

March 28, 2013

Planning Commission Meeting

- Cuyahoga County Public Library, 1876 South Green Rd, Work Session

Co-Chairman Tracie Zamiska called the meeting to order at 7: 08 p.m. Present: Arthur Goddard and Kevin Wynne. Absent: Co-Chairman Ron Sabransky and Jennifer West. Also present: Paul Kowalczyk, Building Commissioner.

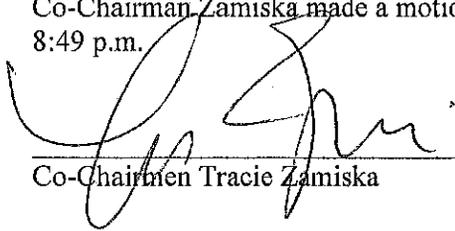
Work Session - Cuyahoga County Public Library - Michael Marz, Ryan Gillespie and Jesse Rufener, GPD Group, were present. Sarah Traxler, Director of Community Development, McKenna Associates, planner for the city, was also present.

Mr. Kowalczyk stated that city officials and GPD Group met to discuss the drive and impact on Notre Dame. Notre Dame is applying soon to make changes to two fields used for sports. The city requires approval and a public hearing. He indicated that it would be prudent to coordinate the changes to the drive at that time. Notre Dame would like the date for the public hearing set at the next meeting.

The commissioners discussed the following among other issues with Mr. Marz, Mr. Gillespie, Mr. Rufener and Ms. Traxler; the placement of the building, lessening the number of parking spaces, the driveway line-up, traffic signal or pedestrian crossing, landscaping buffers, impact of the library project on neighbors and the placement of the bio retention basin Mr. Marz displayed three options for the driveway line-up with the Notre Dame driveway and after some discussion narrowed it to two. Mr. Gillespie stated that the traffic signal isn't definite and may not even happen. A pedestrian crossing is a possibility but ultimately the city needs to decide. Ms. Traxler had submitted her report to Mr. Kowalczyk and in turn it was shared with the commissioners and the GPD Group. She discussed the placement of the building and recommended that it should fit in aesthetically with Notre Dame College. Mr. Marz responded by discussing the re- positioning of the building and his desire to have the entrance evident when entering the site. Eliminating parking at the front would help to showcase the building instead of the parking lot. The commissioners asked Mr. Marz to have ready for the Public Hearing the following: show different options for the building and driveway, elevations, colors, parking, buffering with landscaping, fencing or wall, drop off, pick-up window and an element at the front of the building. Mr. Wynne asked Mr. Marz if a scale model of the proposed building could be made to help the public visualize it.

Ms. Traxler will also be working with the commissioners and others throughout the summer and fall to update the Master Plan. Mr. Goddard stated that the objective is to update the master plan every five years.

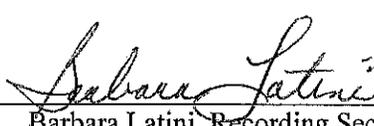
Co-Chairman Zamiska made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Wynne. All ayes. Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.



Co-Chairmen Tracie Zamiska

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Date



Barbara Latini, Recording Secretary