

to: **Nebraska Capitol Environs Commission**
from: Ed Zimmer
re: Amended Agenda of December 17, 2009
date: December 15, 2009

Item 3:

I apologize that I overlooked one of the scheduled items for the December meeting—the second meeting on the west entrance improvements to the building at 500 South 16th Street for the Nebr. Dept. of Labor. Alan Ebner of The Clark Enersen Partners will present to the Commission based on the discussion at the November meeting.

The key design standard in this location is:

Design Standard 11: Buildings on Capitol Square

The portion of the District facing the Capitol should be maintained and improved as an area of top quality but generally unobtrusive office, residential, and church buildings, with very well-designed and maintained landscape and streetscape elements. The area should combine construction of first-class new buildings with the preservation of historic landmarks and scrupulous maintenance of all improvements. (emphasis added)

The proposal is for modifications to the entrance of 600 S. 16th to meet ADA standards. The guidance of the Design Standards is for quality of materials and unobtrusive design.

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