Community Development Department 651-792-7074 • fax: 651-792-7070

August 19, 2009

Lexington Plaza LLC P.O. Box 555 Wayzata, MN 55391

RE: Lexington Plaza, 1682-1754 Lexington Avenue - Master Sign Plan.

Dear Property Owner:

On August 13, 2009 the Roseville Planning Division held the required hearing regarding the Master Sign Plan (MSP) request for 1682 – 1754 Lexington Avenue. No citizens were present to address the committee and the Division did not receive any telephone calls or letters regarding concerns, issues or questions regarding signage at Lexington Plaza. However, City Planner did receive one email regarding signage at the Ol' Mexico location for which the proposal and clarification of signage allowances were provided.

After discussions with members of the Committee, the Roseville Planning Division supports the following as the Master Sign Plan for Lexington Plaza:

### WALL SIGN REQUIREMENTS

- Advertising, flashing, pulsating, rotating light (or lights), rooftop, banners, mobile signs, and portable signs shall be prohibited, as well as other prohibited signs covered under Section 1010 of the Roseville City Code.
- Wall signs shall be internally illuminated or non-illuminated channel letters, either on raceways or individual letters. Identity logos and/or symbols shall be allowed. No letter or logo/symbol shall be taller than 30 inches in height.
- Letter returns and raceways may be painted, prefinished, or utilize exposed metal; and exposed metal shall be stainless steel, titanium, bronze, aluminum, or other non-corrosive material.
- The scale and proportion of graphics shall be compatible with the building's architectural character and mass.
- Maximum sign area allowed shall be limited 2 sq. ft. per the lineal foot of the each tenant frontage. For Building 1 the maximum building wall signage shall be limited to 1,128 sq. ft. (564 x2) and for Building 2 the maximum building wall signage shall be limited to 580 sq. ft. (290 x 2).
- Sign area shall be computed per section 1010.04 of the City Code.
- All leasing signs for vacant tenant spaces shall require a permit and be limited to a height of 30 inches and a maximum size of 30 sq. ft.

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### FREESTANDING SIGN REQUIREMENTS

- The two existing non-conforming freestanding signs adjacent to Lexington Avenue shall be removed within seven years or by August 13, 2016.
- The building mounted mall identification sign shall be removed upon any application/permit for facade/canopy improvement or upon the building's exterior renovation.
- Lexington Plaza shall be allowed two large freestanding signs (one at each building site) consistent with Exhibit B. These freestanding signs shall not exceed 20 feet in height and be allowed a tenant sign panel area up to 100 sq. ft. (per side if double sided). A proportionally sized mall identification sign shall be incorporated on to each freestanding sign but not counted in the signage total.
- Freestanding signs shall be generally located as identified on Exhibit A and C and be set back a minimum of 5 feet from the property line adjacent to Lexington Avenue. Final placement shall be approved by the City.
- In addition to the above freestanding sign requirements, all leasing information (contact and number) shall be incorporated into the two freestanding signs. All existing freestanding leasing signs on the premises shall be removed. Final design and content and any future internal directional signage to be reviewed and approved by the Roseville Planning Division, prior to the issuance of a sign permit.

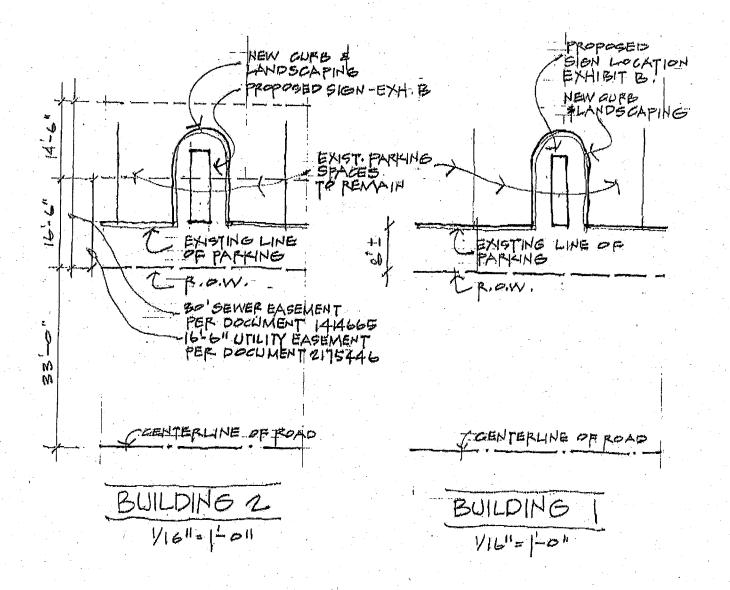
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Respectfully,

