

CITY OF ORONOCO

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF ORONOCO, MINNESOTA APPROVING THE REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE TO
THE SIZE LIMIT FOR A SIGN
AT 1460 CEDAR CENTER AVENUE SE, ORONOCO, MINNESOTA**

WHEREAS, the applicant, Fred Birch, co-owns the Glenn's Motor Coach Tours business at 1460 Cedar Center Avenue SE in Oronoco in the B-2 zoning district; and,

WHEREAS, the applicant wishes to install a wall sign on the west side of the building at 1460 Cedar Center Avenue SE; and,

WHEREAS, the west façade of the building in question is 65 feet in length; and,

WHEREAS, The Oronoco Zoning Code Section in Section 121.056 limits the maximum size of a wall sign to one square foot of sign for each one foot of façade frontage, resulting in an allowable sign area of 65 square feet for that building façade; and,

WHEREAS, the applicant seeks a variance to the sign standard cited above in order to install a sign of 90 square feet; and,

WHEREAS, the Oronoco Zoning Code has criteria in Section 151.401 for granting variances.

WHEREAS, the Planning & Zoning Commission reviewed the request and heard testimony at a public hearing at its meeting on March 14, 2024; and,

WHEREAS, the Oronoco City Council reviewed the request at its meeting on March 19, 2024; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Oronoco, Minnesota approves a variance to the maximum size of a wall sign for a sign that is 90 square feet in area, as submitted by the applicant, with the following findings of fact:

Findings of Fact for Approval

1. Glenn's Motor Coach Tours LLC is constructing a building in Oronoco at 1460 Cedar Center Avenue SE. The west façade of the building is 65 ft in length.
2. The City of Oronoco has adopted zoning code standards for signage in Sections 111 and 112 of the City Code. Those standards include a provision allowing no more than 1 square foot of wall sign on a commercial building for every linear foot of building façade.
3. The Glenn's Motor Coach Tours building would be allowed a wall sign of 65 square feet in area. The applicant has requested a 90-square-foot wall sign for the building.
4. The City has standards for considering variances to the code that refer to unique circumstances or conditions on the property that pose practical difficulties in meeting the code.

MOTION BY: RICHARDS
SECOND BY: PHILLIPS

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5. The request meets the criteria for approving a variance in Section 151.401.

Passed by the City Council of the City of Oronoco, Minnesota this 16th day of April, 2024.

COUNCIL MEMBER	AYE	NAY	ABSTAIN	ABSENT
Ryland Eichhorst, Mayor	X			
Jim Phillips	X			
Jim Richards	X			
Paul Pendergrass	X			
Erv DeVlaeminck	X			

ATTEST:



Ryland Eichhorst, Mayor



Jason Baker, City Administrator/City Clerk/Treasurer