

EDMONTON DESIGN COMMITTEE MINUTES

Location: via Google Meet

Tuesday, July 6, 2020

MEMBERS:

J. Mills, Chair C. Holmes, Vice-Chair A.Benoit, Vice-Chair T. Antoniuk D. Brown D. Deshpande M. Figueira S. Kaznacheeva B. Nolan W. Sims A. Zepp

PRESENT:

J. Mills, Chair C. Holmes, Vice-Chair A.Benoit, Vice-Chair T. Antoniuk D. Brown D. Deshpande M. Figueira S. Kaznacheeva B. Nolan W. Sims A. Zepp

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

P. Spearey, Urban Form and Corporate Strategic Development, Lead Urban Designer K. Bacon, Urban Form and Corporate Strategic Development, Development Officer

A.1. CALL TO ORDER

J. Mills called the meeting to order at 4:03 pm.

A.2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: D. Brown

Motion to adopt the July 6, 2020, Agenda.

SECONDED: W. Sims

CARRIED

FOR THE MOTION: T. Antoniuk, A. Benoit, D. Brown, D. Deshpande, C. Holmes, S. Kaznacheeva, J. Mills, B. Nolan, W. Sims, A. Zepp

M. Figueira entered the meeting (4:07 pm)

A.3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION: B. Nolan

Motion to adopt the June 16, 2020, Minutes

SECONDED: D. Brown

CARRIED

FOR THE MOTION: T. Antoniuk, A. Benoit, D. Brown, D. Deshpande, C. Holmes, M. Figueira, S. Kaznacheeva, J. Mills, B. Nolan, W. Sims, A. Zepp

B. APPLICATIONS

B.1. PROJECT SYNOPSES

K. Bacon provided the synopsis for the Hat @ Old Strathcona Project.

FORMAL PRESENTATIONS (Open to the Public)

B.2. Hat @ Old Strathcona (Development Permit) Bruce Mackenzie - NORR

C. COMMITTEE DELIBERATION (Closed to the Public)

C.1. Hat @ Old Strathcona (Development Permit) Bruce Mackenzie - NORR

MOTION: A. Benoit

Motion of Support requiring an Administrative Walk-on

While the Committee is generally supportive of the proposed scheme, an Administrative Walk-on is required to further resolve the design of the public realm, in particular the internal north-south mid-block pedestrian link. The Applicant is requested to return to the Committee and present a revised design that further explores:

- The integration of neighbourhood essence and character into the public realm, including surface treatments and patterns, plantings, furnishings, outdoor sales space, and wayfinding/interpretive signage and elements
- Creating a pedestrian scaled environment, and in particular, a sense of place, enclosure, human scale, complexity/richness, coherence and legibility. The Committee encourages the use of planting beyond perennials (eg. trees and shrubs) for scale and seasonal interest, and the incorporation of awnings, trellises and / or overhead structures, as well as additional exterior lighting
- How the public realm can support year-round use, programming and variation, including play
- How mechanical units (eg. transformers, building intake and exhaust vents) are located / integrated into the building / public realm

SECONDED: W. Sims

CARRIED

FOR THE MOTION: T. Antoniuk, A. Benoit, D. Brown, D. Deshpande, C. Holmes, M. Figueira, S. Kaznacheeva, J. Mills, B. Nolan, W. Sims, A. Zepp

W. Sims left the meeting for the remainder of the evening (6:20 p.m.)

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D. ADDITIONAL ITEMS

D.1. Committee / Intern Workplan

J. Mills, EDC Subcommittee Chair, presented the Committee with an overview of possible workplan items that could be undertaken by the Subcommittee and larger committee, with the assistance of the EDC Intern. These workplan items include:

- Review of EDC boundaries (ie. map) and alignment with the new Nodes and Corridors framework
- Review of procedures and requirements related to rezonings
- Action items from 2019 retreat that have not yet been completed

ACTION: Administration to prepare a Google Form for Committee members to rank priorities of action items from 2019 retreat.

E. UPCOMING APPLICATIONS, CONFLICTS AND REGRETS

Conflicts:	None
Regrets:	None

F. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

G. NEXT MEETING

Tuesday July 21 at 4:00 p.m. via Google Meet.