

University of Colorado Design Review Board Meeting Notes

Date: Wednesday, December 17, 2025
Time: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Location: Via Zoom

DRB and Campus Members present:

Jody Beck, Sarah Brown, Tom Hootman, David Keltner, Laurel Raines, Chris Shears, and d'Andre Willis, campus DRB member for the University of Colorado Boulder campus (CU Boulder).

Others in attendance not otherwise noted:

Kori Donaldson, AVP of Budget, Planning, and Capital and ex officio member of the DRB
Linda Money, CU Real Estate Services, CU System employee / DRB notetaker
Emily Parker, Sr. Budget, Planning, and Policy Analyst, Office of the VP for Budget & Finance

Chris Shears, Chair, determined a quorum and called the meeting of the Design Review Board to order at 10:00 a.m.

10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Study Session – *Board only*

During the study session, the DRB met Charles Cummings, the new PDC Executive Director of Development for UCCS.

11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Campus Wayfinding & Signage Master Plan – *CU Boulder Schematic Design* (Action Requested)

Architects/Consultants:

AW-ARCH
Signals

Presenters:

Chris Grimley, Signals
Mazen Sakr, AW-ARCH
Paul Wood, Project Manager, AW-ARCH

CU Boulder Campus Presenters:

d'Andre Willis, Director of Planning/Campus Architect,
Facilities Planning
Richelle Goedert, Campus Landscape Architect, Senior
Planner, Facilities Planning

Description: Schematic Design submittal for a project to design and implement a campus-wide wayfinding system.

A/E Presentation

The design team gave a comprehensive presentation of the submittal package, which is available upon request through the contact information noted at the bottom of this document.

DRB Comments

A. Energy and Sustainability

- At DD, the design team should provide information about ongoing maintenance and the production of new signage in the future. Will quantity requirements based on the color selection make producing new signage costly or difficult?
- At DD, continue to expand on the information provided to date about the materials selection and life cycle.

B. Site & Landscape Architecture and Architecture

- Continue to study the definition and naming of the neighborhoods. Consider capitalizing on the strong east-west connections on campus and creating neighborhoods that are north or south of a strong east-west wayfinding point. Also, consider campus landmarks that can be used for possible neighborhood names.
- The DRB looks forward to reviewing color samples at the DD meeting.
- Study the variation in base height between the different signage group types to determine if the bases should be aligned in height.
- At DD, provide sample map graphics for review.
- At DD, be prepared to make recommendations about building signage. Should the guidelines develop a strategy about appropriate building signage(size, type, location, limits)?

DRB Action

Tom Hootman moved to approve the Schematic Design submittal for the CU Boulder Campus Wayfinding and Signage Master Plan Renovation with the comments noted above. David Keltner seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

There being no further business, the public meeting of the Design Review Board adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

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