

City of Tacoma

Council Member Kristina Walker At-Large Position 8

To Whom It May Concern in the Historic Preservation Office in the City of Tacoma:

As authorized in Resolution No. 40694, City of Tacoma Government Fee Schedule for Special and Miscellaneous Services, Ref. No. 18 (adopted 11/24/2020), I am requesting that the \$100 fee for processing the landmark nomination of the Henry J. & Nettie J. Asberry house (1219 S. 13th St.) be waived. The house is of great importance to many in the Hilltop neighborhood as well as across Tacoma and the state, and it is in the public interest that Tacoma's Landmarks Preservation Commission consider this nomination.

Sincerely,

Kristina L. Walker

McKnight, Reuben

From: Jeffrey J. Ryan <jjryan@harbornet.com>
Sent: Monday, November 8, 2021 11:42 AM

Landmarks: McKnight Boulen

To: Landmarks; McKnight, Reuben

Cc: Susan Ryan; Tom Lowe

Subject: RE: CPNHD - Opinion Survey results

Good morning,

Please disregard the previous email total, I missed a cell in the total count. The following is the corrected numbers.

I hope you are as pleased by the results of the survey as we are. Combining our efforts to date and the opinion survey results shows 379 properties have responded out of the 582 properties within the district or 65.1 of the properties. The opinion survey resulted in 14 additional supporter, 6 reversal from yes to no and a number of additional written non-supporting responses. Based on our calculations the total count to date is 310 yes & 69 no, with 6 properties with both a yes from a renter and a no by an owner. In these cases we split the vote giving 3 to the yes and 3 to the no, If you wish we could show these 6 properties as non-supporting, it would change the percentage shown below by 0.2%

Currently based on the responses received, 81.8 % of the respondents are in favor and 18.2% are not in favor of the historic district, based on one vote per property.

I have provided this information for the Landmarks Commission based on their request for a comparison between our efforts and the opinion survey. Hopefully the commission will agree the two findings are similar, both our efforts and the opinion survey show majority support for the creation of a local historic district. I also have this in a spread sheet form if they require.

The opinion survey efforts garnished a high number of responses based on similar surveys by the city, we hope the Commission is please by the response as well.

Thank you for your time, Please forward this on to the Commission.

Jeff

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McKnight, Reuben

From: Cheyenne Hallie <crhallie@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, November 7, 2021 4:43 PM

To: constituentservices@tacoma.org; McKnight, Reuben; Thoms, Robert;

sarahmourino@gmail.com; Woodards, Victoria

Subject: In opposition to the College Park Historic Designation

To whom it may concern-

I live in a home that was built on the corner of N Cedar St and 19th street N before there was a corner. It started life as a 2 bedroom cabin with a basement for the furnace, an attic for storage and a unique pebble & concrete exterior. The attic became an unwalled living space for 2 boys in the 1950s. The basement is a mix of workshop rooms from different eras and underheight ceilings. The exterior keeps us chilly in all but 90+ degrees. The driveway that leads from the alley to the garage is far too steep for a vehicle but is very conducive to flooding. A sprawling home, what it lacks in practically it more than makes up for in charm. We love our house, our neighborhood and this City of Destiny.

The proposal for a Super Historic Designation is confusing. A hodgepodge of styles and sizes, our neighbors appreciate the different stories of private homeowners who built their own houses, not to mention the 120 years of creatives who added a touch here or there. We are Ttown; a bit gritty with a whole lot of energy. As a neighbor said to me, "Are we historic or just old?" In order to make our home sustainable we will need to finish replacing our windows with modern, triple panes. As we need a new roof we'd love to add solar panels. The rain barrels we added have curbed the foundation flooding during storms. And finally, should we choose to age in place, modifications both outside and in are a must. Owning an older home is a labor of love. Labor indeed!!

With the price of real estate souring we potentially cannot afford to move. If we can't update our home I don't know what we'll do.

Forcing our neighborhood to be what it is not, fancy, is not in keeping with our nature. We are not homogeneous and that is Tacoma's great story to tell. Please reject further designations on our beloved College Park.

Sincerely, Cheyenne Roberts Hallie Proud Ttowner since 1999 Homeowner, former public school parent, small business owner