

Design Advisory Team (DAT) Meeting
on
118 Gerry Road/121 Independence Drive
(Hancock Village – 40A Proposal)
Tuesday, April 23, 2019
7:30 pm
3rd Floor Employees' Lounge
Brookline Town Hall

MINUTES

DAT Members Present: Steve Heikin, Rick Schmidt, and Carlos Ridruejo

Staff Present: Polly Selkoe

Development Team: Eddie Zucker, Marc Levin, Andy Martineau, and Architect Ned Adams from CHR, Stephanie Bartas and Theo Kindermans from Stantec

Steven Heikin opened the meeting and moved to accept the minutes of 3/12/2019.

VOTED: to approve the minutes of 3/12/2019.

Andy Martineau showed the revised plans for the Gerry building. The front façade now reads as 4 distinct bays with different materials and colors. The other facades were also shown. See Power Point presentation at: <https://www.brooklinema.gov/1523/Hancock-Village-40A-Proposal>

Steve Heikin asked about material in entry bay.
[It may be cement panels.]

Carlos Ridruejo commented that entry brick piers should be connected at the top.

Steve Heikin suggested that the 3rd floor façade be gray.

Rick Schmidt liked the massing.

The subcommittee liked the corner tower.

Carlos Ridruejo thought the canopy needs some oomph.

Steve Heikin commented that the upper (transom) portions of the windows seem squished, especially with respect to the heavy lintels.

Andy Martineau went over the parking spaces. There will be 36 under the Gerry building and 182 surface spaces.

Recycling Center

Andy Martineau showed the revised building with a flat roof. There would be two doors – one for trash and one for recycling. It was noted that the 3D renderings were missing one or more columns as shown on the plans.

Community Center

Andy described the changes in the Community Center from the previous iterations. The clock tower remains on the corner and the window treatments reflect the different uses.

Steven Heikin noted that the rear terraces could only be accessed through function rooms and suggested widening the terraces for better access from the interior.

DAT members agreed that the brick façade on the tower should go up further.

Carlos Ridruejo said that there should not be stripes all around.

The DAT acknowledged that much progress has been made and there should now be a discussion of materials, colors, window details and the transition between the façade and roof line. It was agreed that the applicant should show the current iteration of plans for each of the project components to the Planning Board at its May 16th meeting.