



City of Austin

Design Commission

DESIGN COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION 20211213 – 1A

Date: December 20, 2021

Subject: Design Commission recommendation for the project located at 80 Rainey Street.

Motioned By: Samuel Franco

Seconded By: Josue Meiners

Recommendation:

The City of Austin Design Commission recommends that the project located at 80 Rainey Street, as presented to us on December 13, 2021, substantially complies with the City of Austin Urban Design Guidelines.

Rationale:

Dear Director of Housing and Planning Department,

This letter is to confirm the Design Commission's recommendation that the project located at 80 Rainey Street, substantially complies with the Urban Design Guidelines as one of the gatekeeper requirements of the Downtown Density Bonus Program. Our review found the following positive attributes:

1. Proposed project will provide Great Streets improvements to neighboring property at 86 Rainey Street.
2. Project proposed to preserve onsite two existing structures located at 78 & 84 Rainey Street. These will be incorporated into the project.
3. Retail/ Restaurant space provide along Rainey Street on lower two levels. Additionally, food and beverage space is provided in basement level.
4. Curb cuts are limited to one and it is located off of rear alley.
5. Proposed paseo between new structure and existing structures provide both outdoor plaza space and serve as a connection to the MACC.
6. Paseo/ Plaza to include artwork by local artists.
7. 11th floor restaurant/ bar is open to the public with dedicated elevator lobby at street level.

Respectfully,
City of Austin Design Commission

Vote: 6 - 0 - 0

For: Aan Coleman, Samuel Franco, Evan Taniguchi, Melissa Henao-Robledo, Jen Weaver, Josue Meiners

Against: None

Absent: Ben Luckens, Jessica Rollason, Bart Whatley

Recuse: David Carroll

Attest: David Carroll, Chair of the Design Commission

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Jessica Rollason, Vice Chair

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