



MEETING MINUTES LOWRY DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE

Zoom Meeting

**Thursday, February 3, 2022
8:30 a.m.**

- **Call to Order** **8:30 am**
The meeting was called to order at 8:30 am. Carla McConnell, Robin Ault, Bill Wenk, Steve Lane, Kevin Yoshida, Jessie Johnson, and Jamie Fogle were in attendance.

- **Approval of Meeting Minutes from January 6, 2022** **8:30 am - 8:35 am**
The meeting minutes from January 6, 2022 will be reviewed and approved via email.

- **8155 E Fairmount Drive** **8:35 am – 9:00 am**
 - **New Signage for IMT Residential**
IMT Residential presented their proposal for the new monument signage facing at Fairmount and Alameda and the plan for a new monument in the median at the entrance to the property.

The committee had concerns about the scale of the sign which leaves large blank spaces on either side of the logo. Carla suggested expanding the center line and star proportion so that extended outside of the letters on either side. Steve proposed putting a star on either side of the text to extend the graphic.

The committee had concerns about the scale of the proposed additional leasing sign on the median (10' into the median) at the entrance. The primary concern was a safety and visibility problem as that serves as the primary entrance and exit, and this entry crosses a sidewalk that is well used by pedestrians and cyclists. There were also concerns about removing a tree on that median. Blanca proposed using a 4x4' sign instead of a 4x7' sign.

Kevin put forth that the new sign in the median may require a variance because the Design Guidelines allow for one monument sign on the property depending on the context. The committee proposed a smaller leasing sign on the median. Jessie agreed that the way that the

median is currently designed that the signage wouldn't work there and proposed perhaps moving the leasing sign. Robin and Carla stated that the property has been in existence for 25 years and has never needed a leasing sign because the leasing office is the first building you come to and so there is question as whether directional signage needs to be at the entrance at all. Jamie would not be in favor of removing the tree and also thinks the sign isn't necessary. Bill, Jamie, and Carla all had concerns about bike traffic through that intersection and the safety ramifications of limiting visibility at that intersection. Bill sees the proposed signage as an issue of safety first and design second.

The committee agreed that the new proposed monument sign in the entrance median would require a variance and additional study. With that in mind, the committee initially agreed that it would *not* be inclined to approve a sign in the entrance median and would like the IMT team to consider other locations.

Kevin suggested treating these as two separate submittals – the change to the existing monument sign at Fairmount and Alameda could be evaluated and potentially approved by email. The addition of the directional signage in the entrance median would need to be considered at an LDRC meeting. The next meeting is on Thursday, March 3rd, 2022 at 8:30 am where a variance may need to be considered.

- **LDRC Administrative** **9:00 am – 9:30 am**
 - **Proprietary Plans**
 - **Public Comment**
 - **Variance Requirements**

Mary reminded the committee that any plans emailed to the committee were confidential and proprietary.

Jessie presented the LCMA Board of Director's and LCMA attorney's concerns about public comment and gathered committee input. The committee unanimously agreed that any public comment regarding projects going through the LDRC review process should be heard by the LCMA Board of Directors during the Public Comment portion of their meeting agenda. Mary will draft a statement to post on the website that states that LDRC meetings are open to LCMA members for observation, but that Public Comment should be submitted to the LCMA Board of Directors.

Steve Lane made a motion and Carla McConnell seconded the motion to remove the Variance Request Requirements section of the Design Guidelines except for the final paragraph. The committee voted unanimously to remove those variance notification requirements.

- **Adjourn** **9:30 am**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 am.