

Kentfield Planning Advisory Board

P.O. Box 304, Kentfield, California 94914

Minutes of August 12, 2015

Anne Petersen called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the COM Student Union Deedy Lounge. Other Board members present were Dale Hansen and Neil Park.

Minutes of July 22, 2015: Dale approved, Neil seconded.

Marin General Hospital: Guests, Cindy Winter, Steve Lamb.

It was decided by the Board to cover: Design of the area, the overall circulation and landscaping.

Concerns centered around bike lanes, parking and safety for patients and disabled entering the hospital area. In discussion with Jeremy Tejirian regarding the landscaping scheme, Jeremy indicated controls are needed from the 1987 Community Plan Standards, i.e., finished in center, but not in surrounds. The Community Plan had specified landscaping to provide 50% shade at mid-day in the one parking area between the hospital and the new garage. He expected an "Incomplete" response to request the submitted landscape plan be revised to include the entire hospital site.

Regarding the building, we discussed the louvers and their visual effect as well as solar possibilities. Jeremy said an addendum to the EIR is expected, but the Planning Commission is satisfied.

It appears the planners are trying hard to get the roof gardens to disguise the mechanical utilities on the roof for the benefit of the upper neighborhoods.

There was a discussion regarding trees at the entrance and the general site trees, i.e., redwoods, maples and palms. All the landscaping will be maintained. A storm water control plan already exists.

Ms. Winter suggested safe bike lanes and bike storage should be a priority, although conceded the bulk of users would not be on bicycles. She requested bike racks/bike storage for employees be behind the building for more security.

Regarding crosswalks and bus stops: The main entrance is a temporary one mid-block and has already been approved. There will be no crosswalk until the permanent entry has been finalized, and assurance that the safety is not compromised. The discussion continued recommending bus stops be placed on the property versus on the street, and the necessity for overhead lighting on the crosswalks. The bus stop should not be in the parking lot. There is approval for a one-way bus route from the main entry. It was recommended by Jeremy that Robert Betts of Main Transit be contacted regarding the bus stops on the campus. The "Make Ready" plan does not involve the bus stops.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Minutes: Dale Hansen