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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: October 9, 2024

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

Commission Members in Attendance:

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Staff Present:

Reuben McKnight
Susan Johnson
Tina Nailor
Mary Crabtree

Others Present:

Marshall McClintock

Commissioner Members Excused:

Alex Morganroth
Gia Mugford, Wedge Ex-Officio

Commission Members Absent:

George Zeno

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

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS LANDS

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

The Commission received thirteen written comments for public comment.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted.

A. Excusal of Absences

- Alex Morganroth
- Gia Mugford

B. Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of the October 11 and October 25, 2023, meetings were approved as submitted.

C. Administrative Review: 10/11/23, 10/25/23

5. PUBLIC HEARING – NOMINATION TO THE TACOMA REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES

A. McCormick Building/Wheelock Branch Library
3722 N 26th Street

B. Mottet Branch Library
3523 E. G St.

Chair Bartoy called the public hearing to order at 5:36 p.m.

McKnight read the staff report for the McCormick Building/Wheelock Branch Library as provided in the packet.

Chair Bartoy called for testimony. No individuals addressed the Commission.

McKnight read the staff report for the Mottet Branch Library as provided in the packet.

Chair Bartoy called for testimony. No individuals addressed the Commission.

Chair Bartoy closed the public hearing at 5:47 p.m.

Vice-Chair Baersten moved that the Landmarks Preservation Commission recommend to City Council that the McCormick Building at the Wheelock Branch Library, 3722 N. 26th St., be included on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places, including the exterior of the building and excluding the 1988 edition, finding that it does meet Criteria listed in the staff report. Commissioner Sullivan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Sullivan moved that the Landmarks Preservation Commission recommend to City Council that the Mottet Branch Library, 3523 E. G St., be included on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places, including the elements listed on the staff report finding that it does meet the criteria of TMC 13.07.040. Commissioner Schloesser seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. BOARD BUSINESS/COMMUNICATION ITEMS

A. Equity Committee updates

There were no Equity Committee updates.

B. Events & Activities

- September 15th through October 15th is Hispanic Heritage Month. One of the many events happening in Tacoma is the Festival Herencia Latina on Saturday, October 12, 2024, from 12 – 5 p.m.
- October is Filipino American History Month. Tacoma City Council made an official proclamation on Tuesday, October 2, 2024.
- Washington State Historical Society will host “Laban: The Filipino Fighting Spirit” on October 17, 2024, at 3 p.m.
- Tacoma Historical Society’s City of Destiny Festival will be Sunday, October 27, 2024, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. at Edison Square, 5415 South Tacoma Way.
- There will be a presentation on the progress of Old City Hall’s rehabilitation from Eli Moreno, at Tacoma Historical Society’s Annual Membership Meeting on Monday, October 14, 2024, at 7 p.m. 406 Tacoma Avenue South.
- The Washington Trust for Historic Preservation presents the 2024 PLACES Conference, October 16-18, in Walla Walla, Washington.

7. CHAIR COMMENTS

McKnight noted that he provided a general overview of the Commission’s activities over the past year at the Infrastructure, Planning, and Sustainability Committee meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:57 p.m.

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