

CAPITAL DESIGN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (CDA)
ANNE ARUNDEL HALL & MARYLAND HERITAGE INTERPRETIVE CENTER
PROGRAMS & SITE CONCEPTS

D R A F T Meeting Minutes
August 19, 2009
Auerbach Auditorium, St. Mary's Hall

CDA Members Present

Ray Dodson, Regina Faden, Pete Himmelheber, Al Hovland, Chip Jackson, Bob Lewis, and Mac McClintock

Presentation Minutes

- A. Dr. Gina Faden opened the public meeting began at 7:00 p.m.
- B. Chip Jackson provided an overview of Senate bill 393 of 1997 which directed the College and City to work collaboratively on joint educational programs. Also reviewed were the joint planning efforts between the College, City, and Trinity Church over the past 7 years that have led to the current proposal for replacing Anne Arundel Hall and constructing a new Interpretive Center for Historic St. Mary's City.
- C. Dr. Henry Miller, Dr. Dan Ingersoll, Dr. Julie King provided a presentation on affiliation between St. Mary's College and Historic St. Mary's City, space deficiencies, the proposed building scopes for the Anne Arundel Hall Replacement and the Maryland Heritage Interpretive Center, and the benefits of co-locating College academic programs, City archaeological research and curation programs, and the City's new interpretive center.
- D. Dan Branigan provided a presentation of the alternative sites that were evaluated for the project, the criteria by which the alternatives were evaluated, and the rationale of why the proposed site is the preferred site. An overview of why adaptive re-use of the existing Anne Arundel Hall is not recommended was also provided.
- E. Dr. Julie King presented goals for preserving the history of the existing Anne Arundel Hall through exhibits in the new building and publications such as Slackwater.
- F. Dr. Henry Miller reviewed the archaeological resources known to exist at the proposed site, compared the proposed site to the St. John's site where data recovery of archaeological resources was performed in order to build a new facility, and described the process that will be undertaken at the proposed site to preserve areas of highest archaeological sensitivity while carefully removing resources in areas of less sensitivity.
- G. Christophe Bornand presented the proposed site plan for the new Anne Arundel Hall, the new Interpretive Center, and a proposed new parking to be located in Mill Field adjacent to the Campus Center parking lot.
- H. The public was provided an opportunity to ask questions and provide comments. For a full review of comments and questions, see the transcript of the meeting found at: <http://www.smcm.edu/cda/aahallmhic.html>

I. The public meeting concluded at 9:00 pm.

CDA Discussion

At the conclusion of the public meeting, CDA members discussed the presentations and public comments. The members of the CDA provided the following feedback:

- A. The information presented was effective in describing the nature, benefits, and future direction of the affiliation between the College and the City.
- B. The processes that the College and the City have and will use to protect the proposed site's cultural and historic resources are appropriate.
- C. The College and City are encouraged to pursue LEED green building standards for the new Anne Arundel Hall and the new Interpretive Center projects and to incorporate pervious pavement, enhanced storm water measures, and green site design. The College and City acknowledged their intent to achieve a minimum LEED rating of silver with a goal to achieve gold and to design site features and storm water management systems that exceed minimum regulatory standards.
- D. The proposed program and siting for the new Anne Arundel Hall and Interpretive Center at the site of the existing Anne Arundel Hall is appropriate.

Summary prepared by Chip Jackson