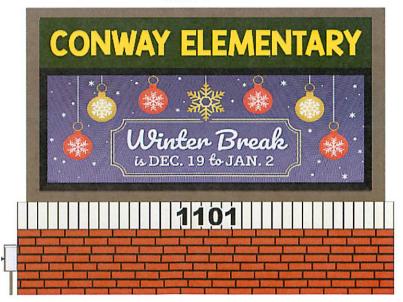
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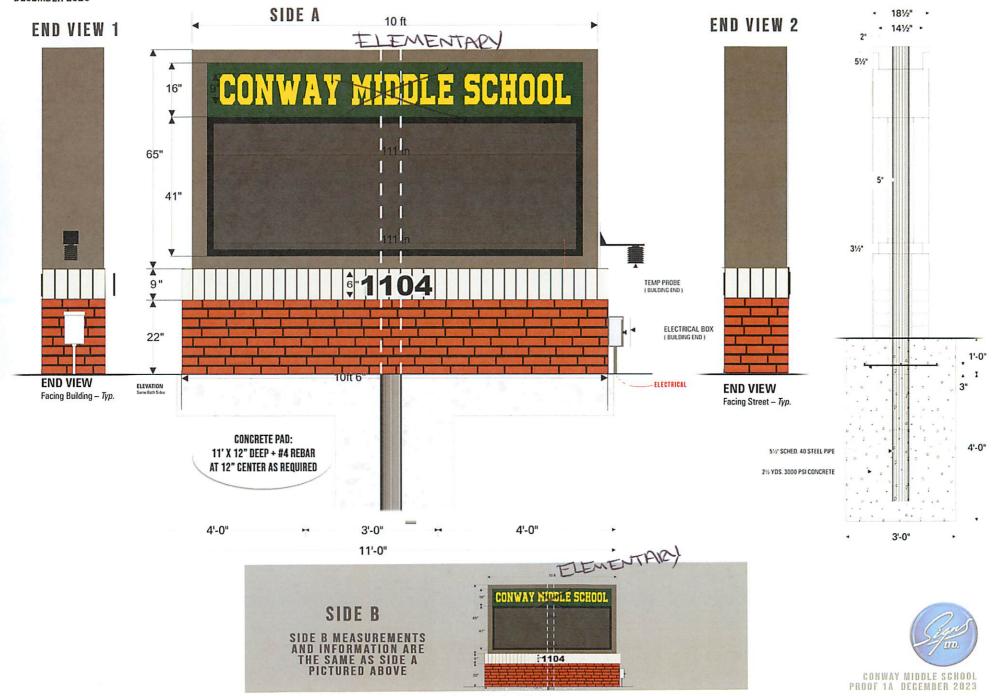
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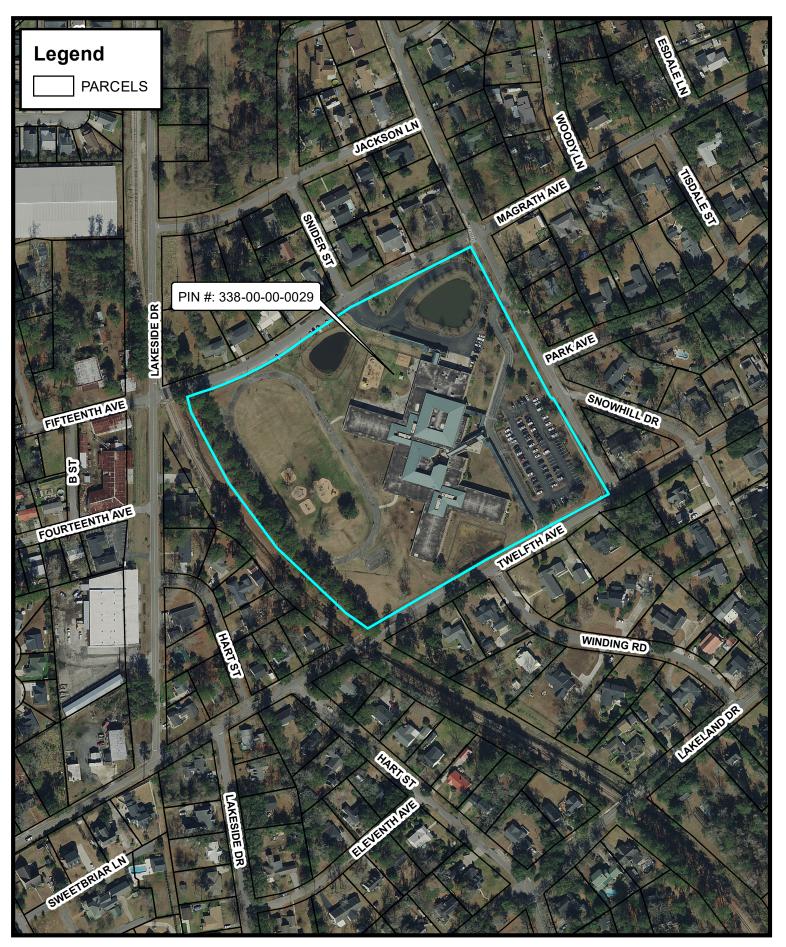
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PIN #: 338-00-00-0029 1101 SNOWHILL DR CONWAY ELEMENTARY (P24-0100)



