University Area Review Board

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MEETING SUMMARY | SPECIAL MEETING

date place November 4, 2014 Beacon Building

50 West Gay Street, Conference Room B (First Floor)

time 3:00pm - 4:40pm

members present members absent

Ted Goodman, Pasquale Grado, Doreen Uhas-Sauer, Brian Horne, Frank Petruziello

George Kane, Bob Mickley

A.

1. applicant:

Applications for Zoning, Code Enforcement and/or Conceptual Review University District Plan

Mark Dravillas, Kevin Wheeler, Daniel Ferdelman (City of Columbus | Development Department | Planning Division),

to be reviewed: 3:05 -4:35

plan comment and/or recommendation

- Mr. Dravillas gave a report about the University District Plan.
- Mr. Goodman questioned the process of revising the Code once the Plan is adopted.
- Mr. Wheeler explained the process of making edits to the Code and expanding the UARB boundaries, each change would entail a public process similar to the development of the Plan itself.
- Mr. Petruziello expressed concern about the expansion of the area if it would mean watering down the standards.
- Mr. Wheeler commented that the strength of the Plan is that upon adoption the District will have Land Use Guidance and Design Guidelines for the entire district.
- Mr. Petruziello commented that the Plan does not have the force of law and can be manipulated by developers.
- Mr. Wheeler and Mr. Dravillas reviewed how Plans are used by planning staff and by community members.
- The Board and City Staff discussed the FAR recommendations for the Regional Mixed Use.
- The Board and City Staff discussed parking ratios in the Regional Mixed Use.
- The Board and City Staff discussed strategies to encourage preservation.

motion by Mr. Kane/ Mr. Horne

To support the proposed University District Plan (2014) as submitted and recommend approval by the Columbus City Council with the condition:

• That the Regional Mixed Use Land Use designation be modified to address the concerns of Floor Area Ratios and Contributing Buildings.

vote 7-0 to Approve

motion

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B.

Next Meeting

Thursday November 20, 2014 | 6:30pm | 2231 North High Street (Northwood & High Building, Room 100)