

UDPRP Review Summary 04.22.16

Urban Design Peer Review Panel

DATE: 04.22.16

TIME: 8:30am

PROJECT: Bishop Arts Streetcar Plaza

LOCATION: Dallas City Hall Room 5ES

Overview

Below is a summary of Urban Design Peer Review Panel advice for the Bishop Arts Streetcar Plaza as derived from the April 22nd Peer Review session.

Advice Summary

- [1] The panel is enthusiastic about the opportunity to create a significant public space and applauds the impulse of the development team to participate in its creation.
- [2] Consider the merit of a slightly larger dining area to create a more significant area to occupy and concentrate activity.
- [3] Hardscape arrangement at Davis and Zang should be revisited to more clearly denote an unobstructed and convenient pedestrian path.
- [4] Evaluate the potential to modify the shelter design to better allow passengers to enter into the plaza by either creating a portal in the center of the canopy or by orienting the seating and windscreens perpendicular to the street.
- [5] Coordinate the shelter location to ensure that it aligns with the streetcar door positions so that they provide direct access to the plaza stop. Consider providing a drawing to illustrate.
- [6] Explore the opportunity to reference the architecture of the building and/or streetcar shelter within the plaza patterning and materiality.
- [7] The panel strongly recommends relocating one of the large existing shade trees, currently located on the future Bishop Arts Station development site, to the plaza as an opportunity to provide much needed shade for the public plaza space and outdoor dining area.