

MINUTES - DRAFT

City of Orange

Design Review Committee

August 03, 2022

The Design Review Committee of the City of Orange, California convened on August 3, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. in a Regular Meeting in the Council Chamber, 300 E. Chapman Avenue, Orange, California.

1. OPENING/CALL TO ORDER

Chair Imboden called the meeting to order at 5:35 P.M.

1.1 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Committee Member Farfan led the flag salute.

1.2 ROLL CALL

Present: McDermott, Fox, Skorpanich, Farfan, and Imboden

Absent: None

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine by the Design Review Committee and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of said items unless members of the Design Review Committee, staff or the public request specific items removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action.

3.1. Approval of meeting minutes of the Design Review Committee of the City of Orange for the June 15, 2022, July 7, 2022, and July 20, 2022 Regular Meetings and the July 21, 2022 Adjourned Meeting.

Item 3.1 was removed from the Consent Calendar for separate consideration.

Committee Member Skorpanich noted an abstention on the July 7th, July 20th, and July 21st minutes due to her absence from those meetings.

Public Speakers:

Shirley Grindle and Sharon Galasso inquired about the status of the resolution of denial for the Kornerstone Cemetery project.

ACTION: A motion was made by Committee Member Farfan, seconded by Vice Chair McDermott, to approve minutes as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: McDermott, Fox, Skorpanich, Farfan, and Imboden

Noes: None

Absent: None

3.2. Design Review No.5009-20, The Richland Hotel (formerly Orange Plaza Inn), 137 E. Maple Avenue and 230 N. Orange Street

ACTION: Approved final color palette for The Richland Hotel.

Approval of the Consent Calendar

Item 3.1 was removed from the Consent Calendar for separate consideration.

A motion was made by Committee Member Fox, seconded by Committee Member Skorpanich, to approve the Consent Calendar as recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: McDermott, Fox, Skorpanich, Farfan, and Imboden

Noes: None

Absent: None

4. NEW ITEMS

4.1. Design Review No. 5059-21, Industrial Warehouse Buildings, 2390 N. American Way.

The following spoke on behalf of the project:

Lorenzo Rodarte, Landscape Architect; and Brandon Wolfe, Applicant.

The Committee discussed the following:

- Street tree constraints
- Building setbacks
- Tree and shrub palette
- Tree additions and removals
- Landscaping in relation to size of drainage easement
- Storm drain
- Spacing and location of columnar trees

A motion was made by Committee Member Skorpanich, seconded by Committee Member Fox, to recommend Planning Commission approval of Design Review No.5059-21, Industrial Warehouse Buildings, 2390 North American Way subject to the findings and conditions in the staff report with the additional conditions subject to approval by the Planning Division:

- Italian Cypress trees at the entry gate wall shall be replaced with Podocarpus 'Icee Blue' trees
- The columnar trees on the southern parcel shall be a mix of Italian Cypress and Podocarpus 'Icee Blue' trees
- Eight additional columnar trees shall be added to the southern parcel with at least one 24-inch box size columnar tree on the southern landscape strip adjacent to the cul-de-sac on Freedom Way.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: McDermott, Fox, Skorpanich, Farfan, and Imboden

Noes: None

Absent: None

4.2. Design Review No.5011-20, Old Towne Gateway, 401 W. Chapman Avenue

Chair Imboden announced staff requested to continue Item 4.2, Old Towne Gateway to the September 7, 2022, Regular meeting.

A motion was made by Chair Imboden, seconded by Committee Member Fox, to continue Item 4.2 to September 7, 2022. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: McDermott, Fox, Skorpanich, Farfan, and Imboden

Noes: None

Absent: None

5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

The next Regular Design Review Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 17, 2022 at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber.

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