

Car wash compromises on sign

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A large outdoor sign in front of Jax Car Wash in Farmington will be cut down in size but still be larger than the city's sign law allows.

The change comes about because the owners want to replace the Standard

Oil logo on top of their 27-foot high sign with a Marathon logo reflecting a recent change in gas suppliers.

The old sign was allowed to stand despite an ordinance restricting free-standing signs to a height of 14 feet because it was built before the ordinance was written.

However, the ordinance instructs

city officials to require compliance when owners attempt to change the wording of the sign.

City officials worked out a compromise with William Freeman, an employee of City Sign Service Inc. of Holland, Ohio which will require car wash owners to put the Marathon logo lower

than the Standard logo now stands.

Councilman Ralph Yoder was willing to grant the car wash an exemption permitting keeping the sign at its present height. But Councilman William Mitchell argued that it be lowered and convinced the council to unanimously support the compromise.

Medical record training planned at Mercy College

Career opportunities in the expanding field of medical record science will be discussed in a special information session being held at Mercy College of Detroit June 16 beginning at 7 p.m. in the College Conference Center.

Mercy faculty will explain how health care professionals monitor the quality of patient care and the importance of documentation in malpractice suits. They will also discuss the various aspects of Mercy's medical record science program.

A registered record administrator (RRA) and a currently enrolled Mercy student will be on hand to answer questions about the field.

Mercy College has been educating medical record professionals since 1942 in the first program of its type in Michigan and one of the oldest in the United States. The program offers stu-

dents flexibility in both education and employment. After two years of study, students receive an associate degree as well as the option to continue study toward a bachelor's degree or to obtain employment in the field and return at a later time.

For those who choose to work before returning for further study, Mercy offers another option, called IMPART. This program enables accredited record technicians (ART's) to obtain a bachelor's degree by attending school on a part-time basis while continuing their employment.

Mercy recognizes that those who have worked in the field for several years often acquire knowledge equivalent to some of the courses in the bachelor's degree program.

Through IMPART, these people can

obtain credit for this knowledge by taking special competency examinations or by applying for professional proficiency credit.

IMPART is available in the Weekend College, as well as in Mercy's day and evening programs. Students in the

Weekend College are able to earn a degree by attending classes held on Saturdays.

For more information about the career information session or the medical record science program, call the Mercy College Admissions office at 592-6030.

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