DATE: May 23, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: IV.C

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Property Owner: Horry County Dept. Of Education Daytime phone: 843-488-6712			
Agent:Joe Burch		Daytime phone:same	
Agent's E-Mail Address:jburo	:h@horrycountyschools.n	et	
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City of Conway Board of Zoning Appeals VARIANCE/APPEAL REQUEST

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Print name legibly: Joe Burch		

CONWAY MIDDLE SCHOOL

1104 ELM ST, CONWAY, SC 29526 DECEMERER 2023

CURRENT SIGN



SPECIFICATIONS

- D/F fabricated aluminum sign cabinet with recessed surrounding reveal and raised outer trim/decor as shown; painted finish
- Routed alum, header section faces with 3/4" clear push-thru acrylic "CONWAY MIDDLE SCHOOL" letters + trans, vinyl face overlays
- White LED internal illumination

LED DISPLAY:

- D/F Watchfire 16mm Color LED displays (48x144 matrix, 3'-5" x 9'-3" cabinets) with Broadband communication

BRICK BASE:

- Brick base included (shown typical)
- Cut-out 1/4" thick plate aluminum "229" numerals with painted finish; flush mounted to brick

INSTALLATION & ELECTRICAL:

- Typical direct embed installation (steel column with footing as reg'd) in location to be selected by customer
- Signage to be wired for 120V (unless specified otherwise)
- 5 AMPS rea'd for letters
- 16 AMPS reg'd for EMC

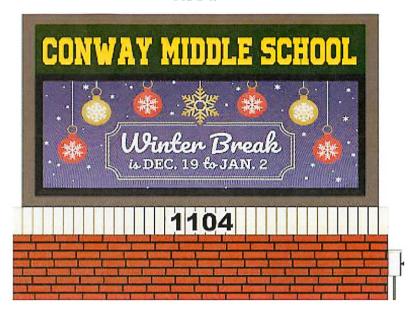
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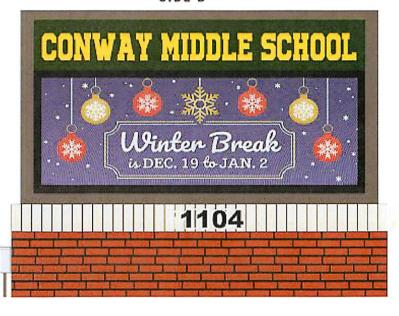
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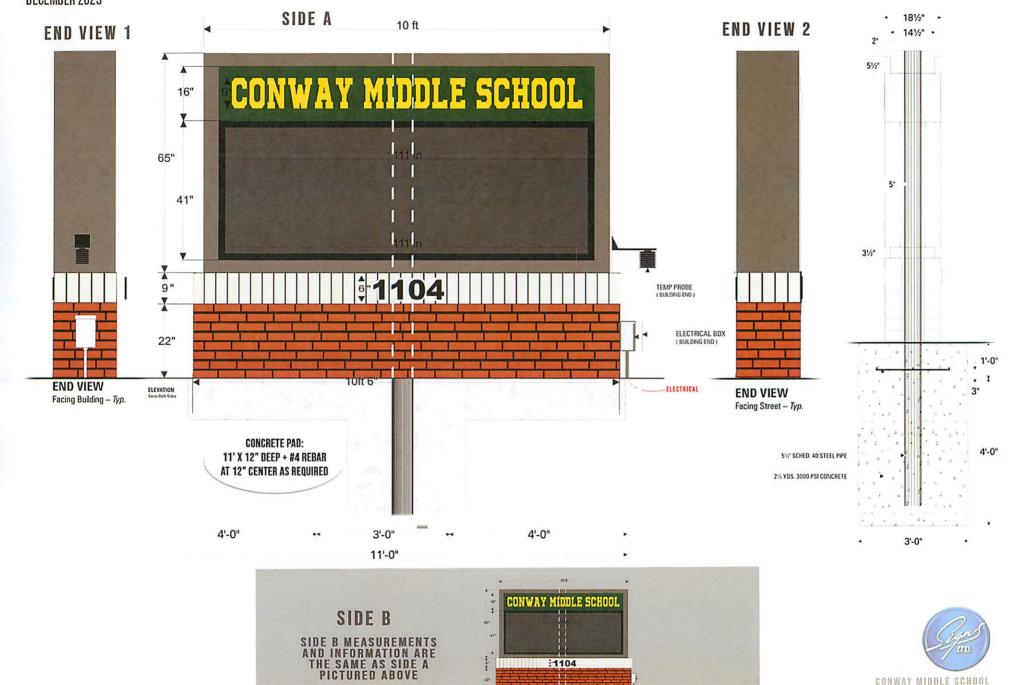


