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## PLANNING DEPARTMENT CITY OF CONWAY

#### COMMUNITY APPEARANCE BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, September 27, 2023 | 4:00 P.M.

## Planning & Building Department – 196 Laurel Street

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (September 13, 2023)
- III. CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS
  - **A.** 315 Main St (Sissy's)- The applicant, A1 Signs and Graphics, requests approval of window/door graphics to be installed for the business located at 315 Main Street (PIN 367-01-01-0022).
- IV. QUATTLEBAUM NOMINEES
- V. PUBLIC INPUT
- VI. BOARD INPUT
- VII. STAFF INPUT
- VIII. UPCOMING MEETINGS

<u>MEETING</u>	<u>DATE</u>	TIME	LOCATION	ADDRESS
Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA)	September 28, 2023	5:30 p.m.	Planning & Building Dept. Conference Room	196 Laurel St.
City Council	October 2, 2023	4:00 p.m.	Council Chambers	229 Main St.
Planning Commission (PC)	October 5, 2023	5:30 p.m.	Planning & Building Dept. Conference Room	196 Laurel St.
Community Appearance Board	October 11, 2023	4:00 p.m.	Planning & Building Dept. Conference Room	196 Laurel St.

#### IX. ADJOURN

#### CITY OF CONWAY

#### COMMUNITY APPEARANCE BOARD MEETING

#### WEDNESDAY, September 13, 2023

#### Planning & Building Dept. Conference Room – 196 Laurel Street

Present: Duc Watts, George Ulrich, Jacqueline Kurlowski, Jamie McLain, McKenzie Jordan, Troy Roehm

Absent: Gerry Wallace

Staff: Jessica Hucks, Planning Director; Katie Dennis, Planning Concierge; Marcus Cohen, IT

Other: Bucky Greene

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Kurlowski called the meeting to order at approximately 4:00 p.m.

#### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Jordan made a motion to accept the minutes as written and it was seconded by Roehm to approve the August 23, 2023 minutes. The vote in favor was unanimous. The motion carried.

#### III. CERTIFICATES OF APPROPRIATENESS

**A.** <u>1200 Main St (Holbert Company, INC.):</u> The applicant, Heritage Signs, LLC, requests approval to reface an existing sign, located at 1200 Main St. (PIN 338-12-04-0019).

Hucks stated the applicant, Heritage Signs, LLC, is requesting approval to reface an existing sign, for the business located at 1200 Main St for Holbert Company, INC.

The sign measures 50.01" (W) X 72" (H), with an existing brick base. The applicant will reface the sign to be black with Gold Lettering. The lettering will measure 10" (H) X 37.77" (W), totaling 2.6 Sq. Ft. The address numbers are 4" (H) per code for life safety. All lettering and numbers will have a drop shadow to provide the appearance of dimension.

The proposed size of the lettering is compliant with the standards of the UDO for Monument signs.

The applicant, staff and the board discussed at length.

Roehm made a motion to approve as presented Ulrich seconded the motion. The vote in favor was unanimous the motion carried.

#### IV. PUBLIC INPUT

None

#### V. BOARD INPUT

Watts had questions in regards to a façade update of a downtown business and requested and update on the Crooked Oak Tavern Awning install.

Kurlowski had a question about the board's responsibility of regulating draperies in storefront windows. Staff advised on both topics.

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## VI. STAFF INPUT

Hucks informed the board of the upcoming height amendment within the WRD districts and the responsibilities of the board.

## VII. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn the
meeting at 4:14 pm. The vote in favor was unanimous and the motion carried.

Approved and signed this	day of	, 2023.
	Jacqueline Kurlowski, Cl	hairperson

DATE: September 27, 2023

ITEM: III. A.

#### **ISSUE**:

<u>315 Main Street Unit 2 (Sissy's):</u> The applicant, A1 Signs and Graphics, requests approval for proposed signage for the business, Sissy's, located at 315 Main Street (367-01-01-0022).

#### **ZONING DISTRICTS / HDRD:**

Central Business District (CBD); Commercial Historic Design Review District (HDRD)

#### **SCOPE OF WORK:**

The applicant, A1 Signs and Graphics, requests approval of proposed window/door graphics for the business located at 315 Main St for Sissy's.

The applicant proposes to install 2-27" (w) X 15" (h) "Sissy's" logo decals on the window panels that measure 29" (w) X 72" (h). The total coverage area of the decals will be 2.81 sq. ft. for both windows and the maximum area allowed is 3.63 sq. ft.

The applicant is proposing to install one 22" (w) X 12" (h) logo decal on the door panel that measures 26.5" (w) X 72" (h) with a max coverage of 6.63 Sq. Ft.

The proposed size of the graphics are compliant with the standards of the UDO for window and door signage.

