

## Members

Kevin Bartoy, Chair  
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Jeff Williams  
Deborah Cade, North Slope Ex-Officio  
Leah Jaggars, Wedge Ex-Officio



# MINUTES

## Landmarks Preservation Commission Planning and Development Services Department

### Staff

Reuben McKnight, Historic Preservation Officer  
Lauren Hoogkamer, Assistant Historic Preservation Officer  
Zoe Scuderi, Historic Preservation Intern  
Mary Crabtree, Administrative Assistant

**Date:** July 28, 2021

**Location:** *Virtual Zoom Webinar*

### Commission Members in Attendance:

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Sarah Hilsendeger  
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Alex Morganroth  
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Holly Stewart  
Carol Sundstrom  
Deborah Cade  
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### Staff Present:

Lauren Hoogkamer  
Zoe Scuderi  
Mary Crabtree

### Others Present:

Pilar Jones  
Ellen Mirro  
Jeff Ryan  
David Stokes  
Ryan Summers

### Commissioner Members Excused:

Jennifer Mortensen, Vice-Chair  
Jonathan Hart

### Commission Members Absent:

Jeff Williams

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

## 1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS LANDS

## 2. ROLL CALL

## 3. CONSENT AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted.

### A. Excusal of Absences

- Jennifer Mortensen, Vice-Chair
- Jonathan Hart

## 4. DEMOLITION REVIEW

### A. Jackson Hall, 314 Martin Luther King Jr. Way

Ms. Hoogkamer read the staff report as provided in the packet.

Chair Bartoy requested clarifications regarding the questions before the Commission.

Commissioner Morganroth asked about the redevelopment potential and criteria considerations.

Discussion ensued regarding recent guidance from the City Council and an upcoming Director's Rule.

Commissioner Johnson called attention to the minimal differences regarding the exterior between the old and new photos, and he stated that the building is in good condition and is eligible for the Tacoma Register of Historic Places.

Commissioner Hilsendeger concurred with Commissioner Johnson regarding eligibility.

Discussion ensued regarding balancing the historical significance and public need/benefit, clarification on the criteria that the Commission can consider, and future use of the space. Mr. Stokes provided information on the future use proposal.

Commissioner Johnson indicated that the public benefit would allow for the demolition but requests some remediation. Mr. Stokes stated there are several elements to memorialize, such as a statuary garden that honors the School of Nursing.

Discussion continued regarding memorializing the School of Nursing, reusing bricks from the current structure and safety concerns on reusing those materials, preserving the historical elements, and salvaging opportunities.

*Commissioner Stewart moved that the Landmarks Preservation Commission find Jackson Hall to be eligible but should not be forwarded to the Tacoma Historic Register of Historic Places and recommends mitigation measures, including salvage of materials from the existing building as feasible and memorializing the current structure and School of Nursing. Commissioner Johnson seconded.*

Commissioner Morganroth asked for additional information on the upcoming Director's Rule.

*The motion passed unanimously.*

## **5. DESIGN REVIEW**

### **A. 2108 Commerce Street (Union Depot/Warehouse Historic District) Brewery Blocks Gateway Sign Structure Only**

Ms. Hoogkamer read the staff report as provided in the packet.

Chair Bartoy asked about the signage associated with the proposal.

Commissioner Hilsendeger asked if this design was reviewed previously.

Discussion ensued regarding the signage, if the structure was climbable, clarification of the proposal, and the industrial appearance of the sign structure.

*Commissioner Hilsendeger moved that the Landmarks Preservation Commission approve the application for 2108 Commerce Street as submitted. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion.*

Commissioner Stewart asked if this item will return regarding the signage graphics.

*The motion passed unanimously.*

## **6. PRESERVATION PLANNING/BOARD BUSINESS**

### **A. Proposed College Park Historic District Review Schedule**

Ms. Hoogkamer read the staff report as provided in the packet.

*Commissioner Stewart moved to approve the proposed review schedule and public notice of the proposed College Park Historic District. Commissioner Hilsendeger seconded. The motion passed unanimously.*

## 7. CHAIR COMMENTS

Commissioner Cade requested an update regarding the house that was illegally demolished at 811 North Ainsworth Avenue one to two years ago.

Commissioner Hilsendeger asked for procedural clarification regarding the proposed College Park Historic District.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:29 p.m.

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