

MEETING RECORD

NAME OF GROUP: URBAN DESIGN COMMITTEE

DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING: Wednesday, April 4, 2012, 3:30 p.m., Room 214, County/City Building, 555 S. 10th Street, Lincoln, Nebraska

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Michelle Penn and Michele Tilley. Peter Hind, JoAnne Kissel, Gill Peace, Scott Sullivan and Mary Anne Wells absent.

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Avery Klein (Near South Neighborhood Association); Ed Zimmer, Stacey Hageman & Michele Abendroth (Planning Department)

STATED PURPOSE OF MEETING: Regular Meeting of the Urban Design Committee

Adoption of meeting record from the Joint HPC/UDC meeting of February 16, 2012; and the UDC meeting of the same date

Due to the lack of a quorum, the meeting records were not voted upon.

Near South neighborhood sign, 27th & South Streets

Klein provided graphic examples of the design options for the Near South Neighborhood sign. Buildings depicted include the capitol, the First Plymouth Church, the Sunken Gardens dome, the Clark Leonard house, the Wells Fargo building, and several houses representative of the neighborhood. He noted that the sign is made of corten steel and has several layers. The options consist of differing placement of the buildings.

A concern was expressed with the sharpness of the spire on the church and causing a possible impalement, and it was suggested to round off those features.

Tilley expressed her appreciation of the redesign, in particular the removal of the bricks and it being a stand-alone sign. She believes it will be a nice addition to the neighborhood.

Penn stated that she likes the sign as well, especially the use of the Sunken Gardens dome in the design.

Committee members recommended moving forward with the first design option, with the suggestion to round off the spire.

Committee members complimented the individuals who worked on the design.

Staff report/misc.

Zimmer introduced Stacey Hageman of the Planning Department.

Zimmer stated that the Mayor has formed a group on public art called Lincoln Partners for Public Art Development (LPPAD). It is a private group and its mission is for Lincoln to be recognized for the quality of public art. An RFP will be sent out for the West Haymarket. A

limited number of artists would be selected. The Urban Design Committee will continue to serve as a public review body for art proposed by LPPAD or others.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

****Please note that these minutes will not be formally approved until the next meeting of the Urban Design Committee. ****

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