



The City of Seattle

Landmarks Preservation Board

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MINUTES

Landmarks Preservation Board Meeting

Hybrid Meeting via Webex Webinar or Room L2-80 Boards & Commissions

Seattle City Hall, 600 4th Avenue, Floor L2

Wednesday, March 5, 2025 – 3:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

Dean Barnes (DB)
Taber Caton (TC)
Roi Chang, Vice-Chair (RC)
Ian Macleod, Chair (IM)
Lora-Ellen McKinney (LEM)
Lauren Miles (LM)
Lawrence Norman (LN)
Katie Randall (KR)
Harriet Wasserman (HW)

Board Members Absent

Becca Pheasant-Reis (BP)
Matt Inpanbutr (MI)

Staff Present

Sarah Sodt
Rebecca Frestedt
Erin Doherty

Key

BM Board Member
AP Applicant
SM Staff Member

Chair Ian Macleod called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

030525.1 ROLL CALL

030525.2 PUBLIC COMMENT

Stan Sorscher and Colleen McAleer gave public comment on Battelle Memorial Research Institute / Talaris Conference Center.

030525.3 MEETING MINUTES

February 19, 2025

MM/SC/KR/LN

6:0:3

Minutes approved. BMs Barnes, Chang, Miles, Norman, Randall, and Wasserman approved. BMs Caton, McKinney and Macleod abstained.

030525.4 CONTROLS & INCENTIVES

030525.41 Woodin House

5801 Corson Avenue S

Staff provided an overview of the agreement.

Action: Motion to approve the Controls & Incentives Agreement for the Woodin House at 5801 Corson Avenue S.

MM/SC/KR/DB
9:0:0
Motion approved unanimously.

030525.42 Queen Anne Pool
1920 1st Avenue W

Staff gave an overview of the agreement. There was discussion about excluding the parking lot.

Action: Motion to approve the Controls & Incentives Agreement for the Queen Anne Pool at 1920 1st Avenue W.

MM/SC/DB/HW
8:0:1
Motion approved. BMs Barnes, Caton, MacLeod, McKinney, Miles, Norman, Randall, and Wasserman approved. BM Chang recused.

030525.43 Seattle Center Playhouse & Exhibition Hall
201 and 301 Mercer Street
Request for extension

Staff presented the request for a 6-month extension.

Action: Motion to approve a 6-month extension for the Seattle Center Playhouse & Exhibition Hall at 201 and 301 Mercer Street.

MM/SC/HW/DB
9:0:0
Motion approved unanimously.

030525.44 Lake Court Apartments
2012-2020 43rd Avenue E
Request for extension

Staff presented the request for an extension.

Action: Motion to approve a 6-month extension for the Lake Court Apartments at 2012-2020 43rd Avenue E.

MM/SC/KR/HW
9:0:0
Motion approved unanimously.

030525.45 Battelle Memorial Research Institute / Talaris Conference Center
4000 NE 41st Street
Request for extension

Property owner Nathan Rimmer requested a 4-month extension. BM McKinney asked about tree maintenance. Discussed whether to make it a 6-month extension instead.

Action: Motion to approve a 6-month extension for the Battelle Memorial Research Institute / Talaris Conference Center at 4000 NE 41st Street.

MM/SC/HW/DB
9:0:0
Motion approved unanimously.

030525.5 CERTIFICATES OF APPROVAL

030525.51 Columbia City Landmark District – 3834 S Edmunds Street
Proposed alteration to infill window at secondary facade

SM Rebecca Frestedt introduced the application and the applicants, Rachel and Andrew Seymour. The CCRC recommended the Board consider approving the proposal.

Action: I move that the Landmark Preservation Board recommend approval of a Certificate of Approval for exterior alterations to infill the window on the east façade, at 3834 S. Edmunds St., as proposed. This decision is based on consideration of the application submittal and discussion at the March 5, 2025 public meeting of the Landmark Preservation Board.

