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Landmarks Preservation Commission Planning and Development Services Department

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Reuben McKnight, Historic Preservation Officer
Susan Johnson, Historic Preservation Coordinator
Paige Rooney, Historic Preservation Intern
Mary Crabtree, Administrative Assistant

Date: September 28, 2022

Location: Virtual Zoom Webinar

Commission Members in Attendance:

Kevin Bartoy, Chair
Jonathan Hart
Lysa Schloesser
Jenny Sullivan
George Zeno
Deborah Cade, North Slope Ex-Officio
Leah Jaggars, Wedge Ex-Officio (arrived at 5:39 p.m.)

Staff Present:

Reuben McKnight
Susan Johnson
Mary Crabtree
Paige Rooney

Others Present:

Greg Kuraspediani

Commissioner Members Excused:

Jennifer Mortensen, Vice-Chair
Sarah Hilsendeger
Alex Morganroth

Commission Members Absent:

Jeff Williams

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

1. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS LANDS**2. ROLL CALL****3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. McKnight reported that two written comments were received and were included in the packet.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted.

A. Excusal of Absences

- Jennifer Mortensen
- Sarah Hilsendeger
- Alex Morganroth

B. Approval of Minutes

There were no minutes for approval.

C. Administrative Review

There were no administrative reviews.

5. SPECIAL GUEST

A. Drena Sellers, Office of Equity and Human Rights CBC Liaison

Mr. McKnight introduced Drena Sellers and noted that her title was incorrect on the agenda.

Ms. Sellers outlined her role at the City and her goals.

Commissioner Cade asked Ms. Sellers to clarify her comment about historical racism regarding College Park as well as diversity on the Commission.

Commissioner Hart provided comments about the importance of understanding the redlining maps that Ms. Sellers mentioned.

Chair Bartoy discussed the Commission's prior efforts regarding equity.

Commissioner Zeno asked how the Commission can be more informed and learn about the people who influence the policies and direction of the City.

Ms. Sellers stated that she has additional resources and information she can share to help answer these questions.

6. DESIGN REVIEW

A. 1109 N. 7th

Front elevation alterations

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

Mr. Kuraspediani provided additional information regarding the sidelights.

Chair Bartoy asked if the windows that were approved to be replaced are non-historic.

Mr. McKnight clarified that the previous owner did not have permits for the work that was previously done on the house.

Commissioner Cade asked if it is possible to incorporate sidelights around the left door.

Mr. Kuraspediani noted that he is open to the sidelight and is fine with the single-door option.

Mr. McKnight asked for clarification on the door options.

Chair Bartoy stated that the sidelights look historic, are character-defining for the entry, and should be retained. He added that he cannot see the Commission approving the removal of the sidelights because it goes against the North Slope District guidelines.

Commissioner Cade agrees that the sidelights are historic and should be preserved. She has no problem with the door on the left having no sidelights.

Mr. McKnight summarized the Commissioners' thoughts and concerns.

Commissioner Hart asked for clarification about the historic door and the lite above the door.

Chair Bartoy stated that the Commission had no strong feelings about the door without the sidelights and encouraged Mr. Kuraspediani to propose the opening he wants to the Commission.

Commissioner Hart moved the Landmarks Preservation Commission approve the application 1109 N 7th Street for the option of replacing the single door while retaining the sidelights and replacing the current double door with a single door and infilling with the appropriate siding, as indicated in guidelines. Commissioner Sullivan seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

7. BOARD BUSINESS/COMMUNICATION ITEMS

A. Equity Committee updates

Mr. McKnight made comments about the Equity Committee and how it can be significant and build momentum for the work of the Commission.

Commissioner Zeno explained why he inquired about the Equity Committee and what can be done to share knowledge.

Commissioner Sullivan agreed with Commissioner Zeno and added that preservation goes beyond the built environment.

Commissioner Hart asked if other groups outside of the Commission would be involved to have a more holistic conversation.

Commissioner Cade agreed with Commissioner Sullivan that preservation is about who and what shaped the City. She also asked if it would be possible to have a meeting as a Commission devoted to the topic of equity.

Discussion ensued regarding interest in a retreat.

B. Events & Activities

- Lincoln District Historic Property Survey: Final Public Meeting has been scheduled for Thursday, October 13, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. Results from the 2022 survey project will be presented.
- Tacoma History Quest will be going on during the month of October. This virtual scavenger hunt will have 10 clues/questions, with swag prizes from a drawing of participants. Coming soon to social media.
- Several Pretty Gritty history videos are in progress and coming soon.

Commissioner Zeno stated that 2024 is the 50th anniversary of the Boldt decision and asked if this is something the Commission plans to commemorate. Chair Bartoy shared that several years prior, the Commission held the Historic Preservation Awards in the Boldt Courtroom.

Mr. McKnight appreciates the reminder of this and stated that this should be on the radar for next year. He also added that collaboration with the tribe to find other places to landmark would be beneficial.

8. CHAIR COMMENTS

Chair Bartoy corrected his comment at the previous meeting about the processes for staff review. Extended staff review requires three days, not one day as previously stated.

Chair Bartoy reminded the Commission that they will be moving to the hybrid format for the next meeting.

Mr. McKnight stated that Vice-Chair Mortensen has a standing conflict and will not be attending the next several meetings.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.