

Billboards Alert!

The Infrastructure and Growth Council Committee will vote on the changes to Chapter 10 – administrative changes to the electrical code – on Wednesday, November 19, 2008, at 1:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building downtown. The major changes are:

1. The Electrical Supervisory Board will become an advisory board only.
2. Staff of the Planning and Development Services Department will administer the code – including digital billboards – with no input from the Board, unless there is an appeal.

Scenic San Antonio and other groups have monitored the administration of the code regarding the permitting of digital off-premise billboards. We had expected that the ratio of advertising on billboards to be taken down would be 4:1 – but it was only 2:1. Further, when the Electrical Supervisory Board denied the work presented to them by staff, they were overruled by staff.

Diane Cibrian chairs the Infrastructure and Growth Council Committee. Let her know what you think.

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