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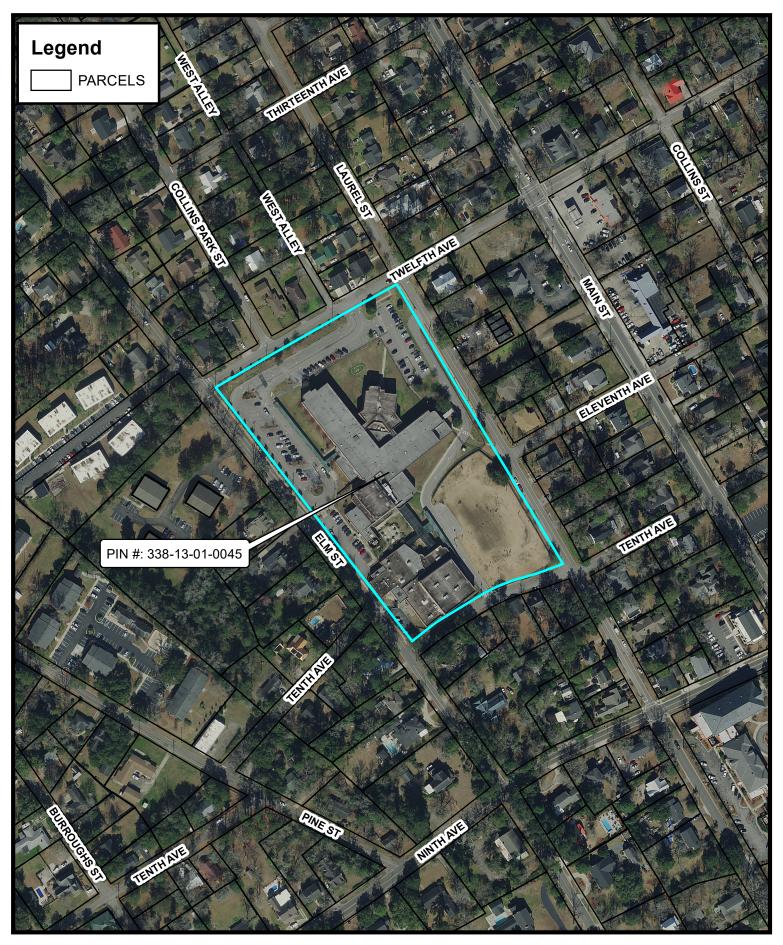
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PIN #: 338-13-01-0045 CONWAY MIDDLE SCHOOL 1104 ELM ST (P24-0101)



DATE: May 23, 2024 AGENDA ITEM: IV.D

ISSUE:

Joe Burch, agent for Horry County Board of Education, property owner, requests a variance from the strict application of the City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), *Article 11-Signage*, for the property located at 108 N. Clemson Circle. (PIN 325-00-00-0036)

BACKGROUND:

Horry County Department of Education has applied for a "Sign Permit" to install an EMC Monument Sign at Homewood Elementary School. The parcel is zoned **R1** (Low/Medium Density Residential).

