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Proposed billboard sign

To Tracy McGaha

 You forwarded this message on 1/11/2019 11:56 AM.

Tracy,

I reviewed the information you provided concerning the proposed billboard at the old Arby's restaurant on Highland Drive. That section of Highland is State Highway 18 and is subject to the Federal Highway Beautification Act, which regulates the placement of billboards. The applicant will need a state billboard permit in addition to the city permit in order to erect a sign at that location.

When the state evaluates a site for a permit, one of the requirements is that the applicant complies with all local laws and ordinances regulating billboards. The state will not issue a permit that violates the local sign code. Since the Jonesboro minimum spacing requirement is 1,500 feet, and there appears to be other billboards at 650 feet and 1,200 feet, ArDOT would not issue a permit for this site.

If you think I may have overlooked something or interpreted the code incorrectly, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Jeff Ingram
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