

Deputation Summary for March 30th Meeting

We appreciate Councillor McFee's efforts to include the Community in reviewing Ultramar's revised signage. We are calling for a more timely and formal liaison ^{with the Town,} and encourage Michael Benner to come forward ASAP with a plan. People are tired of planning by exemption, and constant surprises.

We support compliance with the pylon sign height in our bylaw. However, there is a general feeling that the sign continues to be excessive (even though it's been toppled sideways). We often hear this response: "All we need to know is the price of gas."

We do not support the proposed setback variance.

We support reduction of the number of variances for the canopy signage. We do not support the remaining canopy sign variance.

The requirements of the sign bylaw should be enforced consistently and fairly for all applicants. The bylaws are not suggestions: "If sign bylaw has the same strength as a zoning bylaw, it's a municipal bylaw, it's law" -- to quote Michael Benner,

Respectfully submitted,
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 March 22nd, 2016