

# Lower Moyamensing Signage Workshop 2/1/2011







#### Goals for Workshop

- -Provide facts and data to Lower Moyamensing business owners and residents regarding;
  - -Why is signage important to LoMo
  - -What is permitted
  - -What to do if your sign is not in compliance
  - -How to get a proper permit
  - -When you need a variance....









#### Signage in LoMo









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Photos provided by SCRUB 2008







#### As a business owner what is my role?

- Learn the requirements for your zoning
- Tell your story with your signage
- Work with your local community/civic association
- Obtain proper permit and or variance









Almost all LoMo businesses are in **C-1**, the most restrictive commercial zone.







### What is permitted in Lower Moyamensing/C1?

- -One sign per building
- -1 square foot per linear foot of building frontage (on only one street)
- -Flat wall sign or awning sign
- -All accessory signs require a permit
- -Letters no bigger than 12"









# What is not permitted in C1...

- -Revolving or flashing
- -Projecting
- -Internally illuminated
- -Intermittent or animated lighting







# How do I apply for a permit?

- -Depending on your sign you may need both a building permit and a zoning permit
- -Applications can be obtained in person at the Municipal Services Building 1440 JFK Blvd.







## Required Materials

- -Photos
- -Plans drawn to scale
- -Permission from owner
- -Completed application
- -Fees







#### When do I need a variance?

-for a larger sign

-for a projecting sign\*

-for an internally illuminated sign

-for more than one sign

-for a sign on more than one street face

-anytime you are exceeding the C1

limitations

\*For projecting signs you will need Art Commission approval









# What if I have already received a violation notice?

How do you know if your sign is legal

311

L&I Inspectors

**Violations** 

**Municipal Court Action** 







# Who is SCRUB - How can we help?

- -Advocacy
- -Signage Resource Center Online
- -Education







# Good *design* is good for *business*!







#### Good DESIGN can...

- Display Identity, Who am I?
- Welcoming and Comfortable
- Invites people to linger







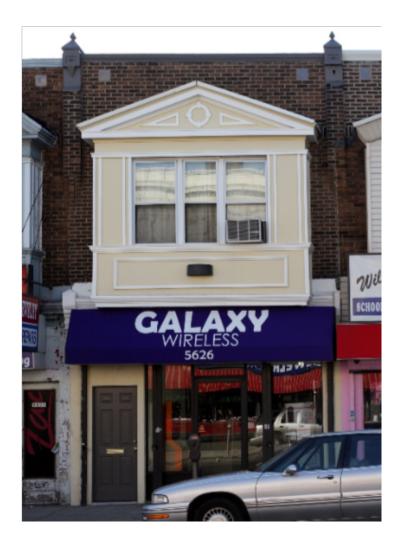
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**BEFORE** 







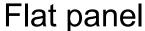
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### Signage

One of the most important components of storefront design





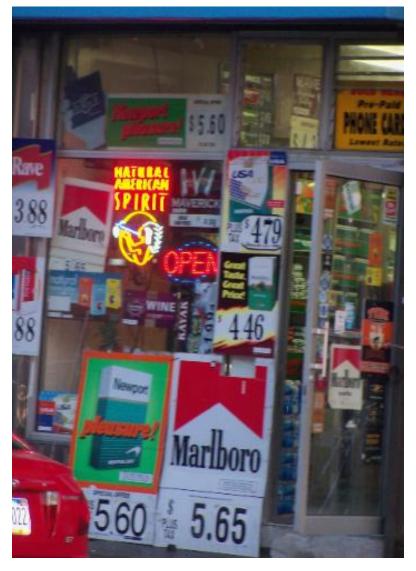


Fabric Awning as Sign











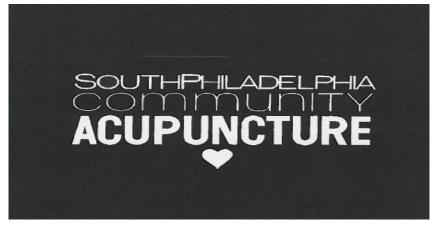
- Is your message clear?
- Idea is to entice customer in, not to display every product you sell.
- SUBTRACTION- the low cost solution







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## **Awnings**















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# Awnings











#### Window Displays

Draw your customer in, invite them to linger











#### Color









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#### Hakim's Bookstore



**BEFORE** 











#### LoMo





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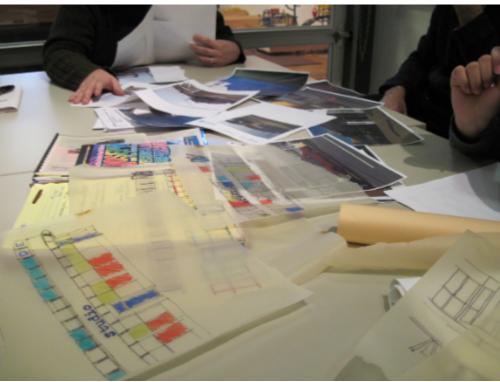






# Facade Improvement Design Consultations











INSTALL SECURITY GATE CANISTERS FOR THE TWO NEW WINDOWS TO MATCH THE EXISTING FOR THE DOOR

REMOVE EXISTING LIGHT FIXTURE AND INSTALL NEW LAMPS

INSTALL CORNER AWNING AND REMOVE EXISTING WHITE DOOR OVERHANG



REMOVE EXISTING COCA-COLA SIGNAGE

REMOVE PLY WOOD AND SIGNAGE ON EXISTING WINDOWS AND REPLACE WITH NEW WINDOWS

REMOVE PAINT IN LOWER FACADE

REMOVE PLYWOOD ON WINDOWS AND REPLACE WITH BRICK



**COMMUNITY DESIGN** - COLLABORATIVE

CLEAN AND REPOINT EXISTING BRICK

2009 - 15 05/24/10 NOT TO SCALE

Project Name

COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS CONCEPTUAL DESIGN FOR N. 5TH ST ALBA'S GROCERY STORE

Drawing Title

The Community Design Collaborative's products are intended to provide visual concepts and to assist in project design and planning. All drawings are limited to conceptual design and are neither intended nor may be used for construction. Neither the Community Design Collaborative nor the project volunteers assume responsibility or liability for the technical accuracy of drawings or for any unauthorized use.

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Licenses and Inspections



#### On-Line Resources



Lower Moyamensing Civic Association <a href="https://www.lomophilly.org">www.lomophilly.org</a> <a href="mailto:lomophilly@gmail.com">lomophilly@gmail.com</a>

Philadelphia Licenses & Inspections http://www.phila.gov/li/

Zoning Code online http://www.amlegal.com/library/pa/

City Planning commission
Design Guidelines online at
http://www.philaplanning.org/plans/designguide.pdf

#### **SCRUB**

Signage Resource Center online (under "Education") at www.publicvoiceforpublicspace.org

Girard Avenue Design Guidelines http://www.girardcoalition.org/design\_7354.pdf





