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MINUTES

Landmarks Preservation Commission Planning and Development Services Department

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

Date: October 23, 2024

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

Commission Members in Attendance:

Kevin Bartoy, Chair
Jennifer Baersten, Vice-Chair
Sarah Hilsendeger
Laurel McQuade
Alex Morganroth
Bryan Rousseau
Lysa Schloesser
George Zeno (arrived at 5:38 p.m.)
Deborah Cade, North Slope Ex-Officio

Staff Present:

Reuben McKnight
Tina Nailor
Mary Crabtree

Others Present:

Matt Davis

Commissioner Members Excused:

Jenny Sullivan

Commission Members Absent:

Anahita Modrek
Gia Mugford, Wedge Ex-Officio

Chair Bartoy called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS LANDS

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

- Jenny Sullivan

B. Approval of Minutes: 11/08/23, 12/13/23

The minutes of the November 8 and December 13, 2023, meetings were approved as submitted.

C. Administrative Review: N/A

5. SPECIAL TAX VALUATION

A. 1109 N. 7th St.

McKnight read the staff report as provided in the packet.

Commissioner Zeno arrived here at 5:38 p.m.

Commissioner McQuade moved that the Landmarks Preservation Commission approve the Special Tax Valuation application for 1109 N. 7th St. for \$316,734. Commissioner Hilsendeger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. BOARD BRIEFINGS

A. Comprehensive Plan

This item was postponed until later in the meeting.

7. BOARD BUSINESS/COMMUNICATION ITEMS

A. Equity Committee updates

There were no Equity Committee updates.

B. Cushman and Adams Substations *Reuse project update*

McKnight provided an update regarding the Cushman and Adams Substations.

C. Events & Activities

- Tacoma Historical Society's City of Destiny Festival will be Sunday, October 27, 2024, at 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at Edison Square, 5415 South Tacoma Way.
- The Landmarks Commission will have an optional site visit and tour of Old City Hall on Wednesday, November 20, 2024, at 3 p.m.

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McKnight read the staff report as provided in the packet.

Matt Davis presented past questions from the Commission, an overview of structural changes, policy audit principles, and the draft element goals, goal categories, sample policies, and the project schedule.

Discussion ensued throughout regarding the draft goals, including demolition protections, "best practices" language, the preservation of underrepresented groups' history, the promotion of historic preservation, and actionable items with measurable outcomes. The Commission also discussed the Commission's timeline for comments, the connection between the goals and macro-goals, plan objectives, and separating controls and incentives from landmarks designations.

8. CHAIR COMMENTS

The meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

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