DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: July 14, 2006

Meeting No. 60

ATTENDEES:  Ann Bermingham  
Karen Blair  
Marc Fisher  
Judith Green  
Barton Phelps  
Harry Reese  
Ric Williams

ABSENT:  Kum-Kum Bhavnani  
Pamela Burton  
Joel Mihaelsen  
Marcos Novak

OTHERS PRESENT:  Alice Alldredge  
Gary Banks  
Ed Blaschke  
Brian Bodersen  
Dennis Clegg  
Julie Cunningham  
Robin Donaldson  
John Ford  
Laura Francis  
Steve Gaines  
Todd Jacobs  
David Jones  
Ilze Landfried  
Sol Linver  
Kris Miller-Fisher  
Tye Simpson  
Alan Walker  
Michael Wester  
Dennis Whelan  
Michael Witherell  
Jack Wolever

ITEM DESCRIPTION

1. CNSI Mural
   - The committee discussed the mural and what information it wished to cover in the telephone conversation with Robert Venturi.
   - Marc Fisher explained Mr. Venturi that because of campus controversy, the DRC is interested in knowing how committed Mr. Venturi is to the current mural design images.
   - Robert Venturi explained that he likes the words, the scale and composition of the mural. He likes the way the piece communicates, the iconography and the way it ties to the early modernist movement. He thinks it is a dynamic element.
   - He will study the pixilation in relation to the solid words and consider whether the dots should be made larger. He also wants to consider if there is some way to catch light differently, perhaps making some stripes shiny and others matt.
   - The campus will think about what words would represent the whole campus and will send Mr. Venturi some images from Evelyn Hu. Mr. Venturi will think about whether the words should wrap the corner of the building. He reminded the committee that the words chosen need not be forever.
2. Design Approval: I. V. Foot Patrol
   - David Jones said that land was picked up on the north part of the site due to the bike path being removed and the site was reorganized since it was last presented to the DRC.
   - There are more parking spaces and bike racks; outdoor loading area has moved; tree wells make for a wider sidewalk.
   - The wall on the east side has changed so that more planting is visible from the street.
   - Gate is solid and columns have been deleted.
   - The marquee is 1930's modern.
   - It was suggested that the wall might be a graffiti magnet and that crenellation might be a good idea.
   - In response to Robin Donaldson’s observation that there did not seem to be an element that is distinct to I.V. or one that speaks of I.V. history or of the students, it was suggested that the designers do something different with colors.
   - It was also suggested that a more modern look might be considered for the canopy.
   - It was also suggested that a plant palette with a emphasis on sustainability could be the context that evokes students and the campus.
   - Project was unanimously approved.

3. Design Approval: Ocean Science Education Building
   - The committee responded favorably to the changes in massing made since the last presentation.
   - The neighbors are also much happier about the design.
   - There is no bike rack count yet and trees may be too close.
   - Materials will be studied and presented at a later date; the committee will be also be presented with more detail on the theater. Other elevations will be presented and work needs to be done on the service area.
   - The committee voted unanimously that the project design is heading in the right direction.

4. Update: El Colegio Road
   - Brian Bodersen showed the changes made with regard to tree selection and placement. There is now a strong edge set up by the equally spaced trees, intersections have been opened up.
   - Bicycle courts have been integrated with walkways. It was suggested light poles be shown in dark color and graphics be finished up for the CPC meeting.

Minutes were prepared by:

Ilze Landfried

Date: 1/18/07

cc: Committee and Attendees