

**Design Advisory Team (DAT) Meeting**  
**on**  
**118 Gerry Road/121 Independence Drive**  
**(Hancock Village – 40A Proposal)**  
**Tuesday, March 12, 2019**  
**7:30 pm**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Employees' Lounge**  
**Brookline Town Hall**

**MINUTES**

***DAT Members Present:*** Steve Heikin, Linda Hamlin, Nick Elton and Carlos Ridruejo

***Staff Present:*** Polly Selkoe

***Development Team:*** Eddie Zucker, Andy Martineau, and Architect Gary Lowe from CHR

Steven Heikin opened the meeting and moved to accept the minutes of 2/26/2019.

**VOTED:** to approve the minutes of 2/26/2019.

Andy Martineau showed the revised plans for the Gerry building. The entrance has been shifted to the left and at grade. There is also more brick being used on the façade. It still is being worked on.

Steve Heikin liked the color scheme in last iteration but pleases that the entrance is now at grade.

Linda Hamlin thought the three square bays make it look like a high school and brick at ends look like columns.

Nick Elton said he also likes the entrance at grade but perhaps take entrance from last iteration and move it over. The ends are still very symmetrical.

Carlos Ridruejo suggested making a double bay at one end and having no bay at other end.

Gary Lowe suggested making one side have a flat roof.

Steve Heikin suggested some variation on that theme and would like less brick; perhaps no brick on top floor.

Carlos Ridruejo suggested widening the entrance.

Eddie Zucker said landscaping design will made entry look wider. He prefers brick because it lasts so long.

Some DAT members suggested the entry bays be white.

Nick Elton didn't like gables all being same.

Andy Martineau suggested going back to full Planning Board for its comment. Steve Heikin said let's decide this at the end of the meeting.

Carlos Ridruejo suggested simplifying the façade.

Linda Hamlin suggested considering two different window colors. There are too many different pieces and brick columns end abruptly. She asked for a flat rendering.

Nick Elton suggested making canopy higher.

Gary Lowe said the canopy now is 13' high.

Linda Hamlin said building does not meet the concept of the existing townhouses. There could be five sections and elimination of peaked gables.

Gary Lowe agreed the building would look smaller if broken into sections.

#### Recycling Center

Andy Martineau showed the revised building with a flat roof.

#### Community Center

Andy described the changes in the Community Center from the previous iterations. The clock tower is on the corner.

Carlos Ridruejo liked the iteration of the clock tower being further in the building and favored having one material on façade of clock tower.

Gary Lowe suggested an arcade under the clock tower where people waiting for bus could stand. The skylight will bring in sun light.

Carlos Ridruejo likes the roof and overhang better. He suggested the tower have a flat roof.

Steve Heikin said it still looks like an office building.

Carlos Ridruejo suggested a second entrance on façade facing Independence Road. Also the two front medallions make it symmetrical.

Nick Elton said the building should reflect the uses. It should be defined as two buildings.

Steve Heikin said it would be useful to see the floor plan and these buildings should come back to the DAT before going to full Planning Board. Also the DAT needs to see the other facades.

Linda Hamlin spoke of lightening the clock tower with a metal structure that could modernize the Hancock Village "symbol" of circle with gable end motif and that this could also tie in with the metal skylight structure.

DAT members thought that the organization and number of windows could reflect the different uses located in the building.

The next meeting was scheduled for Tuesday April 2<sup>nd</sup> to see further modifications.