

REPORT IN BRIEF: At the time of development, the Code permitted satellite dishes greater than four (4) feet in diameter to be installed on roof tops. The applicant has submitted a revised site plan, SP 2-2-01, in order to replace the existing roof. A gas station, canopy, and carwash are on the site. The current Code does not allow satellite dishes larger than four (4) feet in diameter to be installed on roof tops requiring that the satellite dish be ground mounted and fully screened from public view. The dish is five (5) feet in diameter, mounted to the ground, pointed upward, and is essential for the operation of the business. Credit card billing systems and pricing systems are controlled by the dish. During peak business hours several credit cards must be processed simultaneously in order to serve customers efficiently. A dial up credit card processing system is not feasible because of the time it requires to process requests, and any alteration in the satellite dish size would require a reworking of the station's entire computer system. The applicant is proposing to construct a 10' by 6' concrete block enclosure that matches and adjoins the existing dumpster enclosure, which has a five (5) foot landscape buffer between it and the property line, at the southeast corner of the subject site. Therefore, the applicant requests relief from the ten (10) foot peripheral landscape buffer requirement.