Renderings are included in your packet

#### Applicable Standards

City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance (UDO):

- ➤ Section 2.2.2, Sign-Related Definitions
- > Section 11.3.2, Sign Standards by Zoning District
- ➤ Section 11.4.2 Window Signs

#### Historic Design Review Districts: Community Appearance Guidelines:

- > Section C, Ch 5: 5.1 Marketing and Sign Basics
- > Section C, Ch 6: 6.1 The Primary Sign
- Section C, Ch 6: 6.2 Secondary Signs

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:**

If the board chooses to grant the request, staff recommends the following conditions:

- The applicant must obtain all applicable permits
- Any deviation from what is approved shall require a re-review from this board and subsequent approval.



City of Conway Planning Department

# City of Conway Community Appearance Board

APPLICATION / CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS

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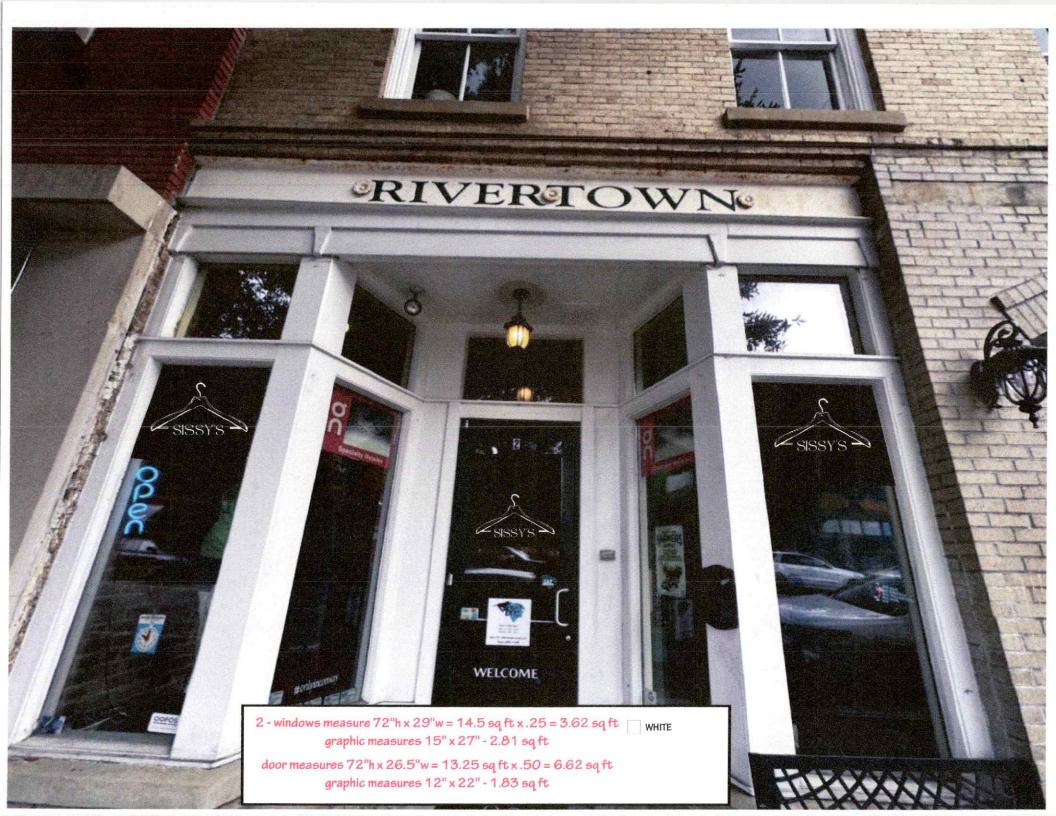
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206 Laurel Street, 29526 Conway, South Carolina <u>www.cityofconway.com</u>					
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Property Owner: Diamond Shores,			Daytime phone: 843-48		
Applicant: A1 Signs and Graphics			Daytime phone: 843-43	8-8301	
Applicant's mailing address: 161	0 4th Avenue	Applicant's e-m	ail address:		
City: Conway			State: SC	Zip Code: 29526	
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existing storefront





## logos in white cut vinyl



#### 2.2.2 Sign-related Definitions

Refer to Article 11 for Signage Regulations.

**Animation:** The movement, or the optical illusion of movement of any part of the sign structure, design or pictorial including the movement of any illumination or the flashing, scintillating or varying of light intensity. The automatic changing of all or any part of the facing of a sign or any part of a sign shall be considered to be animation. Also, included in this definition are signs having "chasing action" which is the action of a row of lights commonly used to create the appearance of motion. Time and temperature units and electronic message centers are not included in this definition.