Per Section 11.3.1 (C)-Signs in Residential Zoning Districts of the UDO:

Religious Institutions, Educational Facilities, Cemeteries, Country Clubs, Parks, and Similar Recreational Uses:

- Shall be permitted one (1) wall sign or one (1) freestanding sign per street frontage. This shall not exceed
 a cumulative <u>sign surface area of fifty (50) square feet</u>. The freestanding sign shall be a <u>monument</u> or
 <u>freestanding post type</u> and <u>shall not exceed six (6) feet in height</u>.
- Such signs may be illuminated by any means consistent with Section 11.1.8-Illumination. If signs with EMC's/LED's and/or digital display is desired, such signs shall comply with Section 11.4.9- Electronic Message Centers (EMC's) / Light Emitting Diodes (L.E.D.) Signs with Digital / Animated Display.
- Such signs shall be located a minimum of ten (10) feet from any adjoining property boundary.

The applicant is proposing an EMC Monument Sign at Homewood Elementary School which is allowed per the above section of the UDO. The EMC Monument Sign proposed would have a sign surface of 4.75-feet x 9.25-feet equaling a total sign surface area of **44-square feet** and a **height of 8-feet**.

Variances requested:

Section 11.3.1 (C)-Signs in Residential Zoning Districts:

A variance of 2-feet to allow the proposed EMC Monument Sign to be 8-feet in height.

The applicant cites the following reasons for which a variance should be granted:

**See attached application.

CITY OF CONWAY UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE (UDO) & ANALYSIS

In *Section 14.2.1* of the *UDO*, the duties and powers of the Board of Zoning Appeals reflect *Section 6-29-800* of the South Carolina Code of Laws.

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Variance: 108 N. Clemson Circle

proposed building, structure, or use, in order to protect the established property values in the surrounding area or to promote the public health, safety, or general welfare of the community. The Board may grant a variance for an unnecessary hardship if it makes and explains in writing all of the following findings.

- 1. **Extraordinary Conditions:** There are extraordinary and exceptional conditions pertaining to the particular piece of property.
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- 4. **<u>Detriment:</u>** The authorization of a variance will not be of substantial detriment to adjacent property or the public good, and the character of the district will not be harmed by granting a variance.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the BZA conduct a thorough review of the request and determine if a legal hardship exists and if the best interests of the City of Conway would be served by granting the request.



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City of Conway Planning Department 196 Laurel Street, 29526 Phone: (843) 488-9888 Conway, South Carolina <u>planning@cityofconway.com</u> <u>www.cityofconway.com</u>

Pin#:3250000036	Zoning District:R1	Meeting Date: May 23, 2024	
Property Address: 108 N Cle	emson Rd. Conway, SC	,,,,,,,, .	
Property Owner: Horry Cour	nty Dept. Of Education	Daytime phone:843-488-6712	
Agent:Joe Burch		Daytime phone:same	
Agent's E-Mail Address:jburc	h@horrycountyschools.n	et	
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Applicant's Signature:

Print name legibly:

Date: 4/22/24

HOMEWOOD ELEMENTARY

108 N. CLEMSON CIRCLE, CONWAY, SC 29526 **DECEMEBER 2023**

CURRENT SIGN



SPECIFICATIONS

- D/F fabricated aluminum sign cabinet with recessed surrounding reveal and raised outer trim/decor as shown; painted finish
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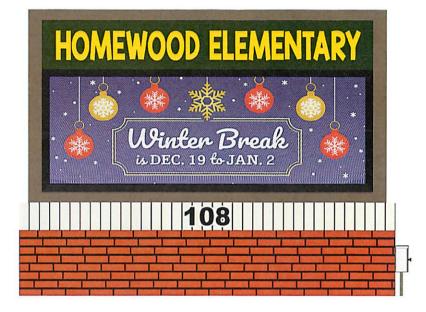


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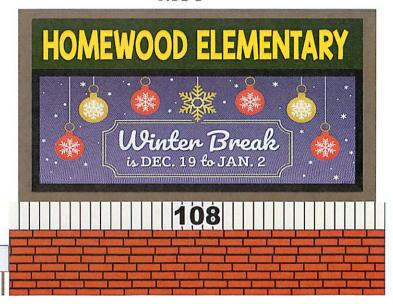


