APPLICATION FOR URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION REVIEW AND APPROVAL

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DATE SUBMITTED: 12/19/05	Action Requested Informational Presentation
UDC MEETING DATE: 01/1/06	✓ Initial Approval and/or Recommendation ✓ Final Approval and/or Recommendation
PROJECT ADDRESS: 126 Langdon St. ALDERMANIC DISTRICT: OWNER/DEVELOPER (Partners and/or Principals) FIRSTWORTHING Dallas, TX CONTACT PERSON: Walter Ruden Address: 5119 Termines Dr	ARCHITECT/DESIGNER/OR AGENT:
Phone: 603 838 7794 Fax: 603 838 7794 E-mail address: Wally @ gran TYPE OF PROJECT: (See Section A for:) Planned Unit Development (PUD) General Development Plan (GDP) Specific Implementation Plan (SIP)	BECHAED SOCIAL BECHAE
Planned Community Development (PCD) General Development Plan (GDP) Specific Implementation Plan (SIP) Planned Residential Development (PRD) New Construction or Exterior Remodeling in an well as a fee) School, Public Building or Space (Fee may be re	Urban Design District * (A public hearing is required as quired) of a Retail, Hotel or Motel Building Exceeding 50,000
(See Section B for:) New Construction or Exterior Remodeling in C4	District (Fee required)
(See Section C for:) R.P.S.M. Parking Variance (Fee required)	
(See Section D for:) Comprehensive Design Review* (Fee required) Street Graphics Variance* (Fee required)	
Other	
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^{*}Public Hearing Required (Submission Deadline 3 Weeks in Advance of Meeting Date)



5119 Terminal Drive McFarland, WI 53558

December 19, 2005

Urban Design Commission 215 Martin Luther King Blvd Madison, WI

Re:

126 Langdon Street

Request for Final Street Variance Graphic

Dear: Urban Design Committee Members

On December 29, 2004, FirstWorthing based in Dallas, TX acquired five (5) student-housing properties in Madison, namely

Statesider 505 N Francis
The Towers 502 N Francis
The Langdon 126 Langdon
The Highlander 121 W Gilman
The Regent 1402 Regent Street

During the summer of 2005 FirstWorthing, operating through its subsidiary University Partners completed renovation work on the interior of the buildings including improved way finding signage.

During the winter of 2005, University Partners is embarking on a project to effectively identify all of its properties with the University House logo.

The overall design objectives for the exterior signage are as follows

- Maintain the integrity of the University House name and logo
- Maintain the recognizable names by which the properties are known e.g.
 Statesider
- Illuminate the signage where possible with light sources that are tasteful and indirect
- Size the signage to be easily readable for parents and guests
- Improve the aesthetics of the buildings by removing old and weathered awnings and replace with tasteful and well designed exterior signage.

This location is zoned R-6. The site is allowed a 12 square foot sign based on current zoning guidelines. FirstWorthing is requesting a variance to increase the 12 square foot maximum as follows:

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126 Langdon

Existing Signs -

2 x 6 non-lit wall sign

6' 6" x 22' 6" illuminated awning with graphics

Requested Sign

Individual halo lit letters on front of building

Square footage allowed

12

Square footage requested

25

Site considerations

- 1. Existing front canopy is large and obtrusive
- 2. Non lit wall sign will not be replaced
- 3. The street on which the property is located, Langdon has parking on both sides of the street, lots of pedestrian and vehicle traffic and is adorned with many large trees.
- 4. The front façade of the building is large which allows for the sign size to be consistent with the buildings' overall size

All of these factors make it vitally important that the sign is visible to parents and guests who are not familiar with the area and trying to locate the property.

The proposal would include removing and disposing of the existing canopy and replacing it with halo lit individual letters on the building facade.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter

Sincerely,

Walter P. Ruden

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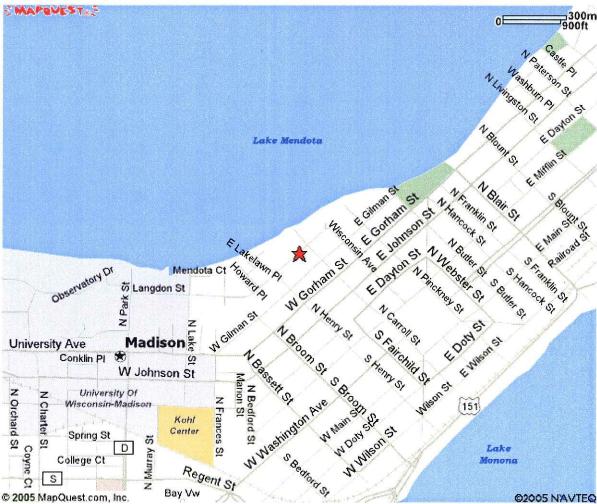
Grant Sign Company on behalf of FirstWorthing



