

PLAN COMMISSION MEETING

Monday, October 14, 2024 at 5:30 PM Council Chambers - City Hall, 3rd Floor 1717 E. Park Street, Two Rivers, WI 54241

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

Commission Members: Greg Buckley, Rick Inman, Kay Koach, Kristin Lee, Matt Heckenlaible, Adam Wachowski

3. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Request to rezone 1509 19th Street, Parcel 053-000-050-030-.09, from Business (B-1) to Residential (R-3) submitted by Joan Johnson (applicant and owner).
- B. Request to rezone 2114 East River Street, Parcel 053-000-027-021.08, from Residential (R-3) to Residential (R-4) submitted by Steve Bacalzo on behalf of Lamplighter Rentals LLC (applicant and owner).
- C. Request for an electronic changing message (ECM) sign to be located at the southwest entrance of the LB Clarke Middle School property at 4613 Parkway Blvd.
- D. Review Front Yard Garden Program for consideration of 2025 continuation, submitted by Council Member Darla LeClair.

4. ADJOURNMENT

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It is possible that members of and possibly a quorum of governmental bodies of the municipality may be in attendance at the above stated meeting to gather information; no other action will be taken by any governmental body at the above-stated meeting other than the governmental body specifically referred to above in this notice.

MEMORANDUM

To: City Council

From: Gregory E. Buckley

City Manager

Date: September 12, 2024

Subject: Plan Commission Recommendation on Application to Re-Zone Property at 1509 19th

Street from B-1 Business to R-3 One and Two Family Residential

The Plan Commission at its September 9 meeting considered the above application, which was tabled from the August meeting.

The property in question was formerly the location of a dental office, on the south side of 19th Street. It is located just west of the former Evans Department Store property. The former Evans property and this parcel are zoned B-1, as are all properties in this block on the opposite side of the street. All properties west of the subject parcel on the south side of the street, to Adams Street, are zoned R-3 Residential.

The owner is seeking the zoning change to make use of the existing building as a two-unit residence. First floor residential uses are not allowed in the current B-1 zoning district.

The Plan Commission struggled with this decision, as there are plausible arguments for either maintaining the current business zoning or re-zoning to residential. The property is shown on the Future Land Use map in the Comprehensive Plan as "Governmental/Institutional/Utilities," along with the abutting U.S. Post Office property, through the block to the south.

After extensive discussion of this request, the Plan Commission voted to recommend approval of the request by the City Council, with the condition that the property owner replace the concrete-paved front yard and adjacent concrete-paved terrace with turfgrass. The rationale for that proposed condition was to make the property more residential in appearance, and thus more compatible with the neighboring residential uses to the west.

While the Plan Commission's proposed condition for the re-zoning may have merit, a subsequent discussion with the City Attorney identified a potential concern that this would be

considered "contract zoning." That is, the zoning decision would be conditioned upon the property owner doing certain things with the property that are not otherwise required by the Zoning Code. This could create problems in trying to enforce that condition in the future.

Based on this concern, I believe it would be appropriate for the Council to refer this matter back to the Plan Commission, for further consideration. Other alternatives available to the Council would be to schedule this matter for public hearing and then decide to either:

- --Approve the rezoning with the condition recommended by the Plan Commission;
- --Approve the rezoning without condition; or
- -- Deny the rezoning

If the matter is returned to the Plan Commission, there are other alternatives that might be pursued to address a residential use of the subject property, including:

- --An ordinance amendment to allow some residential conversions of the first floors of B-1 zoned properties as a conditional use, provided certain requirements are met
- --Consideration of a rezoning of the property with self-imposed conditions offered by owner, in the form of a covenant running with the land
- --Re-zoning the property as Planned Unit Development, and considering redevelopment as a residential use under that section of the ordinance

I recommend that this matter be referred back to the Plan Commission for further consideration, for the reasons cited in this memo.



