

**Date:** May 21, 2009

**Location:** Ed Ball Building

**Time:** 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

1<sup>st</sup> Floor Training Room

## **ATTENDEES:**

### **CARC Members**

Jim Rinaman, Chairman  
Honorable Mallory Cooper, Delegate for Chief Judge  
Honorable Don Redman, Council Member District 4 (late arrival)  
Ron Salem, Chairman, BJP Citizens Oversight Committee  
Joey Duncan, P.E., Director of Public Works

### **City Staff**

David Schneider, P.E., Public Works  
Denise Henkes, Public Works  
Eric Lindstrom, JEDC

### **Council Auditor's Office**

Phillip Peterson

### **Design/Build Team**

Margaret Simone, Turner Construction Company  
Tom Rensing, KBJ Architects  
Brian Couch, KBJ Architects

### **Members of the Public**

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Jim Rinaman called the meeting to order. Jim commented 4 of the 5 members are present; declared a quorum, and added that there are about 11 former past Presidents of the Florida Bar in attendance. Jim stated that the purpose of the meeting is to sign off on the final plans. Additionally, Jim would like the CARC to decide whether this will be the last meeting or whether the Committee should continue to overview future construction and major project changes. Jim noted that copies of the presentation have been provided to CARC members and turned the meeting over to David Schneider.

## **PRESENTATION**

David introduced the Committee Members that were present, including CM Don Redman who arrived after Mr. Rinaman's opening remarks.

David briefly discussed the project history to include the planning and coordination efforts of the project to date and the establishment and role of the CARC. Additionally, David provided a brief overview of the budget, contingency fund, and the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP). Discussed May 12, 2009 Notice to Proceed and current test pilings at the project site. Jim further discussed the project history relative to budget. David explained that the presentation today will focus on the CARC objective, "to review the exterior and the interior design to ensure the goals of quality, durability, security and functionality are achieved in the Unified Courthouse." The intent of this meeting is to gain approval. Based on that objective, Jim suggested the CARC should continue to monitor construction. David provided a brief project summary relative to the Wiley Report.

David turned the meeting over to Margaret Simone of Turner Construction and Tom Rensing of KBJ Architects to discuss the interior/exterior project details.

Margaret briefly discussed the goals of the project and stated they have been able to meet those goals within the constraints of the budget. Jim pointed out that Dan Wiley has signed off on the plans as meeting the requirements per the Dan Wiley Report. Margaret discussed the May 12, 2009 NTP and the permit issuance of the Monroe Street closing. Upon completion, Margaret turned the meeting over to Tom Rensing, Principal in Charge, KBJ Architects, to present the details of the design.

Tom discussed the project site location, exterior and interior in detail to include the building height, square footage (800,000 square feet), number of floors, space layout, materials and finishes, LEED Certification, and parking. Primary role of the building is to be functional. Design of the building is functionality first, architectural second. Brief discussion relative to security and traffic flow (entrance/exit routes, stairwells, escalators and elevators) with respect to the general public, judiciary staff and detainees. Tom responded in detail to CM Redman's question regarding entrance/exit routes for detainees. Much discussion relative to conference rooms (number, size, locations and use). Judge Cooper explained in detail the number of conference room locations and multi-purpose use. Additionally, Judge Cooper explained that in the event the Supreme Court tells us that we will have a unified family court, the design of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor meets those requirements. The facility provides for a total of 51 courtrooms (2 C-1 courtrooms, 10 C-2 courtrooms and 39 C-3 courtrooms). Jim asked if both the Old Federal Courthouse (State Attorney's Office) and the new courthouse will be connected to the JEA chiller operation. Tom responded, yes. Judge Cooper pointed out that security will be connected as well; if an event takes place in either building, the other building is aware. Jim asked if there are plans to have a covered walkway between the Old Federal Courthouse and the new courthouse. David responded that a covered walkway is not in the plans. A member of the public asked what the project completion date is. Response: May, 2012.

## **CARC DISCUSSION**

Chairman Rinaman asked for a vote to approve. Ron Salem expressed confidence in the group involved in the completion of this project and made a motion to approve for moving forward with the current plan. Motion was seconded by CM Redman. No further discussion. Motion approved unanimously. Chairman Rinaman then adjourned the meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

David reminded everyone to sign the sign in sheet.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

cc: CARC

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