

APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO A SPECIAL USE PERMIT TO ALLOW FOR A NONCONFORMING SIGN ON PROPERTY ZONED "CBD" CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT AT 112 EAST LINCOLN HIGHWAY TO ALLOW FOR A VARIATION FROM ARTICLE 13 SIGNS OF THE UNIFIED DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE TO CONTINUE ALLOWING A 256 SQUARE FOOT NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY AND/OR "COMMUNIVERSITY" SIGN ON THE WEST BUILDING WALL.

WHEREAS, the NIU Intercollegiate Athletic Department has filed a petition with the City Clerk of the City of DeKalb, Illinois, for a Special Use Permit amendment to allow for continuation of a 256 square foot Northern Illinois University and/or "communiversity" sign located on the west wall of 112 East Lincoln Highway with the intent to convey "communiversity" pride to the public on property zoned "CBD" Central Business District; and,

WHEREAS, the DeKalb Planning and Zoning Commission held a public hearing and reviewed the request on June 11, 2014 and recommended approval of the Special Use Permit amendment by a vote of 6-0-0 (Atherton Absent), subject to conditions; now,

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL of the City of DeKalb, Illinois as follows:

Section 1. That a Special Use Permit to allow for a 256 square foot football schedule sign on property zoned "CBD" Central Business District at 112 East Lincoln Highway, subject to the following condition:

1. That the mural be moved to the south along the wall approximately six feet to become essential framed by the building's roofline element.
2. That the mural shall be maintained in good condition, year-round.
3. The mural shall be limited in content and message to only advertise Northern Illinois University and a "communiversity" message (on a recurring basis with such message being acceptable to the City Manager or designee), and shall bear no other commercial message.
4. This special use may be terminated by the City by passage of an ordinance revoking the same, without further process or hearing.

Section 2. That all provisions of the Unified Development Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect, and this Ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and approval according to law.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL of the City of DeKalb, Illinois at a regular meeting held on the 23rd day of June, 2014 and approved by me as Mayor on the same day. Passed by Omnibus roll call vote of 8-0 on the Consent Agenda. Aye: Jacobson, Finucane, Lash, Snow, Naylor, Baker, O'Leary, Rey.

ATTEST:


 ELIZABETH E. PEERBOOM, City Clerk




 JOHN A. REY, Mayor