LAND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

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APPLICANT Joan Marie ohnson	
MAILING ADDRESS P. O. Box 540 TWO P. (City)	ivers, WI, 54241
PROPERTY OWNER 509 198 Streets	TELEPHONE
MAILING ADDRESS JOAN M. JOHNSON (City)	TWO Rivers, WT, 54241 (State) (Zip)
REQUEST FOR:	0 19 14
Comprehensive Plan Amendment	Conditional Use
Site/Architectural Plan Approval Subdivision Plat or CSM Review	Annexation Request
Zoning District Change	Variance/Board of Appeals
STATUS OF APPLICANT: X Owner Agent	Other Buyer Other
PROJECT LOCATION TWO RIVERS WI 54241 TYPE	PEOF STRUCTURE Single Story Bldg.
	QUESTED ZONING Residential (R-3)
PROPOSED LAND USE DUDIEX	
PARCEL # 1955-Built /Parcel # 0000-500-309.	ACREAGE #6,752. Sq. Foot hot
LEGAL DESCRIPTION ORTG PLAT E 45' OF LOT 3 T	\sim
NOTE: Attach a one-page written description	on of your proposal or request.
The undersigned certifies that he/she has familiarized himself/herself withis application. The undersigned further hereby certifies that the information of the control of	th the state and local codes and procedures pertaining to mation contained in this application is true and correct.
Signed Pan Warre of Monson (Property Owner)	Date 7-3(-2024
Fee Required	Schedule
\$ 350 Comprehensive Plan Amendment	Application Submittal Date 7-31-2024
\$ t/b/d Site/Architectural Plan Approval (Listed in Sec 1-2-1) \$ t/b/d CSM Review (\$10 lot/\$30 min)	Date Fee(s) Paid 7-31-2024
Subdivision Plat (fee to be determined) \$ 350 Zoning District Change	Plan(s) Submittal Date
\$ 350 Conditional Use \$ t/b/d Annexation Request (State Processing Fees Apply)	8-17-211
\$ 350 Variance/Board of Appeals \$ 150 Variance/Board of Appeals	Plan Comm Appearance
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PLAN COMMISSION

Action: Rezoning Request from Business (B-1) to Residential (R-3)

Location: 1509 – 19th Street

Current Zoning: Business B-1

Date: September 9, 2024

The owner of this property is requesting a rezoning of this property from Business (B-1) to Residential (R-3) to allow for residential use. The existing business zone allows for residential use to be only on the 2^{nd} floor.

This property was previously a dental office use. Since closing, the current owner would like to change to a residential primary use.

The building is currently located within the front yard setback. The adjacent properties are also setback closer than the 25' requirement, however they are setback farther than the building in question (see aerial view).

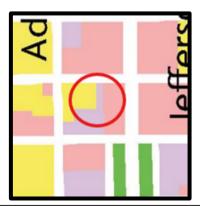
At the previous Plan Commission meeting, there were concerns regarding the green space requirement. This lot has 2 driveways that extend into the rear yard parking lot. There is a barrier/fence located between this lot and the Post Office lot. The lot currently has not green space, however the City's ordinance does not have a requirement for green space or impervious areas. The code states regulations on the percentage a building can take up on a lot, which in turn allows for green space. Below is an example for detached structures in rear yards:

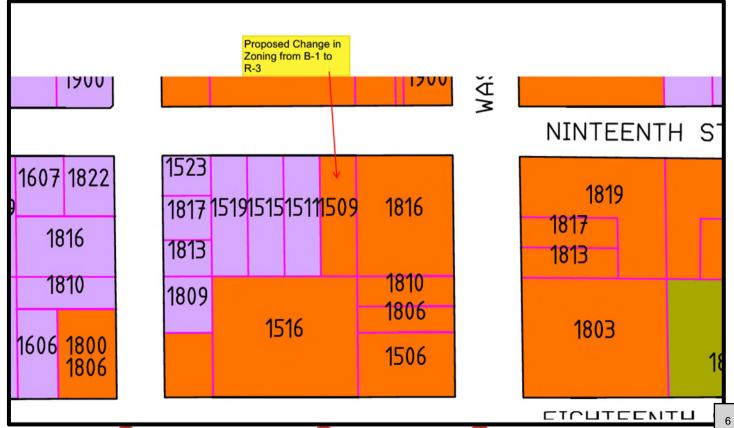
- (c) In rear yards:
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- [2] Overhanging eaves, bay windows and gutters projecting three feet or less into the required rear yard.
- [3] Detached accessory buildings and structures such as storage buildings, garages, swimming pools, heating and air-conditioning equipment, wind and solar energy conversion equipment antenna structures, including those mounted on towers or masts or those employing parabolic or similar reflectors, provided such buildings, structures or equipment:
- [a] In the aggregate shall not occupy more than 30 percent of any required rear yard nor more than 50 percent of non-required rear yard areas.



- [b] Shall be located no closer than three feet from any part of any other building, structure or property line, except swimming pools as described in subsection H.
- [c] Shall comply with all applicable municipal and state code provisions.
- [d] Driveways not exceeding 35 percent of the lot width or 35 feet, whichever is less.

