

EDMONTON DESIGN COMMITTEE MINUTES

Location: (Hybrid) Edmonton Tower, 03-340 / Google Meet Tuesday, April 1, 2025

MEMBERS:

J. Mills, Chair N. LaMontagne, Vice-Chair C. Dorward, Vice-Chair D. Brown G. Freer J. Monfries K. Dieterman K. Oxley M. Tindall N. Pryce R. Subramanian

PRESENT:

J. Mills, Chair N. LaMontagne, Vice-Chair C. Dorward, Vice-Chair D. Brown G. Freer J. Monfries K. Dieterman K. Oxley M. Tindall R. Subramanian

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

P. Spearey, Urban Form and Economy, Lead Urban Designer

A. Rowan, Urban Planning and Economy Department, EDC Administration

S. Buccino, Urban Planning and Economy Department, Planner

A. CALL TO ORDER AND RELATED BUSINESS

A.1. CALL TO ORDER

J. Mills called the meeting to order at 4:00p.m.

A.2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: J. Mills

Motion to adopt the April 1, 2025 agenda, with the removal of Item C.2.

SECONDED: J. Monfries

The motion passed unanimously.

A.3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION: J. Mills

Motion to adopt the March 18, 2025 Minutes

SECONDED: G. Freer

A.4 REQUESTS TO SPEAK

None.

B. **PROJECT SYNOPSES (Closed to the Public)**

MOTION: J. Mills

That the Edmonton Design Committee meet in private pursuant to Section 24 (advice from officials) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act for the discussion of item B.1 and C.1.

SECONDED: G. Freer

The motion passed unanimously.

Edmonton Design Committee met in private at 4:03p.m.

MOTION: J. Mills

That the Edmonton Design Committee meet in public.

SECONDED: R. Subramanian

The motion passed unanimously.

The Edmonton Design Committee met in public at 4:10p.m.

P. Spearey joined the meeting at 4:16p.m.

C. APPLICATIONS

FORMAL PRESENTATION (Open to the public)

C.1 Ritchie Mixed-use Development (DP)

Sherri Shorten- SAS Architecture

Motion of Support: D. Brown Seconded: K. Oxley

The Committee welcomes this proposed development, and in the interest of ensuring a high standard of urban design recommends the Applicant:

- Consider the varying public realm conditions and character with respect to the building edge frontage conditions along 99 Street (urban) and 75 Avenue (residential/neighbourhood). Potential enhancements along 99 Street could incorporate private/public seating spaces; canopy tree plantings; raised planters; and decorative screening of the parking area, rather than a visually solid wall. Potential enhancement along 75 Avenue could incorporate main entry enhancements; provide barrier-free connectivity to the street edge (drop-off zone); and site furniture and features that define the neighbourhood edge and support gathering opportunities. These considerations may require a further review with the City of Edmonton to assess opportunities of extending frontage enhancements into the city R.O.W.
- Consider permeable decorative screening along the lane to provide screening of the parking area and waste disposal bins.
- Explore ideas and ways to make the daycare drop off area vibrant and welcoming, utilizing the high traffic use to animate the building.
- Consider a canopy to better define the main entry and provide weather protection to occupants.

For the Motion: N. LaMontagne, M. Tindall, K. Dieterman, R. Subramanian, C. Dorward, K. Oxley, D. Brown, J. Monfries, J. Mills

Against the Motion: G. Freer

CARRIED

D. OTHER BUSINESS

D.1 2024-25 Work Plan

- P. Spearey informed the Committee that final deliverables will be determined at the April 2 Subcommittee meeting. Administration will share these with the larger Committee by April 8. Info.
- A Special meeting has been booked for April 22 for a final review. There is an additional hold for a special meeting on April 29th if the Committee requires more time for review. **Info.**

E. UPCOMING APPLICATIONS, CONFLICTS AND REGRETS (Tuesday, April 15, 2025)

10729-96 Street Project	Formal, DP	Ayman Amikdad- Mik-Tik Building & Design
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Conflicts: None. Regrets: None.

F. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:26p.m.

G. NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 4:00p.m. Hybrid.