



City of Ann Arbor

Formal Minutes

Design Review Board

301 E. Huron St.
Ann Arbor, MI 48104
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Wednesday, June 20, 2018

3:00 PM

Larcom City Hall, 301 E Huron St,
Basement, conference room

A ROLL CALL

Present 5 - Richard (Dick) Mitchell, William Kinley, Geoffrey M. Perkins, Gary Cooper, and Lori Singleton

Absent 1 - Tamara Burns

B APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Unanimously approved as presented.

C APPROVAL OF MINUTES

C-1 18-1074 Minutes of the April 18, 2018 Design Review Board Meeting

Attachments: 4-18-2018 DRB Minutes Amended .pdf

Moved by Singleton, seconded by Perkins, approved as amended, and forwarded to the City Council.

C-2 [18-1080](#) Approval of 120 W. Recommendation Letter

Attachments: 120 W Ann Street Recommendation Letter For Approval.pdf

Moved by Singleton, seconded by Perkins, and approved unanimously as amended.

D REGULAR BUSINESS

D-1 [18-1075](#) 120 West Ann Street Design Plan

Attachments: Staff Report Ann Ashley (6-20-2018) .pdf, 120 W Ann Street DRB Application (June Meeting) .pdf, 120 W Ann St Design Plan (June Meeting) .pdf

The Design Review Board discussed the design plan for the Ann Ashley Public Parking Structure Addition and made the following recommendations:

- 1. Planting areas adjacent to the structure should be minimized as much as possible in order to maximize pedestrian space.*
- 2. Continue your work to include design elements that draw eyes downward and providing a sense of movement to the mass.*
- 3. Although the Board was divided on the appropriateness and effectiveness of the previously proposed aluminum veil, now that has been removed from the design, the Board agrees the current design is lacking a defining element or signature feature.*

E COMMUNICATIONS

E-1 [18-1076](#) Communications to the Design Review Board

Attachments: Communication to the DRB.pdf

Received and Filed

E-2 [18-1079](#) Staff Reports from Planning Commission Meetings

Attachments: Staff Report 5-16-18 (321 N Main) Complete.pdf, 1101 S Univ Staff Report w Attachments-Update4-17-18.pdf

Received and Filed

F PUBLIC COMMENT

Ray Detter, 120. N Division, Ann Arbor, discussed the proposed veil, the cost, the color and design, and expressed that he would like to see something vertical at the site. He expressed that a creative solution could be found for a lower cost.

Chris Crocket, 506 E. Kingsley, Ann Arbor, agreed that the veil does not add to the site, expressed that a parking structure should be less obtrusive, and that the the design should be more joyful. She urged the developer to find a more beautiful solution.

G ADJOURNMENT

Unanimously adjourned at 4:13 p.m.