



The City of Seattle

Ballard Avenue Landmark District Board

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BLD 61/24

MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 3, 2024 MEETING

Time: 9:00 a.m.
Hybrid Meeting Physical Location: Ballard Customer Service Center-Conference Room: 5604 22nd Ave NW
Hybrid Meeting Remote Access: WebEx phone number and meeting link as indicated on meeting agenda

BOARD MEMBERS

Tommy Patrick, Chairperson
Miriam Hinden, Vice Chairperson
John Cashman
Max Genereaux
Philipp Koman
Meagan Teutsch

STAFF

Minh Chau Le

Absent:

Anthony Salazar

As a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order at 9:16 a.m. by Tommy Patrick.

100324.1 PUBLIC COMMENT

None

100324.2 APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

100324.21 Flood Yoga

2108 NW Vernon, PI
Kate and Daniel Holter, Business Owners

Proposal for marquee sign, window decal signs, and door glass décor.

Administered by The Historic Preservation Program, The Seattle Department of Neighborhoods

"Printed on Recycled Paper"

Staff provided photos of the site, scale drawings, color and material information, and attachment details. Staff cited guidelines: Guidelines/Specific (13) Signs; Guidelines/Specific (13)(a) Signs – Sign Materials; Guidelines/Specific (13)(b) Signs – Storefront Signs; Guidelines/Specific (7)(c) – Transparency.

Kate and Daniel Holter said that the proposed frosted window glass was needed to maintain client privacy during yoga sessions.

The property owner was not in attendance.

The board found that most of the proposal was consistent with District guidelines, but the proposed frosting on the door glass was overly obscuring and therefore incompatible with Guideline 7 – Transparency. The board was in favor of using retractable interior window coverings for classes requiring client privacy, to be drawn or closed during classes only.

Action: Tommy Patrick made a motion to approve the application with following amendments: the door signage will be modified so that the logo will be solid white, and the proposed frosted area will be clear and void; a retractable interior door shade is approved, for use only during activities requiring client privacy; the shade may not be made of a synthetic material that simulates a natural material. John Cashman seconded the motion.

6:0:0. Motion carried.

100324.22 Kerfunkle Kids Market
5329 Ballard Ave NW
Katherine Kang, Business Owner

Proposal for a new blade sign.

Staff provided photos of site, scale drawings, the sign design, color and material details, and attachment details. Staff cited guidelines: Guidelines/Specific (13)(a) Signs – Sign Materials; Guidelines/Specific (13)(c) Signs – Blade Signs.

Katherine Kang provided a physical sample of the proposed sign material and confirmed the sign would be installed in the same place the previous tenant had a blade sign.

The property owner was not in attendance.

The board found that the proposed sign was brighter and less subdued than other signs within the District, but concluded it was appropriate given its small size, its reflection of the nature of the business, the absence of multiple other signs, and its subdued design as compared to other children’s store signs.

Action: Tommy Patrick made a motion to approve the application as presented. John Cashman seconded the motion.

6:0:0. Motion carried.

100324.3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

John Cashman made a motion to approve the minutes of September 5, 2024, as amended. Tommy Patrick seconded the motion.

6:0:0. Motion carried.

090524.4 REPORT OF THE CHAIR

The chair reported that District businesses were potentially increasingly interested in roofless dining decks rather than structures with walls and roofs.

090524.5 REPORT OF THE STAFF

The staff reported that DON and SDOT were continuing to work jointly to have structures in the right-of way either re-designed to meet current guidelines across all departments, or removed entirely if re-design is not viable.

090524.6 BOARD BUSINESS

Review of Design Guidance for Structures in the Right-of-Way, last revised July 2023: The board discussed revising the guidance document to reflect the board's current recommendations in the following areas: establishing a minimum required thickness of 10 millimeters for Plexiglas roofing materials; prohibiting corrugated roof materials; removing the prescriptive 2 ½ foot recommendation regarding clearance between structures in favor of a more general emphasis on views and pedestrian flow, allowing roof shapes other than hipped so long as they maintain views and visibility, specifying that glass must be tempered or laminated, and presenting the pergola drawings as informational and supplemental rather than prescriptive.

Adjourn The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 am.

Submitted by:
Minh Chau Le
Board Coordinator