The comprehensive plan shows this lot as Government/Institutional/Utilities (purple) (see below map). Yellow color = Residential. Pink color = Business.



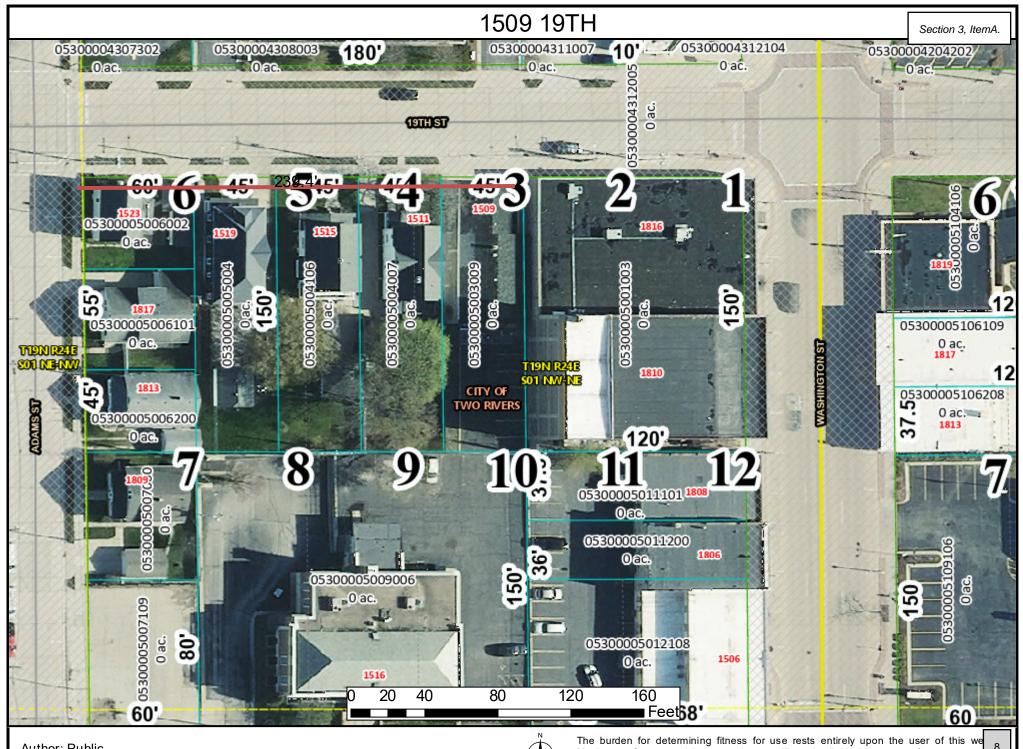










