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Date: Wednesday, January 11, 2012 11:29 AM

To: "Chuck Klaer" <cklaer1@nycap.rr.com>; "Don Reeb" <dreeb@albany.edu>

Subject: Re: Found supplemental notes: Town Propert Issue

Here is a public comment question for the Town Board meeting.

Since we have learned that Town Zoning Code does not apply to Fire Company property which appears to be a separate jurisdiction. Similarly Town/City Zoning Code does not apply to SUNYA, and you appear to have been informed that NYS DOT right of way set backs do not apply to Town Property, it might be important, in light of the discomfort Peter has shown vis a vis having the Town ZBA deal with the sign issue on Town Property.

Perhaps the Town's own Zoning Code is not technically applicable to Town Property. Peter and the ZBA may need a Town Board resolution more complete than the current one directing it to apply the Zoning sign code to this application.

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From: Chuck Klaer

Sent: Tuesday, January 10, 2012 4:02 PM

To: Don Reeb

Subject: Found supplemental notes:

I think Schultz muddied the waters referencing initial Stuyvesant signage that include many signs on poles and iterations over time leading to the last approval in 1997. Not germane.

Amber Alert public service option is not germane since temporary alternatives are available for the very very rare times one might be needed.

Proposed sign will be on the current foot print

Current sign foundation needs to be repaired

Current sign needs to be replaced

Demonstrated "Message Center" was 24 square feet

Proposed "Message Center" will be 71 square feet.

Schultz said a message might be up for as little as 13 seconds or as long as days

Schultz claims there are other lighted signs that change in brightness dependent on ambient lighting

Proposed LED lighting would range from 400 nits to 10,000 nits There will be no fees charged to tenants and tenants can not buy preferred display time or image. I've added three more comments to those made by Doug Smith.

It might be helpful to go to Town Hall and read the Creighton Manning report.

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From: Chuck Klaer

Sent: Tuesday, January 10, 2012 3:33 PM

To: Donald Reeb

Subject: Re: Stuyvesant sign--zoning board hearing

An impressive cc: list

A good turnout is important but probably can only be effective to address the neighborhood character issues of the code. If you recorded the last meeting, note the discussion at the very end. Motions need to address to separate issues dealing with 1) prohibited Bill Boards and Commercial Advertising which will require a Use Variance to consider further. The Town resolution gives Stuyvesant Plaza permission to put a sign approved by the Zoning Board on its property (When reviewing language and definitions separate those the address Prohibited and those that address Permitted "if") It's past my bed time, I'll finish in the morning. (Make that 3:30PM)

ADVERTISING STRUCTURE

Any notion or advertisement, pictorial or otherwise, and any structure used as, or for the support of, any such notice or advertisement, for the purpose of making anything known about goods, services or activities not on the same lot as said advertising structure.

BILLBOARD

See "advertising structure."

LOT

A parcel of land under separate ownership or parcel of land as designated on a plot plan recorded in the Albany County Clerk's office.

SETBACK

The minimum allowable horizontal distance from a given point or line of reference, such as a street, right-of-way or future right-of-way, if such has been determined, to the nearest vertical wall or other element of a building or structure as defined herein.