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

Date: September 8, 2021

Location: *Virtual Zoom Webinar*

Commission Members in Attendance:

Kevin Bartoy, Chair
Sarah Hilsendeger
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Alex Morganroth
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Holly Stewart
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Staff Present:

Reuben McKnight
Lauren Hoogkamer
Mary Crabtree
Zoe Scuderi

Others Present:

Julius Pallotta
Chris Jones

Commissioner Members Excused:

Jonathan Hart
Carol Sundstrom
Jeff Williams

Commission Members Absent:

Jennifer Mortensen, Vice-Chair

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

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS LANDS

2. ROLL CALL

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Chair Bartoy stated that Item 6B, relating to 1311 N 6th, will be rescheduled and will not be heard at this meeting. The agenda was approved as amended.

A. Excusal of Absences

- Jonathan Hart
- Carol Sundstrom
- Jeff Williams

B. Administrative Review:

- There were no administrative reviews.

4. COLLEGE PARK HISTORIC NOMINATION PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION

A. Overview of Historic District process followed by public question and answer session

Mr. McKnight read the staff report as provided in the packet and presented an overview of the proposed district, local districts in general, and the review process.

The Q&A session began at approximately 5:48 p.m.

Several community members inquired about the canvassing process for the petition; cost-based analysis; how this relates to the Home In Tacoma project; next steps and timeline of the nomination process; how becoming a historic district affects home values; outreach by the City; how a historic district designation affects obtaining building permits; solar panels, fence designs, and roof antennas in historic districts; and streets.

The Q&A session ended at approximately 6:37 p.m.

5. DESIGN REVIEW

A. 602 N Sprague Ave, Jason Lee/Hilltop Heritage Middle School (Individual Landmark) Sign

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

Mr. Pallotta provided comments regarding measures to ensure the paint matches existing.

Mr. McKnight made clarifications on the revised attachment details.

Commissioner Johnson moved that the Landmarks Preservation Commission approve the sign installation at the Hilltop Heritage Middle School as submitted. Commissioner Hilsendeger seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

6. BOARD BRIEFINGS

A. 725 Broadway (Old City Hall Historic District) New construction

Mr. McKnight read the staff report as provided in the packet.

Mr. Jones provided an overview of the proposed project.

Commissioner Hilsendeger asked if the materials used will echo the materials that are prominent in the district, and stated she likes the idea of incorporating artwork.

Commissioner Stewart echoed Commissioner Hilsendeger's comments about artwork.

Commissioner Johnson asked about the Commerce side of the building, stating there seems to be a disconnect between the first few floors in the fenestration and asked it were possible to align them better.

Chair Bartoy expressed concerns regarding scale in relation to Old City Hall.

Commissioner Johnson requested graphics of the proposed building in relation to Old City Hall.

Commissioner Hilsendeger requested that the applicant be considerate of the materials used.

Discussion ensued regarding the demolition review process, the reuse of materials, and artwork.

B. 1311 N 6th (North Slope Historic District) Front porch

This item was rescheduled to a date to be determined.

7. BOARD BUSINESS/COMMUNICATION ITEMS

A. Director's Rule – Demolition Review

Mr. McKnight outlined the Director's Rule.

Commissioner Cade asked about the types of mitigation that can be considered.

Chair Bartoy inquired about the timeline on the Code changes relating to the rule.

B. Council Action Memorandum overview

Mr. McKnight outlined the Council Action Memorandum and noted the items addressing equity.

C. Events and Activities

- The How Art Shaped Tacoma video will be coming soon.
- Broadening Horizons Heritage Café Series - Historic Seattle & Forterra: Affordable Housing and Acquisition Strategies on September 16, 2021 at 4:00 p.m.

D. College Park Historic District Comments received 8/26- 9/1/21

Mr. McKnight outlined the comments and questions provided by the Planning Commission.

Commissioner Hilsendeger inquired about the survey mailer response methods.

Commissioner Schloesser stated the outreach should have clear information on what the proposal includes and what it doesn't include.

8. CHAIR COMMENTS

The meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

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