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COURT FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE: COURTHOUSE COST REDUCTION SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES OF OPEN MEETING

March 3, 2016
10:00 AM – 11:15 AM

Judicial Council of California – San Francisco Office

Subcommittee Members Present: Hon. Jeffrey W. Johnson, Chair
Hon. Donald Cole Byrd
Mr. Stephan Castellanos, FAIA
Hon. Keith D. Davis
Ms. Melissa Fowler-Bradley
Hon. William F. Highberger
Hon. Brad R. Hill, Chair, Court Facilities Advisory Committee
Hon. Steven E. Jahr (Ret.) (by phone)
Hon. Gary R. Orozco
Mr. Kevin Stinson (by phone)
Mr. Thomas J. Warwick, Jr.

Others Present: The following Judicial Council staff/others were present:
Hon. Raima H. Ballinger, Presiding Judge, Superior Court of Sonoma County
Hon. Gary Nadler, Judge, Superior Court of Sonoma County
Mr. José Octavio Guillén, Court Executive Officer, Superior Court of Sonoma County
Ms. Cindia Martinez, Deputy Court Executive Officer, Superior Court of Sonoma County
Mr. Michael Palladino, Partner, Richard Meier & Partners Architects
Mr. Jim Crawford, Partner, Richard Meier & Partners Architects
Mr. Bruce McKinley, MEP Engineer, ARUP
Ms. Natalie Daniel, Finance
Mr. Ed Ellestad, Office of Security
Ms. S. Pearl Freeman, AIA, Capital Program
Mr. William J. Guerin, Capital Program
Ms. Angela Guzman, Finance
Ms. Donna Ignacio, Capital Program
Mr. Chris Magnusson, Capital Program
Ms. Kristine Metzker, Capital Program
Ms. Deepika Padam, Capital Program
Ms. Kelly Quinn, Capital Program
Ms. Millicent Tidwell, Chief Operating Officer

OPEN MEETING

Call to Order, Roll Call, and Approval of Meeting Minutes

The chair called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM, and roll was taken. The subcommittee voted unanimously (with the abstention of all members absent from the October 2015 meeting, and the exceptions of Hon. Donald Cole Byrd and Hon. William F. Highberger, as Ex-Officio, non-voting members) to approve the minutes from its meeting held on October 22, 2015, and its actions by email on November 13, 2015, and December 11, 2015.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ITEM

Item 1

Sonoma County–New Santa Rosa Criminal Courthouse: 50 Percent Design Development Review

Ms. Deepika Padam, Judicial Council Senior Project Manager, introduced the project team for the New Santa Rosa Criminal Courthouse: Hon. Gary Nadler, Judge, from the Superior Court of Sonoma County; Mr. Michael Palladino and Mr. Jim Crawford, Partners, from Richard Meier & Partners Architects; and Mr. Bruce McKinley, MEP Engineer, from ARUP. She also indicated that present in the board room from the Superior Court of Sonoma County were: Hon. Raima H. Ballinger, Presiding Judge, Mr. José Octavio Guillén, Court Executive Officer, and Ms. Cindia Martinez, Deputy Court Executive Officer.

Ms. Padam presented the project’s 50 percent design development plans and drawings consistent with the powerpoint slides included in the project materials that were posted on line for public viewing in advance of the meeting. In addition to her focus on the program and design-to-budget information contained within those materials—including the budget shortfall of \$3.01 million—she made the following comments:

- in response to the subcommittee’s request for a report back on whether a roof-top mechanical equipment enclosure could be provided and paid for from the project’s soft costs, Ms. Padam confirmed that the project’s design currently incorporates an enclosure, that it is now an integral component of the mechanical system, that the Office of the State Fire Marshal has stressed its importance, and that it will be a priority to fund out of project costs.
- three peer reviews—of the project’s 50 percent design development plans, structural system, and geotechnical site analysis—had been conducted since the subcommittee’s October 2015 approval of the project’s 100 percent schematic design;
- Rudolph and Sletten, Inc. has been hired as the project’s Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR), who has been extremely helpful in achieving a consolidated cost estimate; and
- the budget shortfall of \$3.01 million—resulting from additions to the building for converged network integration and enhanced seismic performance due to poor soils—is expected to be eliminated by the project’s milestone of 100 percent design development. She noted that this reduction would be achieved through the project team’s value engineering exercises planned with the architect’s cost estimator and the project’s CMAR. She indicated that submission of the 100 percent design development package to the subcommittee is planned for April 2016.

Consistent with the powerpoint slides included in the project materials, Mr. Palladino presented the design update since the project reached 100percent schematic design, Mr. Crawford presented the building's structural system, and Mr. McKinley presented its mechanical, electrical, and plumbing systems and progress toward LEED certification. In addition to the information contained within those materials, Mr. Palladino made the following comment:

- to address the issue raised by the subcommittee of providing a secure path of travel for in-custody persons to and from the first-floor traffic courtroom, the in-custody elevator/area adjacent to the traffic courtroom would be redesigned such that it would be accessible by Sheriff staff.

Action: The subcommittee—with the exceptions of Hon. Donald Cole Byrd and Hon. William F. Highberger, as Ex-Officio, non-voting members—voted unanimously on the following motion:

1. The 50 percent design development report be accepted, and the project team move forward to eliminate the current budget shortfall and complete design development of the Preliminary Plans phase, which includes the submittal of the 100 percent design development report to the subcommittee prior to obtaining State Public Works Board approval.

A D J O U R N M E N T

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 AM.

Approved by the subcommittee on December 1, 2016.