

Art and Architectural Review Board

Minutes

July 1, 2016

Virginia War Memorial

621 S Belvidere Street

Richmond, VA 23220

1.0 ADMINISTRATION

- 10:00am 1.1 **CALL TO ORDER**
Sandy Bond, Calder Loth, Bob Mills, Donna Tuten, Helen Wilson
- 1.2 **PUBLIC COMMENT**
AARB Meetings are open for public comment. Rules for public comment can be obtained from the Director, Division of Engineering and Buildings.
- 1.3 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
Motion: Ms. Tuten
Second: Ms. Wilson
Recommend Approval of Minutes from the June 3, 2016 AARB Meeting
- 1.4 **OTHER BUSINESS**

2.0 CONSENT AGENDA

- 10:10am **Approval of consent items 2.1 through 2.10.**
Motion: Mr. Bond
Second: Ms. Wilson
- 2.1 **VA Tech – Demolitions – Feeder Shed Pole Structure – Kentland Farm**
- 2.2 **Longwood University – Frazer Hall Exterior Steps Replacement – Farmville Campus**
Demolish the existing steps between the existing concrete cheek walls. The existing snow-melt system will be removed given that it is nearing the end of its anticipated life. The existing concrete slab at the entrance level will be demolished back to the existing terrazzo, within approximately three feet of the entrance doors. The existing cheek walls will remain in place as will the railings and concrete slab to either side of the entrance doors. New steps will be installed to match the dimensions of the existing steps. A new snowmelt system, similar to the existing system, will be cast with the new steps. New hand railings that meet the prevailing code requirements will be installed at the steps and will match the aesthetic qualities of the existing railings. The existing railings at the entrance level porch will remain.

2.3 DCR –Deck Addition – Fairy Stone State Park, Patrick County

The proposed deck will have treated wood post and rails that are stained to match the existing wood siding and will be located along the enclosed porch. The existing concrete steps and ramps will remain in place.

2.4 GMU – Antenna Modification – Fairfax Campus

The new antennas are similar in size and appearance to existing equipment. Antenna is located on the roof of David King Hall.

2.5 GMU on behalf of Fairfax Water – Water Storage Tank Upgrade – Fairfax Campus

Fairfax Water proposes to construct a 3 MG composite tank (the tank bowl is steel with a supporting architectural concrete pedestal) to replace the existing tank at this location. The proposed 3 MG composite tank has a pedestal diameter of 60 feet, a head range of 45 feet, and a bowl diameter of 118 feet. The top of the proposed tank's bowl is 156 feet above existing grade. Appurtenances such as the vent, railing, and the required FAA obstruction light could add an additional 5 feet above the dome, bringing the total height to 161 feet. The composite tank's steel tank bowl will be painted white with Mason branding similar to the existing tank. The tank concrete pedestal will be architectural concrete, with a paneled design.

2.6 GMU – Senator Charles J. Colgan Statue – Prince William Campus

The statue will be placed on the Science and Technology Campus of George Mason University in Prince William County. The chosen site will be at the entrance to Senator Charles J. Colgan Hall, formerly the Occoquan Building. It will be a life size bronze representation of Senator Colgan, will weigh approximately 800 pounds and will be mounted on a granite plinth. A bronze plaque with a tribute to the Senator will be mounted on the plinth. The statue will be lit so that it is visible at night.

2.7 The Virginia School for Deaf & Blind – Sensory Fountain – Central Campus, Staunton

The fountain is 3' tall and can stand out without taking away from the nearby bushes and plants. The natural stone finish will blend with the garden space. It offers a pleasant sound as water pours from the top and ascends down the spiraling channels. The refreshing sound mimics that of a natural stream. The curved, circular design of the fountain offers a smooth edge perfect for touching and sensing.

2.8 DGS – General Assembly Swing Space Upfit - Pocahontas Building – Downtown Richmond

A mechanical louver will be inserted in the ground-floor storefront on the east side. Replacement of the two revolving doors and the central pair of doors at the Main Street entry on the south elevation to the ground-floor lobby. The revolving doors and the central pair of doors will be replaced to match the form and appearance of the central doors. There will be an addition of two

emergency egress doors in the two new committee rooms on the ground floor. These new doors will require a set of concrete steps. The double doors at the Bank Street entrance on the north elevation will be replaced with aluminum doors that match the existing doors in form and appearance.

2.9 VCCS – Danville Community College – Renovate Charles R. Hawkins EIT Building, DCC Campus, Danville, VA

***Previously submitted on March 4, 2016 with the following comments:
Consider adding lattice or trellis for greenery on long blank walls. Consider adding exterior areas for gathering.**

Motion: Mr. Mills

Second: Ms. Tuten

Final approval – agency to submit landscape plan on consent agenda.

Agency Response to comments:

Per the Board's review comments, additional design and detail has been incorporated into the exterior landscaping to the north and south of the renovated façade. Although the added exterior scope of work is minor to the overall project scale, attention has been given in the form of large 10' x 12' Green Screens at two of the three main entrances. Additionally, new greenery and plantings have been added adjacent to the new parking area (i.e. along north elevation) and secondary student lounge area. Careful thought has also gone into where any new exterior elements are located that could be used for social and/or learning space per the pedestrian flow. The existing plaza between the Student Center and EIT Building will remain intact. Exterior furnishings and seat walls (brick with rowlock cap to match current building exterior) will be added appropriately.

2.10 VCCS – Northern Virginia Community College – Window Replace – Alexandria Building is a 1-Story framed metal building. Project consists of replacing 3 exterior windows on the AM Building (Facilities Maintenance Building). New windows will be larger than the existing.

3.0 PROJECT REVIEWS

3.1 VCCS – Blue Ridge Community College – Bioscience Building – Weyers Cave (Augusta County)

The building is a 2 story, 40,000 square foot steel-framed building, with brick and curtain wall exterior compatible with the design of nearby buildings. There is a sloped metal roof over a central clerestory, and the rest of the building has a flat roof, with parapets and equipment screens to conceal rooftop mechanical equipment. Informal student study spaces are in an atrium lit by a clerestory above. A mechanical and service yard will be provided on the east side, adjacent to the existing Maintenance Building service yard. The space between this building and the existing Science Building will be a landscaped courtyard, with walks, informal seating areas, and shade-tolerant plants. Shade

trees, similar to existing trees on campus, will be planted along sidewalks and the road.

Comments: Consider adding more green space between parking lots and proposed building. Consider additional landscaping around parking lots. Consider adding more pedestrian hardscape to plaza area between proposed building and Student Center.

Motion: Mr. Mills

Second: Mr. Bond

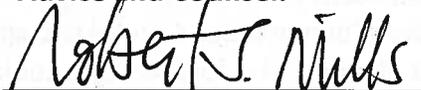
Conceptual approval as submitted. Agency to return with any modifications, materials and landscape plan for final approval.

4.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS

****Next AARB Meeting is Friday, August 5, 2016. *This meeting will be at the Branch Museum**

5.0 MEETING ADJOURNED

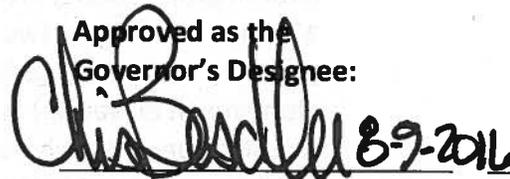
Minutes Approved as AARB
Advice and Counsel:


Robert S. Mills, FAIA, CID

8/5/16
Date

Chairman
Art and Architectural Review Board

Approved as the
Governor's Designee:


Christopher L. Beschler

8-9-2016
Date
Director
Department of General Services