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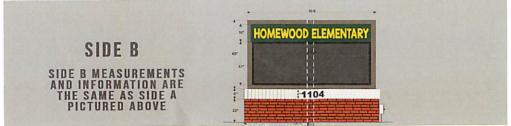


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DESIGN SPECS HOMEWOOD ELEMENTARY DECEMBER 2023 SIDE A 181/2" -10 ft **END VIEW 2** END VIEW 1 141/2" -51/2" HOMEWOOD ELEMENTARY 16" 65" 5* 41" 31/2" TEMP PROBE 9" **ELECTRICAL BOX** 22" (BUILDING END) . I **END VIEW** ELEVATION Same Bath Sides ELECTRICAL 3" **END VIEW** Facing Building - Typ. Facing Street - Typ. CONCRETE PAD: 4'-0" 51/2 SCHED. 40 STEEL PIPE 11' X 12" DEEP + #4 REBAR AT 12" CENTER AS REQUIRED 21/4 YDS. 3000 PSI CONCRETE 4'-0" 4'-0" 3'-0" 3'-0" 11'-0" **IOMEWOOD ELEMENTAR**





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PIN #: 325-00-00-0036 HOMEWOOD ELEMENTARY 108 N CLEMSON CIR (P24-0102)



DATE: May 23, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: IV.E

ISSUE:

Kallyon and Ashlyn Montomery, property owners, request a variance from the strict application of the City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance (UDO), *Section 6.2-Residential Dimensional Requirements, Dwelling Types & Design Standards*, for the property located at 456-A Court Drive. (PIN 368-02-02-0003)

BACKGROUND:

The property owners have applied for a permit to remodel/renovate the single-family home located at 456-A Court Drive. The parcel is zoned R1 (Low/Medium Density Residential).

The structure and site are considered "Legal Nonconforming" since they do not meet the dimensional or setback requirements of the current UDO. Table 6.1-Dimensional Requirements for Residential Zoning Districts list the building setbacks as 20-ft Front, 20-ft Rear and 10-ft Sides.

The home was built in 1940 per Horry County Land Records. Because of its age, the rear of the house did not have proper footings. The necessary renovations could not be completed without part of the house being removed and new footings installed. This in turn will cause the footprint of the home to change. Therefore, the applicants are seeking a variance on side setbacks requirements for the R1 zoning district.

Variances requested (per site plan):

Table 6.1 – Dimensional Requirements for Residential Zoning Districts:

• A 5-ft variance from the 10-ft side setback requirement in the R1 zoning district.

The applicant cites the following reasons for which a variance should be granted:

**See attached application.

CITY OF CONWAY UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE (UDO) & ANALYSIS

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Variance: 456-A Court Drive

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RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the BZA conduct a thorough review of the request and determine if a legal hardship exists and if the best interests of the City of Conway would be served by granting the request.