**Sign:** Any device designed to attract the attention of the public for commercial or advertising purposes that is attached, painted or otherwise affixed to, or a part of a building, structure, material, surface, vehicle, or object. Integral decorative or architectural features of buildings except letters or trademarks, fences, walls and works of art, which are noncommercial in nature, are not to be construed as being a sign. Sign shall include any artificial light source, time or temperature units, clocks and any device that animates or projects a visual representation that attracts the attention of the public for commercial purpose.

**Sign Area** (also referred to as the gross surface area): The square foot area individual symbols, letters, figures, illustrations, messages, forms, or panels, sign area shall be considered to include all lettering, wording, and accompanying designs and symbols, together with the background on which they are displayed, any frame around the sign and any "cutouts" or extensions, but shall not include any supporting structure or bracing. The aggregate sign area is the summation of the area of all sign faces combined.

**Sign Copy:** The portion of a sign which contains the name, logo, advertising message, or business identification and consists of all such symbols, letters, figures, insignia, illustrations, messages or forms. Sign copy does not include the border, molding or decorative framing.

**Sign Face:** The part of the sign that is or can be used to identify, advertise, communicate information or for visual representation which attracts the attention of the public for any purpose. Sign face includes any background material, panel, trim, color, and direct or self-illumination used that differentiates that sign from the building, structure, backdrop surface or object upon which or against which it is placed. The sign structure shall not be included as a portion of the sign face provided that no identifying/advertising message, symbol or any of the aforementioned sign face criteria are displayed on or designed as part of the sign structure, whether structurally necessary or not. In the case of signs designed with integral sign face and sign structure, the blank (support) area equivalent to a maximum of 50% of the allowable sign area shall be exempt from computations of sign area.

**Sign Height:** The vertical distance measured from the lowest adjacent street crown grade to the top of the sign face or sign structure, whichever is greater.



**Wall Sign:** Any sign that shall be affixed parallel to the top of the wall or printed on the wall of any building in such a manner as to read parallel to the wall on which it is mounted; provided however, said wall sign shall not project above the tip of the wall or beyond the end of the building. Any sign that is affixed to the face of a building marquee, building awning, or a building canopy shall be considered a wall sign. (Section 11.4.1)

**Window Sign:** Any sign which is painted on, applied to, or projected upon or within the exterior or interior of a building glass area, including doors, or located within twelve (12) inches of the interior of a building glass area, including doors, whose identification, message, symbol, insignia, visual representation, logotype, or any form which communicates information, can be read from off premises contiguous property or public right-of-way. (Section 11.4.2)

[ZA2021-08-16(C)]

#### 2.2.3 Industrial District Definitions

**Agricultural Processing:** Processing of foods and beverages from agricultural commodities, but excludes animal slaughtering. Typical uses include canning of fruits and vegetables, processing of dairy products, and the production of prepared meats (from purchased, previously slaughtered animals).

**Agricultural Research:** Agricultural research use type refers to establishments for experimental greenhouse and field growing of agricultural commodities, landscaping and seeds, including experimental use of herbicides, pesticides and other agricultural practices.

**Alternative Energy Production:** Energy production sites dedicated to the commercial production of electricity by means of wind, solar, or other non-petroleum energy sources.

**Custom Manufacturing:** Custom manufacturing refers to the on-site production of goods by hand manufacturing or artistic endeavor, which involves only the use of hand tools, individually powered tools or domestic mechanical equipment and the incidental sale of these goods directly to consumers. Typical uses include ceramic studios, custom cabinet making, crafts making, candle making, custom jewelry manufacturers, woodworkers, custom furniture craftsmen, metal craftsmen, blacksmiths, and glass blowers.

**High Technology (Hi-Tech) Industry:** Research, development and controlled production of high-technology electronic, industrial or scientific products. Typical uses include biotechnology firms and computer component manufacturers.

**Light Industrial:** Production processes which use already manufactured components to assemble, print or package a product such as cloth, paper, plastic, leather, wood, glass or stones, but not including such operations as paper, saw or mills, steel, iron or other metalwork's, rolling mills, or any manufacturing uses involving primary production of commodities from raw materials. By the nature of the activity performed and/or the scale of the operation, these uses can be located near residential or commercial uses with minimal impact to adjacent uses. Typical uses include apparel manufacturing, paper products finishing, furniture production and production of fabricated metal products.



#### Section 11.3 – Sign Standards by Zoning Districts

#### 11.3.1 Signs in Residential Zoning Districts

- A. <u>Signs Permitted in Residential Zoning Districts:</u> See Section 11.4 for specific requirements. Additionally, some Conditional Uses in Article 5 include specific requirements for signage.
- **B.** Residential Subdivision and Multifamily Unit Signs: See Section 11.4.11.
- C. 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 sign surface area of fifty (50) square feet. The freestanding sign shall be a monument or freestanding post type and shall not exceed six (6) feet in height.

