

Design Development Update

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: July 14, 2010
Time: 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Project Name: DeKalb County Courthouse Expansion
Job Number: 50038973
Attendance: Ad Hoc Oversight Committee (AHOC):

Ruth Ann Tobias	Larry Anderson	Kenneth Andersen
Julia Fauci	John Hulseberg	Judge Kurt Klein
Maureen Josh		

DeKalb County Staff:

Ray Bockman	Gary Hanson	James Scheffers
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PSAD|BCA:

Daniel Atilano	Matthew Meives
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Gilbane Building Company:

Tom Leonard

Items Discussed:

1. A PowerPoint slide presentation was made by PSAD | BCA. Copies of the material were distributed to all attendees.
2. **Total Project Budget** – the cost estimate, dated July 9, 2010 prepared by Gilbane shows that the total costs are \$790,790 over the \$14.5M budget. A copy of the complete estimate is attached with these meeting minutes. Gilbane and PSAD will work to create ideas on how to bring the project in budget and share them with the committee at the August meeting. Gilbane noted that the budget is based on a cast stone building exterior versus limestone.
3. **Add Alternates** – four add alternates that are not included in the Total Project Budget were include 1) public defender build-out on the lower level, 2) a new security station on the main level, 3) build-out of the second floor courtroom and 4) installing a building emergency generator.
4. **Cast Stone vs Limestone** – A brief update of the activities that occurred since mid-June were recapped along with a discussion on the benefits and advantages of using cast stone in lieu of limestone for the building exterior. Tim Schmidt, President of StoneCast Products, Inc. from Germantown, Wisconsin presented and discussed a case study of a similar project at the University of Wisconsin in size, scope and architectural features. Mr. Schmidt will provide a mock-up wall panel at the courthouse within the next couple of weeks to aid the committee in making the decision to use cast stone. Mr. Schmidt noted that the \$60M Aurora Police Station is a project that was recently completed and illustrates the capabilities of cast stone. Gilbane will review and compare the erection time for cast stone as compared to limestone. It was noted that the cast stone will weather over time similar to the existing limestone. The new construction will be more energy efficient if cast stone is used due to the reduced amount of exterior joints. It was noted that the idea of using cast stone in similar sizes and shapes at the lower level to match the existing courthouse has been discussed. This would provide mortar joints in a pattern that will match the existing construction. The area above the main level of the new construction would incorporate a panelized system to save time, money and reduce the building's energy usage and loss.
5. **Site Plan** – Bill Nicklas, City Manager from the City of Sycamore was present to discuss the proposed changes at Exchange Street. The proposed changes include a one lane west bound traffic pattern with south angled parking and parallel parking to the north. The proposed change results in a net gain of two parking spaces. The proposed street width is 18' with 8' wide parallel parking spaces on the north side. Bill welcomes the building expansion and is glad that the County seat is in Sycamore. A vote will be taken by the Sycamore town council on August 2nd.
6. **Floor Plan Revisions** – A summary of the floor plan revisions was given by Matthew Meives. Jim Scheffers suggested using a laminate glass at the main entrance as part of the security station relocation. Laminate glass breaks but does not allow people to pass through the glass

wall. It was noted that a courtroom mockup can be done two ways, 1) use dimension drawings and place masking tape on a floor or 2) build a plywood replica of the courtroom. Larry Anderson commented that perhaps a plywood courtroom mockup could be constructed by a local high school shop class if it is necessary.

These meeting minutes constitutes my understanding of the items discussed. Please indicate in writing any additions or revisions to my attention.

Sincerely,
PSA Dewberry | BCA

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel R. Atilano". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Daniel R. Atilano, AIA, Principal

Copy: AHOC/Attendees/File
Attachment: Gilbane Cost Estimate, dated July 9, 2010