

**Preservation of Historic Buildings & Sites Committee
January 17th, 2017 at 2:00 PM
Planning, Design and Construction – Conference Room 235
MINUTES**

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Shelly Arlen – University Libraries
Harold Barrand – Planning, Design & Construction
Linda Dixon – Planning, Design & Construction
Chad Doering – Housing & Residence Education
Carlos Dougnac – Planning, Design & Construction
Marty Hylton – Chair -University Libraries
Carl Van Ness – Librarian & Archivist, Special Collections

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Donna Cohen – College of Architecture
Craig Hill – Business Affairs
Helen Huet - Libraries
Christopher Martinez - Agricultural and Biological Engineering
Danny Murphy – Student
Melina Jimenez – English Language Institute
Brian Keith – Assistant Dean - Libraries
Melissa Mellon – University Writing Program
Simon Phillpot – Material Science Engineering
Brian Smith – Electrical & Computer Engineering Department
Drew Winant – Student
Michael Wolf – College of Law

OTHERS PRESENT:

Erik Lewis – Planning, Design & Construction
Cydney McGlothlin – Planning, Design & Construction
Francisco Oquendo - Planning, Design & Construction
Chris Gmuer – Gmuer engineering Inc.
James Byine – Content Architecture and Interiors
Clay Sweger - EDA

I. ADOPTION OF AGENDA & MINUTES

Note: Due to a lack of voting members, Harold Barrand acted as Chair for each of the votes.

Motion: Carl Van Ness made the motion to approve the agenda and minutes with a correction to the wording of a sentence.

Second: Marty Hylton

Motion Passed Unanimously

II. MAJOR PROJECTS

UF-603 Career Resource Center

Cydney McGlothlin

Cydney went over her previous presentation to the committee, focusing on the discussion of the stairwell on the north side. She showed the site and floorplans. She said they had modified the footprint by

bringing it back towards the building and that they had matched the existing facade in order to not complicate the design. Cydney said that they were able to reduce the size of the stairs by making changes to the inside of the building, which addressed the fire safety / evacuation requirements. She concluded that they had changed the windows to match the existing windows above.

Carl Van Ness said that he thought the design was much improved and Mary Hylton agreed thanking the design team for coming up with a much better solution.

Motion: Carl Van Ness made the motion to approve the project as presented.

Second: Marty Hylton

Motion Carried Unanimously

IV MINOR PROJECTS

Delta Gamma Sorority

Francisco Oquendo

Francisco introduced Clay Sweger and architect Kyle Ray (via phone). Clay briefly recapped the previous presentation and the committee's request to see a rendering of the western, 13th Street, façade. Clay showed an image of the site from 13th Street and discussed the trees. He showed a rendering of the western façade, noting that this was the service entrance for the sorority. He said that they will enhance it by planting some bushes as a screen. Carl Van Ness said that big bushes would provide a good screen. Clay agreed, but noted that they can't be too high for safety reasons. Carl said that the new design looks better than what is currently there along 13th Street.

Motion: Carl Van Ness made the motion to approve the project as presented.

Second: Marty Hylton

Motion Carried Unanimously

Alpha Epsilon Phi

Francisco Oquendo

Clay Sweger showed the site location and photos of the site from SW 13th Street. He said they were adding bedrooms and approximately 8,000 sq. ft. to the existing house on the north side. Clay showed elevations of the current house and the proposed addition, noting that they would be adding a bigger front porch along West Panhellenic Drive.

There was a brief discussion with the committee agreeing that the changes were modest and in keeping with the current structure.

Motion: Carl Van Ness made the motion to approve the project as presented.

Second: Marty Hylton

Motion Carried Unanimously

Chi Omega

Francisco Oquendo

Chris Gmuer introduced himself and went over the site location on West Panhellenic and SW 8th Avenue. He went over the architectural history, noting that the house was built in 1995 with a major addition being completed in 1992. Chris said that they were proposing two additions on the West Panhellenic side of the house that would increase the kitchen and dining room on the first floor and add more bedrooms on the second. He showed renderings and went over how the addition would improve the front entrance aesthetically. James Byine, project architect, went over the design in more detail.

Chad Doering asked about the large exhaust fan on the south side of the house, where it abuts the neighboring sorority, noting that the clearance had been an issue in the past. James said that they had just enough clearance to meet code and that it would be screened from the street by vegetation. Chris brought up the landscape plan to illustrate and said that the fan would just fit the required setbacks / clearances. Carlos Dougnac asked about the brick bonding. James said that the house currently has Flemish bonding, but that they have been unable to match the bricks, so they were proposing to use stucco on the second floor. Chris said that they had also been considering whitewashing the entire structure and asked if the committee had any reservations. Carlos asked the purpose for the whitewashing. James said they were looking to modernize the house without tearing it down. There was a brief discussion about pros and cons of whitewashing with recognition that other sororities had done it in the past. Marty Hylton said he appreciated that they were preserving the house and that he liked how they had handled the additions. He continued that whitewashing would help to make the new additions match the existing house.

Motion: Marty Hylton made the motion to approve the project as presented.

Second: Carl Van Ness

Motion Carried Unanimously

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 2:55 PM.