

- Currently, the shopping center that Raki Restaurant is in does not have visibility from Lake Street, so it is difficult to see that they are there and open. The shopping center does not have a monument sign either, so visibility is a big issue.
- Property owners often do not want to spend the money on installing a monument sign
- Some of the proposed amendments to the Sign Code include:
 - Increased duration and/or size allowances for certain temporary signs
 - Adding "Coming Soon" signage to the existing "going out of business" sign provisions
 - Allowing for wall mounted shopping center directory signs for qualifying properties
- Director Govind added that feather signs are still not allowed.

EDC Discussion and Input:

- **Going Out of Business and Coming Soon signs** – EDC members support allowing for 60 days, some felt 30 days would keep a new business fresher in the minds of those driving by
- **Special Events/Promotion signs** – EDC members support allowing for 15 days per permit, up to 30 days total
- **Grand Opening signs** – EDC members support allowing for 60 day for businesses on non-arterial streets
- **Feather Signs** – have never been allowed

Member Gudenkauf commented that she feels the rules should all be the same for all businesses regardless of their location; it's too confusing otherwise.

Trustee Albuck commented that Trustee Bankole wanted to allow window wraps to be allowed on empty spaces to spruce them up and reduce the vacancy look. He also felt a more consistent set of rules should apply to all businesses.

Director Govind suggested that regarding feather signs, the Village could possibly purchase them with the Village logo and "grand opening" printed on them. One sign could be given to a new business (with a deposit requires) to display for 30 days. The idea would need to be discussed with the Village attorney.

Member Komorski commented that the feather signs could create a liability for the Village if not properly anchored especially on very windy days.

6-b. Next Commercial or Industrial Meetup

- Director Govind emphasized our goal will be a manufacturing meetup in October which is manufacturing month.
- Member Candelas offered to host the event at Wintrust Bank.

7. EDC Member Reports & Adoptee Updates

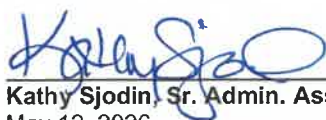
- Member Gudenkauf announced she will be retiring from the Bartlett Chamber at the end of May after 23 years with the Chamber. Mary Smith will be taking the summer off and then will do some remote work for the Chamber. The Chamber will be looking for replacements in the future.
- Member Vargas commented he connected with Luisa from Issa's Venezuelan as their mentor

Director Govind acknowledged member Gudenkauf's retirement from the Bartlett Area Chamber and commented she will be very missed at the Chamber and on the EDC; she has provided many valuable insights as an EDC member and has been a great resource for businesses as the Chamber representative.

Meeting adjourned by unanimous consent.

Meeting adjourned at 1:50 pm

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 Gail Tobin - Chair