# **Downtown Library**

### 1 - Program Review/Collaborative Workshop

August 28, 2019



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Based on review of the materials submitted by the applicant and discussion during the August 28, 2019 Collaborative Workshop the Design Review Board recommends the following advisory actions:

1. The applicant is encouraged to continue discussion with City Engineering to resolve and prioritize pedestrian circulation issues between the site and the CSO Plaza. In keeping with the City's Comprehensive Plan, the Design Review Board is highly in favor of prioritizing pedestrian flow over vehicular flow at this location (up to and including the future elimination of vehicle travel lanes).

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2. The applicant shall return to the board a further detailed design for the enhancement of pedestrian realm elements along the building's base, along all sides of the building.

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3. The Design Review Board is supportive of the West Bosque and the applicant is encouraged to further develop the concept.

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4. The applicant is encouraged to further develop the Primary Building Entry's proposed treatment (located at the facility's southeast corner). The Design Review Board considers this an opportunity to fully realize the creative potential of the existing facility in a fully integrated manner.

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5. The applicant is encouraged to continue discussion with City Engineering to resolve bus turning movements (northbound on Lincoln onto westbound Main), and the potential for a widened public realm along Main Street.

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The Advisory Actions were approved by unanimous vote of the Design Review Board (7/0)

Steven Meek, Chair, Design Review Board

Note: Supplementary information, audio tape and meeting summary are on file with City of Spokane Design Review Board.