



EDMONTON DESIGN COMMITTEE MINUTES

Location: Boardroom 320, Edmonton Tower

Tuesday, August 15, 2017

MEMBERS:

R. Labonte, Chair
C. Craig, Vice-Chair
W. Sims, Vice-Chair
T. Antoniuk
F. Cavaliere
D. Deshpande
M. Figueira
S. Kaznacheeva
H. Mapstone
A. Rowe
A. Zepp

PRESENT:

C. Craig, Vice-Chair
W. Sims, Vice-Chair
T. Antoniuk

D. Deshpande
M. Figueira
S. Kaznacheeva

A. Zepp

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

P. Spearey, Sustainable Development, Lead Urban Designer

A.1. CALL TO ORDER

W. Sims called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

A.2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: C. Craig

That the August 15, 2017 Edmonton Design Committee agenda be adopted.

SECONDED: A. Zepp

CARRIED

FOR THE MOTION: C. Craig, A. Zepp, M. Figueira, D. Deshpande, W. Sims, T. Antoniuk, S. Kaznacheeva

A.3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Without objection, the August 1, 2017 Edmonton Design Committee meeting minutes were adopted.

B. APPLICATIONS

FORMAL PRESENTATIONS (Open to the Public)

B.1. Belvedere Transit Centre DIALOG - Michael Rivest

P. Spearey read the comments of the Development Planner.

MOVED: A. Zepp

Motion of support

The Applicant is reminded that the Edmonton Design Committee has the responsibility of reviewing projects in a comprehensive manner which includes building, site and surrounding context. While the Committee appreciates the work that the Applicant has undertaken in response to comments provided by the Committee, in future it is recommend the projects undertaken by the Applicant be considered in a broader context.

SECONDED: D. Deshpande

CARRIED

FOR THE MOTION: C. Craig, A. Zepp, M. Figueira, D. Deshpande, W. Sims, T. Antoniuk, S. Kaznacheeva

B.2. Emerald Tower Der + Associates - Jimmy Amichandwala

P. Spearey read the comments of the Development Planner.

MOVED: C. Craig

Motion of Non-support

The Committee has noted the following:

- No lighting plan has been provided. This is of particular importance given the requirement in the DC2 text for decorative lighting to accentuate tower elements, and to highlight the development at night time and winter months (5.5.a).
- There is a lack of clarity regarding the architectural treatment of the undersides of balconies.

- Weather protection required in the DC2 text (5.4.c) should be provided continuously along main floor retail frontages.
- Poor resolution of rear loading area with sufficient means to service the CRUs
- A lack of direct pedestrian access from the rear loading / parking area to the CRUs.

Most importantly, it is the opinion of the Committee that certain elements of the architectural design as illustrated in the DC2 appendix need to be carried forward to improve this design:

- Greater integration of colour and materials (eg. coloured glass) between the base, podium and tower.
- Greater articulation of main floor commercial entrances, providing increased variety and interest in the overall streetscape.
- Greater architectural relief within the podium facade to reduce visual mass.
- Greater emphasis on vertical elements (ie. vertical rather than horizontal glass panels) to reduce the apparent length of podium.
- Greater variation in glass colour.

SECONDED: T. Antoniuk

CARRIED

FOR THE MOTION: C. Craig, A. Zepp, M. Figueira, D. Deshpande, W. Sims, T. Antoniuk, S. Kaznacheeva

PRE-CONSULTATION PRESENTATIONS (Closed to the Public)

B.3. Laurier Park Washroom Building

City of Edmonton - Nicole Howard

P. Spearey read the comments of the Development Planner.

B.4. Civic Precinct Surface and Fountain Renewal

GEC Architecture - Adrian Benoit

P. Spearey read the comments of the Development Planner.

B.5. South Park Buildings 3 + 4

Stantec - Jason Lowe

P. Spearey read the comments of the Development Planner

ADMINISTRATIVE WALK-ON (Closed to the Public)

B.6. The Mezzo (Development Permit Application)

Marshall Tittlemore Architects - Mike Woodland

The Walk-On Package was received for information by the Committee.

E. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:26 p.m.

F. NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, September 5, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. located in Boardroom 320, 3rd Floor, Edmonton Tower (10111 - 104 Avenue NW).