

Staff Report

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Report To: Planning and Development Committee

Date of Meeting: September 14, 2020 Report Number: PSD-031-20

Submitted By: Faye Langmaid, Acting Director of Planning & Development Services

Reviewed By: Andrew C. Allison, CAO By-law Number:

File Number: SBA2020-0001 Resolution#: JC-084-20, C-379-20, C-382-20

PD-149-20, C-411-20, C-413-20

Report Subject: An Application by Goldmanco Inc. to amend Sign By-law 2009-123 to

permit a monolith sign along Highway 2 at the Courtice Urban Centre

development

Recommendation:

1. That Report PSD-031-20 be received;

- 2. That the amendment to the Municipality of Clarington Sign By-law 2009-123, be approved and that the By-law, contained in Attachment 1 to Report PSD-031-20 be passed; and
- 3. That all interested parties listed in Report PSD-031-20 and any delegations be advised of Council's decision.

Report Overview

Goldmanco Inc., who is developing the Courtice Urban Centre located at Trulls Road and Highway 2, have submitted a Sign By-law Amendment application to permit a monolith sign along the Highway 2 frontage. The Courtice Urban Centre development is comprised of six commercial buildings and one mixed-use building. Sign By-law 2009-123 does not permit a pylon sign for any building that is located within 6 metres of a road allowance. Staff recommend approving the application to permit a monolith sign along the Highway 2 frontage of the development.

1. Background

- 1.1 The subject property is located at the southeast corner of Highway 2 and Trulls Road in Courtice. The site has approximately 207 metres of frontage on Highway 2, approximately 201 metres of frontage on Trulls Road and will have approximately 197 metres of frontage on the future Avondale Drive frontage. The site is currently vacant but has been Site Plan Approved to permit the Courtice Urban Centre development including six commercial and one mixed-use building. The approved Site Plan is Attachment 1 to this report.
- 1.2 The site plan was approved showing the locations of three ground-related signs on the property, however the details of these signs were not dealt with through the site plan approval process. Through a later review of the applicant's proposed ground-related signage, it was determined that the applicant desired to have multi-tenant monolith signs along both the Trulls Road and Highway 2 frontages and a ground sign along the future Avondale Drive frontage. Staff informed the applicant that Sign By-law Section 8.11 v) does not permit a monolith sign for any building located within 6 metres of a road allowance. Only ground signs are permitted for all buildings on the approved site plan except for Building F (The Beer Store), which is eligible for a monolith sign because it is greater than 6 metres from any road allowance.
- 1.3 Through discussions between Staff and the applicant, revisions to the signage proposal have been made in advance of this Sign By-law amendment application being received. The applicant is now proposing only one multi-tenant monolith sign rather than the two originally being sought. A compromise was made whereby the Director of Planning and Development Services is prepared to grant a minor variance to the Sign By-law allowing an additional ground related sign on the Trulls Road frontage. Therefore, the applicant proposes two smaller, ground signs along the Trulls Road frontage, one ground sign along the future Avondale Drive frontage and one monolith sign along the Highway 2 frontage, which is the subject of this application.

2. Proposed Amendment

2.1 The proposed amendment to the Sign By-law would permit one multi-tenant monolith sign (Figure 1) with a maximum height of 7.5 metres and a maximum display surface of 11 square metres. The monolith sign would be located greater than 1 metre inside the property line of the Courtice Urban Centre development along the Highway 2 frontage (Figure 2). The monolith sign would be located west of the approved site entrance from Highway 2 and would be positioned outside of the visibility triangles for this entrance. All other requirements of the Sign By-law pertaining to monolith signs would be complied with.



