



Legislation Text

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SN 2018-10, Somerset Academy South Campus, 19620 Pines Boulevard, sign application. (Cole)

SUMMARY EXPLANATION AND BACKGROUND:

PROJECT DESCRIPTION / BACKGROUND:

Randy Bogen, agent, is requesting approval for the installation of wall and ground signage at Somerset Academy South Campus located at 19620 Pines Boulevard.

The school was originally approved as a multi-tenant office building in 2000 through application SP 2000-56. The property was sold and is now operating as an educational facility. Modifications including the addition of an outdoor play area, perimeter fence and landscaping were approved in 2017 through application SP 2017-14 to accommodate the school. Additionally, through the site plan application Somerset Academy received a special exception for the school use as required by section 155.283 of the City Code of Ordinances. On September 12, 2019, Somerset Academy was granted a variance (ZV 2019-07) to allow 144 square feet of signage instead 120 square feet permitted by code.

SIGNAGE:

The applicant proposes 140 square feet of signage for the site consistent with the approved variance and it shall consist of the following:

- A 60 square foot internally illuminated raceway mounted channel letter sign to read "Somerset Academy Elementary" in blue copy located on the north elevation.
- A 57 square foot internally illuminated raceway mounted channel letter sign to read "Somerset Academy Elementary" in blue copy located on the south elevation.
- A 7'-6" tall monument sign with a 23 square foot white and blue internally illuminated panel to be located adjacent to the Pines Boulevard entrance at the northwest corner of the site. The sign will have routed features and include a multicolor Somerset Academy logo, as well as "Somerset Academy Elementary" in blue copy. Landscaping will be installed at 24" in height around the base of the sign.
- The school classifies as a cultural facility, as such code section 155.324 (C)(5) permits up to 50 square feet of changeable copy, which does not count towards the total square footage for the site. The applicant proposes the installation of a 12.7 square foot LED changeable copy message board on the monument sign beneath the illuminated panel.

No other site modifications are being proposed at this time.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff has reviewed the proposed changes and finds that the proposal meets code requirements. Staff therefore recommends approval of this application.