

RESOLUTION NO. 38925

A RESOLUTION relating to historic preservation; rescinding the historic designation and removing the property known as the J.M. Hendrickson Homestead, located at 1239 East 54th Street, from the Tacoma Register of Historic Places.

WHEREAS Chapter 13.07 of the Tacoma Municipal Code establishes a procedure for the designation and preservation of structures and areas having historical, cultural, architectural, archaeological, engineering, or geographic importance, and

WHEREAS, on November 29, 2011, at the request of the property owner, the five-acre J.M. Hendrickson Homestead ("Property"), including the house, garage, barn, surrounding site, and historic landscaping, was placed on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places, and

WHEREAS the Property is considered historically significant for its association with Tacoma's Scandinavian heritage, as well as its association with Tacoma's farming history, and

WHEREAS, in 2012, due to unforeseen financial necessity, the Property

owner sought to subdivide the Property and sell a portion for redevelopment, and WHEREAS, on December 17, 2013, following a recommendation from the Landmarks Preservation Commission ("Commission"), the City Council adopted Resolution No. 38803, altering the boundaries of the original designation, and

WHEREAS the altered boundaries of the historic designation proved insufficient to attract investors due to property platting requirements, and thus did not alleviate the financial difficulties of the owner, and

WHEREAS, based on feedback from the Commission, the owner submitted a request for Rescission of the Landmarks Designation on March 26, 2014, and

WHEREAS the Commission held a public hearing to receive comments on April 23, 2014, and no comments were received, and

WHEREAS City staff concurs with the Commission's recommendation to remove the Property from the Tacoma Register of Historic Places due to the unique circumstances of the owner; Now, Therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

That, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 13.07 of the Tacoma Municipal Code, the City Council hereby rescinds the historic designation and removes the following property from the Tacoma Register of Historic Places:

J.M. Hendrickson Homestead

more particularly described as: 1239 East 54th Street Tacoma, WA 98404

Parcel 0320222126

Amended Legal Description:

The East 200 feet of the following described property:

Beginning at a point where the East line of the South half of the Northwest Quarter of Section 22, in Township 20 North, Range 3 East of the Willamette Meridian, intersects the North line of East 56th Street, running North 660 feet; Thence West 254 feet to the true point of beginning; Thence North 300 feet parallel with the East line of said Section 22:

Thence North 300 feet parallel with the East line of said Section 22; Thence West 127 feet parallel with the North line of East 56th Street; Thence North 300 feet parallel with the East line of said Section 22;

Thence West 381 feet parallel with the North line of East 56th Street;



Thence South 600 feet parallel with the East line of said Section 22; Thence East 508 feet to the true point of beginning; 1 Being Tracts 1,2,3,7,8,9 and 10, as shown on the Unrecorded Plat of 2 Sheridan Garden Tracts. 3 EXCEPT the following: 4 Beginning at a point 30 feet South and 381 feet West of the 5 Northeast corner of the Southeast Quarter of the Northwest Quarter of Section 22, Township 20 North, Range 3 East of the Willamette 6 Meridian: 7 Thence South 300 feet: Thence West 127 feet; 8 Thence North 300 feet; 9 Thence East 127 feet to the point of beginning. 10 Records of Pierce County; situate in the County of Pierce, State of Washington. 11 12 13 Adopted _____ 14 15 Mayor Attest: 16 17 City Clerk 18 Approved as to form: Legal Description Approved: 19 20 Deputy City Attorney Chief Surveyor 21 Public Works Department 22 23 24 25 26