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MINUTES

Landmarks Preservation Commission Planning and Development Services Department

Staff

Reuben McKnight, Historic Preservation Officer
Susan Johnson, Historic Preservation Coordinator
Tina Nailor, Historic Preservation Intern
Mary Crabtree, Administrative Assistant

Date: May 8, 2024

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

Commission Members in Attendance:

Kevin Bartoy, Chair
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Staff Present:

Reuben McKnight
Susan Johnson
Tina Nailor

Others Present:

Michael Gorman
Gretchen Newton
Amy Manny

Commissioner Members Excused:

Laurel McQuade
Deborah Cade, North Slope Ex-Officio

Commission Members Absent:

N/A

Chair Bartoy called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS LANDS

The commissioners took a moment to introduce themselves, as they welcomed newly appointed members.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

McKnight reported that no written comments were received for public comment.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted.

A. Excusal of Absences:

- Laurel McQuade
- Deborah Cade

B. Approval of Minutes: 07/12/23

The minutes of the July 12, 2023, meeting were approved as submitted.

C. Administrative Review:

- 508 N. K St. – foundation stabilization
- 914 N. M St. – foundation repair
- 1005 N. M St. – porch repairs

5. DESIGN REVIEW

A. 715 Pacific Ave. (Old City Hall Historic District)

Security gate

McKnight read the staff report as provided in the packet. Gorman provided additional information on the proposal.

Discussion ensued regarding paper in the windows, the proposed drawings, and the purpose of the gate.

Commissioner Rousseau moved that the Landmarks Preservation Commission approve the application for installation of a security gate at 715 Pacific Avenue as presented finding that the proposal is consistent with the applicable design guidelines as included in the analysis. Discussion ensued regarding community wellbeing. Vice-Chair seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

B. 3419 N. 27th St. (Semple House)

Renovation with proposed additions

Nailor read the staff report as provided in the packet. Newton provided additional information on the proposal.

Discussion ensued regarding the mudroom, design elements, alcove measurements, and the door orientation.

Vice-Chair Baersten moved that the Landmarks Preservation Commission approve the application for addition and remodel at 3419 N. 27th Street as presented finding that the proposal is consistent with the applicable Secretary of the Interior Standards for Rehabilitation design guidelines as included in the analysis. Commissioner Rousseau seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. BOARD BUSINESS/COMMUNICATION ITEMS

A. Equity Committee updates

There were no Equity Committee updates.

Johnson provided an update on the Hilltop sidewalk plaques along Martin Luther King Jr.

B. Staff updates

McKnight provided an update on the Charter Review Committee, outlining potential changes that could impact the Commission. Additionally, he shared insights on the current work underway at Frisko Freeze.

C. Events & Activities

- May is Historic Preservation Month, Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, and Bike Month. Some of the events include but are not limited to the following:
 - May 3: Walking tour of Fernhill with Pretty Gritty Tours at 6 p.m.
 - May 4: Tacoma In Motion: Free public screening of recently digitized audio and video files from the Northwest Room's local history collections at 4:30 p.m. at Grand Cinema
 - May 7: City Council Proclamation, annual program report on April 10, 2024
 - May 11: Summit on Black History and Preservation in Washington State, at 10 a.m. at Tacoma Evergreen campus, 1210 6th Ave.
 - May 15: Walk Tacoma – Old Town History Walk at 6 p.m.
 - May 16: Japanese American Day of Remembrance, at the Washington State History Museum at 3:30 p.m.
 - May 18: Eastside Story Fest at 1 p.m. at Eastside Community Center, 1721 East 56th St.
 - May 23: Annual Tacoma Historic Preservation Awards ceremony at 6 p.m. at the Blue Mouse Theater, 2611 N. Proctor St.

- One Tacoma Plan update engagement:
 - Thursday, May 16 - Silas High School at 6:00 p.m.
 - Saturday, May 18 - Center at Norpoint at 12:00 p.m.
 - Thursday, May 23 - Tacoma Armory at 6:00 p.m.
 - Thursday, May 30 - Mason Middle School at 6:00 p.m.
 - Thursday, June 6 - Virtual Workshop at 6:00 p.m.
 - Monday, June 10 - Mt Tahoma High School at 6:00 p.m.
 - Saturday, June 15 - Wapato Park Pavilion at 1:00 p.m.
 - Thursday, June 27 - Salishan Family Investment Center at 6:00 p.m.

7. CHAIR COMMENTS

The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.

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