

Design Review Board

May 27, 2015

Meeting Minutes: Meeting called to order at 5:29 PM

Attendance

- Board Members Present: Chris Batten, Craig Andersen, Austin Dickey, Jacqui Halvorson, David Buescher, Colleen Gardner, Steven Meek
- Board Members Not Present: Jeff Logan
- Staff Present: Nathan Gwinn, Tirrell Black, Planning & Development;

Briefing Session:

Minutes from the May 13, 2015 meeting approved unanimously

1. Staff Update - Nathan Gwinn

- The next Design Review Board meeting is scheduled for June 10th. We will continue developing the design awards and possibly combine the meeting with a board business retreat.
- On June 24th we are looking forward to a second collaborative workshop for both the North Spokane Corridor Master Plan and the Howard Street Bridge. (The Howard Street Bridge applicant later indicated that a second collaborative workshop would likely be postponed to a later date.)
- The Larry H. Miller Downtown Toyota project is currently on hold.

2. New Business-

- None

Workshops/Presentations:

1. Mayor's Urban Design Awards Branding Options-Luke Baumgartner;

- Presentation and overview given
- Questions asked and answered

Based on the review of the materials and the discussion during the May 27th, 2015 meeting, the DRB chose the first design scheme proposed.

2. Recommendation Meeting-Pepper Tree Plaza:

- Staff Report: Nathan Gwinn, Planning and Development
- Applicant Report: Ed Hatcher, Barry Baker, Baker Construction; Rita Santillanes
- Public Comment: Gary Pollard, Riverside Neighborhood Council
- Questions asked and answered

Based on review of the materials submitted by the applicant and discussion during the May 27, 2015 public workshop, the DRB recommends approval of the project with the following consideration:

- Continue use of basalt on the liner wall along Third Avenue.

Workshop Motion-Craig Andersen moved to approve; Colleen Gardner seconded; Motion approved with one dissenting vote by Steven Meeks.

3. Collaborative Workshop-Howard Street South Channel Bridge Replacement:

- Staff Report: Tirrell Black, Planning and Development
- Applicant Report: Mark Brower, CH2M Hill; Juliet Sinisterra, Leroy Eadie, City of Spokane Parks and Recreation
- Questions asked and answered

Recommendations:

- Regardless of historical status, consider providing a photographic record of the bridge.
- The split option appears to meet more of the park master plan needs.
- Consider curved approaches and potentially the structure to blend with existing riverbank walls on both the south and north banks.
- Consider a sense of transparency of the railing design to allow better visual access to the river.

Workshop Motion- Jacqui Halvorson moved to approve; Motion seconded and approved unanimously

Meeting Adjourned at 7:49 PM

Next Design Review Board meeting is scheduled for **June 10, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.**