



Urban Design and Public Space Committee Meeting – November 7, 2018 – Horizon House

In Attendance

- Jim Erickson, Committee Chair
- Adrian Lam, MG2
- Alex Zeiler, FPA
- Alice, FH Resident
- Anne McCullough, Director
- Betsy Braun, VMMC
- Bill Cummings, FH Resident
- Bob Terrell, FH Resident
- Cathy Jaramillo, FH Resident
- Conner, MG2
- Dana Forhan, Frye Art Museum
- Darel Grothaus, Trinity Church
- David Yeaworth, Catalyst Strategies
- Doug Holtom, Coordinator
- Frank Conlon, FH Resident
- Heather Hutchinson, FH Resident
- Joanne Coombs, FH Resident
- John Leuck, MG2
- John Wilson, FH Resident
- Lee Bennett, FH Resident
- Lindsay Radliff, FH Resident
- Margaret Griffiths, Frye Art Museum
- Miriam Sutermeister, FH Resident
- Nancy Olson, Resident
- Ron Mitchell, MG2
- Sam Russell, FH Resident
- Sue Van Leuvan, FH Resident
- Suzanne Hittman, FH Resident
- Ted Klainer, HVMC

Agenda

- 815 9th Avenue Design Presentation
- Terry Avenue Steering Committee Updates
- Imagine Greater Downtown Updates
- First Hill Tree Canopy
- Other Business/Updates

815 9th Avenue Presentation

Ron Mitchell from MG2 Architecture presented 4 designs for their second Early Design Guidance meeting later this month.

Option A: the street level responds to St. James Cathedral and the tower includes bay windows on all sides. The base goes right up to the sidewalk and includes a corner café/porch next to the Ozanam House. Granite is the preferred material for the base. The rooftop will not be flat. The team is asking for a departure to reduce the required setback on 9th Avenue.

Option B: A terra-cotta base that responds to the scale and materials of adjacent buildings. This option also includes rectangular bay windows. The entries are the same as Option A. The base includes Juliet balconies. An addendum includes a 7-foot street setback.



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Option C: Similar in shape to Option B, this option includes more glass on corners and rooftops. A chevron roof is included, similarly to Option B.

Option D: White granite base, with a simple and contemporary glass tower with white spandrel and rectangular bay windows. This tower will have directionality with slight angles. The roof is still being worked on.

Sam Russell suggested that Option D be used for the tower and Option B be used for the base. Betsy Braun favors articulation at the street and an 'edgier' rooftop. Frank Conlon suggested that reflectivity be considered. Lindsay Radliff brought up privacy concerns for adjacent buildings. Suzanne Hittman requested that MG2 reach out to the Ozanam House.

Terry Avenue Steering Committee Updates

David Yeaworth gave a few updates about Terry Avenue. He explained the \$4M that Terry Avenue received from the street and alleyway vacation from the expansion of the Washington State Convention Center. The Steering Committee consists of property owners and neighboring stakeholders to determine an Outreach Plan to the neighborhood. FHIA Plans to apply for a Department of Neighborhoods Grant to fund the actionable items from the Outreach Plan.

Imagine Greater Downtown Updates

Jim Erickson gave a background update about the Imagine Greater Downtown and encouraged everybody to add a comment on the Imagine Greater Downtown map.

First Hill Tree Canopy

Doug shared the updated Tree Canopy Map and encouraged everyone in attendance to look for places in the neighborhood that could potentially be used as a space for a new tree.

Other Business

- 11/14 - 615 8th Avenue Design Review Meeting
- 11/28 - 815 9th Avenue Design Review Meeting