Figure 1: Proposed monolith sign

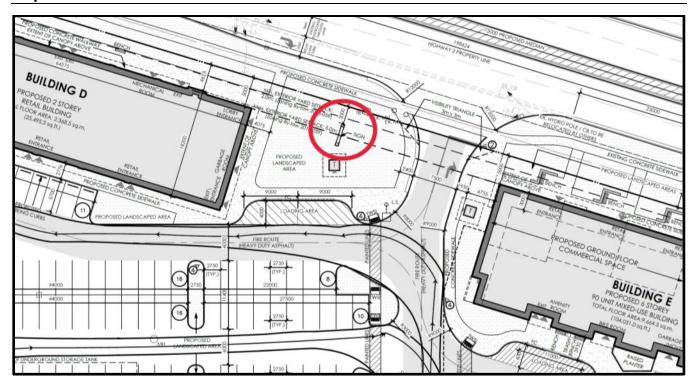


Figure 2: Proposed monolith sign location along Highway 2 frontage

3. Staff Comments

- 3.1 Section 8.11 v) of the Sign By-law assumes that buildings within 6 metres of a street have sufficient exposure along the public road to advertise on the building using wall or window signage, making ground-related signs redundant. This provision of the By-law is in place to minimize the cluttering of sites with ground-related signage. The By-law does not contemplate large sites, such as the subject site, with multiple road frontages. While buildings located away from Highway 2 are located along a road frontage (except for the Beer Store), they do not have the same exposure as those located along the main thoroughfare.
- 3.2 The applicant has cooperated with Staff to arrive at a proposal that will satisfy the needs of the future commercial tenants while being respectful of good site design principles, such as locating signage away from the most prominent locations on this site and using appropriate landscaping around the proposed signage. The Site Plan approved landscaping has been revised to support this Sign By-law amendment application. The proposed monolith sign has been designed to be complementary to the approved building that it will be located beside.

4. Concurrence

Not Applicable.

5. Conclusion

- 5.1 The future business owners within this development will be looking to maximize their exposure to the passing public. The proposed monolith sign will not detrimentally impede vision or become a safety hazard and it will be within the By-law maximums regarding monolith signs for a commercial development of this size.
- 5.2 It is respectfully recommended that the amendment (Attachment 2) to Sign By-law 2009-123 to permit a monolith sign for buildings of the Courtice Urban Centre development located within 6 metres of a road allowance, be approved.