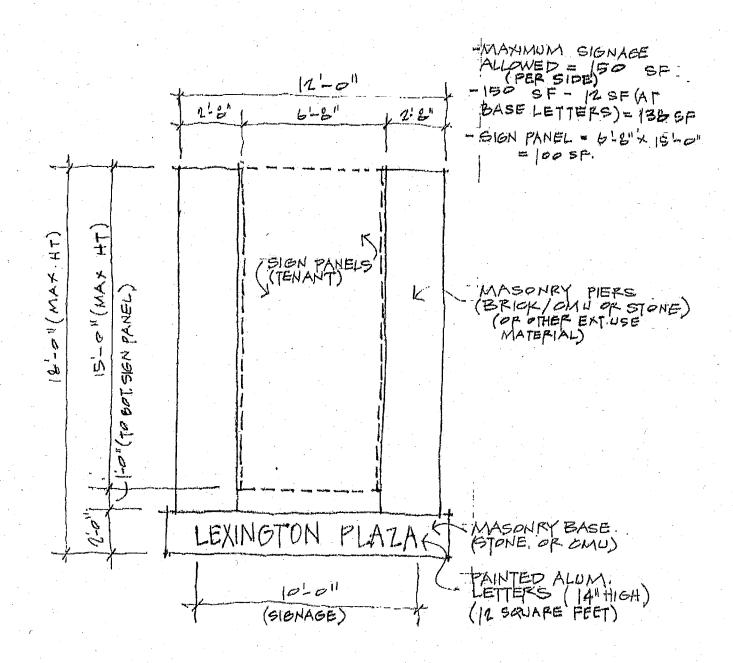
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Thomas Paschke City Planner

cc: Greg Kozulla, Kozulla & Associates 3001 Metro Drive, Suite 460 Bloomington, MN 55425

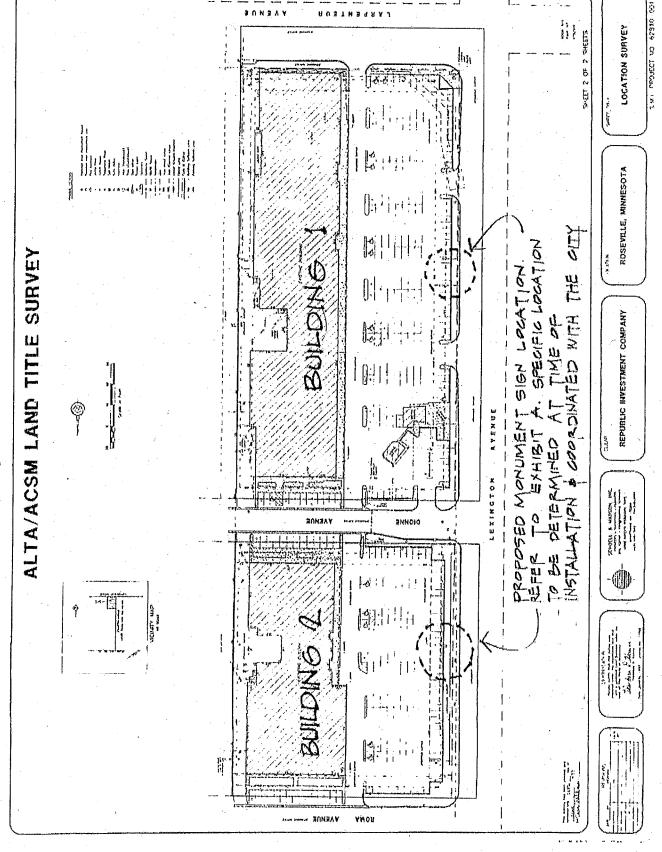


LEXINGTON PLAZA EXHIBIT A



LEXINGTON PLAZA EXHIBIT B

# LEXINGTON PLAZA



### Thomas Paschke

From:

