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Meeting Minutes - Approved URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION

Wednesday, April 22, 2015

4:30 PM

215 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
Room LL-110 (Madison Municipal Building)

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Slayton arrived before Item No. 2.

Present: 6 - Dawn O. O'Kroley; Cliff Goodhart; John A. Harrington; Melissa R. Huggins;
Thomas A. DeChant and R. Richard Wagner

Excused: 1 - Richard L. Slayton

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Huggins, seconded by Harrington, to Approve the Minutes of April 8, 2015. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

Huggins recused herself on Item No. 3.

SECRETARY'S REPORT/AGENDA OVERVIEW

SPECIAL ITEM OF BUSINESS

Item Nos. 6, 1 and 5 were taken out of order.

6. [36901](#) 510 University Avenue - New 12+ Story Mixed-Use Project, "The Hub at Madison II" with 348 Apartment Units, Approximately 8,740 Square Feet of Retail and 2,992 Square Feet of Flex Space. 4th Ald. Dist.

A motion was made by DeChant, seconded by O'Kroley, to Refer to the URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION meeting of May 6, 2015. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

1. [38058](#) Report of the Facade Grant Staff Team - 111 and 115 State Street, "Ana and Ano, LLC." 4th Ald. Dist.

This item was approved as a consent item with the finding that all applicable standards are adequately addressed.

The motion provided that the horizontal band be used only on the historic building, or if one is applied to the one-story building, that it be of a more modern design, and that stained cedar is not appropriate in either case.

A motion was made by Harrington, seconded by DeChant, to Accept the Report of the Facade Grant Staff Team. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

5. [36335](#) 3825 East Washington Avenue - New Development for "Erik's Bikes, Boards and Skis" in Urban Design District Number 5. 17th Ald. Dist.

This item was approved as a consent item with the finding that all applicable standards are adequately addressed.

A motion was made by Harrington, seconded by DeChant, to Grant Final Approval. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ROLL CALL

Present: 7 - Dawn O. O'Kroley; Cliff Goodhart; John A. Harrington; Richard L. Slayton; Melissa R. Huggins; Thomas A. DeChant and R. Richard Wagner

2. [37553](#) 4901 Tradewinds Parkway - Public Project, 2015 Unit Well 31 Water Treatment Plant and Ground Storage Reservoir in UDD No. 1. 16th Ald. Dist.

A motion was made by Huggins, seconded by Harrington, to Grant Final Approval. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

3. [36183](#) 1701 Wright Street - Madison College Culinary Addition and Renovation (Public Building). 12th Ald. Dist.

A motion was made by Goodhart, seconded by Slayton, to **GRANT INITIAL APPROVAL**. The motion **FAILED** on a vote of (2-3-1) with Huggins recused, Goodhart and Slayton voting yes, and O'Kroley, DeChant and Harrington voting no.

A motion was made by DeChant, seconded by Harrington, to Refer to a future URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION meeting. The motion passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 3 - Dawn O. O'Kroley; John A. Harrington and Thomas A. DeChant

Noes: 2 - Cliff Goodhart and Richard L. Slayton

Abstentions: 1 - Melissa R. Huggins

Non Voting: 1 - R. Richard Wagner

4. [34690](#) 25 West Main Street/115-126 South Carroll Street - PD(GDP), New Mixed-Use Building with 88 Apartment Units. 4th Ald. Dist.

The motion provided for the landscape plan to return to the Commission once it is prepared.

A motion was made by Harrington, seconded by Huggins, to Grant Final Approval. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

BUSINESS BY MEMBERS

- The Chair had another meeting with Ken Opin, Plan Commission Chair, and City staff. They are tentatively looking at Wednesday, June 3, 2015 for a joint bus tour, and a joint meeting with the Plan Commission and Landmarks Commission on Wednesday, July 1, 2015 at the Goodman Center. Thoughts about where to go on the bus tour are welcome.
- The Urban Design Commission discussed how their reports can help the Plan Commission to better understand what they are actually concluding. A work session before a joint meeting would be beneficial.
- The Chair reported that one concern expressed by staff is that there is too much "answer shopping" going on, where some developers come to commissions looking for answers that they might not get from staff. The Chair responded that the process allows for informational presentations; Opin also raised the point that some members of the Plan Commission think the Urban Design Commission has too many sessions with people, but there are certain architects who like to come before this body for multiple information sessions. The Chair said that if staff ever wanted to request referral of something for further staff review and discussions, he would entertain such a motion but staff needs to say that, not assume the Commission is going to take that posture. Huggins replied that the implication that developers are "answer shopping" gets into the issue of staff giving design direction versus the Commission.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was Adjourned at 6:30 p.m. by unanimous consent.