

UDPRP Review Summary

Urban Design Peer Review Panel

DATE: 09.20.13

TIME: 8:30am

PROJECT: Elm Street Garage

LOCATION: Dallas City Hall Room 5ES

Overview

Below is a summary of Urban Design Peer Review Panel advice the Elm Street Garage as derived from the Sept 20 Peer Review session.

Advice Summary

- [1] The panel applauds the general approach to restore the open character of the original building at the corner restaurant.
- [2] Consider eliminating proposed seating projection as it would restrict pedestrian movement on the sidewalk, in favor of movable sidewalk seating such as found in other areas of downtown and the West End.
- [3] The panel encourages introducing a continuous line of street trees along Austin Street and Elm Street with consideration made to framing the building entrance on Elm.
- [4] Consider the use of signage or other appropriate means to enliven the north wall of the building, particularly where it faces the dart station.
- [5] The panel encourages alternative to proposed benches that relocates pedestrian seating areas within the line of street trees.
- [6] Realizing the limitations of this particular funding request the panel encourages that the City considers improving the existing crosswalks at Austin and Elm.