



Agenda Item #: 3

Project Title: 2125 Commercial Avenue - Building Addition and Exterior Remodel of an Existing Public Building in Urban Design District (UDD) 4. 12th Ald. Dist.

Legistar File ID #: 75402

Members Present: Cliff Goodhart, Chair; Lois Braun-Oddo, Shane Bernau, Jessica Klehr, Christian Harper, Amanda Arnold, and Rafeeq Asad

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Summary

At its meeting of March 1, 2023, the Urban Design Commission **GRANTED FINAL APPROVAL** of a building addition and exterior remodel located at 2125 Commercial Avenue in UDD 4. Registered and speaking in support was Drew Martin. Registered in support and available to answer questions were Joseph Pautsch, Mike Newman and Fred Brechlin.

Updated plans clarified the area of the addition and interior work being proposed on the north portion of the building. A louvered anodized mechanical screening wall has been added on the north elevation. A study of adding clerestory windows found no added benefit, given it is on the north side of the building; based on the use of the space, glass overhead doors were selected instead. The previously opposing sloped stone portion with "Madison College" signage now matches the slope of the roof for a more dynamic appearance.

The Commission discussed the following:

- We should focus on the material palette, variety of materials, compatibility with the existing building and making a finding that the materials are of high quality and non-reflective in nature.
- Is this an area where we should have concerns about landscaping? The only landscaping is trees on the terrace.
 - Staff is working with the applicant based on the current filed site plan. They will have to bring the site into compliance with the approved plan on file, but the proposed building addition is such that it does not trigger any additional landscape compliance.

Action

On a motion by Arnold, seconded by Klehr, the Urban Design Commission **GRANTED FINAL APPROVAL**. The motion was passed on a unanimous vote of (6-0).