Gregory J. Kozulla [gregk@kozullaassociates.com]

Sent:

Wednesday, August 12, 2009 11:48 AM

To:

Thomas Paschke

Subject: RE: Lexington Plaza

Hi Thomas,

I spoke with the property owner regarding the revised wall sign square footage as well as the monument signs.

A factor of 2sf/lineal footage of tenant space is acceptable.

The owner is willing to remove the existing free standing signs fronting the street, however, asks for the timeline to be 10 years in lieu of 5. As you and I discussed, he may never install new monument signage, but in the event he does the Master Signage Plan as approved would govern the new signs design and location. We do have an issue with the utility easements on the north building, so we need to address that in the approval process.

We are requesting that removal of building mounted Lexington Plaza signage be struck as this particular sign is of historic value to the property owner and wishes for that sign to remain unless at some point in time he decides to remove it on his

Greg

From: Thomas Paschke [mailto:thomas.paschke@ci.roseville.mn.us]

Sent: Monday, August 10, 2009 9:41 AM

To: 'Gregory J. Kozulla' Subject: Lexington Plaza

# Greg;

Preliminary review of the Lexington Plaza MSP proposal has been completed by the members of the Committee, for which I have the following:

Total size of wall signs - although the MSP process affords up to 2.25 sq. ft. for every lineal foot of building front, the Committee prefers (and will recommend) keeping the size at no greater than a factor of 2.

The Committee is also concerned with the existing freestanding sign at building two and that it may be located within the Lexington Avenue right-of-way or within a roadway easement (a portion of this sign does overhang into the right-of-way currently). Although the intent of the MSP is not to force the hand of a property owner into added costs, the reason the MSP was created in the first place is to address nonconforming signage at such sites as Lexington Plaza and create an equitable timeline for meeting Code compliance. It is unlikely that the Committee will not approve a date certain (most likely five years) when compliance must be achieved - this is not much different than tenant wall signage where existing can remain, but new must meet new requirements.

> THOMAS PASCHKE CITY PLANNER



# Memo - Draft

To: Thomas Paschke, City Planner From: Don Munson, Codes Coordinator

Date: 08-10-2009

Re: Lexington Plaza – Master Sign Plan – Review & Response

The sign criteria proposed for the wall signs seem to comply with the intent of the Master Sign Plan ordinance:

• I recommend approval.

The sign criteria proposed for the freestanding sign does  $\underline{not}$  seem to comply with the intent of the Master Sign Plan ordinance:

• I recommend not approving this portion for the following reasons:

- 1009.D.4.a,b,&c. This indicates to use the underlying regulations for size, location, height, etc. They are picking and choosing the maximum for size, location and height without any justification as to need or proposing making the sign more attractive or consistent with other signage in the area or even committing to a pleasant design or anything (they want the significant design flexibility with actual commitment/approval to be later).
- O They don't want to commit to a date for complying with the freestanding sign portion of a Master Sign Plan (installing a new freestanding sign). This should be required and before the extra wall signage allowed kicks in. Otherwise, the old one will be there a long, long time.
- O They could locate the sign further away from the road and comply with setbacks by turning an existing parking space into a nicely landscaped island. They are not. Furthermore, they are not proposing complying with old or new regulations but want their own special advantageous location, they are simply using the Master Sign Plan ord to gain better location. Other businesses will justifiably complain to us later.
- o They want to be 'somewhat consistent with that monument signage within the immediate vicinity' but also want the option of the 40' height!
- o The sign is in a utility and sewer easement. Eng will likely veto this.
- As I see this they are just after increasing signage square footage allowed with no commitment on their part. They should propose a nicer looking freestanding sign with more landscaping, set it back in the first row of parking and commit to a date.

