

MINUTES - DRAFT

City of Orange

Design Review Committee

October 06, 2021

1. OPENING

The Design Review Committee of the City of Orange, California convened on October 6, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. in a Regular Meeting in the Council Chamber, 300 E. Chapman Avenue, Orange, California.

1.1 CALL TO ORDER

Chair Fox called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

1.2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Committee Member McDermott led the flag salute.

1.3 ROLL CALL

Present: Fox, Imboden, McDermott, and Skorpanich

Absent: Farfan

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.

Items 3.1 and 3.2 were removed from the Consent Calendar for separate consideration by Committee Member Skorpanich.

3.1. Approval of meeting minutes of the Design Review Committee of the City of Orange for the September 15, 2021 Regular Meeting.

ACTION: A motion was made by Vice Chair Imboden, seconded by Committee Member Skorpanich to approve the September 15, 2021 meeting minutes as emended to staff.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Fox, Imboden, McDermott, and Skorpanich

Noes: None

Absent: Farfan

3.2. Design Review No. 5053-21, Hernandez Law Monument Sign, 924 E. Chapman Avenue

A proposal to install a new freestanding monument sign on a non-contributing property within the Old Towne Historic District.

Committee Member Skorpanich abstained from this item due to a potential conflict with a nearby property.

ACTION: A motion was made by Vice Chair Imboden, seconded by Committee Member McDermott to approve Design Review No. 5053-21, Hernandez Law Monument Sign.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Fox, Imboden, and McDermott

Noes: None

Absent: Farfan

Abstain: Skorpanich

4. NEW AGENDA ITEMS

4.1. Design Review No. 5040-21, Hilbert Museum of California Art, 167 N. Atchison Street

A proposal to renovate two buildings to create a 20,275 square foot expanded campus for the Hilbert Museum of California Art, including partial conversion of a parking lot into a central courtyard, installation of new landscape and hardscape, and a master sign and art program.

The following spoke on behalf of the project:

- Collette Creppelle - Vice President of Campus Planning, Chapman University
- Sharon Johnston - project architect
- Lindsay Erickson - project architect

The following spoke in opposition of the project:

- Adam Feliz, Old Towne Preservation Association

The Committee discussed the following:

- Order of precedence of architectural elements
- Paint finishes and material textural contrasts
- Intended use of the courtyard
- Banners, signage, and murals
- Treatment of abandoned arches on east elevation
- Height and placement of urban markers

A motion was made by Committee Member Skorpanich, seconded by Committee Member McDermott, to recommend approval of Design Review No. 5040-21, Hilbert Museum of California Art to the Community Development Director subject to the Conditions and Findings in the staff report with a recommendation as follows:

1. The applicant shall consider lowering the height of the two urban markers on the

east elevation, subject to the approval of the Community Development Director.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Fox, Imboden, McDermott, and Skorpanich

Noes: None

Absent: Farfan

4.2. Design Review No. 4954-18, Dental Office and Training Facility, 1936 E. Katella Avenue.

A proposal to demolish an existing restaurant building and construct a two-story dental office and training facility and related site improvements.

The following spoke on behalf of the project:

- Adam Boval - property owner
- Gaspar De la Rosa - project architect and design consultant
- Roy Leisure - project landscape architect

The Committee discussed the following:

- Trash enclosure colors and materials
- Trellis materials
- Replacement of Mexican feather grass with a non-invasive species

A motion was made by Committee Member Skorpanich, seconded by Committee Member McDermott, to recommend approval to the Planning Commission, Design Review No. 4954-18, Dental Office and Training Facility subject to the Conditions and Findings in the staff report with an additional Condition as follows:

1. The applicant shall substitute the Mexican Feather Grass shrub with a non-invasive species prior to the issuance of building permits, subject to the approval of the Community Development Director.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Fox, Imboden, McDermott, and Skorpanich

Noes: None

Absent: Farfan

5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

The next Regular Design Review Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 20, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chamber.

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