

# Design Review Board - Meeting Minutes

January 24, 2018

Meeting called to order at 5:34 PM

## Attendance

- Board Members Present: Kathy Lang, Ted Teske, Steven Meek, Ryan Leong.
- Board Members Not Present: Charlene Kay, David Buescher, Anne Hanenburg.
- Staff Present: Dean Gunderson

## Briefing Session:

1. Chair Report: Steven Meek
2. Minutes Approval: November 8, 2017 Motion/Second. Meeting minutes approved unanimously.
3. Old business? No. New business? No.
4. Any changes to the agenda? No.
  - Dean: The applicant may be making a specific request for the Board to consider.
  - Dean Gunderson will be sitting in for Omar Akkari.

## Board Workshop:

1. Collaborative Workshop: Wonder Site Parking Garage - Dean Gunderson
  - Staff Report: Dean Gunderson, City of Spokane.
  - Application Presentation and their responses from the previous meeting: Adam Rounds, Nick Mounsey, Russ Wolfe - WAG Architects.
  - Public Comment: None
  - Board Discussion and Motions
    - Applicant's objective is to get through this review tonight to move it forward; one of the Ryan noted that some of the landscape has changed, and there are still questions about connectivity, how the parking structure works with the Wonder Building structure, and transformers and additional diagrams would be helpful.
    - Any neighborhood feedback? No.
    - Other Board members agreed with Ryan that more information/clarification would be useful to make a final recommendation. This item would be added to the February 14<sup>th</sup> DRB meeting agenda, and applicant would only address the concerns noted during tonight's meeting.

## **Motion:**

Based on the review of the materials submitted by the applicant and discussion during the January 24, 2018 Workshop, the Design Review Board recommends the following:

1. The applicant shall demonstrate how the site creates connectivity from the north side (from Mallon Avenue) into the site and/or the Parking Structure.
  - a. *Please see Comprehensive Plan Goal TR 7 Neighborhood Access.*
2. The applicant shall show how side yard located between the Parking Structure and David's Pizza meets the intent of being considered a civic use.
  - a. *Please see Design Guidelines C01 Promote pedestrian Interaction and the Director's Determination relating to this issue.*

Note: Minutes summarized by staff. An audiotape of the meeting is on file with the Planning & Development Department, City of Spokane.

3. The applicant shall submit a formal packet containing the latest design treatments (as presented by the applicant at the Collaborative Workshop), and responding to the DRB's listed concerns:
  - a. Including clarity in the pedestrian connections between the Wonder Building and the Parking Structure.
  - b. Provide some clarity regarding the experience between David's Pizza and the Wonder Building and Parking Structure.

Motion moved and seconded.

The motion passed unanimously. 4/0

**Board Business:**

**1. DRB Urban Designer Position Selection Process Update - Dean**

Staff update on the selection process of the DRB urban designer position. Interviews completed last week. We will rank the top three and forward to the Mayor's office and interview those three, and then will make a recommendation to City Council for ratification.

**Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 PM**

Next Design Review Board meeting is scheduled for **February 28, 2018**