Religious institutions and educational facilities shall have the option of internally illumination or ground lighting; all other permitted signs shall not be internally illuminated. Such signs shall be located a minimum of ten (10) feet from any adjoining property boundary.

#### 11.3.2 Signs in Non-Residential Zoning Districts

- A. <u>Signs Permitted in Non-Residential Zoning Districts:</u> See Section 11.4 for specific requirements. Some Conditional Uses in Article 5 also include specific requirements for signage. Additionally, some Conditional Uses in Article 5 include specific requirements for signage.
- B. Religious Institutions, Educational Facilities, Cemeteries, Country Clubs, Parks, and Similar Recreational Uses: See Section 11.4 for specific dimensions of signs permitted in non-residential districts.



#### Section 11.4 – Sign Standards by Sign Type

#### 11.4.1 Wall Signs

Wall signs include most types of signage that are attached to the face of a building wall. These include channel letters made out of wood, metal or plastic. Wall signs may be painted on a wall, or on a board that is attached to a wall.

Wall signs should be oriented to achieve balanced composition and harmony with other architectural elements of a building façade. Wall signs should be placed on a flat building surface and should not be placed over or otherwise obscure architectural building features. Changeable copy signs are not permitted as a wall sign, except for cinemas, theaters, and auditoriums.



#### A. Location and Number Permitted

Only one wall sign per tenant will be allowed and shall be located at the Public Entrance. A second wall sign will be allowed if the building is located on a corner lot, installed on another facade or if there is a second public entrance. The maximum number of wall signs permitted is two (2) per tenant space.

#### B. Size

Wall signs may be a maximum of 15% of the building face where the sign is attached. The changeable copy if included in wall signs shall be limited to six (6) square feet.

#### C. Illumination

Wall signs may be illuminated by any means consistent with Section 11.1.8.

#### D. Zoning

Wall signs are allowed in all zoning districts.

#### 11.4.2 Window Signs

Window signs should be scaled to the pedestrian and oriented to window shoppers on the sidewalk, as opposed to vehicles passing by. Window signs should be limited to small graphics and text that serve to frame a window or to provide information. A window sign should not obscure the view into a store or place of business.

#### A. Location and Number Permitted

There is no specific location requirement or limit to the number of window signs allowed. A window sign is a sign that is painted on or attached to a window. Window signs



do not include business hours of operation or open/closed signs. Window displays, including merchandise displays, graphics and text, that are located twelve (12) inches or more from the face of a window are not considered signs. Window signs shall not count towards the cumulative number of signs permitted.



#### B. Size

Window signs are limited to a maximum of twenty-four (24) square feet. Window signs shall not exceed 25% of any individual window and 50% of glass panes of any door.

#### C. Illumination

Window signs may be illuminated by any means consistent with Section 11.1.8 of this article.

#### D. Zoning

Window signs are allowed in all non-residential zoning districts.

#### E. Exemptions:

Removable signs that promote specials, sales or other similar information may be placed in a window provided such sign does not exceed 25% of the window area and is limited to one (1) per tenant space. This sign will be exempt from sign permit procedures.

#### 11.4.3 Awning Signs

Awning Signs should be limited to the skirt of the awning. Signs should only be considered for the awning face if there is no other alternative location for signage on a given storefront or property.

#### A. Location and Number

Signs may be located on awnings subject to size criteria. One awning sign is permitted per tenant space and must maintain a minimum clearance of 8 feet above any public right-of-way or private sidewalk area.



#### B. Size

Signs on awnings shall not cover more than twenty-five (25) percent of the main area of the awning, or exceed 25 square feet in size, whichever is smaller.

#### C. Illumination

Awning signs may be externally illuminated consistent with Section 11.1.8. Back-lit, translucent awning signs are prohibited.

#### D. Zoning

Awning signs shall be allowed in all non-residential zoning districts.

#### 11.4.4 Projecting Signs

Projecting signs are attached to a building face and project out perpendicular to the building wall. Projecting signs are very effective when oriented to pedestrians on the sidewalk level. Appropriate materials include wood and metal with carved or applied lettering, or any other material that is architecturally compatible with the building that the sign is attached to. Multiple projecting signs should not be installed within ten (10) feet of each other if on the same property and should be separated from projecting signs on adjacent properties by ten (10) feet to insure proper visibility.





Chapter 5

## **5.1. Marketing and SIGN BASICS**

The City of Conway has a sign ordinance, (City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance, Article 11) which takes precedent. These guidelines have been designed to work as a suppliment of visual suggestions for traditional commercial building owners throughout all local Historic Design Review Districts (HDRDs). Significant focus is given to buildings in the historic commercial HDRD. It is the intent of this section to help building owners understand their building features and how the best scale, type, materials and placement of signage will benefit their businesses.