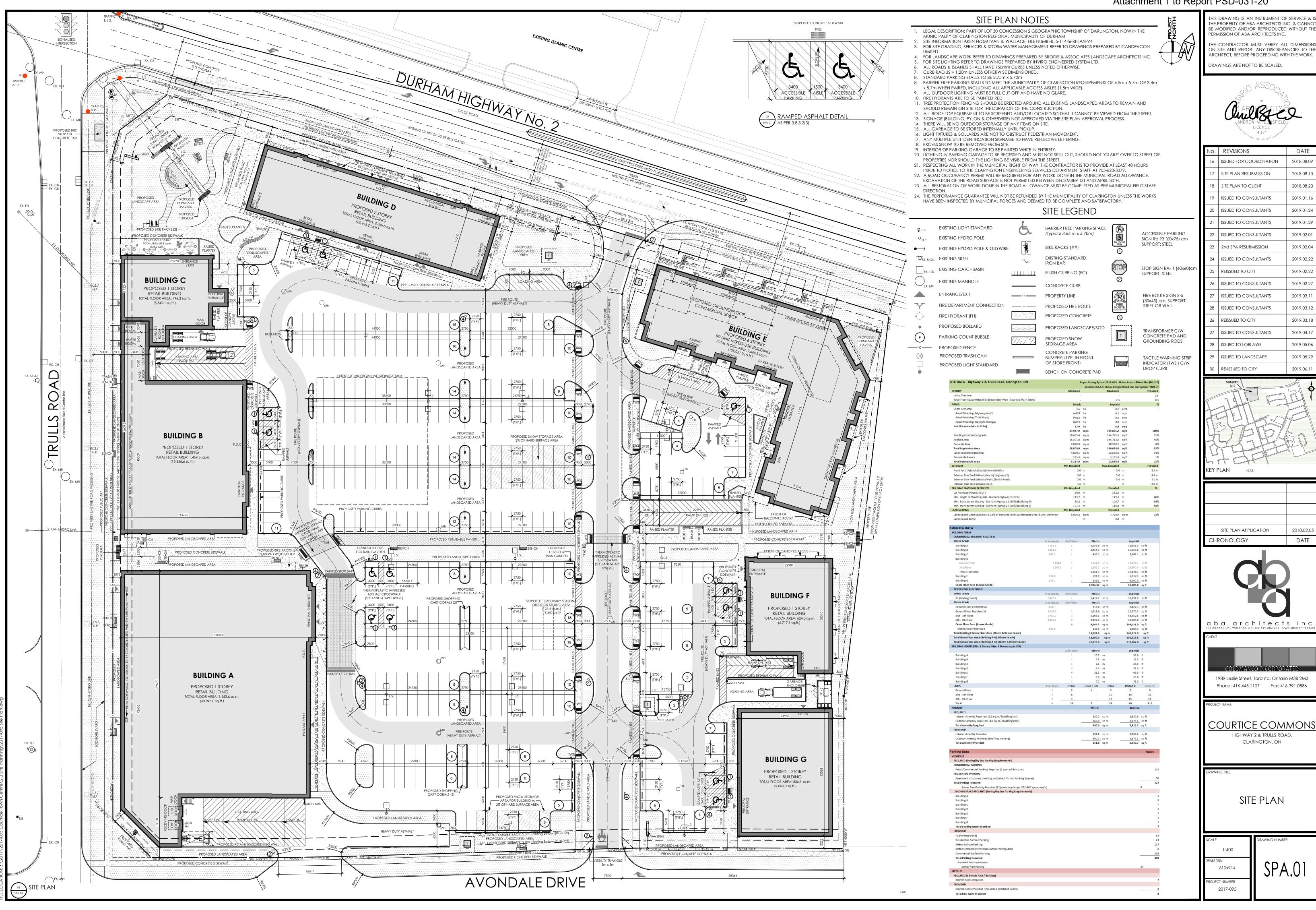
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Attachments:

Attachment 1 Approved Site Plan Attachment 2 Amending Sign By-law

Interested Parties:

There are no interested parties to be notified of Council's decision.



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No.	REVISIONS	DATE		
16	ISSUED FOR COORDINATION	2018.08.09		
17	SITE PLAN RESUBMISSION	2018.08.13		
18	SITE PLAN TO CLIENT	2018.08.20		
19	ISSUED TO CONSULTANTS	2019.01.16		
20	ISSUED TO CONSULTANTS	2019.01.24		
21	ISSUED TO CONSULTANTS	2019.01.29		
22	ISSUED TO CONSULTANTS	2019.02.01		
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28	ISSUED TO CONSULTANTS	2019.03.12		
26	REISSUED TO CITY	2019.03.18		
27	ISSUED TO CONSULTANTS	2019.04.17		
28	ISSUED TO LOBLAWS	2019.05.06		
29	ISSUED TO LANDSCAPE	2019.05.29		
30	RE-ISSUED TO CITY	2019.06.11		





Mayor Adrian Foster, Mayor

C. Anne Greentree, Municipal Clerk

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By-Law No. 2020				
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Now Therefore Clarington ena	be it resolved that the Coucts as follows:	ıncil of the Corporation of t	he Municipality of	
	Section 9 – EXCEPTIONS BY AMENDMENT is hereby amended by inserting the following new subsection:			
"9.29 Notwithstanding Section 8.11 v) to this By-Law, a monolith sign is permitted, in accordance with all other applicable provisions of the law, along the Highway 2 frontage of the property located at the southeast corner of Highway 2 and Trulls Road, Courtice.				
By-law passed	in open session this	_ day of	_, 2020	