PLANNING DIVISION STAFF REPORT

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PREPARED FOR THE URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION

Project Address: 7213 Mineral Point Road

Application Type: Signage Exception – Final Approval is Requested

Legistar File ID # 65738

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Background Information

Applicant | Contact: Brendan Bailey & Heather Vetter, KDN Signs | Andrew Goodman

Project Description: The applicant is seeking final approval for a sign exception to allow for a third sign on the west elevation not adjacent to off-street parking areas.

Approval Standards:

The UDC is an approving body on this request. Per MGO 31.043(3)(d) <u>Additional Sign Code Approvals</u>. After a public hearing as provided in Sec. 33.24(4)(e)3., the UDC may permit the use of wall signs on building facades not adjacent to off-street parking areas where, due to a variation of building setbacks, a signable area exists, provided the area of the sign shall not exceed the area of the wall sign permitted on the front of the building.

Summary of Design Considerations and Recommendation

Staff recommends the UDC review the project sign package as a whole and consider how the proposed sign works with the overall existing building architecture as well as the visibility from the nearest roadways.

The applicant proposes a roughly 59 square foot sign along a private western drive, on a building face perpendicular to Mineral Point Road. This signage requires UDC consideration under the "Additional Sign Code Approvals" section as the entry drive is not considered a street or parking area. Due to the location and orientation of the building on the site, the applicant is requesting a sign exception for a sign in this location. This request has been reviewed with Zoning staff who have no technical objections to this request. Staff recommends approval.