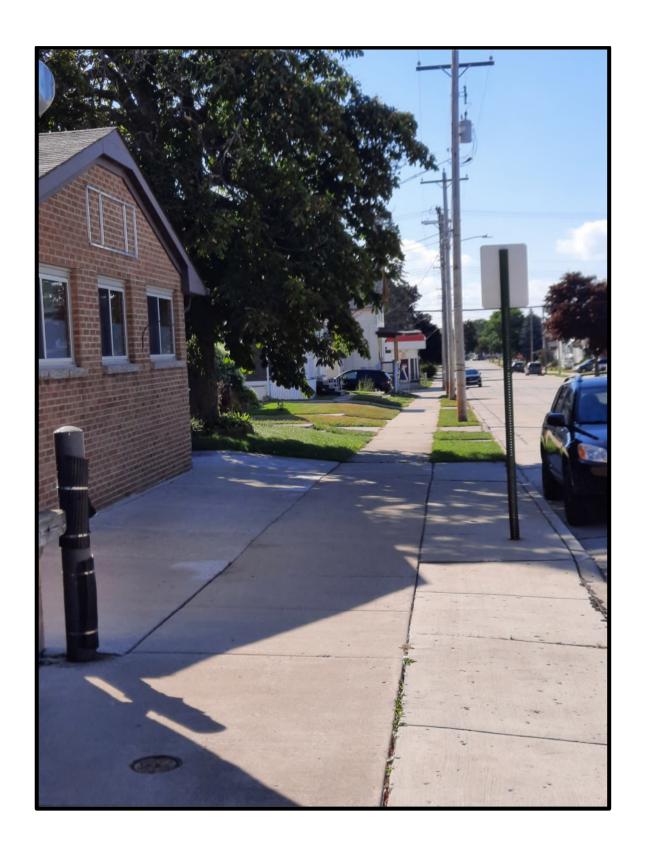


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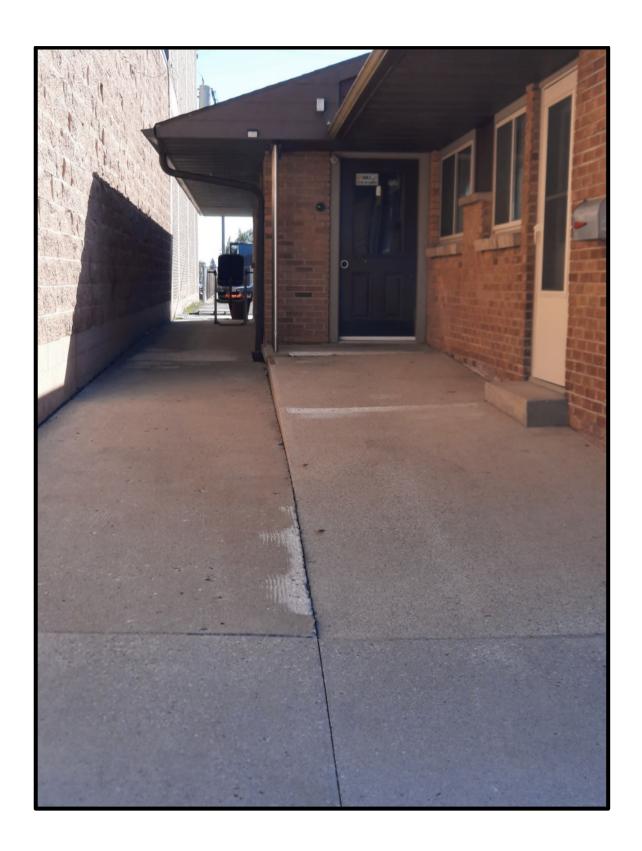
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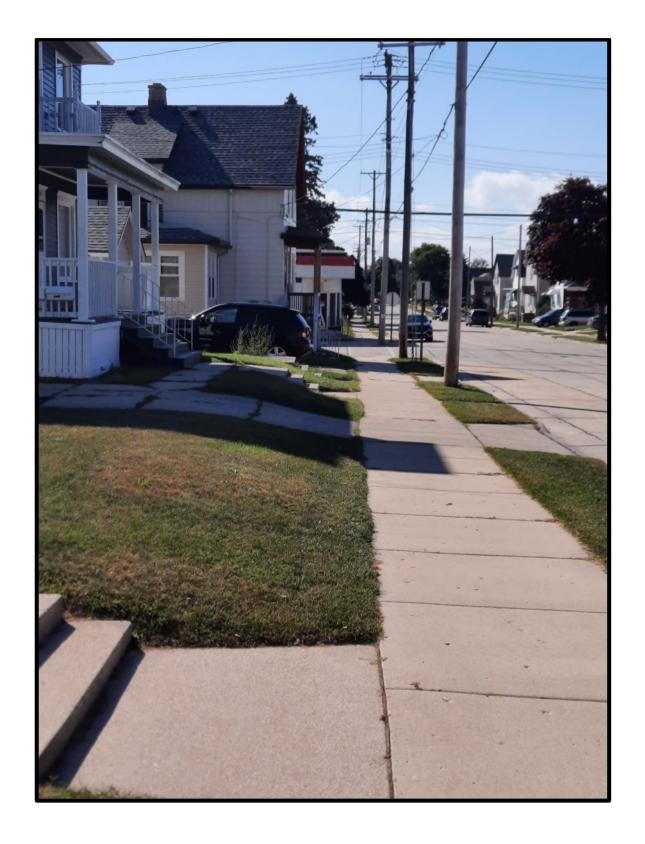






