

NEW WESTMINSTER DESIGN PANEL

**Tuesday, November 25, 2014 3:00 p.m.
Committee Room No. 2**

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Doug Hamming	- Acting Chair, AIBC Representative
Jay Hiscox	- AIBC Representative
Ken Falk	- AIBC Representative
Keith Ross	- BC Society of Landscape Architects

REGRETS:

Tom Morton	- Chair, Development Industry Representative (UDI)
Cheryl Fu	- AIBC Representative
Steve Wong	- BC Society of Landscape Architects

GUESTS:

Beth Peterson	- TransLink
Steve Chua	- Project Manager

STAFF:

Barry Waitt	- Planner
Lauren Blake	- Committee Clerk

The meeting was called to order at 3:13 p.m.

1.0 ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

There were no additions.

2.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Adoption of the Minutes of October 28, 2014

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes of the October 28, 2014 meeting of the New Westminister Design Panel be adopted.

CARRIED.

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

Discussion ensued, and the Panel noted the following comments:

- It was suggested that the upgrades include improving the entrance to the station located on Eighth Street;
- It was noted that the use of glass would improve CPTED qualities of the station, and provide an upgraded appearance to the station;
- Concerns were expressed for potential noise issues, noting that the upgrades do not address noise transfer to the neighbourhood;
- It was suggested that the City request a detailed acoustic study of the station;
- Appreciation was expressed for the inclusion of public art as part of the project;
- Concerns were expressed for the pedestrian flow of the site, noting that ticket dispensers and signs could be relocated to assist with pedestrian flow;
- It was suggested that the station be designed as an arrival point for Downtown New Westminster and a part of the community;
- It was suggested that the public art installation be part of solving issues of the station;
- It was suggested that the glass panels be inset to conceal items such as garbage cans and benches, to allow for wider platforms; and,
- It was suggested that a character defining element be incorporated into the pillar roof on Eighth Street.

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the project return to the Panel and examine the project in the context of the urban environment, including security, safety and lighting, address the comments regarding acoustics, and examine public art integration, and include the plan for signage and way finding.

CARRIED.

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

5.0 NEW BUSINESS

There were no items.

6.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were no items.

7.0 CORRESPONDENCE

There were no items.

8.0 NEXT MEETING

December 9, 2014 (in Committee Room No. 2)


9.0 ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION, the meeting was adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

Certified Correct,



Doug Hamming
Acting Chair



Lauren Blake
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Committee Clerk