



## RESOLUTION NO. 41252

1 A RESOLUTION relating to historic preservation; adding the proposed landmark to  
2 the Tacoma Register of Historic Places and imposing controls for the  
3 following property: Willamette Casket Building, located at 2916-2926 South  
4 Steele Street; said landmark designated by the Landmarks Preservation  
5 Commission under Chapter 13.07 of the Tacoma Municipal Code.

6 WHEREAS the Tacoma Landmarks and Historic Districts Code,  
7 Chapter 13.07 of the Tacoma Municipal Code ("TMC"), establishes a procedure for  
8 the designation and preservation of structures and areas having historical, cultural,  
9 architectural, archaeological, engineering, or geographic importance, and

10 WHEREAS, pursuant to TMC Section 13.07.050, the nomination of the  
11 Willamette Casket Building, located at 2916-2926 South Steele Street ("Property"),  
12 was submitted by the owner, for inclusion on the Tacoma Register of Historic  
13 Places, along with the requisite application materials, and

14 WHEREAS the Landmarks Preservation Commission ("Commission")  
15 reviewed the request on February 22, 2023, and held a public hearing on April 12,  
16 2023, to receive public comment on the historic significance of the Property, and

17 WHEREAS, according to TMC Section 13.07.040, the Commission found  
18 that the Property meets the eligibility requirements for listing on the Tacoma  
19 Register of Historic Places, and

20 WHEREAS, based upon said findings, the City Council believes that it would  
21 be in the best interest of the City to designate the Property described below as a  
22 historic landmark and place it on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places; Now,  
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24 Therefore,  
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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TACOMA:

1           Section 1. Designation. That, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 13.07  
2 of the Tacoma Municipal Code ("TMC"), the City Council of Tacoma approves the  
3 designation of the following Property as a historic landmark and places said  
4 property on the Tacoma Register of Historic Places:  
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6 (1)    Willamette Casket Building.

7           More particularly described as:  
8           2916-2926 South Steele Street  
9           Tacoma, WA 98409

10          Parcel No.: 0320074008

11          Legal Description:

12          Beginning on the East line of the West half of the Southeast quarter  
13          of Section 7, Township 20 North, Range 3 East of the W.M at a  
14          point where the same intersects the Northerly boundary line of the  
15          Northern Pacific Railway right of way, as laid out across said  
16          Section 7;

17          Thence North along said East line 214.25 feet;

18          Thence West 618.90 feet;

19          Thence South 408.20 feet more or less to the Northerly boundary of  
20          said Railway Company's right of way to the place of beginning;

21          Also together with the following described property:

22          Beginning at the East line of the West half of the Southeast quarter  
23          where it intersects the Northerly line of the Northern Pacific Railway  
24          right of way above referred to;

25          Thence North 157.1 feet to the Southerly line of Prescott's Second  
26          Addition produced Westerly;

27          Thence North 72°36' East to the Southwest corner of Block 10  
28          Prescott's Second Addition;

29          Thence South along the extension of the West line of said Block 10  
30          to the Southwesterly line of Spur Track Easement;

31          Thence Southeasterly along said Southwesterly line to the  
32          intersection with the Northerly line of the Northern Pacific Railway  
33          right of way;



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Thence Southwesterly along said Northern Pacific Railway right of way to the point of beginning.

Situate in the City of Tacoma, County of Pierce, State of Washington;

based upon satisfaction of the following standards of TMC Section 13.07.040, that the Property:

- A. Is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history;
- B. Is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past;
- C. Embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction;
- G. Owing to its unique location or singular physical characteristics, represents an established and familiar visual feature of the neighborhood or City.



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Section 2. Controls. A Certificate of Approval must be obtained from the Landmarks Preservation Commission pursuant to TMC Section 13.05.040 et seq., or the time for denying an application for a Certificate of Approval must have expired before the owners may make alterations or changes to the Property:

- 1. Changes to exterior of the principal structure and historic additions, including steam plant, annex, and annex infill addition.
- 2. Excluding the non-historic structures to the west of the primary building and the site.

Adopted \_\_\_\_\_

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Mayor

Attest:  
  
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City Clerk

Approved as to form:  
  
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Deputy City Attorney

Legal Description Approved:  
  
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Chief Surveyor  
Public Works Department