



**OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF ADJUSTMENTS MEETING
CITY OF THIBODAUX
CITY HALL
THIBODAUX, LOUISIANA
June 28, 2023**

The Board of Adjustments of the City of Thibodaux assembled in regular session at its regular meeting place, City Hall, 310 West 2nd Street, Thibodaux, Louisiana, Wednesday, June 28, 2023 at 5:30 P.M.

There were present: Marguerite Erwin, Clarence Savoie, Malcolm Hodnett, and Renee Brinkley

Also present: Monique Reulet, Kevin Clement, Josh Bourgeois

Absent: Rudy Soignet

There was a quorum present.

The minutes of the April 26, 2023 Board of Adjustments meeting were approved as written.

YEAS: Erwin, Savoie, Hodnett, & Brinkley

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Soignet

Erwin introduced a request by Anthony Parker of MDP Group, LLC on behalf of Jersey Mike's to be allowed to have a 93.61 sq. ft. building sign at 347 N. Canal Boulevard which is located over 400' from the street within a C-2 Zoning District.

Anthony Parker, 347 N Canal Boulevard, was present to represent the request. He stated that this will be the first Jersey Mike's in the bayou parish area. The group currently operates a Moe's restaurant in Houma, and when they got the franchise for Jersey Mike's they decided to start in Thibodaux, but hope to eventually expand Moe's into the city. Parker noted that this sign size is consistent with another Jersey Mike's franchisee in Metairie, and they would like to continue that design here. He added that their hardship is the over 400' distance between their storefront and the road, as well as the fact that they are partially blocked from view by McDonald's.

Savoie asked if the sign was made yet, and Parker said no. Brinkley asked if the mock-up provided, which showed the proposed Jersey Mike's sign in a 1-to-1 comparison with the neighboring business' signs, was an accurate representation, and Parker said yes. She also asked if Parker has met the neighboring business owners, and if they had voiced any opinions of the sign size. Parker said he had not met them yet and he had not heard any complaints.

Hodnett noted that the Board recently heard a similar request by T.J. Maxx. He added that he does not have an issue with the request, and doesn't think it will look overwhelming.

Erwin asked for City comment. Bourgeois stated that the city has no issue with the request.

Clement stated that he had no issue with the request. He asked how many square feet over the ordinance was this sign going to be. Erwin clarified that, for businesses more than 300 feet from the road, there is no set size. All businesses at that distance must go to the Board of Adjustments for sign size approval.

Clement asked Parker when they expect to open. Parker stated that they are hoping to be open no later than October, because they would like to be open for football season. He then added that Jersey Mike's does a lot of giving back and partnering with the community, and they would like to work with the City, Nicholls State University, and other groups around town. Parker stated that the small town feel is important to them, and that's why they wanted to bring their business to Thibodaux.

On motion of Brinkley , seconded by Hodnett, the Board voted on a motion to approve the request by Anthony Parker of MDP Group, LLC on behalf of Jersey Mike's to be allowed to have a 93.61 sq. ft. building sign at 347 N. Canal Boulevard which is located over 400' from the street within a C-2 Zoning District.

.....Upon roll call the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Erwin, Savoie, Hodnett, & Brinkley

NAYS: None

ABSTAINED: None

ABSENT: Soignet

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.