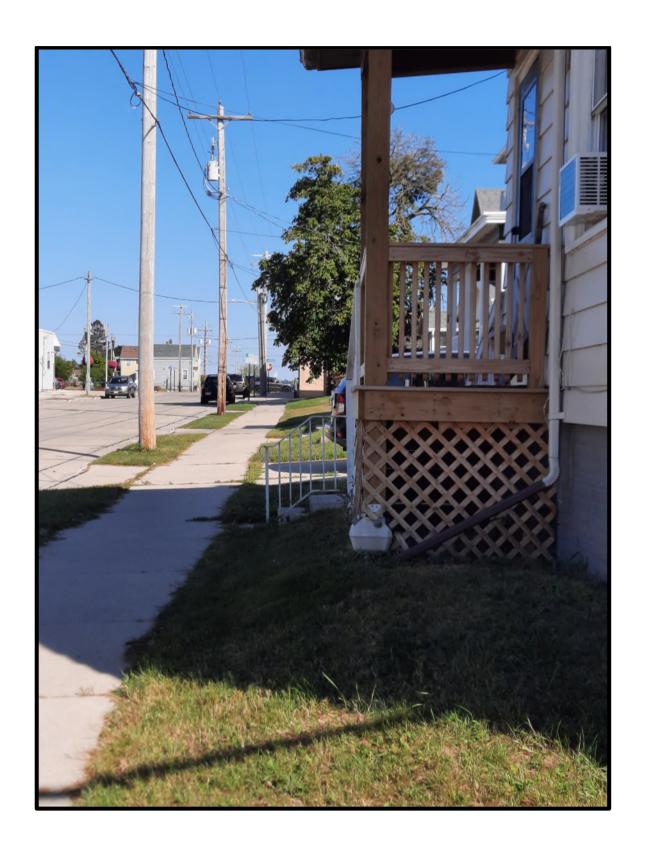






















LAND DEVELOPMENT APPLICATION

Steve Baco	2/20 for		
APPLICANT Lamplighte	Rentals, LLC	TELEPHONE	920-374-1050
MAILING ADDRESS 24/8 (Street)	efferson 57	(State)	54241 (Zip)
PROPERTY OWNER Langligh	ter Pentuls	TELEPHONE	920-374-105
MAILING ADDRESS Same (Street)	(City)	(State)	(Zip)
REQUEST FOR: Comprehensive Site/Architectura Subdivision Plat Zoning District C	or CSM Review	Conditional Use Annexation Requ Variance/Board o	
STATUS OF APPLICANT:O	wner <u>K</u> Agent	_BuyerOt	her
PROJECT LOCATION 2/14 E. PRESENT ZONING R3 PROPOSED LAND USE MUH PARCEL # 053-000-02 LEGAL DESCRIPTION	REQUES 27-021-08	ACREAGE	R-4
NOTE: Attach a or	ne-page written description of y	our proposal or requ	uest.
The undersigned certifies that he/she has farthis application. The undersigned further he Signed (Property Owner)	miliarized himself/herself with the ereby certifies that the information	state and local codes contained in this app	and procedures pertaining to lication is true and correct.
Fee Required	Sche	dule	
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PLAN COMMISSION

Action: Rezoning Request from Residential (R-3) to Residential (R-4)

Location: 2114 East River Street

Current Zoning: Residential R-3

Date: September 9, 2024

The owner of this property is requesting a rezoning of this property from Residential (R-3) to Residential (R-4) to allow 3 families to live in the dwelling. The property is currently being used as a 3-family home, which is not allowed in this zoning district.

Zoning Information:

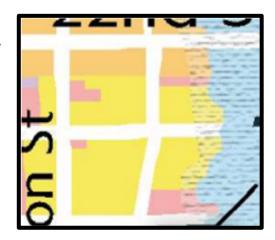
The R-3 zoning district allows for single and double family homes, which is why the owner would like to rezone to R-4. The current dwelling would not meet the setbacks for the R-4 district, which is a minimum of 25' of front yard and 15' of side yard.

The comprehensive plan shows this area as Residential use.

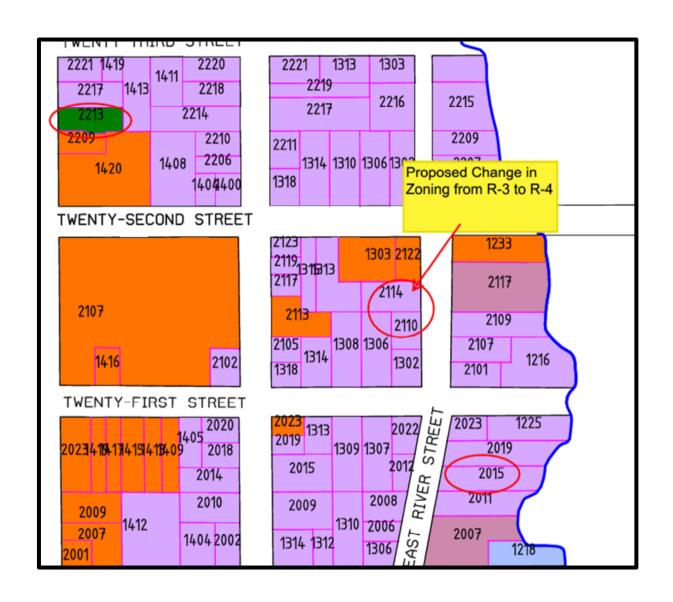
There is another lot zoned R-4 located at 2213 Washington St, which contains similar setbacks to make it nonconforming.