The quality and amount of signs on buildings has a great impact on the appearance of a downtown area, either positive or negative. Each and every storefront should be an individual statement for its intended market and audience, while also appearing in harmony with neighboring businesses.

Different types of signs serve different purposes in a downtown area. In most areas of any downtown, first impressions may be from an automobile, and certain signs are designed to be seen from that vantage point. Other signs are intended for the pedestrian to read while

strolling the sidewalk. The building or retail owner's choice of materials, size, scale and type of signage are reflective of the way that the business is intended to be portrayed. A general rule of identification is that any patron needs only to recognize where a business is once. These traditional commercial sign guidelines provide for the multiple types of commonly used signs that are required for the best business visibility. This chapter suggests how to "read" individual buildings in order to identify proper sign placement depending on each primary facade and divide the facade area for "business divisions" if there might be multiple sign users.

With the City of Conway's rich architectural history, exemplified by distinct building styles over many periods of its history, simple "marketing" rules related to signage remain basic:

- "KEEP IT SIMPLE"
- STAY IN CONTEXT
- USE APPROPRIATE SCALE
- FOLLOW GOOD SIGN PLACEMENT
- CREATE A "HIERARCHY" OF SIGN TYPES

## "Keep It Simple"

While these guidelines are intended to prevent sign and visual "clutter" in the downtown district, they are primarily meant to guide the business owner as to traditional placement and good design. Keeping information and expression within established guidelines not only helps each business but the entire district as a whole.

## Simple Signs - Residential Re-use:





Primary Signs Home, Yard Placement & Lighting: pg.D.17

#### **APPROPRIATE:**



Keeping sign clutter down, information simple, and aligned in traditional "signband" locations is important in the CBD where businesses are close together. Bold lettering or sign boards within prescribed architectural space is key.

#### **INAPPROPRIATE:**



This is an example of a downtown commercial district that lacks signs where signs are meant to be. This does nothing to help these businesses promote themselves.

Chapter 5

**INTRODUCTION TO SIGN BASICS** 

## The Context of Signs

Beyond City sign ordinances, these guidelines should help identify and the use of sign construction appropriate to the building style and how the sign will be seen within the surrounding environment. Signs should work in context with the architecture of the individual building. Use fundamental features of the facade such as building piers, storefront cornices, and storefront framing for traditional and best placement of signs (Figure 3.2 next pg). Many upper facade features and stylized materials will provide built-in framing. Any new or reproduction sign should be consistent with the placement and type of signage that would historically have been used (or intended to be used) with that building. A building should not be adorned with signs that change the construction of the facade or the storefront. For example, overly "built" theme fronts and amenities that change the character of the architecture. The sign should be considered an expression of the type of business and therefore an extension of that individual business's identity, but also take in consideration the historic architecture.

If the storefront or business model is designed to utilize contemporary sign materials, a traditional approach with respect to placement, size and scale relative to the building features should still be followed. (Especially see "Scale" below.) In addition, the sign and its method of attachment should be reversible to the building itself to the greatest extent possible in order to maintain the integrity of significant building materials.

## Use Appropriate Scale

Pg. C.2

Scale can be fairly subjective. Size limits set within City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance, Article 11 and additional suggestions, based on "sign types" in these guidelines, should help guide maximum scale on historic buildings. To judge "scale" each business must weigh the overall coverage of all signs being used on its facade, the perception the business is going to create, and how the signage aligns with neighboring signs. The average size of other signs in the immediate downtown environment might determine whether sign scale in a particular part of a district is smaller or larger than allowable. A marketing rule for scale is generally the smaller the sign and less information provided, the more sophisticated the business will be perceived. Businesses that cram type on out-of-scale signs are often perceived as lower-end or discount.

#### APPROPRIATE:



A single-bay contemporary framed storefront with traditional construction is shown here with an appropriate amount of signs. The design of a primary blade sign and secondary sign band over the door is in-context with the character of the space, the architecture and business.

#### **INAPPROPRIATE:**



Flat vinyl letters applied to an out-of-scale signboard construction are shown above. The entire sign is set across facade elements such as building piers, banding and slightly over the storefront opening edge. This becomes out of context to the traditional architecture.

#### APPROPRIATE:



Scale of signs work in a pedestrian oriented district and must not dominate the architecture. Note how upper facade architecture pre-defines size.

## INAPPROPRIATE:



A sign that is too small for the large area of the upper facade is out of scale. This may interrupt the rhythm viewing signs and horizontal continuity of the block. The entire business may be overlooked.

## 5.1. Sign Basics (continued)

## Follow Good Sign Placement

In no case shall a sign applied to a building be allowed to obscure any significant architectural details of a building face, nor shall a wall sign be designed to cover existing windows.

