



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY OF CONCORD
DESIGN REVIEW BOARD**

**Thursday, January 22, 2015
5:30 p.m., Regular Meeting
PERMIT CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM
1950 Parkside Drive, Bldg. D**

Board Members Present:	J. Moore, R. Wells, E. Avila, P. Harmon, K. Shelby
Staff Present:	F. Abejo, J. Ryan, A. Mogensen
Audience Attendance	5 people

SUMMARY MINUTES/ANNOTATED AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – *None.*

ADDITIONS/CONTINUANCES/WITHDRAWALS – *Cowell Estates was added as a Staff Report Item.*

CONSENT CALENDAR

A. 1/08/14 Meeting Minutes

ACTION: *Approved, 4-0. (Harmon motioned, Shelby seconded. Avila abstained.)*

STAFF REPORTS – *Cowell Estates – Comments provided. Plans to return with dimensions and revised details.*

HEARINGS – *None*

STUDY SESSION

- 1. Downtown BART Station Intermodal Project - Study Session with BART Planning Department representative and City staff to review the BART intermodal project and plaza design which is intended to create a strong pedestrian axis through the station to orient the BART rider toward the downtown through redesign of the plaza. The scope of the project includes the BART Station northern plaza area, a southern sidewalk connection to Oakland Avenue, crosswalk improvements, reconfiguration of parking and curb areas, new lighting, way-finding signage, a secure bike station, and a bird screen/deterrent within the station. BART has requested input from the City regarding specific design elements. **Project Planner: Joan Ryan @ (925) 671-3370.****

ACTION: *The Board suggested regarding the proposed bird mitigation that BART should take a look at a design option with an arched design reflective of the entry arches to be built at Todos Santos Plaza. For the crosswalks, the Board was satisfied with the use of a DuraTherm product, utilizing a herringbone design in brick red and agreed with staff's recommendation to utilize the existing wayfinding design established within the downtown for the proposed kiosk at the north end of the plaza. The Board was also in favor of the hardscape design with interlocking pavers and colored concrete proposed for the plaza. The Board agreed on the contemporary design for the banners. Lighting standards had mixed opinion between those options that were more decorative versus more modern, but the Board was interested in a design that provides adequate lighting and was open to contemporary design options. Bollard design would then be compatible. In terms of the site furnishings, the Board suggested including a few benches with backs on them to assist elderly BART riders. The Board provided thanks and appreciation to BART representatives for their time and efforts in improving the Downtown BART station.*

BOARD CONSIDERATIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS – None.

STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS – *Staff announced the upcoming Design Review Board field trip would include the PG&E Distribution Center, Lazy Dog, the Willows Shopping Center, and a residential subdivision.*

ADJOURNMENT – 7:07 p.m. (5-0. Shelby motioned, Wells seconded.)

NEXT DESIGN REVIEW BOARD MEETINGS:

February 12, 2015

February 26, 2015 – Cancelled

February 27, 2015 – Special Meeting/Field Trip
