


ZERVAS SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE (ZSBC) & DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE (DRC) JOINT MEETING				MEETING MINUTES	
Newton Ed Center, Room 210			DRAFT		
November 12, 2015					
5:30 PM					
					
ATTENDEES:					
NAME	ZSBC	PRESENT	NAME	ASSOCIATION	PRESENT
Diana Beck	ZSBC	Y	Peter Barrer	DRC	N
Arthur Cohen	ZSBC, DRC	N	William Eldredge	DRC	N
Deb Crossley (Alderman)	ZSBC, DRC	Y	Robert Franchi	DRC	N
Diana Fisher Gomberg	ZSBC	Y	Tom Gloria	DRC	Y
David Fleishman	ZSBC	N	James Freas	DRC	N
Ruthanne Fuller (Alderman)	ZSBC	N	Jonathan Kantar	DRC	Y
Sandra Guryan	ZSBC, DRC	Y	Andrea Kelley	DRC	N
Maureen Lemieux (CFO)	ZSBC	N	Ellen Light	DRC	N
Joshua Morse (NPB)	ZSBC, DRC	N	Marc Resnick	DRC	N
Chris Neal	ZSBC	Y	Eve Tapper	DRC	N
Nicholas Read	ZSBC	N	Caroline Wilson	DRC	Y
John Rice (Alderman)	ZSBC	N			
Margie Ross Decter	ZSBC	Y	Jeffery Luxenberg	NV5/JLA	Y
Steven Siegel	ZSBC, DRC	Y	Tom Murphy	NV5/JLA	Y
Anne Snelling Lee	ZSBC	Y	Melissa Gagnon	NV5/JLA	N
Setti Warren, Mayor	ZSBC	N	Robert Bell	DPC	Y
Dori Zaleznik	ZSBC	N	Joe Drown	DPC	Y
Julie Kirrane	NPS	Y	Jon Rich	WTR	Y
Mike Cronin	NPS	Y	Steve Roman	WTR	N
Alex Valcarce	NPB	Y			
Ouida Young (Law Dept)	CITY	N	Jonathan Yeo	ZWG	N

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 PM.

1. Project Update

Design Presentation

Design Partnership presented an overview of their recent follow-up meeting with educators and staff to review the current plans noting that they felt confident that all understood the current design which will be finalized in the bid documents. They also shared with the ZSBC some images showing the current design of classrooms and various common spaces. Images showing the site plan and building exterior were also presented and discussed. Some committee members expressed some neighbors' concerns

that with the size of the building elevation on Beethoven Ave the latest design's reduction in materials may affect the perceived scale of the elevation. Methods to reduce scale through landscape elements, materials and overall composition were discussed. The design team will prepare some selected view and distribute those to ZSBC members for review.

Site

The project team reported that the existing culvert on the site was investigated and reports indicate that it is in good condition. Miscellaneous landscaping refinements that were reviewed through the DRC meeting process were shown to the Committee.

Traffic

The team reported that the traffic design was in process with the Transportation Department. An update presentation to the Traffic Cluster was scheduled for next week. It was anticipated that the Traffic Council would be involved the following month and then Public Facilities follow that.

2. ZSBC + DRC Comment

J. Kantar, DRC, commended the design team on the final design as it pertains to energy efficiency. He specifically noted an advanced envelope design with good insulation and detailing along with a good HVAC system. Also, the proposed potential to monitor electrical loads/usage in a detail manner was noted. He added that he would recommend any design that would incorporate ground sourced heat pumps and encouraged the education of the building users and students in their active engagement in energy usage to make this project a sincere attempt at a net zero energy building.

3. Public Comment

In response to a question from a neighbor regarding the traffic study it was noted that the traffic counts taken for the project did not extend further west than the Beethoven/Beacon intersection. The City and team would look into further studying the traffic at Allen/Beacon

4. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas Murphy
NV5/JLA

[End of 11/12/15 Meeting Minutes]