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TO: Mayor, City Council and City Manager

FROM: J. Pat Rich, Development Coordinator

**DATE:** January 31, 2023

SUBJECT: Proposed Text Amendment to the Sign Ordinance

The following matter was referred by the City Council to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a public hearing and recommendation.

Motion to allow the option for commercial businesses impacted by MDOT's Exit 16 improvements to either replace signage per updated sign ordinance, relocate existing signage or replace signage with signage similar to existing.

At the January 28, 2023, meeting of the Planning and Zoning Commission the public hearing was held. Keith Co Petroleum, operators of the Chevron Convenience store, represented by their attorney, objected to the Text Amendment, and provided three exhibits (included in the packet) to support the objection. The Commission voted 6-0 to approve the staff recommendation to deny the proposed text amendment. Please see the Staff Report findings of fact, items A thru G, used as the basis for the denial.