

City of Ann Arbor Formal Minutes - Draft Design Review Board

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Wednesday, April 12, 2023

3:00 PM

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A. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Lori Singleton called the meeting to order at 3:02pm.

B. ROLL CALL

Hank Kelley, Deputy Planning Manager, called the roll.

Others present: Hank Kelley, Deputy Planning Manager Chris Cheng, City Planner Courtney Manor, City Staff

Present: 6 - Richard (Dick) Mitchell, Tamara Burns, William Kinley, Lori

Singleton, John Kotarski, and Wendy Rampson

Absent: 2 - Geoffrey M. Perkins, and Gary Cooper

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Bill Kinley seconded by Tamara Burns, to approve the agenda. Agenda was unanimously approved as presented.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

D-1. <u>23-0580</u> March 8, 2023 Design Review Board Meeting Minutes

Attachments: March 8, 2023 DRB Meeting Minutes Amended.pdf

Tamra Burns requested amendment of minutes which have been updated.

Moved by Burns seconded by Dick Mitchell to approve the March 8, 2023 Design Review Board meeting minutes as amended.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minutes per speaker)

No speakers.

F. REGULAR BUSINESS

F-1. 23-0581 DR23-0003; 333 East William Street

Attachments: DR23-0003 Staff Report 333 E William.pdf,

333-William-St-MI - Ann Arbor (Credit Union) DRB Narrative.pdf, 333 East William Street Site Plan.pdf

Representing the proposed project:

Andrew Bonner, Bonner Advisory Group Ashivini Dinoy, Dwell Design Studio Jay Silverman, Dwell Design Studio Andrew Savoy, Core Spaces

The Design Review Board discussed the design plan for the proposed 333 East William Street development project on April 12, 2023. Please consider the following comments and recommendations of the Design Review Board when preparing a site plan application:

- In general, massing, articulation, exterior materials, and window variation are well presented in the project. The board commends the petitioner on their design, including the plaza and townhomes.
- This site is adjacent to the E. William St. historic district. Consider

screening the plaza/pathway along the east property line from the existing homes. At site plan stage, it's recommended the developer provide an elevation from S. Division St. with the houses in the foreground and the proposed building in the background. This would help answer questions about integrating the districts.

- Explore a connection to Library Lane, which may necessitate a curb cut and relocation of proposed mechanical equipment. Deliveries can be difficult and bike lanes front this site. Drop-off areas needs to be intuitive.
- The board notes that the Developer is exploring an easement over Library Lane and two 15-minute parking spaces on the south side of E. William St. Consider mid-block crossing safety measures if these spaces are acquired from the DDA.
- Ensure easy access to the lobby and bicycle parking spaces for resident and visitor pedestrians and bicyclists.
- Ensure solid waste is adequately designed.
- How will LEED Gold be met, and will this require a change of building materials?
- The Public Art Commission would be open to discussing public art for this site. Explore other art, such as mosaic art, in addition to painted art. The lobby is also a place to consider for rotating art.
- Consider solar and electric as sustainability elements for this building. Incorporate more color and texture to the exterior.

G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

H. COMMUNICATIONS

None.

I. PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minutes per speaker)

No speakers.

J. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Singleton adjourned the meeting at 4:10pm.

Geoff Perkins, Chairperson

/courtney manor

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