

AGENDA # 11

City of Madison, Wisconsin

REPORT OF: URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION	PRESENTED: March 7, 2007
TITLE: 4000 International Lane – Public Project; Dane County Regional Airport Parking Structure. 17 th Ald. Dist. (05835)	REFERRED: REREFERRED: REPORTED BACK:
AUTHOR: Alan J. Martin, Secretary	ADOPTED: POF:
DATED: March 7, 2007	ID NUMBER:

Members present were: Paul Wagner, Lisa Geer, Robert March, Todd Barnett, Cathleen Feland and Michael Barrett.

SUMMARY:

At its meeting of March 7, 2007, the Urban Design Commission **GRANTED INITIAL APPROVAL** of the Dane County Regional Airport parking structure located at 4000 International Lane. Appearing on behalf of the project were Mike Kirchner, Dewey Hemba, Jeffrey Radoe, Bill White, Mike Sturm and Mark M. Smith. The project provides for the construction of an additional parking ramp adjacent to the existing parking ramp structure at the Dane County Regional Airport along its westerly side. The project includes the redesign and renovation of the entry plaza to the existing ramp structure, as well as the exit plaza and structure in order to accommodate the add-on parking ramp facility. The new parking ramp structure is detailed architecturally to complement the style and architecture of the exterior façade of the recently completed and renovated airport terminal facility. Following the presentation, the Commission noted the following:

- Relevant to the landscape plan, an issue with the use of beech; substitute with use of a oak species.
- Need to look at upgrading bike racks to meet City standards.
- Consider a raised crosswalk in the pedestrian crossing at the entry plaza.
- Bring down light levels at pedestrian crossing from 100 watts to 70 watts. Need graduation in change and light levels from the gated vehicular entry at the entry plaza to the pedestrian crosswalk area.
- Investigate with Madison Metro Transit to facilitate bus access to the airport to minimize the need for parking facilities.

ACTION:

On a motion by March, seconded by Geer, the Urban Design Commission **GRANTED INITIAL APPROVAL**. The motion was passed on a unanimous vote of (6-0). The motion required address of the above stated concerns, as well as a need to provide elevational details for the renovation of the existing parking garage structure.

After the Commission acts on an application, individual Commissioners rate the overall design on a scale of 1 to 10, including any changes required by the Commission. The ratings are for information only. They are not used to decide whether the project should be approved. The scale is 1 = complete failure; 2 = critically bad; 3 = very poor; 4 = poor; 5 = fair; 6 = good; 7 = very good; 8 = excellent; 9 = superior; and 10 = outstanding. The overall ratings for this project are 3, 6, 6.5, 7, 8 and 8.

URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION PROJECT RATING FOR: 4000 International Lane

	Site Plan	Architecture	Landscape Plan	Site Amenities, Lighting, Etc.	Signs	Circulation (Pedestrian, Vehicular)	Urban Context	Overall Rating
Member Ratings	6	7	7	6	-	6	7	6
	7	7	6	6	-	6	-	7
	3	3	3	3	-	3	1	3
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
	6	7	6	-	-	6	6	6.5
	8	8	8	8	-	6	8	8

General Comments:

- Substitute oak for the beech shown. Landscape plan is complimentary to existing. Terrific architectural detailing. Gradual light transition of light levels some sharp drops from 10+ to 5 adjacent.
- Good work. Need to see details of pedestrian crossing at entry plaza and details of entry plaza canopy.
- With this much money being invested in cars, one would think that decent bike parking and bus service could be provided.
- Nice addition to already fine facility. Madison should be proud.
- Need to see changes to existing building. Investigate adding bus routes to supplement parking shortage.