The adjacent lot at 2110 East River Street, and 2015 East River Street are also operating as multi-family homes. A zoning change may not need to take place; all of these lots seem like they have been in use as a multifamily for many years, which means they could potentially be classified as legal non-conforming.

Yellow = Residential









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City of Two Rivers 1717 E Park Street Two Rivers, Wisconsin

Sign Permit Application

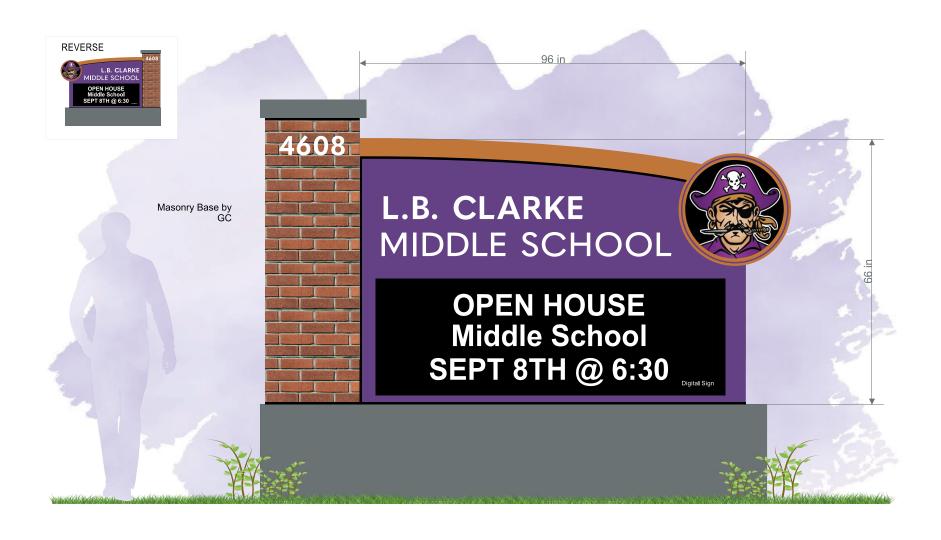
Phone (9 Section 3, ItemC.

Fax (920) 793-5512 email: zoning@two-rivers.org

In compliance with Chapter 10-4 of the Municipal Code, we hereby apply for a permit to install an awning or advertising device in the City of Two Rivers, Wisconsin; such awning or advertising device being described as follows:

▶ Address of Sign Location:	LB Clarke Middle School 4	1608 Bellevue Pl, Tv	vo Rivers, WI 542	241
► Applicant: Katie Scho		Sign Contractor: Marshall Sign Contact: Katie Scholz		
► Mailing Address: 220 You	ung St. Glenbeulah, Wi 53023			
Phone: 920.526.3100		Phone: 920.526.3	100	
TYPE OF DEVICE	FEATURES	SITE DATA (for office	e use only)	
Awning/Canopy Ground Sign Movable Sign Projecting Sign Roof Sign Wall Sign Other Device	Interior Light Exterior Light ECM Reader Board	Zoning District Min setback Min clearance Property frontage Lineal feet of bldg Max height Annual Renew	10' 660' Sign: 5'6"	
Other DeviceWest	side (off Parkway)			
Legend				
Dimensions Sign is 5'6"	tall x 8' wide			
Construction Masonry ba	ase to match building, aluminu	m sign cabinet		
Comments				
Detailed drawing of the process Certificate of Liability Insu	ocation and setbacks of the propos roposed sign or device. (drawn to s urance – Sign Contractor (Unless cu	cale)	,	
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Sign Permit Fee is \$50.00 pe			0^	1/01/21

