

JEFF CAR 2015 Design Review Team S106 Meeting Notes

Meeting #29: March 23, 2015

Time: 11-12 CT

I. Attendees

Role	Name	Participated
DRT Member	Tom Bradley	X
DRT Member	Maggie Hales	
DRT Member	Vern Remiger	X
DRT Member	Judith Deel	X
DRT Member	Bill Hart	X
DRT Member	Karen Bode Baxter	
DRT Member	Ann Honious	X
DRT Member	Mark Miles	X
Advisor: CRM Team	Kathryn Thomas	X
Facilitator	Margo Brooks	X
Great River Greenways	Lonny Boring	X
CAR2015	Anna Leavey	X
SHPO	Toni Prawl	X
NPS-DSC	Phil Lawrence	X

II. Arch Leg Ramps

Phil Lawrence presented the preferred alternative that came out of a reconsideration of the treatment of the Arch leg ramps. NPS hired three firms to reassess methods for providing both accessibility and increasing the protection of historic fabric. The preferred alternative is a hybrid of several alternative solutions and has the following features:

- Does not touch the ramps around the Arch legs.
- Eliminates one landing between the trench drain and the doors on the outside ramp.
- Shortens the overall length of the ramp system so that the base of the inside ramps do not extend past the lobby columns. The original plan had them extend 7-feet beyond the columns.
- Adds new handrails to each side of the outside and inside ramps.
- Modifications will still be necessary to the doors and the Tram exit stair landing.
- A self-supporting substructure with limited connection points to the existing ramp will be explored rather than concrete infill on the inside ramps.

The DRT was asked to comment on several design issues:

1. Handrail materials: Dark or metallic finish.
The park proposed that they be similar to what is used throughout the building, which is a metallic finish. There was no objection to this proposal.
2. Handrail locations: One side or both
Both sides are needed to make universal design guidelines and there was no objection to this proposal.

3. Ramp design: Should the floor surface extend to the side walls of the interior ramps or not?
No one saw utility in leaving a gap between the floor and the side walls. What is easier to maintain should be built.
4. Finish of ramp sidewalls
The DRT agreed that it should not be concrete so as to differentiate the new construction from the old, but that the design details should follow the Secretary's standards and be worked out with the park CRM Team.

III. Tram Loading Zones

Ann Honious presented a short presentation about new exhibits to be added to the tram loading zones by METRO. There will be minimal changes to the tram lobbies due to the attachment of the new exhibits and running of some utilities.

The DRT had no objection to the new exhibits.

IV. Park DRT Membership

The DRT will be losing a park representative. A replacement will be designated prior to Ann Honious's departure in April.

Additionally, Mark Miles announced his retirement as of March 30. His replacement on the DRT will be Toni Prawl who will be joining the office as Deputy SHPO.

V. Future DRT Meeting Dates

April 22, 2015 @ 9AM Central