



EDMONTON DESIGN COMMITTEE MINUTES

Location: via Google Meet

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

MEMBERS:

J. Mills, Chair
K. Dieterman, Vice-Chair
T. Ziola, Vice-Chair
A. Benoit
D. Brown
A. Zepp
J. Candlish
M. Tindall
N. Pryce
N. LaMontagne

PRESENT:

J. Mills, Chair
K. Dieterman, Vice-Chair
T. Ziola, Vice-Chair
A. Benoit
D. Brown
A. Zepp

M. Tindall

N. LaMontagne

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

P. Spearey, Lead Urban Designer, Urban Planning and Economy Department
W. Sims, Urban Designer, Urban Planning and Economy Department
J. McArthur, Urban Planning and Economy Department
M. Vasquez, Urban Planning and Economy Department

A. CALL TO ORDER AND RELATED BUSINESS

A.1. CALL TO ORDER

J. Mills called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

A.2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: J. Mills

Motion to adopt the February 21, 2023 Agenda.

SECONDED: D. Brown

The motion passed unanimously.

A.3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES - February 7, 2022 REGULAR MEETING

MOTION: J. Mills

Motion to adopt the February 7, 2023 Minutes

SECONDED: T. Ziola

The motion passed unanimously.

A.4. REQUESTS TO SPEAK

None.

B. PROJECT SYNOPSES (Closed to the Public)

MOTION: J. Mills

That 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

SECONDED: D. Brown

The motion passed unanimously.

Edmonton Design Committee met in private at 4:05 p.m.

MOTION: J. Mills

That the Edmonton Design Committee meet in public.

SECONDED: N. LaMontagne

The motion passed unanimously.

The Edmonton Design Committee met in public at 4:21p.m

C. APPLICATIONS

FORMAL PRESENTATION (Open to the Public)

C.1 Upper Vista (RZ)

Brian Murray - B&A

MOTION: T. Ziola

Motion of Support

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

- Consider safe and efficient shared use space design improvements (e.g., material use; amenity space/service area compatibility; integrating amenity (linear/open) space opportunities throughout the area; reduce/eliminate separation devices (e.g., walls, fences, etc.) between pedestrian and vehicular zones; enhancing landscape areas and separation distances (foundation plantings) from building edges; integrated surface treatments; minimizing laneway widths/turning radius to maximize pedestrian realm; etc.) within the central courtyard/service area that eliminates pedestrian/vehicular zones and creates a pedestrian-oriented character and realm [DC1 Regulations, Section 7 and 8]. Refer below to an example of edited 7.b., which clarifies “efficient” and “safe” in the original text.

From Regulations - EDITED:

7 b. Vehicular Access shall be located and designed in a manner that provides reasonable vehicular access and circulation for residents and service vehicles while retaining a pedestrian prioritized environment, both on-site and off-site. Devices such as surface treatments, bollards, landscape planters and subtle changes in grade may be utilized to define vehicular spaces. The circulation space interior to the site shall be designed as shared-space that accommodate vehicular movements while ensuring a safe and comfortable environment for pedestrians and active modes of travel.

- Confirm and address the width of primary connectivity routes (106A Avenue, south greenway, and 85 Street greenway extension) to reflect City of Edmonton Complete Street guidelines and greenway standards (Stadium Station Greenway Policy #1 & 2 and Open Space and Recreational Facilities Policy #19-21). Sidewalks should be provided at required widths free from obstructions such as fences, light poles, landscaping, etc.. Public access easements should be provided

at a sufficient width to accommodate these elements. [DC1 Regulations - Section 5 and 6]

- Better integrate public art within the proposal that is respectful of the area's history and culture. [DC1 Regulations, Section 10]
- Incorporate a more significant building setback from the podium to the tower, consistent with the Tall Building Guidelines to alleviate the building massing along the 85 Street sidewalk and the south greenway. [DC1 Regulations, Section 6]

SECONDED: A. Benoit

For the motion: A. Zepp, A. Benoit, D. Brown, K. Dieterman, M. Tindall, T. Ziola, J. Mills

Against the motion: N. LaMontagne

CARRIED

C.2 Westcorp Edgeway Phase 2 (RZ)

Brian Murray- B&A

MOTION: D. Brown

Motion of Support

The Committee supports this proposed development and recommends that as the project moves through the subsequent Development Permit the applicant:

- Consider landscape and streetscape design upgrades along the main access road that visually and physically enhance the pedestrian realm and connectivity between Phase 1 and Phase 2.

SECONDED: A. Zepp

For the motion: T. Ziola, N. LaMontagne, M. Tindall, K. Dieterman, D. Brown, A. Benoit, A. Zepp, J. Mills.

CARRIED

D. UPCOMING APPLICATIONS, CONFLICTS AND REGRETS (Tuesday March 7, 2023)

99 Street Streetscaping	Informal	Adam Firth- COE
Rollie Miles Recreation Center	Informal	Kristi Olsen- COE
Lewis Farms Recreation Center	Informal	Alexis Finlay- COE

Conflicts: None.
 Regrets: None.

E. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

F. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:30pm.

G. NEXT MEETING

Regular Meeting Tuesday March 7, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. located via Google Meet