Two Rivers L.B. Clarke Middle School

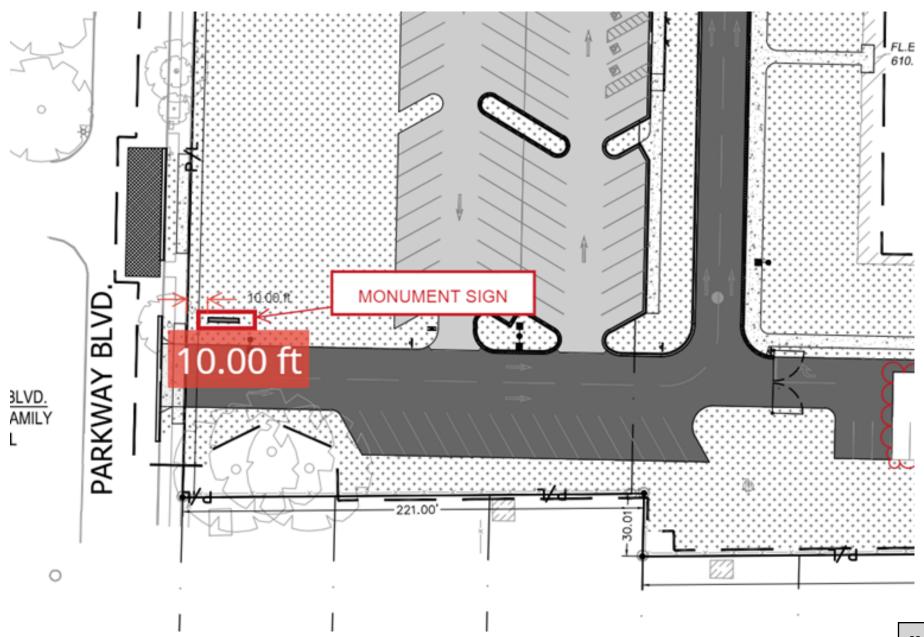




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Two Rivers L.B. Clarke Middle School



Sec. 10-4-17. - Special signs.

Section 3. ItemC.

- A. *Subdivision development signs.* The zoning administrator may issue a special permit for a temporary sign in any zone in connection with the marketing of lots or structures in a subdivision, subject to the following restrictions:
 - (1) Such permits may be issued for a period of not more than one year and may be renewed for additional periods of up to one year upon written application at least 30 days prior to its expiration.
 - (2) Signs as used in this section refers to all types of signs, except those excepted or prohibited by this chapter.
 - (3) The sign must be located on the property being developed and must comply with all applicable building setback requirements.
 - (4) The sign may not exceed 80 square feet.
 - (5) One sign is allowed for each major street adjacent to the subdivision.
- B. *Changing signs*. The plan commission may approve a changing message sign, provided the following findings can be made by the commission:
 - (1) The sign regulations applicable to the district would allow a static message sign of identical size and placement as the proposed changing sign.
 - (2) Proximity of the changing sign to nearby traffic signals would not adversely affect public safety by distracting or confusing motorists.
 - (3) Visibility of the changing sign from nearby residential properties would not create a nuisance for nearby residents.
 - (4) That "changing" does not mean flashing of the message.
 - (5) That the intensity of the changing message lights shall not create a nuisance.

Section 3, ItemD.

Sec. 10-1-15. Height and area exceptions.

The regulations contained herein relating to the height of buildings and the size of yards and other open spaces shall be subject to the following exceptions:

- A. Public and quasi-public buildings. Churches, schools, hospitals, medical clinics, sanatoriums and other public and quasi-public buildings may be erected to a height not exceeding 60 feet or five stories, provided the front, side and rear yards required in the district in which such building is to be located are each increased at least one foot for each foot of additional building height above the height limit otherwise established for the district in which such building is to be located.
- B. Extraordinary structures. Chimneys, cooling towers, elevator bulkheads, fire towers, monuments, parapet walls not exceeding two feet in height, penthouses, stacks, scenery lofts, tanks, water towers, ornamental towers, spires, wireless television or broadcasting towers, masts or aerials, telephone, telegraph and power poles and lines, microwave radio relay structures and necessary mechanical appurtenances are hereby excepted from the height regulations of this chapter and may be erected in accordance with other regulations or ordinances of the city.
- C. Residences. Residences in the residence districts may be increased in height by not more than ten feet when all yards and other required open spaces are increased by one foot for each foot which such building exceeds the height limit of the district in which it is located.
- D. Through lots. Buildings on through lots and extending from street to street may waive the requirements for a rear yard by furnishing an equivalent open space on the same lot in lieu of the required rear yard, provided that the setback requirements on both streets be complied with.
- E. Nonconforming lots. Where a lot has an area less than the minimum number of square feet per family required for the district in which it is located and was of record on September 8, 1953, such lot may be occupied by one family.
- F. Accessory buildings and structures.
 - (1) Time of construction. No accessory building or structure shall be constructed on any lot prior to the time of construction of the principal building to which it is accessory unless expressly permitted by the board of appeals.
 - (2) Height. In all residential districts the maximum height of any detached accessory building shall not exceed the height of the principal building but in no case be higher than 20 feet unless expressly permitted by the board of appeals.
- G. Yards to be open upward.
 - (1) Except where otherwise specified in this chapter, every part of a required yard shall be open to the sky unobstructed.
 - (2) Location of required open space. All yards, courts, usable open spaces and other open spaces allocated to a building or dwelling group shall be located on the same zoning lot as such building or dwelling group.
 - (3) Required yards for existing buildings. No yards now or hereafter provided for a building existing on the effective date of this chapter shall subsequently be reduced below, or further reduced if already less than, the minimum required by this chapter for equivalent new construction.
 - (4) Permitted obstructions in required yards. The following shall be considered permitted obstructions when located in the required yard specified. Any obstruction not expressly described is prohibited.

