City of Madison, Wisconsin

REPORT OF: URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION		PRESENTED: March 7, 2018	
TITLE:	4150 Commercial Avenue – Public Building, Metro Transit Nakoosa Trail Satellite Bus Facility. 15 <sup>th</sup> Ald. Dist. (50627)	<b>REFERRED:</b>	
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DATED: March 7, 2018		ID NUMBER:	

Members present: Richard Wagner, Chair; Dawn O'Kroley, Michael Rosenblum, John Harrington, Cliff Goodhart, Tom DeChant, Lois Braun-Oddo and Amanda Hall.

## **SUMMARY**:

At its meeting of March 7, 2018, the Urban Design Commission **RECEIVED AN INFORMATIONAL PRESENTATION** for the Madison Metro Transit Nakoosa Trail Satellite Bus Facility located at 4150 Commercial Avenue. Appearing on behalf of the project were Jim Whitney, Barbara Berasteggi, Ken Anderson, Chuck Kamp and Crystal Martin.

The team presented preliminary designs for the bus satellite facility. The building would house twenty 40-foot buses and about 36 articulated buses (two segmented buses fit together, for the Bus Rapid Transit Program that Metro is also working on). The site has been cleaned up since the demolition of the former "Cub Foods" building. The Fleet Services building is phase one for this project (previously seen by the Commission). There is a synergy between the two buildings to create a campus of buildings with the same architectural language, style, colors and materials to speak of the City of Madison maintenance complex for both Fleet Services and Madison Metro. There is a 14-foot grade difference across the site, leading to the Metro facility being two levels. At the ground level is primarily the bus parking, within which some of the service functions will be housed and the maintenance facility. Stacked on top of that is the office component for administration, a parking deck for employees/visitor parking/ADA parking/charging stations and bicycle parking, all of which will be shaded and undercover with photovoltaic panels. The building will also house an exercise room, training room, kitchen/break area, etc. A small amount of vegetative roof area is planned for that parking deck.

Comments and questions from the Commission were as follows:

- Could you look at more holistically putting those trees that are supported by Phase 2? When I look at the upper left and see the nice vertical read of your building, I'm assuming there's some area shown as asphalt right now that could be landscape and then that would help get some of that shade onto Fleet Services like we discussed last time.
- You've got long stretches where you could put more landscaping in, breaking that down so you don't have a long row of concrete. I like what you're showing. Consider vertical landscaping.

## ACTION:

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