



## EDMONTON DESIGN COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Location: via Google Meet**

**Tuesday, December 19, 2023**

**MEMBERS:**

J. Mills, Chair  
N. LaMontagne, Vice-Chair  
T. Ziola, Vice-Chair  
K. Dieterman  
D. Brown  
J. Candlish  
M. Tindall  
N. Pryce  
C. Kanna  
J. Monfries  
E. Dunn  
C. Dorward

**PRESENT:**

J. Mills, Chair  
N. LaMontagne, Vice-Chair  
  
K. Dieterman  
D. Brown  
J. Candlish  
M. Tindall  
  
C. Kanna  
J. Monfries  
E. Dunn

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

P. Spearey, Lead Urban Designer, Urban Planning and Economy Department  
W. Sims, Urban Designer, Urban Planning and Economy Department  
I. Welch, Urban Planning and Economy Department, Planner

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**A. CALL TO ORDER AND RELATED BUSINESS**

**A.1. CALL TO ORDER**

J. Mills called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

**A.2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

MOTION: J. Mills

Motion to adopt the December 19, 2023 Agenda

SECONDED: M. Tindall

The motion passed unanimously.

**A.3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES - December 5, 2023 REGULAR MEETING**

MOTION: J. Mills

Motion to adopt the December 5, 2023 Minutes

SECONDED: D. Brown

**A.4 REQUESTS TO SPEAK**

None.

**B. PROJECT SYNOPSES (Closed to the Public)**

MOTION: J. Mills

That Edmonton Design Committee meet in private pursuant to Section 24 (advice from officials) of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act for the discussion of item B.1

SECONDED: D. Brown

The motion passed unanimously.

Edmonton Design Committee met in private at 4:05 p.m.

**C. APPLICATIONS**

**INFORMAL PRESENTATIONS (Closed to the Public)**

## **C.1 Ambleside Integrated Site (Maintenance Building)**

Ian Mulder- City of Edmonton

MOTION: J. Mills

That the Edmonton Design Committee meet in public.

SECONDED: J. Candlish

The motion passed unanimously.

The Edmonton Design Committee met in public at 5:16 p.m

### **FORMAL PRESENTATIONS (Open to the Public)**

## **C.2 107 Avenue Public Park**

Madeleine Mussieux- City of Edmonton

Motion of non-support: J. Mills

Seconded: N. LaMontagne

While the Committee supports this development in principle, there are a number of items that require significant review and refinement:

- Creating a cohesive design language for the park through the application of forms, materials, colours, and furnishings. The current design presents a range of different forms, patterns, materials, and architectural styles. (Principle C1)
- Ensuring that pedestrian circulation around the site considers access design standards. New street furniture, paving, etc. should not impede a clear, consistent path for pedestrians walking along 107 avenue (includes consistent width of walkway i.e. not becoming narrower in certain areas or introducing obstacles that impede a clear pathway). Ensure there is an accessible connection to the raised stage from within the park. (Principle C3)
- Considering sensory conditions created with adding landscape islands along the northwest edges of the park. These visually and physically impede sight lines and clear lines of movement along and through the park. Consideration should be given to incorporating the spaces on the west side of the site into the functional program area, and eliminating the raised planters to enhance the interconnectivity of spaces and enhance visibility and accessibility. Opportunities to integrate the existing LRT cabinet into the site should be investigated. (Principle A2/A3; Principle B1/B3)

- Reviewing the proposed landscape buffer along the south edge of the park - as proposed, the buffer provides little visual/auditory screening from the apartments and day-to-day or special events in the park. Consider integrating coniferous trees (e.g., pine) that provide canopy space and provide a buffer. (Principle A2/C1)
- Consider increasing the scale of the overhead shelter to provide additional weather protected space with seating/tables beneath. The current design does not provide a lot of utility to the park. The location of the shading structure should also be located so as to optimally provide shading in the summer months. (Principle B3)

For the Motion: M. Tindall, N. LaMontagne, J. Candlish, K. Dieterman, J. Monfries, C. Kanna, D. Brown,, E. Dunn, J. Mills

**CARRIED**

**C.3 Basilica Rectory**

Paul Hastings- Hastings Iligan Design

Motion of support: D. Brown

Seconded: K. Dieterman

The Committee welcomes this proposed development, and in the interest of ensuring a high standard of urban design recommends the Applicant:

- Consider the future removal of the existing rectory and how the new rectory formally and functionally connects to the Basilica, 113 Street, and surrounding site context (e.g., existing garage, laneways, garden spaces, neighbouring buildings, existing trees, etc.).
- Consider barrier-free accessibility/single-storey design for residents and visitors.

For the Motion: M. Tindall, N. LaMontagne, J. Candlish, K. Dieterman, J. Monfries, C. Kanna, D. Brown,, E. Dunn, J. Mills

**CARRIED**

**D. UPCOMING APPLICATIONS, CONFLICTS AND REGRETS (Tuesday January 2, 2024)**

Strathcona Daycare	Informal, DP	Keith McIntyre - FHAI
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Regrets: C. Kanna, J. Candlish, N. LaMontagne

Conflicts: None

## **E. OTHER BUSINESS**

### **E.1 Councillor Luncheon**

- Based on Committee input, May 13 2024 is the preferred date. Admin to advance discussions with City Hall staff.

## **F. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:26 pm.

## **G. NEXT MEETING**

Meeting Tuesday January 2, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. Hybrid Meeting.