I strongly disagree with this proposal. It sets a precedent that is not consistent with the intent or wording of the ordinance.

# **Lexington Plaza Signage Plan**

Roseville, MN August 5, 2009

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### **Monument Signs**

As part of the Master Sign Plan, the owner requests that they not be obligated to remove and/or replace the existing signage within a specific calendar timeframe, or, if the owner determines existing site signage be removed, that they not be obligated to install new monument signage. If, the owner decides to remove existing signs and install new monument signage, then the owner of Lexington Plaza proposes for all new Monument (Free Standing) signage to compliment the property as well as be somewhat consistent with that monument signage within the immediate vicinity. It is undetermined at the present if the above grade construction will consist of decorative concrete masonry units, face brick, or natural stone, but most likely a combination of face brick and either a natural stone of decorative masonry unit base. But this does not preclude the use of metal panels, stucco or other building material widely used on exterior applications. Refer to Exhibit B for elevation. The signage panels shall be constructed of Plexiglas which spans the full width between structural elements and shall be considered a double faced sign. Color of the monument sign structure shall be complementary to the buildings and surround. Colors of the signage panels shall be of a neutral background and graphics complimentary and consistent with the tenant's wall mounted signage on the building face. The "Lexington Plaza" graphic on each side of the monument shall be painted aluminum letters mechanically secured to the sign base. It is unknown at this time if the monument sign will be back lit, front lit, or lit at all. Therefore, the owner requests consideration and acceptance of any of the lighting options.

The monument signs shall be placed along the Lexington avenue frontage in the general location as shown on the attached site plan. The placement of such signage in the center of the north south frontage presents itself without visual vehicular or pedestrian interference via Visibility Triangle for commercial applications. The specific location is unknown at this time, however, the owner commits to coordinating with the City at the time of installation such that the proposed installation location and that approved by the City's Master Signage Plan is consistent.

Given the existing parking lot is generally close to the Right of Way, the owner requests a variance to the monument sign placement for Both Buildings 1 and 2 with respect to distance to the property line. Refer to Exhibit A for both Building 1 and 2 monument sign site details. Both Building 1 and 2 monument signs are restricted in location due to Lexington Avenue to the west and the immediate parking lot to the east. Therefore it is necessary to place the monument signs within the parking lot spaces as such only approximately 8' from the property line without creating unnecessary conflict to parking lot traffic flow. On Building 2, there are currently 2 utility easements between the Right of Way and the drive side of the parking spaces fronting Lexington Avenue. Therefore, unless the monument sign is located inboard of the utility easements and creating unnecessary conflict with traffic flow, the owner sees no viable solution other than within the easement.

Zoning Code Chapter 1010.09 (Zoning District B2) states maximum signage size equals 100 square feet on a single sided sign and 200 square feet on double sided signs. This code requires a 15' setback from the property line from which the owner requests a variance. This code also permits a maximum height of 25' or no higher than the existing building height.

<u>Master Signage Plan</u> allows maximum signage size be that as stated above times a factor of 1.5. (Zoning District B2) Therefore;

- a. The maximum signage size allowed would be 100 square feet per side times a factor of 1.5 or 150 square feet per side.
- b. The maximum signage height equals 40'.

# **KOZULLA & ASSOCIATES**

KOZULLA & ASSOCIATES, INC. 3001 METRO DRIVE, SUITE 460 BLOOMINGTON, MN 55425 USA TEL 952-345-0258 FAX 952-854-9403

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To:	Mr. Thomas	Paschke				
Company:	City of Rose	ville				
Address: 2660 Civic Center Drive						
Roseville, MN 55113						
Project:	Master Sign Plan					
	Lexington Plaza					
	Roseville, MN					
Project No.		4.4				
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Date: 07.17.09 ( )						
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1 Master Sign Plan Application Packet						
Comments: Mr. Paschke.						

