



PREPARED FOR THE URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION

Project Address: 3007 University Avenue

Application Type: Alteration to a Previously Approved Development in Urban Design District (UDD) 5
UDC is an Approving Body

Legistar File ID #: [79716](#)

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Background Information

Applicant | Contact: Duane Johnson, Knothe & Bruce Architects, LLC | John Flad, 3005 University, LLC

Project Description: The applicant is proposing to add architectural accent lighting to the north and east façades of the building. The proposed light fixture is a clear LED strip light which will be integrated into the metal panel architectural feature at the front corner of the building.

Project Schedule:

- The UDC granted Final Approval of the building on March 30, 2022 (Legistar File ID [68731](#)).

Approval Standards: The UDC is an **approving body** on this request. The site is located in Urban Design District 6 ("UDD 6"), which requires that the Urban Design Commission review the proposed project using the design standards and guidelines for that district in [MGO Section 33.24\(13\)](#).

Staff notes that the UDC's review purview is limited to the scope of the applicant's request, architectural accent lighting. All other lighting shown on the plans was previously approved as part of the Commission's Final Approval as noted above, or as part of the administrative Site Plan Review process.

Summary of Design Considerations

As noted in the applicant's submittal materials, the proposed architectural accent lighting (clear LED light strip) that is to be integrated into the architectural corner element of the building. The light strip is intended to frame the architectural element. As shown on the mounting details, the light fixture appears to be mounted in a fashion that is full cut-off, as well as integrated into the design of the architectural feature such that light will have a wall washing effect.

Staff requests the Commission review and findings of the proposed architectural accent lighting as it pertains to the UDD 6 Lighting guidelines and requirements, including those that generally speak:

- The functional purpose of lighting for building façades, pedestrian pathways, parking and service areas, and signage,
- The choice of equipment, design, quantity, and placement of lighting related to the aforementioned functions,
- Providing adequate, but not excessive lighting,
- The height and lighting levels being appropriate for the building and its function and its neighborhood,
- Providing architectural lighting that is free from glare, and
- Providing architectural lighting that complements the existing development in the district.