

DESIGN COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION 20220822-4

Date: September 1, 2022

Subject: Design Commission recommendation for the project 5RR,

located at 506 E 5th Street

Motioned By: Commissioner Coleman Seconded By: Commissioner Whatley

Recommendation:

The City of Austin Design Commission recommends that the project located at 506 E 5th Street, as presented to us on August 22, 2022, 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 506 East 5th 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. PS1: Protect the pedestrian where the building meets the street: A large awning is indicated at the corner of 5th & Red River.
- 2. PS4: Reinforce pedestrian activity: ROW / sidewalk is activated with art, light and plants.
- 3. PS8: Install street trees: Eleven trees are indicated on East 5th Street and Red River as proposed.
- 4. PS9: Provide pedestrian-scaled lighting: Festoon lighting is proposed in the public plaza.
- 5. PS12: Provide generous street-level windows: Full-height windows are indicated at street fronts.
- 6. PZ11: Provide visual and spatial complexity in public spaces: Large murals, plants, and light are disbursed among the open space at the exterior ground floor.

Respectfully,

City of Austin Design Commission

Vote: 8-0-0

For: Chair Weaver, Vice Chair Meiners, Commissioner Coleman,

Commissioner Franco, Commissioner Luckens, Commissioner Salinas,

Commissioner Taniguchi, Commissioner Whatley

Against: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Commissioner Carroll, Commissioner Henao-Robledo, Commissioner Rollason

Attest: Jen Weaver, Chair of Design Commission

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