Please find attached an application packet for the aforementioned subject property. Please feel free to contact me with any questions, comments, etc.

Thank you in advance for your timely review and process of this application.



### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

2660 Civic Center Drive . Roseville, MN 55113 

# MASTER SIGN PLAN APPLICATION

CITY CODE SECTION 1010.03 www.ci.roseville.mn.us

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**RESIDENTIAL APPLICATION FEE: \$250** 

COMMERCIAL APPLICATION FEE: \$350  (Fee should be made payable to City of Roseville upon submittal of application.)					
Please complete the application by typing or printing in ink. Use additional paper if necessary.					
1.	Property Owner Information:  Last name: Lexington Plaza, LLC	First name:			
	Address: P.O. Box 555	City/State/Zip: Wayzata, MN 55391			
	Address: P.O. Box 555  Phone number: 612-741-6469	Email address: alesther@aol.com			
2.	Applicant Information: (if different from above) Company name: Lexington Plaza, LLC				
		First name:			
		City/State/Zip:			
	Phone number:	Email address:			
3.	Address of Property Involved: (if different from above) 1682 - 1754 Lexington Avenue N., Roseville, MN 55113				
1.	Additional Required Information:				
	a. Site plan illustrating on-site improvements and location of proposed signage				
	b. Sign details including sign dimensions, area calculations, and construction specifications for each sign being contemplated, as well as elevations showing wall signs and/or freestanding signs as appropriate				
5.	Signature(s): By signing below, you attest that the information above and attached is true are correct to the best of your knowledge.				
	Property Owner:	Date: )-17-09			
	Applicant: Lexington Placa LLC member.	Date: 7-17-09  Date: 7-17-09			

### Master Sign Plan Regulations: (from §1010.03D of the Roseville City Code)

- 1. **Purpose:** The purpose of the Master Sign Plan is to establish fair and equitable criteria for complex signage situations that accommodate the need for a well-maintained, safe, and attractive community, and the need for effective communications, including business identification.
- 2. Effect of Master Sign Plan: Upon approval of a Master Sign Plan, all future signs shall conform to the Master Sign Plan. Modifications to the provisions of the Master Sign Plan may be granted only with the approval of a new Master Sign Plan.
- 3. Required: A Master Sign Plan is required for:
  - a. Building complexes
  - b. Multi-tenant structures
  - c. Covered mall buildings, shopping centers, or strip malls
  - d. Planned Unit Developments
  - e. Area identification signs
  - f. Churches/places of worship/institutions/schools
- 4. Criteria: The following criteria should be used when developing a Master Sign Plan.
  - a. **Guideline:** If possible, the underlying zoning district regulations (pertaining to signage and listed in Section 1010.09) should be used as a guideline with minimum variations as needed to meet the intent of this Chapter.
  - b. **Location:** No freestanding sign shall be located closer than 5 feet to a property line, roadway easement, or other public easement. No freestanding sign shall be erected that, by reason of position, shape, or color, would interfere in any way with the proper functioning or purpose of a traffic sign or signal. No freestanding sign shall be located within the Traffic Visibility Triangle. No freestanding sign shall impede/impair traffic.
  - c. Quality: All signage shall improve the aesthetics or functional use of the site. All freestanding signs shall include materials that complement the architectural design/existing building materials, including but not limited to face brick, natural or cut stone, integrally-colored concrete masonry units/rock-faced block, glass, pre-finished metal, stucco or similar cementation coating, and/or factory finished metal panels. Landscaping may be integrated into any freestanding sign.
  - d. Type: All types of signs are permitted except those prohibited by Section 1010.02C.
  - e. Size: The size of all signage (building wall and freestanding) shall be limited to 1.5 times the maximum allowed under Section 1010.08 (Wall Signage).
  - f. Height: The height of any freestanding sign shall be limited to a height of 40 feet.
  - g. Number: The number of freestanding signs shall be reasonably related to the number of access points to public streets and/or the number of tenants within the multi-tenant structure.
- 5. Approval Process: Submittal of a Master Sign Plan application, appropriate/applicable information, and fee (\$250 residential and \$350 commercial/industrial) is required with the Office of Community Development. The Planning Division shall hold an administrative hearing and take appropriate action on requests for Master Sign Plan approvals. The following shall apply:
  - a. The City Planner shall schedule an administrative hearing before a subset of the Development Review Committee, including the Community Development Director, Permits Coordinator, City Planner, Associate Planner and/or City Department representatives as determined by the Community Development Director, hereinafter referred to as the Master Sign Plan Committee (MSPC) the time and place for which shall be set by the City Planner, to consider the proposed Master Sign Plan with respect to the criteria in Section 1010.03D4 of this title.
  - b. The applicant and contiguous/affected property owners shall be notified by the City Planner of such time and place in writing not less than 10 days prior to such hearing. The City Planner may notify additional property owners if a determination is made that such additional notification is merited.
  - c. The MSPC shall hold the administrative hearing as scheduled by the City Planner.
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  - e. Should the applicant or a contiguous property owner object to the decision of the Community Development Director or Designee on the Master Sign Plan, an appeal may be filed within 10 days following the administrative decision by the Community Development Director or Designee. The appeal shall be made in writing and shall be addressed to the City Manager. The City Council shall take up the appeal at a regular meeting within 45 days on the appeal. The Master Sign Plan appeal shall follow notice requirements and other procedures contained in Chapter 108 of the Title.

