

KING COUNTY LANDMARKS COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES*

*Thursday, December 21, 2017
Tipping Floor Conference Room (#7255)
King Street Center, 201 S. Jackson
Seattle, Washington
(Approved 1/25/2018)*

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Caroline Lemay, Vice Chair; Lorelea Hudson, Cristy Lake, Ella Moore, Rebecca Ossa, David Pilgrim

COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED: Poppi Handy, Chair

COMMISSIONERS UNEXCUSED: None

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Meisner, Todd Scott

CALL TO ORDER: Lemay called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

Convene NORTH BEND LANDMARKS COMMISSION

SPECIAL COMMISSIONER ABSENT: Cindy Walker

CITY STAFF PRESENT: None

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS: McClellan Hotel Building, (COA #1720) request to install wall and facade signs.

Scott briefly described the project indicating the DRC had recommended approval. He also indicated the signs met the district's signage guidelines, and were effectively just the repainting of existing signs. Lake informed the commission that the signs were already being installed. Scott also said the city had expressed an interest in meeting with staff and the business owners in this building to consider more appropriate and coordinated signage.

Pilgrim/Hudson moved to approve the Type II COA request to install signage on the McClellan Hotel Building as recommended by the DRC, and to ratify the agreement between DRC and the applicant. The motion passed 6-0.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURN: North Bend Landmarks Commission

*May include minutes for cities who have interlocal historic preservation agreements with King County.

Convene KING COUNTY LANDMARKS COMMISSION

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Handy asked for any changes/corrections to the minutes. Scott said that Pilgrim had found a couple of errors in describing the approval of the Sammamish rules and regulations rather than the Renton rules and regulations. Scott indicated he had made the changes. There were no other corrections.

Ossa/Lake moved to approve the November 30, 2017 minutes of the King County Landmarks Commission. The motion passed 6-0.

CERTIFICATE OF APPROPRIATENESS: Marymoor Park, (COA #1718) request to install concrete apron and sidewalk at the maintenance barn.

Scott briefly described the project indicating the DRC had recommended approval. He indicated the project would require a cultural resource review by the HPP archaeologist as it involves removal of dirt, and that an application for review had been submitted. He also indicated there is a good possibility that this area has been significantly disturbed over the years.

Ossa/Moore moved to approve the Type II COA request to install a concrete apron and sidewalk at the maintenance barn at Marymoor Park as recommended by the DRC, and to ratify the agreement between DRC and the applicant. The motion passed 6-0.

SPECIAL TAX VALUATION: McClellan Tavern Building, North Bend

Scott briefly described the work that had been done to the building over the last few years and indicated that some of it was outside the 24 month window for rehabilitation. All of the exterior work had been done with certificates of appropriateness and the interior work all appeared to meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. Total qualified expenditures were \$190,235. Moore suggested the building should be referred to by its more well-known historic business, The Monogram.

Lake/Ossa moved to approve the special tax valuation request for the McClellan Tavern Building as recommended by staff, and to ratify the agreement between the commission and the applicant. The motion passed 6-0.

Cortona Building, Renton

Scott briefly described the work that had been done to the building over the last couple of years. The entire project was also a federal rehab tax credit project and had been approved by DAHP and the National Park Service. Scott had reviewed all of the documentation and confirmed all of the work appeared to meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation. Total qualified expenditures were \$1,054,435.

Pilgrim/Hudson moved to approve the special tax valuation request for the Cortona Building as recommended by staff, and to ratify the agreement between the commission and the applicant. The motion passed 6-0.

OTHER BUSINESS: Scott provided the commission with the 2018 meeting schedule and asked specifically about the proposed dates for November and December, as they have been moved due to holidays. The consensus was that those two meetings would occur on November 29 and December 20. Scott will adjust the schedule and send it out to commissioners.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER'S REPORT: Meisner reported that she was preparing the annual report to Council on the barn grant program. She expects to submit it next week. She is also involved in additional budget discussions for the historic preservation program, as the forecasts for funding are not very promising.

She updated the Commission on Providence Heights, telling them that a demolition permit would likely be issued after the first of the year. They have already started removing asbestos from the buildings. A new non-profit hoping to save the campus has been formed and they have filed an intervening motion with Superior Court. It's unclear what the organization's goals are, but we should have a better idea whether they can have any impact just after the first of the year.

Baker House appeal, filed by The Laurels HOA, is scheduled for a review in February. It is a closed record review, so there will be no public hearing. She informed Commissioners Handy, Ossa, and Pilgrim that she still hadn't heard back from county staff about their reappointments to the Commission. She will try to follow up again next week. The January 2018 commission meeting will likely be in Snoqualmie for a landmark designation hearing.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURN: The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.