

Adams Elementary School

1 - Program Review/Collaborative Workshop

June 28, 2023



From :
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Based on review of the materials submitted by the Applicant and discussion during the June 28, 2023 Collaborative Workshop the Design Review Board recommends the following advisory actions:

1. The Applicant should continue investigating the opportunity to provide non-motorized access through the site along the vacated Fiske right-of-way (ROW).

Please see the following Comprehensive Plan Goals and Policies: LU 1.1 Neighborhoods, LU 1.12 Public Facilities and Services, LU 4.4 Connections, LU 6.2 Open Space, LU 6.3 School Locations, LU 6.5 Schools as a Neighborhood Focus, TR GOAL A: PROMOTE A SENSE OF PLACE, TR GOAL B: PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION CHOICES, TR GOAL C: ACCOMMODATE ACCESS TO DAILY NEEDS AND PRIORITY DESTINATIONS, TR 5 Active Transportation, TR 7 Neighborhood Access, TR 14 Traffic Calming, NE 13.1 Walkway and Bicycle Path System, N 2.1 Neighborhood Quality of Life, N 4.1 Neighborhood Traffic Impact, N 4.5 Multimodal Transportation, and N 4.6 Pedestrian and Bicycle Connections.

Please see the following goals of the Pedestrian Master Plan: Goal 1 – Well Connected and Complete Pedestrian Network, and Goal 4 – Safe and Inviting Pedestrian Settings.

Please see the following Design Guidelines for Public Projects: A-2 Provide a Sustainable Framework, A-3 Accommodate the Multi-modal Transportation Network, B-4 Universal Design, C-3 Develop Pedestrian-Oriented Spaces Along Street Frontages, C-4 Provide High Quality Walkable Design for the Public Realm, and E-1 Maximize Pedestrian Access to the Building and Site.

2. The Applicant is strongly encouraged to retain existing mature trees where feasible.

Please see the following Comprehensive Plan Goals and Policies: LU 5.1 Built and Natural Environment, LU 5.2 Environmental Quality Enhancement, LU 6.2 Open Space, DP 2.6 Building and Site Design, and DP 2.15 Urban Trees and Landscape Areas.

Please see the following Design Guidelines for Public Projects: A-2 Provide a Sustainable Framework, A-4 Design for Change, B-1 Provide Elements that Define the Place, B-5 Provide Inviting and Usable Open Space, C-4 Provide High Quality Walkable Design for the Public Realm, C-5 Provide Appropriate Weather Protection, and E-2 Minimize the Impact of Parking Facilities Along Street Frontages.

- 3. The Board supports the Applicant's intent to utilize clusters of trees in lieu of City standard street tree configuration. The Applicant is strongly encouraged to find opportunities to increase the quantity of trees above those otherwise required by code.**

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Please see the following Design Guidelines for Public Projects: A-2 Provide a Sustainable Framework, A-4 Design for Change, B-1 Provide Elements that Define the Place, B-5 Provide Inviting and Usable Open Space, B-6 Enhance the Building and Site with Landscaping, C-3 Develop Pedestrian-Oriented Spaces Along Street Frontages, C-4 Provide High Quality Walkable Design for the Public Realm, C-5 Provide Appropriate Weather Protection, and E-2 Minimize the Impact of Parking Facilities Along Street Frontages.

- 4. The Applicant shall return with street level perspectives of the project that capture pedestrian and vehicular views from the public realm.**

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Please see the following goals of the Pedestrian Master Plan: Goal 1 – Well Connected and Complete Pedestrian Network, and Goal 4 – Safe and Inviting Pedestrian Settings.

Please see the following Design Guidelines for Public Projects: D-2 Design a Well-Proportioned and Unified Building/Structure/Site, and D-4 Design with a Legible Part.

- 5. The Board appreciates the Applicant's intent to soften the grades around the perimeter of the site and provide adequate pedestrian queuing space at Regal St. & 37th Ave.**

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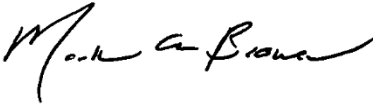
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- 6. The Applicant is strongly encouraged to continue investigating options to soften the vehicle pull-out area on 36th Ave. through landscaping, hardscape material change, or other designs.**

Please see the following Comprehensive Plan Goals and Policies: LU 1.1 Neighborhoods, LU 1.12 Public Facilities and Services, LU 6.3 School Locations, TR GOAL A: PROMOTE A SENSE OF PLACE, DP 1.2 New Development in Established Neighborhoods, DP 2.3 Design Standards for Public Projects and Structures, DP 2.6 Building and Site Design, and N 2.1 Neighborhood Quality of Life.

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Advisory actions were passed by a vote of 6 to 0 with 1 abstention.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark A. Brower". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mark" being the most prominent.

Mark Brower, Chair, Design Review Board

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