

NEW WESTMINSTER DESIGN PANEL

**Thursday July 8, 2010 4:07 p.m.
Committee Room No. 2**

MINUTES

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chris Block, Chair	- AIBC Representative
Tracey Mactavish	- AIBC Representative (arrived at 4:14 p.m.)
Eric Pattison	- AIBC Representative
David Roppel	- UDI Representative
Jennifer Stamp	- BCSLA Representative
Alla Titenko	- Community Representative
Mark Vance	- AIBC Representative

VOTING MEMBER REGRETS:

Marilea Schultz	- Community Representative
Doug Shearer	- BCSLA Representative

STAFF:

Bev Grieve	- Manager, Development Services
Stephen Scheving	- Planning Consultant
Michael Watson	- Planning Assistant
Donna Martin	- Committee Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 4:07 p.m.

1.0 ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

2.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Adoption of the Minutes of June 22, 2010

Committee members requested the following amendments to the June 22, 2010 minutes:

- Item 3.1 – David Roppel opposed, Jennifer Stamp in favour.
- Item 3.1 – Comments should read, “Consider a continuous rain canopy.”

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the New Westminster Design Panel meeting held on June 22, 2010 received and adopted with the following amendments:

- *Item 3.1 – David Roppel opposed, Jennifer Stamp in favour.*
- *Item 3.1 – Comments should read, “Consider a continuous rain canopy.”*

CARRIED.

All members of the Design Panel present voted in favour of the motion.

3.0 DESIGN APPROVALS

4.0 DOWNTOWN DESIGN APPROVALS

4.1 811 Carnarvon Street (Plaza 88 Retail)

File: SDP 158

An application has been received for a Special Development Permit at the above captioned address to construct approximately 216,500 sq ft of commercial floor space.
(VIA Architecture)

Stephen Scheving, Planning Consultant reported rather than just an informational item, Via Architecture would like some input as to how to how to integrate the wall on Eighth Street of Plaza 88 into the project now that the Kyoto site is not to be a part of this project.

Mr. Graham McGarvin, VIA Architecture, reviewed the history of the project and offered four options to set up connectivity between the Kyoto site and Plaza 88 in the future (see On-Table discussion notes).

Comments from the Design Panel:

- Support Option B good gesture good angle for historic reasons loss to future civic planning to continue the wall;
- Not in favour of keeping angles as they do not contribute to project;
- Like to see glazing on wall;
- Like to have connection to Skytrain from Columbia Street;
- Angles in the development seem too complicated;
- Maintaining the opportunity for connectivity is a good idea;
- Keeping references to an angle that may not happen might improve the design;
- Pay more attention to east wall life;
- Option B is a nice gesture in hopes something positive will happen on Kyoto site;
- Suggest glazing the wall;
- If there is enough foot traffic another entrance would be helpful;
- Option A is best design if City is not willing to offer a commitment.
- Connection needs to be made, however the question is when and how so why preclude possibility by doing Option B.

Staff will add this item to the July 27, 2010 agenda for further discussion.

5.0 INFORMATION PRESENTATIONS

6.0 NEW BUSINESS

7.0 REPORTS AND INFORMATION

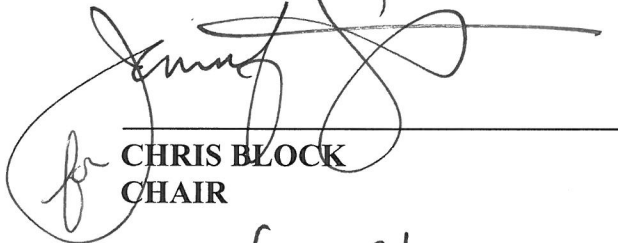
8.0 CORRESPONDENCE

9.0 NEXT MEETING

July 27, 2010 at 3:00pm in Committee Room No. 2

10.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.



for **CHRIS BLOCK**
CHAIR



DONNA MARTIN
COMMITTEE CLERK

