



CITY OF BAINBRIDGE ISLAND
DESIGN REVIEW BOARD
Regularly Scheduled Meeting Minutes
Monday, October 05, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.
City Council Conference Room
280 Madison Ave N
Bainbridge Island, Washington 98110

Call to Order (Attendance, Agenda, Ethics)
Approval of Minutes – September 21, 2015 Meeting
COBI Waterfront Park PLN11804 SPR Site Plan Review
Old and New Business
Adjournment

Call to Order (Attendance, Agenda, Ethics)

Chair Alan Grainger called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM. Design Review Board (DRB) members in attendance included Peter Perry, Jim McNett and Chuck Depew. Susan Bergen was absent. City Staff in attendance were Senior Planner Heather Beckmann, Development Engineer Mark Epstein and Administrative Specialist Jane Rasely who monitored recording and prepared minutes.

Approval of Minutes - September 21, 2015

Minutes from the September 21 meeting were not approved. Mr. McNett asked to have the minutes reflect the conversation about having other City Committees (especially referencing the Historic Preservation Commission) review projects applicable to their own specialty. Ms. Rasely agreed to amend the minutes and bring them forward again at the next meeting.

COBI Waterfront Park PLN11804 SPR Site Plan Review

Discussion with project manager prior to applicant review.

Project Manager: Heather Beckmann

Private discussion with Ms. Beckmann was eschewed for a joint review and discussion with Development Engineer and Project Manager Mark Epstein. (See below.)

COBI Waterfront Park PLN11804 SPR Site Plan Review

Review with applicant representative: Mark Epstein

Development Engineer Mark Epstein gave an overview of the project providing historical 30% designs which had been approved by the DRB previously. He stated they were currently at 90% design and would be ready to go to bid after the New Year. Mr. Grainger asked about the area abutting the Bainbridge Rowing Project. Mr. Grainger and Mr. McNett questioned the 2 foot increased height of the Plaza and its accompanying terrace seating. Mr. Perry asked how much seating was available. Mr. McNett felt there should be more seating down by the water. Concern about the availability and types of seating and the danger presented by the concrete plaza seating were expressed by various members of the DRB. Mr. Grainger stated he liked the informal shape of the rain garden but felt it should have a piece of art identifying the ingress and egress points that would educate and inform the public.

Commendation of Design – the DRB felt the design had progressed dramatically since they had first seen it but wanted to be sure Mr. Epstein understood these aspects of it were important:

- Seating – especially along north side of picnic pavilion.
- Transition between plaza and north south entry path - Would like to see a reconfiguration of paved stairs.
- Sitting benches and stairs adjacent to main entry way - Would be prone to congestion and conflict of uses.
- Public art - Should be incorporated. One place in particular mentioned was the rain garden's ingress and egress points highlighted by art that informs.
- Western edge of park - Would like to see developed in a completed condition independent of the Bainbridge Rowing Project since that project has an unknown start and completion date.
- ADA Parking – More ADA parking distributed at the edges of the park.
- Picnic Pavilion - Water availability to the public.

It was offered up that maybe PSE could make a donation of solar panels for the roof of the Picnic Pavilion providing power for a water fountain, theatrical lights, night lighting, etc.

Old and New Business

It was determined that protocol for confirming attendance at a meeting would be to e-mail Mr. Grainger and Ms. Rasely after receiving the agenda for the next scheduled meeting. All those in attendance agreed to do that and Ms. Rasely agreed to send an e-mail to Ms. Bergen to let her know the new standard protocol. Discussion of the DRB's memo to Kathy Cook occurred with it being acknowledged that Ms. Cook would attend a DRB meeting at the end of October or in November.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 4:08 PM.

Approved by:


Alan Grainger, Chair


Jane Rasely, Administrative Specialist