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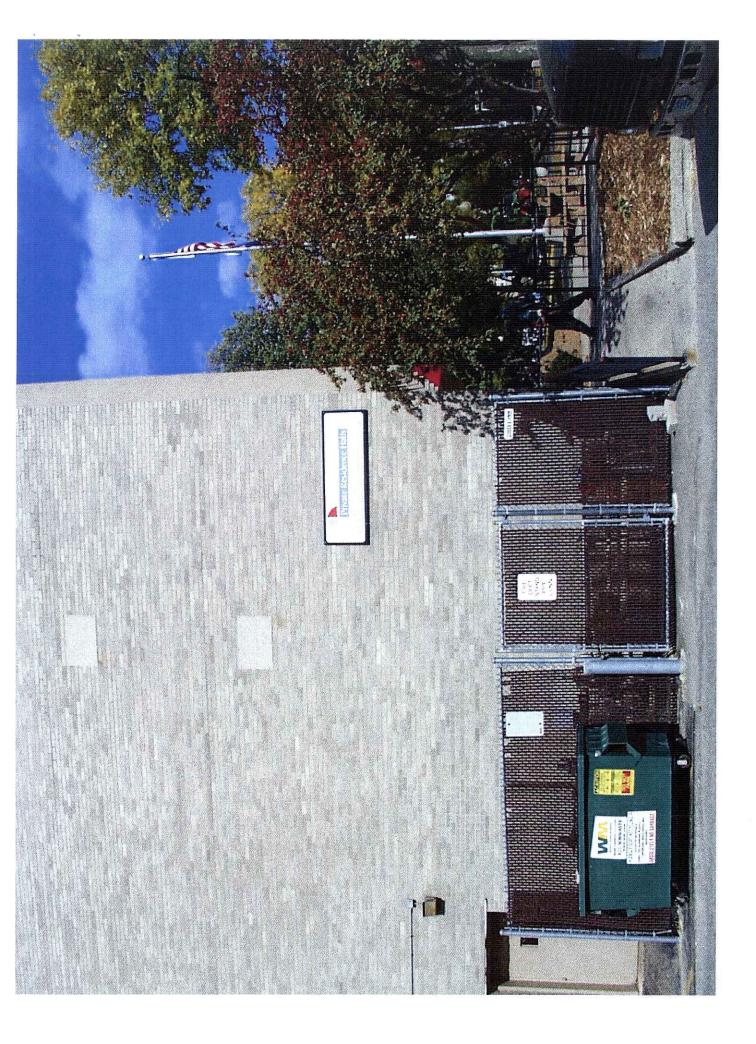
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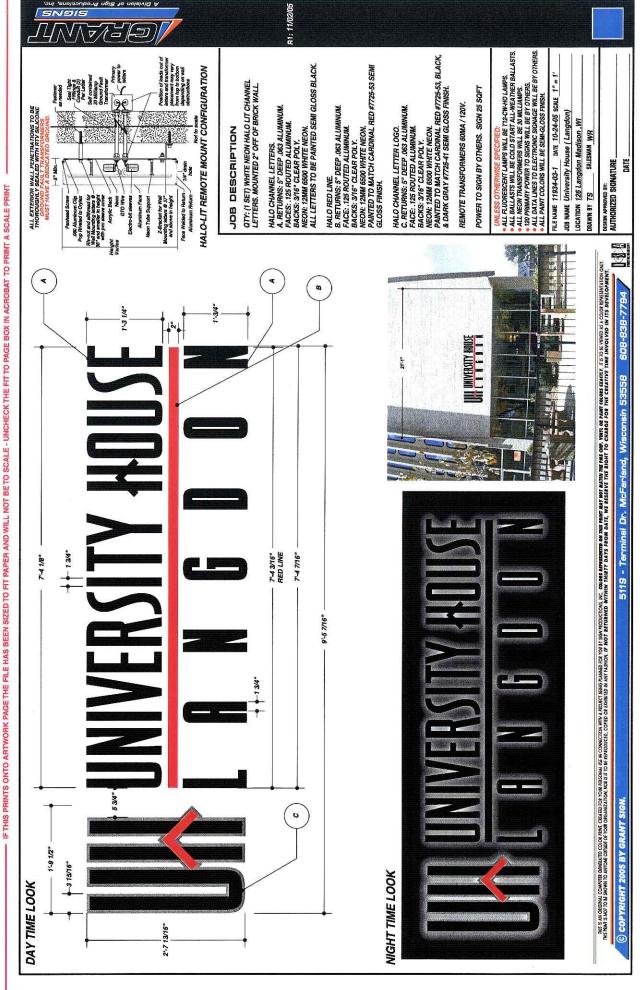


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