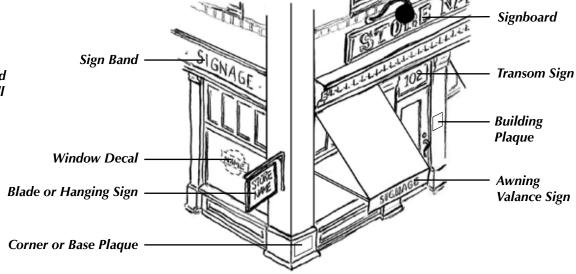
Fig. 3.2: Contextual Types and Placement of Signs

For example only, all signs shown would not be allowed on one building:



Fig. 3.1: INAPPROPRIATE Sign Placement

Signs placed over building elements and window openings will not be allowed.



## Create a Hierarchy of Sign Types

These guidelines use three different sign category terms to suggest a traditional system of sign "hierarchy" per business division, rather than per facade (see also Section C, Chapter 5.4 "Dividing the Facade for Clearer Signage"):

- PRIMARY SIGN
- SECONDARY SIGN(S)
- SUBORDINATE SIGNS

## Quick Reference Guide to These Sign Guidelines:







Primary Signs: pg. C.8-C.9

Secondary Signs: pg. C.10

Subordinate Signs: pg. C.11

#### TRADITIONAL COMMERCIAL SIGN GUIDELINES

Chapter 6

**DOWNTOWN COMMERCIAL SIGN SUGGESTIONS** 

## 6.1. The Primary Sign

## Description and Use:

The PRIMARY SIGN is NOT expressly defined as such in the *City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance*. This sign "category" is exemplary within these guidelines ONLY for the most traditional use and placement of the most dominant sign (i.e. largest in size and prominently placed on the upper facade, hung from public exterior, brightest lit, etc.). (Fig. 3.6)

- The Primary Sign should ONLY be the business name, logo or business type (i.e. "Bicycles," "PIZZA," "Food," "EAT," "Loans," etc.).
- 6.1.2 The Primary Sign may be a dimensional icon, graphically depicting the type of business.
- 6.1.3 A side wall mural may become the Primary Sign and will probably exceed the suggested size on that facade. A variance may be granted for a wall mural sign if the CAB determines it appropriate; however, any other signs on any facade will be "secondary" to this sign. Painting on unpainted historic, natural brick surface may not be allowed.
- 6.1.4 Awnings should NOT be used for Primary Signs, as they are a building amenity; however, awning valances may be used for Secondary or Subordinate Signs.

## Significant Historic "Grandfathered" Signs:

(As identified by the CAB) these signs MUST be retained as they are part of the history of the facade, storefront or building in some way.

Grandfathered historic signs may be covered with new board or neon re-worked to accommodate a new business as long as modifications are "reversible" to the historic sign.

## Suggested Amount:

ONE Primary Sign per "business division" of the primary facade (see Section C, Chapter 5.4 "Dividing the Facade for Clearer Sign-age" to see suggestions on visually dividing the facade per usage). A SECOND Primary Sign may be used on a corner building with 2 facades.

#### General Size Suggestions:

Primary signs, with the exception of projecting hanging signs, may be a maximum of 100 square feet or 15% of the building face where the sign is attached, whichever is less.

- The widest point of ONE dimension (vertical or horizontal) of the Primary Sign should not exceed three (3) feet, or fit into a circular diameter of five (5) feet. No Primary Sign should exceed 100 square feet.
- 61.9 Window signs (as Primary Signs) on or above the second floor may obtain a variance to cover no more than 30% of any one window.
- 6.1.10 A hanging or projecting sign, known as a "blade" sign, will usually be much smaller than the allowed general size based on construction limitations. The size of a blade sign depends on the room for, and style of, the bracket hardware, adequate space for stabilization (if wires are needed), and weight/stress on the building. These factors, plus the projecting space over the storefront coupled with potential right-of-way liabilities, will usually lead to this reduction in size from a mounted Primary Sign. Generally, blade sign size is within eight to ten square feet.

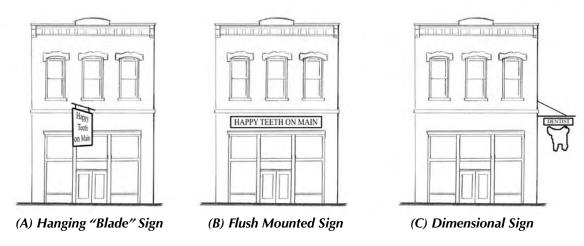
#### SPECIAL NOTES:

The Community Appearance Board may determine, in specific cases or in general that the full size suggestion is too large "in-scale-to" or obstructing significant architecture. The CAB will suggest an appropriate size. Primary "blade" signs will usually be much smaller than the maximum allowed size. Awnings should generally not be used as primary signs, however if granted the lettering placement and size will require additional review (see below).