City of Roseville 651-792-7000

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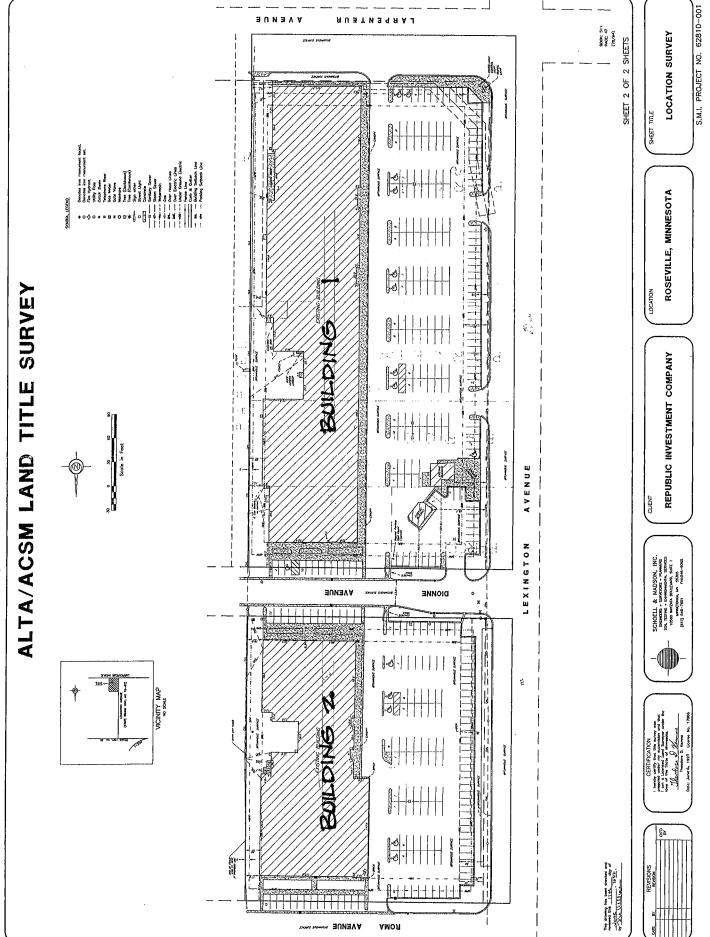
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Please let the following exterior photograph's suffice as part of the Master Sign Plan application in lieu of architecturally provided exterior building elevations.









