City of Dallas

## **UDPRP Review Summary** 03.23.18

Urban Design Peer Review Panel

DATE: 03.23.18

TIME: 8:30am

PROJECT: 505 Riverfront

LOCATION: Dallas City Hall Room 5ES

## Overview

Below is a summary of Urban Design Peer Review Panel advice for 505 Riverfront as derived from the March 23rd Peer Review session.

## **Advice Summary**

- [1] As an essential and iconic component of the project, the panel is greatly supportive of a bold approach toward connections to the Trinity River levee, and recommends all efforts be made to create a variety of experiences that provide direct connections from the internal public spaces to the levee top.
- [2] The panel suggests the public connections to the levee be amplified to adequately represent their public nature and experience.
- [3] The overall public realm design scheme should be implemented as a contiguous experience of connected open spaces.
- [4] The panel recommends the center spine street be further developed toward creating a curated series of experiences leading toward the Trinity.
- [5] The panel expresses caution in a jagged or fragmented built edge condition, particularly along the central spine street, thus recommending thought be given towards a more consistent continuous edge condition produced by buildings framing the public realm.
- [6] Panel strongly recommends an appropriately scaled approach toward the Riverfront Blvd. frontage that addresses its potential as a prominent urban corridor connecting multiple downtown districts.
- [7] As design continues to advance for the area located beneath the Margaret Hunt Hill bridge, attention should be given to ensure that this area be designed as programmable public space that contributes to the overall project vision.
- [8] Continued thought should be given toward the design and visual presence of roof decks and upper level amenity spaces as they will be visible from vantage points within and adjacent to the site.