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- (a) In all yards:
 - [1] Arbors and trellises, trees, shrubs and plantings.
 - [2] Awnings.
 - [3] Chimneys, flues, belt courses, leaders, sills, pilasters, lintels, ornamental features, antenna masts or towers, cornices, eaves, gutters and the like, projecting not more than 24 inches.
 - [4] Fences, walls and hedges, subject to the provisions of this chapter.
 - [5] Flagpoles and garden ornaments.
 - [6] Open terraces not over three feet above the average level of the adjoining ground, but not including a permanent roofed-over terrace or porch unless otherwise specifically permitted.
 - [7] Recreational accessory uses.
 - [8] Steps not over three feet above the ground level which are necessary for access to a permitted building or for access to a zoning lot from a street or alley.
 - [9] Walks and driveways.
- (b) In front yards and street side yards:
 - [1] Open fire escapes, open porches, decks, patios or terraces, including those with roofs but not walls, extending not more than six feet into a required front yard or street side yard, provided that these projections do not encroach in any vision clearance triangle.
 - [2] Overhanging eaves and gutters projecting three feet or less into the yard.
 - [3] Open off-street vehicle parking spaces when approved by the plan commission in business, industrial, institutional and multifamily residence districts.
 - [4] Open off-street vehicle parking on a paved or graveled driveway, provided no vehicle may be parked within five feet of a front property line or within three feet of a side lot line. The maximum width of driveways on private property shall not exceed 35 percent of the lot width or 35 feet, whichever is less. However, any lot may have a driveway up to 20 feet in width.
 - [5] Garages in embankments. Where the mean natural grade of a front or street side yard is more than eight feet above the curb level, a private garage may be erected within said yard, provided as follows:
 - [a] That such private garage shall be located not less than five feet from the street lot line;
 - [b] That the floor level of such private garage shall be not more than one foot above the curb level; and
 - [c] That at least one-half the height of such private garage shall be below the mean grade of the yard.
 - Produce gardening in front yards existing prior to August 1, 2016. Such front yard produce gardens may not be expanded. New front yard produce gardens are prohibited, except as may be authorized by resolution of city council as part of a pilot program that was put in effect in 2023 and is hereby extended to December 31, 2024. Participation by a property in

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- said pilot program shall not create any vested right to continue such new gardens beyond December 31, 2024.
- [7] Produce gardening is permitted in street side yards. Such gardens shall not encroach into the minimum required street side yard.
- [8] Garages in front yards.
 - [a] In the aggregate shall not occupy more than 30 percent of any required front yard and not more than 50 percent of non-required front yard areas;
 - [b] Shall be located on a lot being not less than five acres in size;
 - [c] The primary structure on the lot shall be located at least 500 feet from the street on which the property fronts;
 - [d] Garages shall reflect the same minimum setbacks allowed for a principal structure on the lot.
 - [e] Shall be located no closer than three feet from any part of any other building, or structure, except swimming pools as described in subsection H.
 - [f] Shall comply with all applicable municipal and state code provisions.
- [9] Garages in street side yards.
 - [a] Shall be no closer than the required front yard setback;
 - [b] Street side yard setback shall be 25 feet from the lot line;
 - [c] In the aggregate, shall not occupy more than 30 percent of any required street side yard nor more than 50 percent of non-required street side yard areas.
 - [d] Shall be located no closer than three feet from any part of any other building, or structure, except swimming pools as described in subsection H.
 - [e] Shall comply with all applicable municipal and state code provisions.
 - [f] Permitted only where there is a previously existing driveway.
- (c) In rear yards:
 - [1] Open fire escapes, open porches, decks, patios or terraces, including those with roofs but not walls, projecting six feet or less into the required rear yard.
 - [2] Overhanging eaves, bay windows and gutters projecting three feet or less into the required rear yard.
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