RALEIGH APPEARANCE COMMISSION Minutes of the Business Meeting Thursday, October 21, 2010

Members present: Jim Harris, Leza Mundt, Dean Rains, Julieta Sherk, Tom Skolnicki, Ted Van Dyk, Vincent Whitehurst, and Stan Williams. Bang Le arrived after the meeting began.

Members not present: Elizabeth Byrd (*excused*), Tyler Highsmith (*unexcused*), John Holmes (*excused*), Omar McCallop (*excused*), and Robert Taylor (*excused*).

Staff present: Doug Hill.

REVIEW OF SEPTMBER MINUTES

Vincent Whitehurst called for review of the minutes of the September 16 commission meeting. <u>Leza Mundt moved that the minutes be approved</u>. <u>Ted Van Dyk seconded; passed unanimously</u>.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Development Review Committee

Vincent Whitehurst reported on site plans reviewed at the September 21, October 5 and October 19 committee meetings.

Strategic/ Outreach Committee

<u>Wake County Parking Deck Aesthetic Improvements</u>: Stan Williams stated that it appears the Wake County Commission may support the banner concept, but discussion is continuing regarding the time extension for Empire Properties to begin the "L" building. A mural concept also may be under consideration.

NEW BUSINESS

2011 Meeting Schedule

The proposed committee and commission meeting dates met with approval by acclimation. Stan William asked whether the commission meeting time might be changed from 5:30 to 5:00 PM; Doug Hill replied he would check regarding room availability.

OLD BUSINESS

Recap: 2010 Sir Walter Raleigh Awards

Vincent Whitehurst congratulated commission members on their efforts, but added he wishes to improve the event planning process. He suggested an event manager be chosen as the go-to person for organizing the event. He also called for a master list/ timeline of planning elements for 2011 to be developed. Stan Williams noted the Triangle chapter of the Urban Land Institute had expressed interest in partnering to present the event, citing Raleigh as one of the few cities that honors development design. The need for commitment from commission members to carry through the event was also cited. Ted Van Dyk suggested the discussion be referred to the Strategic/ Outreach Committee, to develop recommendations regarding a work program/ timeline for accomplishing event planning.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:17 PM. Commission members then retired to the Busy Bee Café, for the commission's annual retreat and discussion of the Work Program.

NOVEMBER 2010 MEETING SCHEDULE

Development Review Committee	Tues., Nov. 2 – 4:00 PM; Room 809, OEP Tues., Nov. 16 – 4:00 PM; Room 809, OEP
Strategic/Outreach Committee	Wed., Nov. 10 – 5:00 PM; Room 303, RMB
Appearance Commission	Thurs., Nov. 18 - 5:30 PM; Room 305, RMB