AGENDA # 8

City of Madison, Wisconsin

REPORT OF: URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION PRESENTED: May 7, 2008

TITLE: 520 East Johnson Street - PUD(GDP-SIP), **REFERRED:**

Relocated Three-Unit Building. 2nd Ald. REREFERRED:

Dist. (07629)

REPORTED BACK:

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DATED: May 7, 2008 **ID NUMBER:**

Members present were: Lou Host-Jablonski, Todd Barnett, Marsha Rummel, Bruce Woods, John Harrington, Richard Wagner, Richard Slayton, Jay Ferm and Bonnie Cosgrove.

SUMMARY:

At its meeting of May 7, 2008, the Urban Design Commission **REFERRED** consideration of the relocation of a three-unit building to a site at 520 East Johnson Street as part of a PUD(GDP-SIP). Appearing on behalf of the project was James McFadden, architect. McFadden provided details on the existing site conditions and review of the final building elevations emphasizing the preliminary color palette for the building and the need to grade to meet existing site conditions. Following the presentation the Commission questioned the lack of details for the development of a landscape plan for the relocated building site which was a condition established with initial approval of the project at the meeting of December 19, 2007. The applicant noted that the landscape plan had yet to be prepared.

ACTION:

On a motion by Slayton, seconded by Barnett, the Urban Design Commission **REFERRED** consideration of this project. The motion was passed on a unanimous vote of (9-0). The motion to refer cited the need to provide for a landscape plan as originally required.

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, 6, 6.5, 7 and 8.

URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION PROJECT RATING FOR: 520 East Johnson Street

	Site Plan	Architecture	Landscape Plan	Site Amenities, Lighting, Etc.	Signs	Circulation (Pedestrian, Vehicular)	Urban Context	Overall Rating
Member Ratings	6	-	-	-	-	-	7	6
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7
	5	-	-	-	-	5	9	-
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6.5
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6

General Comments:

- Landscape plan requirements.
- Looks good, but we need the landscape plan.
- House moving/saving is always good to see.
- Good idea.
- Large parking lot breaks the rhythm of the buildings. Embrace the park space. Help make it active. Stormwater management is key. Good uses.
- If house has to move looks like a good spot.