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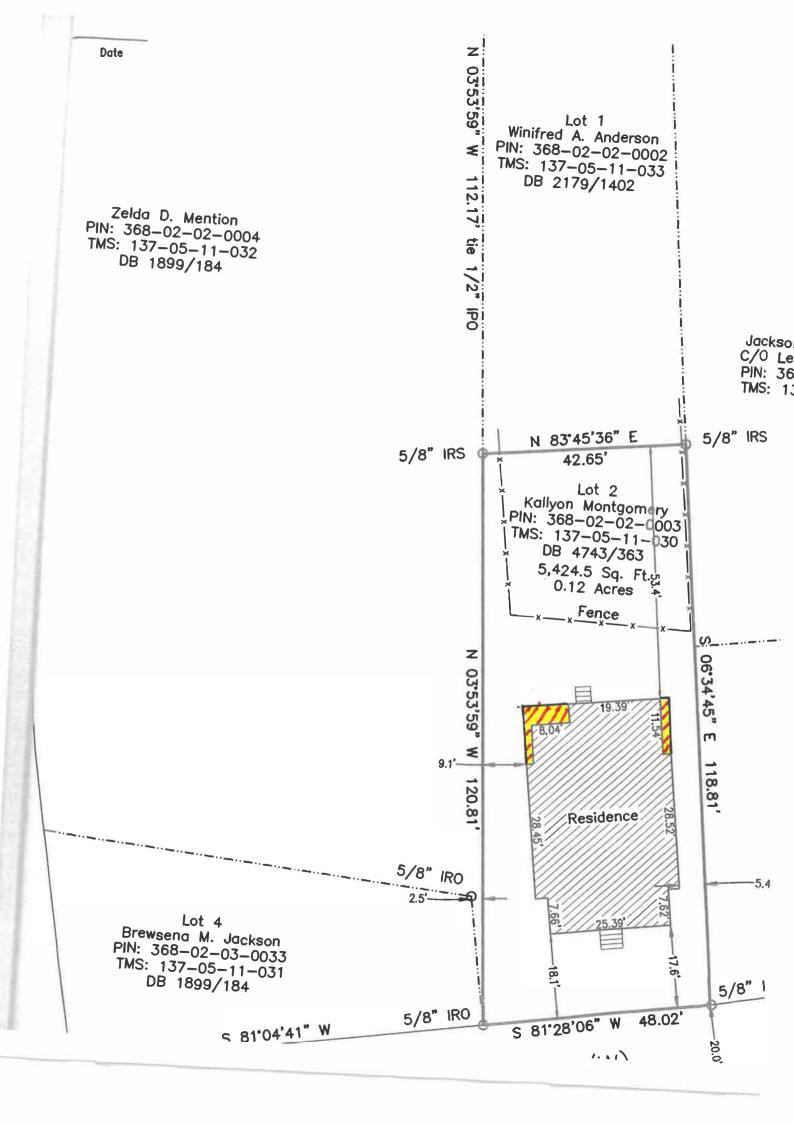
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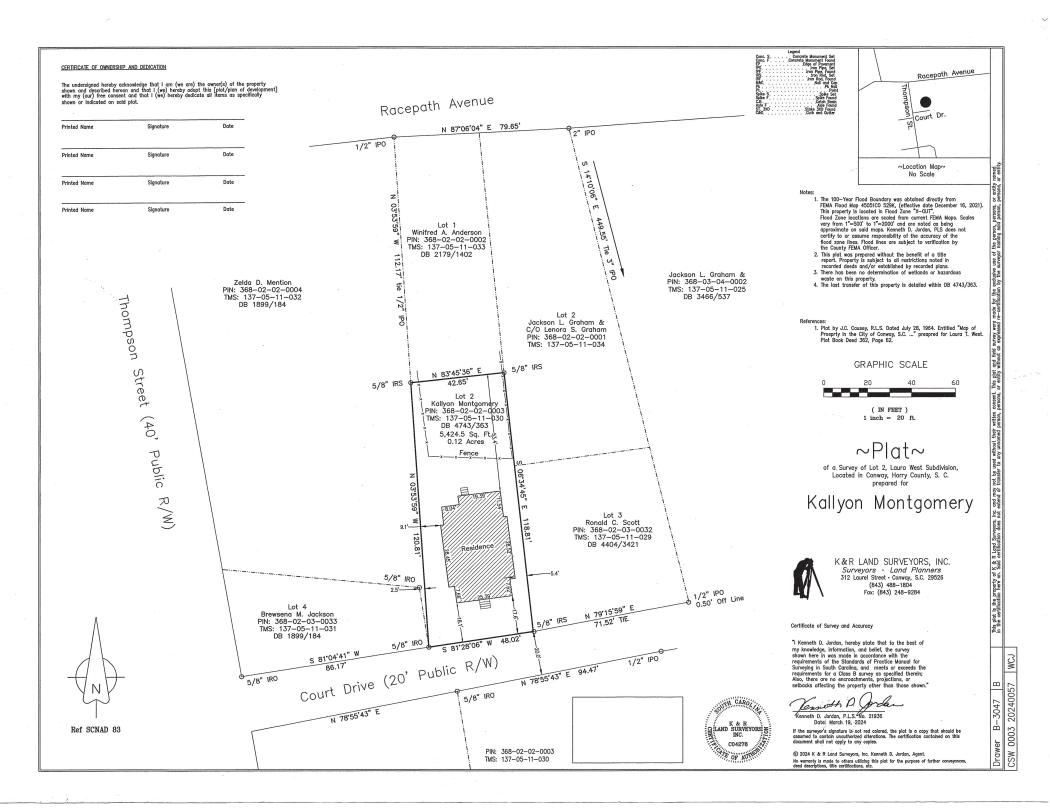
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Applicant's Signature: August Mind James Date: 4.24.24
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