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GDPC ANNOUNCES 2017 URBAN DESIGN AWARD WINNERS

The Greater Dallas Planning Council has announced the winners of its annual Urban Design Awards recognizing projects and individuals for excellence and leadership in urban design and urban planning in the Dallas region.

The winners include:

Built Award: Tyler Station – a private renovation of a 1920's industrial 110,000 sf property, originally occupied by Dixie Wax Paper Company, into a light manufacturing, retail office co-working community. Tyler station is a transit oriented development. Winner – Options Real Estate Investment, Inc. / Tyler Station LLC, JQAQ Atelier LLC (architect & tenant).

Built Award Honorable Mention: Cityline (City of Richardson)

Built Award Honorable Mention: Lorenzo Hotel (Merriman Anderson Architects & Hamilton Properties)

Dream Award: McKinney – Cole – The McKinney-Cole corridor project will revert the one-way portions of McKinney and Cole Avenues as well as Carlisle and Allen streets back to two-way traffic. By doing so, the intersections of the one-way streets would become obsolete and offer opportunities to redesign the intersections and re-purpose excessive paving into public spaces.

Dunnigan Media Award: Jim Schutze has been a community observer and columnist for the Dallas Observer since 1998. He has been a recipient of the Association of Alternative Newsweeklies national award for best commentary and Lincoln University's National Unity Award for writing on civil rights and social issues. In 2011, he was admitted to the Texas Institute of Letters.



Kessler Award: Preservation Dallas. The organization is dedicated to the preservation and revitalization of the city's historic buildings, neighborhoods and places in Dallas. Preservation Dallas is a nonprofit membership organization that champions preservation initiatives throughout the community enhancing the quality of life and economic development of Dallas.

Pioneer Award: Steven Duong is an urban designer with AECOM for the firms Design + Planning practice in Dallas. He has led a wide variety of projects, most recently serving as the lead consultant for the City of Dallas 100 Resilient Cities strategy and the Texas Hyperloop proposal. He holds undergraduate degrees in urban planning and landscape architecture and a master's degree in city and regional planning.

Carmen Garcia, president of the GDPC, thanked the members of the GDPC UDA jury, including Taner R. Ozdil, Ph.D., ASLA, UDA Jury Chair; Brian Keith, Bud Melton, Diane Jones Allen, Donald Gatzke, Ross Kahn and Michael Grace.

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