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MINUTES

Landmarks Preservation Commission Planning and Development Services Department

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Date: September 13, 2023

Location: Hybrid – Conference Room 243, 747 Market Street, Tacoma WA 98402 & Zoom Webinar

Commission Members in Attendance:

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Staff Present:

Reuben McKnight
Mary Crabtree
Nick Anderson, Office of Management and Budget

Others Present:

N/A

Commissioner Members Excused:

N/A

Commission Members Absent:

N/A

Chair Bartoy called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS LANDS

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no written comments received for public comment.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted.

A. Excusal of Absences: N/A

B. Approval of Minutes: 04/26/23

The minutes of the April 26, 2023, meetings were approved as submitted.

C. Administrative Review:

- 2111 S. J Street – school renaming to Edna Travis Elementary

5. BOARD BRIEFINGS

A. Facilities Advisory Committee (FAC) *Report Overview*

McKnight read the staff report as provided in the packet.

Anderson provided an update on the FAC, including the problem statement, an overview of the process, the scope of work, the meeting calendar, the criteria and scoring system, a prioritized project list, historic facilities, additional recommendations, an accountability mechanism, conclusions, and next steps.

Discussion ensued regarding the historic facilities on the recommended project list, the weight of criteria categories, the equity assessment tool, the Pro-Equity Anti-Racism (PEAR) program, recommendations of new sites, accessibility and ADA compliance, fire stations that are not historic, building adaptability, and multiple-use opportunities.

6. BOARD BUSINESS/COMMUNICATION ITEMS

A. Equity Committee updates

There were no Equity Committee updates.

McKnight provided an overview of the public kick-off meeting for URC Tacoma's Black Heritage Survey project on August 30, 2023.

Discussion ensued regarding appreciation for the survey, the importance of recognizing people in addition to the architecture, and identifying important locations where the architecture no longer exists.

B. Events & Activities

- A site visit to the Willamette Casket Building (2916 S. Steele Street) on Wednesday, October 18, 2023, at 4:00 p.m.
- The South Tacoma Mixed-Use Center Historic Property Survey will be commencing soon. A public kick-off meeting is being planned, tentatively for October.

C. Communication Item - College Park Historic District Resubmittal

McKnight noted the Commission's agenda packet included a letter from the Planning Commission to the City Council regarding the most recent College Park application.

7. CHAIR COMMENTS

The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

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