



**LAWRENCE SIGN CODE BOARD OF APPEALS MINUTES  
JULY 5, 2018 – 6:35 P.M., CITY COMMISSION MEETING ROOM, FIRST FLOOR OF CITY  
HALL, SIXTH AND MASSACHUSETTS STREET, LAWRENCE, KANSAS**

Members present: Gardner, Gascon, Mahoney, Shipley, Wilbur, Wisner  
Staff present: Dolar, Crick, Walthall

**ITEM NO. 1: MINUTES**

Consider approval of the minutes from the June 1, 2017 meeting.

The minutes were deferred.

**ITEM NO. 2: COMMUNICATIONS**

All communications were included in the agenda packet.

There were no ex parte contacts and/or abstentions.

There were no agenda items deferred.

**ITEM NO. 3: MONUMENT SIGN VARIANCE FOR PHILLIPS 66; 2815 W 6<sup>TH</sup>  
STREET**

**SV-18-00273:** Consider a variance request from the Sign Code found in Chapter 5, Article 18, in the Code of the City of Lawrence, Kansas, 2018 edition. The request is to allow digital gas price information on an existing ground sign/pole mounted sign. The property is located at 2815 W. 6th Street. Submitted by KC Sign Express Inc., for Haig Properties, L.C., property owner of record.

**STAFF PRESENTATION**

Walthall presented the item. He mentioned that the LED components were installed prior to application for a sign permit.

Gardner clarified that leaving the sign as is will be safer than constructing a monument sign that could obstruct view.

Barry said that is staff's opinion. He explained some conflicting objectives of the code.

Wilbur asked if the size of the sign has changed.

Walthall said no.

Wilbur asked if the variance transfers to the next property owner.

Walthall said the variance stays with the land but could be conditioned upon no change in use.

**APPLICANT PRESENTATION**

Ms. Robin Hurshman, KC Sign Express, said they did their best to come into compliance but ultimately required a variance to satisfy the project.

**ACTION TAKEN**

Motioned by Gardner, seconded by Wilbur, to close public comment for the item.

Unanimously approved 6-0.

**BOARD DISCUSSION**

Gardner said he supports it and would make a motion to approve.

Mahoney agreed.

**ACTION TAKEN**

Motioned by Gardner, seconded by Wilbur, to approve the variance based on findings in the staff report with the following conditions:

1. The variance does not transfer with a change of use of the property.
2. The variance does not transfer upon any redevelopment of the property that would require site plan approval, as specified by City of Lawrence Code Section 5-1823(c).

Unanimously approved 6-0.

**ITEM NO. 4: MISCELLANEOUS**

- a) There was no other business to come before the Board.

**ADJOURN**

Motioned by Gardner, seconded by Mahoney, to adjourn the meeting.

**ADJOURNED 6:41 PM**