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**Landmarks Preservation Commission
Planning and Development Services Department**

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Reuben McKnight, Historic Preservation Officer
Lauren Hoogkamer, Assistant Historic Preservation Officer
Amylena Figueroa, Office Assistant

Date: March 13th, 2019

Location: 747 Market Street, Tacoma Municipal Building, Room 243

Commission Members in Attendance:

Kevin Bartoy, Chair
Roger Johnson
Jeff Williams
Lysa Schloesser
Alex Morganroth
Carol Sundstrom
Marshal McClintock

Staff Present:

Reuben McKnight
Amylena Figueroa

Others Present:

Claire Keller-Scholz
Kristi Evans

Commissioner Members Excused:

Ken House
Jennifer Mortensen
Holly Stewart

Commission Members Absent:

N/A

Chair Kevin Bartoy called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

2. CONSENT AGENDA

a. Excusal of Absences

Ken House
Jennifer Mortensen
Holly Stewart

b. Administrative Review:

- 616 North L Street – Windows

3. DESIGN REIEW – OLD BUSINESS

A. Dickman Mill Park Expansion and Head Saw (Individual Landmark) *Design Update*

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

Claire Keller-Scholz, and Ms. Evans came to give an update about Dickman Mill Headsaw, and noted that they are at 90% of the contract documents, and it's in permitting and review. Construction will likely be this November through February of 2020. If those dates cannot work, August of 2020 would be the next available time frame, as the fishing window and building the saw need to correspond with each other.

Ms. Keller-Scholz went over the lower part of the head saw. She provided visual aids to see what the final product would look like. She noted there would be some art signs in place. She reviewed some of the history

of the saw. She noted that one of the 8 pieces of the saw will be kept off site to maintain preservation, and there are still opportunities offsite for educational purposes. As an overview, the Headsaw and carriage will go onsite. The pulley piece will be an added element to help tell the story of the saw. There was some brief discussion about the commissioned art pieces, and some ideas that have changed in regard to that.

Chair Bartoy asked if the Puyallup Tribe would be involved. Ms. Keller-Scholz noted they were contacted when the consultation for the artwork began, but the artwork is not finalized and there is still a lot to be explored.

Commissioner Schloessor made a motion.
"I move that the Landmarks Preservation Commission approve the application, as submitted."

Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

B. 818 North Cushman (North Slope Historic District) Window replacement

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

Because the home owner, Ms. Broersma was not present, Mr. McKnight gave a brief overview of what the Commission had recommended for her to do at a previous meeting, which was to get a secondary bid for painting.

He noted to the Commissioners that at this time there is a deferral pending the replacement of the original windows. Mr. McKnight asked if Ms. Broersma's new bids were sufficient to move forward.

After discussing the windows of the home, it was concluded that there wasn't significant deterioration, and the windows just need to be unstuck, amongst some other minor adjustments. It was noted that there's nothing on that house that can't be restored.

Commissioner Williams made a motion.
"I move that the Landmarks Preservation Commission deny the application for 818 North Cushman Ave., based on the window design guidelines number one and two."

Commissioner Schloesser seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

4. STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. McKnight noted that at 811 N. Ainsworth home had a contractor that demolished about 90% of the house. This was done way out of the scope of the permit review. This will be an actionable item for the Commission to talk about what happens next. They will be trying to get the contractor in as soon as possible. The owner's permit was for what the Commission approved, but what he did instead was remove the house that was behind the front façade. The work on the home has currently been stopped. In a situation like this there aren't many great options. Mr. McKnight let the commission know he will try to get a clear idea of what the next steps can be to take whatever legal path is needed, and handle any violations. The Commission noted this could be a great example moving forward. There was some concern that the fines wouldn't be substantial enough to deter these types of violations.

Commissioner McClintock noted he was confused about why the code violation department hasn't gotten to this property yet. Mr. McKnight noted that this hasn't entered the inspection supervisor's workflow, as there is a new team and lead inspector. Commissioner Williams noted that the City Manager should be aware of this, and these types of situations before more inventory is lost.

There was more discussion on this property of the scope of work that had happened so far, and how the demolish is upsetting the Commission. Commissioner Johnson remembered the 1112 North 4th. St. as an example.

5. PRESERVATION PLANNING/ BOARD BUSINESS Old City Hall Design Guidelines

Mr. McKnight noted that the comments on the Old City Hall Historic District design guidelines were due very soon. The Commission discussed a clarification suggestion made by Commissioner Sundstrom, and talked about what the wording could be instead. Mr. McKnight noted that by the end of the week the Commissioners will need to turn in their suggestions and comments.

Some policy level discussion ensued regarding when and how the Commissioners are allowed to talk with one another outside of meetings, and what is legal or not.

6. CHAIR COMMENTS

None.

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