Washoe County Planning Commission

Sign Code Amendment
Proposed Amendment

Section 110.505.30  Electronic Message Display Signs.

(d) An EMD shall not be placed within 200 feet from any residential regulatory zone property line. **If the EMD is located on a publicly owned property and will be used in a manner that promotes the general welfare of the public, then the EMD shall not be placed within 100 feet from any residential regulatory zone property line.**
Findings

1. **Consistency with Master Plan.** The proposed Development Code amendment is in substantial compliance with the policies and action programs of the Washoe County Master Plan;

2. **Promotes the Purpose of the Development Code.** The proposed Development Code amendment will not adversely impact the public health, safety or welfare, and will promote the original purposes for the Development Code as expressed in Article 918, Adoption of Development Code;

3. **Response to Changed Conditions.** The proposed Development Code amendment responds to changed conditions or further studies that have occurred since the Development Code was adopted by the Board of County Commissioners, and the requested amendment allows for a more desirable utilization of land within the regulatory zones; and,

4. **No Adverse Affects.** The proposed Development Code amendment will not adversely affect the implementation of the policies and action programs of the Conservation Element or the Population Element of the Washoe County Master Plan.
Possible Motion for WDCA17-0001

I move that, after giving reasoned consideration to the information contained in the staff report and information received during the public hearing, the Washoe County Planning Commission recommend approval of WDCA17-0001, to amend Washoe County Chapter 110 (Development Code) within Article 505 to allow certain Electronic Message Display (EMD) sign to be located closer than the existing minimum 200 foot distance requirement (WCC 110.505.30(d)) between any residentially zoned property and an EMD. The exception would allow an otherwise permitted EMD to be located within 100 feet of residentially zoned property if the sign is (1) operated by a governmental entity, (2) located on property owned or controlled by a governmental entity, and (3) designed to convey public health, safety, and welfare information including traffic control and directional information. I further move to authorize the Chair to sign the resolution contained in Attachment A on behalf of the Washoe County Planning Commission and to direct staff to present a report of this Commission’s recommendation to the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners within 60 days of today’s date. This recommendation for approval is based on all of the following four findings in accordance with Washoe County Code Section 110.818.15(e):