This action is based on the following:

- Guidelines/General – 5: The inventory of contributing buildings, spaces, historic uses, historic views, and present uses should be respected and maintained.
- Guidelines/Specific – 2: Building Materials and Fixtures
- Guidelines/Specific – 3: Building Surface Treatments – ‘a’ and ‘b’
- The Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation #9

MM/SC/LEM/DB

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Motion approved unanimously.

030525.52 Montlake Bridge and Montlake Cut
Proposed interpretive signage on bridge span

Cassie Manetas, Washington Department of Transportation gave an overview of the proposed interpretive panel, the design was developed through the Programmatic Agreement for the SR520 project. Architectural Review Committee reviewed and supported the proposal.

Action: I move that the Seattle Landmarks Preservation Board approve the application and issue a Certificate of Approval for the proposed interpretive panel on the Montlake Bridge, as per the attached submittal.

This action is based on the following:

1. With regard to SMC 25.12.750 A, the extent to which the proposed alteration or significant change would adversely affect the features or characteristics described Ordinance 1079953.
 - a. The proposed interpretive panel is of a modest scale and is easily reversible.
2. With regard to SMC 25.12.750 B, the reasonableness or lack thereof of the proposed alterations or significant change in light of other alternatives available to achieve the objectives of the owner and the applicant.
 - a. No alternatives were provided, and none were requested by the Board.
3. The factors of SMC 25.12 .750 C, D and E are not applicable.

MM/SC/DB/TC

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Motion approved unanimously.

030525.53 Gas Works Park
1901 N Northlake Way
Proposed pathway for improved maintenance access

David Graves with Seattle Parks and Recreation presented the application for the proposed pathway alterations.

Action: I move that the Seattle Landmarks Preservation Board approve the application and issue a Certificate of Approval for the proposed path alterations at Gas Works Park, 1901 N Northlake Way, as per the attached submittal.

This action is based on the following:

1. With regard to SMC 25.12.750 A, the extent to which the proposed alteration or significant change would adversely affect the features or characteristics described Ordinance 121043.
 - a. The proposed path alterations will have minimal impact on the park features, and is preferable to vehicles damaging the lawn.
2. With regard to SMC 25.12.750 B, the reasonableness or lack thereof of the proposed alterations or significant change in light of other alternatives available to achieve the objectives of the owner and the applicant.
 - a. No alternatives were provided, and none were requested by the Board.
3. The factors of SMC 25.12 .750 C, D and E are not applicable.

MM/SC/KR/DB

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Motion approved unanimously.

030525.6 NOMINATION

030525.61 Burwell House 709 14th Avenue E

Bryce Seidel, the property owner gave a presentation on the nomination – see nomination application in file.

BM McKinney thanked the nominator for the great presentation. She asked if the nominator knew anything about the Burwell’s relationship with the Black community. No direct evidence, but confirmed that there are no restrictive covenants on this house or others on 14th Avenue E – “Millionaire’s Row”.

Chair MacLeod asked if the door hardware was from Burwell’s company. Confirmed that much of the hardware was from the Seattle Hardware Company.

BM Norman said the house is extremely well preserved and appreciates that they share it with the community in different ways.

Vice-Chair Chang asked about exterior alterations to the rear porch. They noted all the good work done to preserve and repair the house.

BM Barnes noted the features of the house and thanked the owners for their good stewardship.

BM Wasserman said the house is a very well-preserved building with a fabulous story.

There was group discussion about different interior spaces, doors, and door hardware.

Chair MacLeod said the house embodies the Arts and Crafts movement.

Action: I move that the Board approve the nomination of the Burwell House at 709 14th Avenue E for consideration as a Seattle Landmark; noting the legal description in the Nomination Form; that the features and characteristics proposed for preservation include: the site, the exterior of the house, and portions of the interior of the house, including: the entry hall, main stair from

the first to second floor, parlor, and living room; and the historic interior doors and hardware; that the public meeting for Board consideration of designation be scheduled for April 16, 2025; that this action conforms to the known comprehensive and development plans of the City of Seattle.

MM/SC/HW/DB

9:0:0

Motion approved unanimously.

030525.7 BOARD BUSINESS