REGULATORY REVIEW COMMITTEE
- MINUTES -

MEETING DATE: June 9, 1995

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1. Can a projecting sign extend above the exterior wall?

The general standards for signs are found at KCC 21A.20.060. That section provides
that a wall sign cannot extend above the exterior wall on which the sign is located
(KCC 21A.20.060(G)). The section also provides that projecting signs may be used in
place of wall signs if three additional conditions are met: the sign must be a minimum
of six feet above finished grade; it cannot project more than six feet from the building
facade; and it cannot exceed the size or number of wall signs permitted (KCC
21A.20.060(C)). It is clear from the these specific standards that projecting signs are
those that project horizontally out from the exterior wall a maximum of six feet, but
projecting signs (like wall signs) cannot extend above the top of the wall.

In light of these specific standards, a code change is needed to correct a drafting error
in the definition of “projecting sign;” the definition should refer to a sign that projects
horizontally, rather than vertically, from the wall (KCC 21A.06.1155). A code
amendment is also needed for the definition of “wall sign” to clarify that the sign may
project no more than one foot horizontally from the wall (KCC 21A.06.1165). To
further clarify these standards, roof signs should be added to the list of prohibited signs
in KCC 21A.20.040. Finally, the code should clearly state whether awnings must be
fabric and whether the awning sign must be flush against the awning or simply
mounted on the awning.
2. Legislative update.

A) Ordinance 11802, which would remove "building coverage" as a separate standard, amend the impervious surface percentages and setback standards in certain residential zones, and reduce the base density in the RA 2.5 zone to one unit per five acres, was signed by the Executive on June 7, 1995. The first business day it is effective will be June 19, 1995.

B) Ordinance 11798, clarifying the minimum density calculation and amending the definition of "Net Buildable Area," was also signed by the Executive on June 7, 1995, and will be effective on June 19.

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