

AGENDA # 5

City of Madison, Wisconsin

REPORT OF: URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION	PRESENTED: February 16, 2011
TITLE: 3010 Nob Hill Road – Building Addition to a Warehouse in UDD No. 1. 14 th Ald. Dist. (21362)	REFERRED: REREFERRED: REPORTED BACK:
AUTHOR: Alan J. Martin, Secretary	ADOPTED: POF:
DATED: February 16, 2011	ID NUMBER:

Members present were: Mark Smith, Dawn O’Kroley, Richard Slayton, John Harrington, R. Richard Wagner, Melissa Huggins and Henry Lufler, Jr.

SUMMARY:

At its meeting of February 16, 2011, the Urban Design Commission **RECEIVED AN INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION** for a building addition to a warehouse located at 3010 Nob Hill Road in Urban Design District No. 1. Appearing on behalf of the project were Peter Tan and Dale Volkening of Strang, Inc., and Jeff Levy, representing Phillips Distributing. Levy spoke to the Commission on the needs to expand their warehouse and parking lot due to the growth of their company. The project consists of a building addition on the east end of the property. Parking would be added on the west end of the site with onsite bioretention ponds to treat the new run-off. Additional site lighting is also included, which will be metal halide, as well as replacement of the existing parking lot lighting to metal halide. They would prefer to keep the high pressure sodium security lights on the building because they do go well with the color of the building. Exterior building materials would match the existing building. A conceptual landscape plan with deciduous trees and a lunchtime/break patio was distributed to the Commission. There is an easement that the American Transmission Company has asked for; they are currently working to determine the width of the easement but it shouldn’t affect the existing landscape buffer easement within the same area.

Comments from the Commission were as follows:

- Kudos for working with the existing grade. It’s a great idea.
- Careful with the staff patio. If there is drainage there and a lot of people using it you’ve got to watch out for mosquitoes.
- I’d like to see the edge where you have the wooden area, really taper that in for a nice parking area.
- Try to take the drainage basins and give them a more natural feeling.

ACTION:

Since this was an **INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION** no formal action was taken by the Commission.

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 6 and 6.

URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION PROJECT RATING FOR: 3010 Nob Hill Road

	Site Plan	Architecture	Landscape Plan	Site Amenities, Lighting, Etc.	Signs	Circulation (Pedestrian, Vehicular)	Urban Context	Overall Rating
Member Ratings	6	5	-	-	-	6	5	6
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6

General Comments:

- Excellent use of existing topography.
- Go straight to final approval for this critical function.