New Albany Architectural Review Board met in regular session in the Council Chambers at Village Hall, 99 W Main Street and was called to order by Architectural Review Board Chair, Mr. Alan Hinson, at 7:00 p.m.

Those answering roll call:

Mr. Alan Hinson, Chair Present
Mr. Francis Strahler Present
Mr. Jonathan Iten Present
Mr. Jim Brown Present
Mr. E.J. Thomas Present
Mr. Andrew Maletz Present (arrived 7:05 p.m.)
Ms. Sarah Briggs Present
Mr. Matt Shull Present

Staff members present: Steven Mayer, Development Services Manager; Chris Christian, Planner; and Josie Taylor, Clerk

Mr. Hinson called for an action on the minutes from of the July 8, 2019.

Moved by Mr. Iten, seconded by Mr. Thomas, to approve the July 8, 2019 meeting minutes. Upon roll call: Mr. Iten, yea; Mr. Thomas, yea; Mr. Brown, yea; Mr. Hinson, yea; Mr. Strahler, yea; Ms. Briggs, yea. Yea, 6; Nay, 0; Abstain, 0. Motion passed by a 6-0 vote.

Mr. Hinson asked if there were any corrections or additions to the agenda.

Mr. Christian stated none from staff.

Mr. Hinson asked if there were any visitors for items not on tonight's agenda. (No response).

Mr. Iten noted he had Other Business to discuss toward the end of the meeting.

**Informal Review of the Amphitheatre Development located at 140 West Granville Street**

Mr. Mayer provided an overview of the project.

Mr. Clyde Twine, DLR Group, described the project and its design for the Architectural Review Board (hereafter, "ARB").

Mr. Todd Mayher, DLR Group, provided additional project information to the ARB.

Mr. Iten asked if the drainage system on the building would also be ivy covered.

Mr. Twine and Mr. Mayher replied yes.
Mr. Iten asked what the building would look like without the vine covering.

Mr. Twine stated they anticipated it would be painted a soft green color with the cable system over it.

Mr. Iten asked if it would be slatted.

Mr. Twine stated yes, it would be similar to the McCoy Center.

Mr. Thomas asked if the stainless would be silver colored, just raw stainless, or if it would be encapsulated in green vinyl.

Mr. Twine stated it would be just stainless.

Mr. Thomas asked why they were not using a coated stainless on the side of the building because, until the vines mature, shiny stainless would stick out.

Mr. Twine stated that would be considered.

Mr. Brown asked if the canopy materials would be completely opaque.

Mr. Twine stated no, the PTFE material would be open weave and the actual roofing material would have a solid membrane that made it waterproof.

Mr. Thomas asked if the membrane had been time tested for the effects of sun/weather exposure.

Mr. Twine stated yes, it had been tested for about five (5) years at this time without discoloration, and an older product from the same company had a longer exposure period and had held up.

Mr. Iten stated it would be good to see images of older installations.

Mr. Thomas stated it would be a focal point for the school.

Mr. Brown asked if the manufacturer provided a lifespan for the product.

Mr. Twine stated it had a twenty (20) year warranty.

Mr. Iten asked if the turf was on the tiers.

Mr. Twine stated correct.

Mr. Mayher stated just inside.

Mr. Thomas asked about the availability of restroom facilities.

Mr. Mayher stated there would be more bathroom facilities than at the McCoy Center.
Mr. Maletz asked about the entrance, concession stand, box office, and storage room in the presentation.

Mr. Twine stated it was really concession storage with concessions handled through kiosks outside of the ticket space.

Mr. Maletz asked how that would work during events, would people entering with a ticket be able to leave to access the concessions.

Mr. Twine stated yes, because they would have their ticket.

Mr. Maletz asked if, on the lawn area, they had given consideration to it being naturally sloped. Mr. Maletz stated that with railings and such, it might institutionalize the experience and he would encourage keeping the area as natural as possible. Mr. Maletz asked if, with the exedra, the column heights changed due to the slope of the seating area terracing.

Mr. Twine stated yes.

Mr. Maletz asked if that created a problem with proportions at the end with column diameter and height.

Mr. Twine stated the center section would even out as it tapered up.

Mr. Maletz stated the columns would be more slender in proportion to the others that were shorter and column consistency needed to be addressed. Mr. Maletz stated given the time it would take for ivy to grow, and in consideration of the character of nearby buildings, some building faces might need more articulation, some kind of treatment or pattern, where the attachment for the stainless steel was.

Mr. Twine stated there was no objection to the ivy all around, just that it be more articulated.

Mr. Maletz stated yes, something subtle for balance. Mr. Maletz also stated there was a need to be mindful in the use of the colored concrete for the wear over time.

Mr. Twine stated the colored concrete was only after the entry to amphitheater.

Mr. Maletz stated that made sense, finding the right color treatment was the issue.

Mr. Twine asked Mr. Mayer how they would go about looking at options, would they return with options for the September 2019 presentation.

Mr. Mayer asked the ARB if they would prefer to see options or if they wanted staff to review the options.
Mr. Maletz stated it would be best for staff to review that and suggested a color test be done on the concrete prior to installation.

Mr. Thomas suggested a hybrid approach where staff would provide recommendations but also bring in samples for the ARB.

Mr. Iten stated he agreed with Mr. Thomas.

Mr. Maletz stated he liked the natural wood, but questioned its use on the excedra in addition to the stage and how it would age.

Mr. Strahler asked what was the covering at the center of the excedra.

Mr. Mayher stated it was a membrane covering.

Mr. Maletz cautioned against removing too much parking from the middle school parking lot. Mr. Maletz noted he did not find the steep incline from the street objectionable and that proper landscaping and seating walls could mitigate that.

Mr. Twine noted they had lost 18 parking spaces with the elevation they had shown.

Ms. Briggs asked staff if they knew how many spots were in the lot.

Mr. Mayer stated he would bring that information to the ARB.

Mr. Iten stated he wanted to discuss the New Albany High School's revised entrance plan the ARB had previously voted on.

Mr. Mayer stated the ARB had reviewed and approved changes to the school parking lot in 2014. Mr. Mayer stated he believed the high school was testing the use of a four (4) inch curb.

Mr. Iten asked if staff could ask the school what they were going to do.

Mr. Mayer stated that as part of the Strategic Plan they were having a stakeholder meeting with the schools in September and could ask them at that time.

Mr. Maletz stated he agreed, particularly as a safety issue.

Mr. Mayer stated he would pass the ARB’s concerns along.

Moved by Mr. Thomas, seconded by Mr. Strahler, to adjourn the meeting. Upon roll call vote: Mr. Thomas, yea; Mr. Strahler, yea; Mr. Hinson, yea; Mr. Iten, yea; Mr. Brown, yea; Mr. Maletz, yea; Ms. Briggs, yea. Yea, 7; Nay, 0; Abstain, 0. Motion carried by a 7-0 vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49 pm.

Submitted by Josie Taylor.