In very few circumstances should Primary Signs be mounted on an awning. If the business should happen to change the entire awning becomes irrelevant. In the example there is room for a horizontal sign board above and the awning can be mounted slightly lower for more sign room. If the only option is an awning sign, scale and placement of the lettering must not be obtrusive. Awning lettering should follow primary sign suggestions.

Fig. 3.6: Suggested Primary Sign Types



In the example above, a dental practice may have a Primary Sign that will read "HAPPY TEETH ON MAIN" – which is the actual name of the business – or simply "DENTIST." It will be the most predominant sign on the facade in one of three configurations shown:

- (A) a perpendicular hanging sign, or "blade" sign, over the sidewalk and storefront, side or corner mount,
- (B) mounted or painted to a flush surface on the building designated for sign use, or
- (C) the sign may just be a large fiberglass tooth hung from the side, front or corner of the building. NOTE: a second Primary Sign may be used on aditional facade of a corner building.



Combination mid-century primary (& secondary) sign appropriate to significant (ca.1940s) auto-oriented commercial on Elm Street. With new business only a change in the panels should occur.



A commercial building downtown with one primary sign and multiple businesses has a well defined area above the storefront for a flush primary sign board defined by brick banding.

The above images are for example only. This does not represent the only application and design of signs possible, as every building and allowable sign area is individually unique.



Flush primary signs centered to the front of the main storefront and a second, primary sign centered over a display on a side facade. Signband area is defined by the architecture. These primary signs are scaled well with the largest over front.



Businesses in Conway are starting a trend of elaborate, artistic blade sign brackets and hardware for primary signs. This is a unique feature to Conway as a district and the dimensions of the hardware add another level to the signage.

#### TRADITIONAL COMMERCIAL SIGN GUIDELINES

Chapter 6

**DOWNTOWN COMMERCIAL SIGN SUGGESTIONS** 

## **6.2. Secondary Signs**

## Description and Use:

SECONDARY SIGNS are NOT expressly defined as such in the *City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance*. This sign "category" is exemplary within these guidelines ONLY for the most traditional suggested use and placement of additional signs, generally secondary, to the Primary Sign or "supporting signage" to the business name or identity (Fig. 3.7).

- Secondary Signs can be located in many places on the facade, and they must be approved by the CAB to be "secondary" in nature to the Primary Sign. This includes repeated, matching signs in display windows.
- 6.2.2 The Secondary Sign may be the business name or the type of business applied to the valance or "skirt" of the primary awning.
- 6.2.3 The Secondary Sign may include tag lines below the name, graphics, or proprietor / professional's name and title, or slogan.
- depicting the type of business; however it SHOULD be smaller than the Primary Sign as described below.
- 6.2.5 Neon, channel letter or <u>any internally-lit signs</u> are NOT permitted as Secondary Signs.

## Suggested Amount:

- 6.2.6 Generally ONE per "business division" of the primary facade, with the exception of matching window signs (see Section C, Chapter 5.4 "Dividing the Facade for Clearer Signage" for suggestions on visually dividing the facade per usage).
- 6.2.7 An identical PAIR (set) of window signs (on multiple display windows) can be counted as one Secondary Sign. (Fig. 3.7)

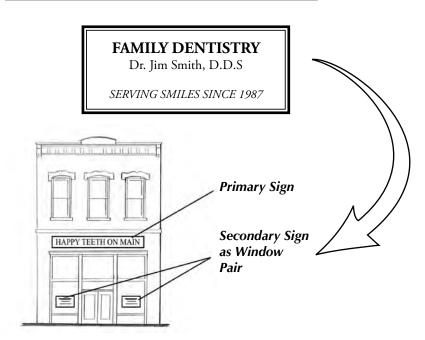
## General Size Suggestion (each):

- 6.2.8 Suggested at 20% or less of the square footage of the Primary Sign.
- At any time, no single window should be covered more than 25% and no single door glass more than 50% (City of Conway Unified Development Ordinance, Article 11). Window signs on or above the second floor (if upper levels are used as part of the primary business at street level) should be limited to one or two words (i.e. "PUB," "Dentist," "TATTOO," or "Law Firm"), or simply not used at all to avoid clutter.

## Additional Sign Suggestion (to reduce clutter):

- 6.2.10 If the business is located on a corner, occupies multiple storefronts, or in a stand-alone structure, then EACH facade (storefront) might have one (1) additional Secondary Sign upon that facade. NOTE: <u>The entire business should still have only one (1) Primary Sign</u>, however.
- 6.2.11 If there is an identical window sign (to create a pair) within a separate display window pane, and each conforming to the size limitations listed above, then the pair (set) might be used.
- When using multiple lines of type or full logos in mass, at their widest point, should not exceed three (3) feet. Single lines of type or line graphics might be exempt from this limitation.

