### BALTIMORE CITY DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING URBAN DESIGN AND ARCHITECTURE REVIEW PANEL MEETING MINUTES

Date: January 25, 2018Meeting #251Project: Beatty Hall AdditionPhase: SchematicLocation: Loyola University – Charles Street at East Cold Spring Lane

## **Presentation:**

Helen Schneider, Associate Vice President for Facilities and Campus Services at Loyola University, opened the presentation by discussing master planning issues regarding the campus with particular focus on the area facing E. Cold Spring Lane and the southern side of the academic quadrangle. The specific site of the addition and its landscaped entrance plaza faces south on E. Cold Spring Lane and currently encompasses an existing parking lot and service entrance, Beatty Hall to the north, and bordered to the east by the existing Xavier Hall site (to be demolished), Jenkins Hall and another surface parking lot. One goal of the campus plan appears to be the creation of a major pedestrian entrance to the main campus quadrangle from E. Cold Spring Lane between Beatty and Jenkins Halls, which ultimate connections to a future multi-level parking garage.

Carol Macht, landscape architect with Hord Coplan Macht further described the currently proposed terraced entry plaza which accommodates the main entrance to the addition as well as creates a shared outdoor classroom space toward the main quadrangle. Additionally, the current plan creates a second stair for pedestrians adjacent to the revised service court entrance west of the proposed building addition.

Nat Finley, architect from Shepley Bulfinch, further described the plan and organization of the four story 50,000 square foot addition, as well as aspects of the building's form and preliminary elevations.

### **Comments from the Panel:**

### General

- The Panel questioned the clarity of the master plan in regards to anticipated future development east of the Beatty Hall expansion and its impact on the currently proposed plaza, any views from the CCIC toward that future development and any related automotive and service movements required by such future development, especially if a multi-level garage is anticipated here.
- The consistent green setback buffer along the Cold Spring sidewalk, in keeping with the recent Donnelly Hall expansion, was well received.

Site

• Consider shifting the expansion eastward to create a stronger entrance exposure from the main quadrangle. Consider a more direct and formal main pedestrian

movement from the street to the quadrangle and perhaps relocate the outdoor classroom component to achieve this clarity.

• Study the opportunity to create a more permanent and effective pedestrian screening between the secondary pedestrian pathway and the service area at the Donnelly service area. Additionally, consider disabled pedestrian access other than stairs at this location.

# **Building Design**

- Consider creating a stronger relationship internally between the existing Beatty Hall and its expansion.
- Consider expressive shade elements along the southern exposure of the proposed addition.

Panel Action: Recommend continuing Schematic study addressing the above comments.

Attending: Helen Schneider, Jim Miller, Joan Flynn, Kate Grubb Clark - Loyola Univ. Nat Finley – Shepley Bulfinch Architects Carol Macht, Om Khurjekatl - Hord Coplan Macht Blaine Linkus - WBC

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