

BALTIMORE CITY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING
URBAN DESIGN AND ARCHITECTURE REVIEW PANEL
MEETING MINUTES

Date: October 27, 2011

Meeting No.: 138

Project: Gateway at Washington Hill Phase 1 (Area B)

Phase: Working Session

Location: Orleans/Baltimore/Wolfe/Washington Streets - PUD

PRESENTATION:

Mr. Gordon Godat, from JP2, reviewed with the Panel their team's response to the previous comments by exhibiting:

- Two schemes for the Plaza at the corner of Wolfe and Fayette Streets.
- Four schemes for the Fairmount pedestrian connection. These included elimination of the garage entrance from this area.
- Bringing the lighter brick down to the head above the service entrance and reducing the service entrance width.
- Grouping all the window units into pairs rather than threes and fours.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE PANEL:

The Architects response to the Panel's previous comments where favorably received. Panel members suggested the rounded corner scheme at the Wolfe and Fayette Streets Plaza may have more promise. They also preferred the Fairmount pedestrian scheme with the stair between the two levels centered on the lower parking court and a wide walk only on the north side of the upper level plaza near the entrances to the residential units, since the uses on the southern parcel are undetermined.

The Panel also asked the architect to consider:

1. Recessing the units above the townhouses to express the different unit types and giving the townhouse units a stronger cornice.
2. Differentiate the lantern detail at the corner from the others and perhaps removing or re-shaping the cornice elements at the varying rooflines.
3. Consider differentiating the lower level windows.

PANEL ACTION:

Working Session Only

Attending:

Drew Chapman, Duncan Jones – Jefferson Apartment Group

Gordon Godat, Dana Tharrett – JP2 Architects

Susan Williams – STV. Inc.

Caroline Hecker - RMG

Steve Kelly, Heidi Thomas – Mahan Rykiel

Ms. Eig; Messrs. Bowden, Britt and Cameron – Panel

Anthony Cataldo, Bob Quilter – Planning