Fig. 3.7: EXAMPLE of Suggested Secondary Signs



Using the Flush Primary Sign, from the previous Figure 3.6, the Primary Sign reads "HAPPY TEETH ON MAIN," The Secondary Signs are applied as a pair of signs to the two storefront windows. NOTE: This is a <u>matching</u> pair of signs as suggested to count together as <u>one</u> Secondary Sign – the dentist may still place "Subordinate Signs" described next.

### **2022 Quattlebaum Award Nominees**

#### A. Outstanding restoration of a non-residential building

- 1. \*315 Kingston St-Honey Hair
- 2. 500 Main St- Anderson Brothers Bank Drive Thru Additions

#### B. Outstanding new construction of a non-residential building

- 1. \*1617 Church St.- Bojangles
- 2. Dunkin- 2607 Main St
- 3. Chipotle- 2296 Hwy 501 E

#### C. Outstanding restoration of a home

- 1. 601 Burroughs St.-Bischoff
- 2. 1103 Oak Street- Harrelson
- 3. 1008 Winding Road

#### D. Outstanding new construction of a residential building

- 1. 4076 Hagwood Circle-Soucy-Smith
- 2. 4301 Bradford Dr-Thomas
- 3. 4207 Bradford Dr-Hardwick

#### E. Outstanding design effort

1. 1613 Church St-Chick-Fil-A

#### F. Outstanding Landscape Project

1. 893 Kingston Dr-Roof

#### G. Outstanding signage project

1. \*1617 Church St- Bojangles

## H. Outstanding contribution to quality development, restoration, landscape or design by an organization or individual.

1. 220 Rivertown Blvd- B&B Theaters

If nominated for more than 1 category, nominees may only win in one category

Each category can have up to 2 winners

IT IS NOT REQUIRED THAT THERE BE A WINNER IN A PARTICULAR CATEGORY

<sup>\*</sup>nominated in more than one category

# ORDINANCE #99-05-24-(A) AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE C. P. QUATTLEBAUM ANNUAL DESIGN AWARDS

- WHEREAS, the City of Conway has experienced tremendous growth and development in the past several years, and this growth and development is projected to continue and increase during the years to come; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Conway has a large collection of historic homes and buildings many of which have been restored and many of which are in need of restoration; and
- WHEREAS, the City of Conway is noted for its beautiful landscape including natural beauty and planned landscape; and
- WHEREAS, during the past several years the City of Conway has endeavored to encourage quality growth, revitalization and restoration, quality landscape, design and signage; and
- WHEREAS, C. P. Quattlebaum was the first Mayor of the City of Conway and the Quattlebaum family is associated with several of the oldest and most architecturally significant buildings in the City of Conway, and it would be appropriate to honor C. P. Quattlebaum; and
- WHEREAS, it would be desirous of the city to recognize outstanding development, restoration, landscape design, signage, and the efforts of those involved.
- NOW KNOW THEREFORE, that the City of Conway does hereby establish the Quattlebaum Awards to be given annually for outstanding efforts made and completed during the previous year, subject to the following guidelines:
  - 1. The Community Appearance Board shall select recipients of the Quattlebaum Awards.
  - 2. The awards shall be presented by Conway City Council at a regular City Council meeting.
  - 3. The awards shall be given in all or some of the following areas as determined by the Community Appearance Board.
    - 1. Outstanding restoration of a non-residential building
    - 2. Outstanding restoration of a home
    - 3. Outstanding new construction of a non-residential building
    - 4. Outstanding new construction of a residential building
    - 5. Outstanding landscape project
    - 6. Outstanding design effort

- 7. Outstanding signage project
- 8. Outstanding contribution to quality development, restoration, landscape or design by an organization or individual
- 4. Nominations for awards may be made by citizens, city officials or CAB members; however, the decision to recognize must be by a majority vote of the Community Appearance Board.
- 5. Awards shall be presented in July of each year to those projects completed during the previous fiscal year.
- 6. The number of awards and the categories for which they are recognized shall be determined by the Community Appearance Board; however, there shall be no more than two recipients in any category. No recognition shall be given to a group, individual or project in more than one category in a given year; however, previous recipients are eligible in the following year.
- 7. The City shall provide an appropriate recognition for recipients.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, that the establishment of the Awards is hereby adopted by reference.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** if for any reason, any sentence, clause or provision of this Ordinance shall be declared invalid, such shall not affect the remaining provisions thereof.

**EFFECTIVE DATE** of this Ordinance shall be the date of final reading and passage.

DONE AND RATIFIED in Council duly assemble	ed this <u>24</u> th day of <u>May</u> , 1999.
	Mrs. ory K. Martin Gregory R. Martin, Mayor
	Miriam H. Webb, Mayor Pro Tem
	Leslie H. McIver, Sr.
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