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**MINUTES
BUSINESS DISTRICT CONSTRUCTION REVIEW BOARD
MEETING
116 ASPEN LANE
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78232
MONDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2011
5:30 P.M.**

The Business District Construction Review Board (BDCRB) of the City of Hill Country Village met for a meeting Monday, October 24, 2011 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, 116 Aspen Lane, San Antonio, Texas. This was an open meeting subject to the open meeting law of the State of Texas.

Members Present:

Buddy Swift, Chair
Bill Aniol
Jeff Garvens
Steve Marceau

City Staff Present:

Frank Morales, City Administrator
Jennifer Gonzales, Administrative Assistant

1. Call to order.

Dr. Swift announced that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

2. Approval of the minutes of the August 15, 2011 meeting.

Mr. Bill Aniol made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Steve Marceau. Mr. Jeff Garvens and Mr. Steve Marceau abstained because they related they were not at the August 15, 2011 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

3. Discussion/action on an ordinance amending Chapter 50 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Hill Country Village to add new definitions and to revise provisions to permit and regulate electronic signs.

Dr. Swift and attending board members reviewed the draft ordinance that Mr. Marc Schnall, City Attorney had sent to them.

Dr. Swift commented that no scrolling messages shall be allowed on HCV electronic signs. He also said the AT&T sign on US 281 is bright and distracting to him. He told the board members to keep in mind that their mission was to come up with an electronic sign ordinance that was beneficial to the business world and that would protect the residents in HCV. Dr. Swift asked city staff to look into having a representative, possibly from the City of San Antonio at the next meeting that could some of their questions.

Mr. Jeff Garvens told the board members that he thought that NITS and Foot candles mean the same thing. They are just measuring in different units. He suggested that they pick one. He also asked if anyone really knew what 0.3 foot candles meant. Mr. Garvens commented that item "d" which states "as measured from the nearest residential property line, the maximum light emanation from an adjacent additional sign display shall be 0.3 foot candles". on Page 4 was the most critical point. He also commented on the transition time, which he thought should read less than 2 seconds.

Mr. Bill Aniol commented the signs would be measured @ 150 feet since the majority of the signs on HCV are between 101-350 square feet. On his notes from previous meetings he said he had that the foot candles should be measured at 0.2 foot candles not 0.3 foot candles. The board later decided 0.3 foot candles measurement was taken from the City of San Antonio sign ordinance and it should stay the same way for HCV.

Mr. Steve Marceau commented that no scrolling message should be allowed because they are distracting.

Dr. Swift and Mr. Garvens both related they did not believe the board was ready to vote on this ordinance. Dr. Swift recommended sending the ordinance back to Mr. Schnall so that he could look if over one more time.

The board agreed to meet November 7, 2011 to finalize the ordinance.

4. Adjourn.

There being no further business to come before the BDCRB, the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Approved this 7th day of November, 2011

Buddy Swift
Chair

ATTEST:

Frank Morales
City Administrator
Acting City Secretary