

Sugar City, ID Design Review Board Meeting
Wednesday, September 20, 2023

Committee members in attendance: Design Review Committee Members Spencer Cook, Connie Grassi & Suzanne Williams

Others in Attendance: Building Inspector Quinton Owens, Ben Munns – Contractor, Sugar-Salem Superintendent Jared Jenks, School Board Members Kristen Galbraith and Greg Stoddard, Citizens: Kevin Galbraith

Welcome by: Chairman Spencer Cook

Pledge of Allegiance

Discussion on Iron Abode Business Park Building:

The committee discussed how the building seems very close to the walking path and had a concern about there being enough room to put landscaping behind the building. The code requires a ten-foot easement for the walkway. The building design is showing all metal. The current Iron Abode building has no landscaping behind the building which is not what was approved for them. The committee would like to see a lot of landscaping on back side of building because of the plain metal siding. This building will be the closest building to the walkway out of all current buildings in the Business Park. There is no setback requirement to the walking path, just a precedent that has already been set by the other current buildings. The design will be similar to the current Iron Abode building. The façade and the side facing the street is what the public is going to see. The black on the side of the current building breaks up the monotony of the siding. Mr. Munns stated that they could do a different color of siding.

Mr. Owens stated that the code requires a 70/30 split on building materials. On the current Iron Abode building they relaxed the requirements due to the large garage doors and extra landscaping. On this new building the side of the building will be facing the street and we will still require a 70/30 split as it may not be the “front” of the building, but is the side that faces the street. The intent of the code for landscaping was grass and not rock. Rock was put in on previous building but was not approved. It was mentioned that the city has a new buffering code also. The contractor figured the parking stalls required for both buildings is 21.

Motion made by: Connie Grassi to approve the design with the stipulation of meeting the 30/70 split and that they meet all other city code.

Motion seconded by: Suzanne Williams **Motion carried**

Discussion on Sugar Salem School Transportation & Maintenance Building:

This building is also going to be an all-metal building. It was commented that the road doesn't match up with Railroad Ave. The fire department would have safety concerns because of the current plan of misaligned roads along with the sharp road angle. There is a fifteen-foot offset for business access. The developer will look into this to move the approach over to match up with Railroad Ave. The building will have a bump out which is an architectural feature and it will be a different color than the metal siding. There will be many trees.

Motion made by: Spencer Cook to recommend approval of a variation of the code (regarding the 70/30 split) because of the landscaping next to the building in front of the siding.

Motion seconded by: Suzanne Williams **Motion carried**

It was mentioned that the design review should be updated to fit what the standard approval has been in the business park.

Motion made by: Suzanne Williams to adjourn

Motion seconded by: Spencer Cook **Motion carried**

Meeting Adjourned