

## Members

Kevin Bartoy, Chair  
Jennifer Baersten, Vice-Chair  
Sarah Hilsendeger  
Laurel McQuade  
Anahita Modrek  
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Lysa Schloesser  
Jenny Sullivan  
George Zeno  
Deborah Cade, North Slope Ex-Officio  
Gia Mugford, Wedge Ex-Officio



# MINUTES

## Landmarks Preservation Commission Planning and Development Services Department

## Staff

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

**Date:** October 8, 2025

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

### Commission Members in Attendance:

Kevin Bartoy, Chair  
Sarah Hilsendeger  
Laurel McQuade  
Anahita Modrek  
Alex Morganroth  
Bryan Rousseau  
Gia Mugford, Wedge Ex-Officio

### Staff Present:

Reuben McKnight  
Susan Johnson  
Mary Crabtree

### Others Present:

N/A

### Commissioner Members Excused:

Jennifer Baersten, Vice-Chair  
Lysa Schloesser  
Jenny Sullivan  
Deborah Cade, North Slope Ex-Officio

### Commission Members Absent:

George Zeno

Chair Bartoy called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.

### 1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS LANDS

### 2. ROLL CALL

### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

No written comment were received for public comment.

### 4. CONSENT AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted.

#### A. Excusal of Absences:

- Jennifer Baersten
- Jenny Sullivan
- Lysa Schloesser
- Deborah Cade

#### B. Approval of Minutes: N/A

#### C. Administrative Review: 810 N. M St. – gas fireplace chimney removal

## 5. SPECIAL TAX VALUATION

### A. 720 Sixth Ave (Wright Park Condos)

Johnson read the staff report as provided in the packet.

*Commissioner Hilsendeger moved that the Landmarks Preservation Commission approve the Special Tax Valuation application for 720 Sixth Ave for \$1,390,382.58. Commissioner McQuade seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

### B. 625 Commerce St (Old City Hall)

Johnson read the staff report as provided in the packet.

Discussion ensued regarding future phases on the project.

*Commissioner McQuade moved that the Landmarks Preservation Commission approve the Special Tax Valuation application for 625 Commerce Street for \$10,143,322.42. Commissioner Hilsendeger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.*

## 6. BOARD BUSINESS/COMMUNICATION ITEMS

### A. Equity Committee Update

There were no Equity Committee updates

### B. Events & Activities

- Recruitment for the Landmarks Preservation Commission is underway, and applications are due October 13, 2025.
- From September 15 to October 15, Tacoma is celebrating Hispanic and Latine Heritage Month.
- October is Arts Month in Tacoma. Find out more, including a calendar of events, at Tacoma Arts Month .
- The City of Tacoma's Events and Recognitions Committee (CERC) is now accepting nominations for Tacoma community members to be honored for their service at the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration in January 2026. The deadline for nominations in the categories of the Lifetime Service Award (groups, organizations, and individuals eligible) and the Emerging Leader Award (individuals) is Tuesday, October 28, 2025. Find the nomination application here. More details: Nominations Open for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Service Awards | City of Tacoma
- DOCOMOMO will be hosting a talk and tour at Christ Episcopal Church, 310 N. K St., on Saturday October 18.

## 7. CHAIR COMMENTS

Chair Bartoy noted the reported out to the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:54 p.m.

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