



The City of Seattle

International Special Review District

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ISRD 23/23

MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF TUESDAY, February 14, 2023

Time: 4:30pm
Place: Remote Meeting

Board Members Present

Ryan Gilbert
Nella Kwan
Adrian Lam
Michael Le
Andy Yip

Staff

Rebecca Frestedt
Melinda Bloom

Absent

Lizzy Baskerville
Ming Zhang

Chair Adrian Lam called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

021423.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

November 22, 2022

MM/SC/AY/RG 4:0:1 Minutes approved. Mr. Le abstained.

December 13, 2022

MM/SC/RG/AY 5:0:0 Minutes approved.

021423.2 PUBLIC COMMENT

021423.3 CERTIFICATES OF APPROVAL

021423.31 504 5th Ave S. – E-Jae Pak Mor

Applicant: Aunyanuch (“Pum”) Yamamoto, business owner

Ms. Frestedt explained the application for signage for a new restaurant (E-Jae Pak Mor).

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

“Printed on Recycled Paper”

Exhibits included were photos and plans. The site is located within the Asian Design Character District. The building is a non-contributing building.

Pum Yamamoto said that nothing would change but signage and colors. She went over proposed signage which would be a copy change using existing attachment and frame. She said their name would replace 'Great State Burger' and would keep the same dimensions and organization as what is there now. She went over colors and placement. She said window transparency will continue to meet the guidelines.

Ms. Frestedt stated that Mr. Gilbert was having technical difficulties with visuals and she sent him a link to the presentation document.

Mr. Lam cited SMC 23.66.336 as relevant to discussion.

Ms. Frestedt said the Board reviews to confirm that the transparency requirement is met. She cited SMC 23.66.338 – Signs. She said the Board considers color, placement of graphics in relation to space proposed and what else is on the building.

Mr. Le appreciated the presentation and said the main difference is just the colors and logo. He said the board had approved this before and nothing has changed but colors.

Mr. Yip said it looks good and he supported the application.

Mr. Lam asked if the vinyl is on interior or exterior.

Ms. Yamamoto said the stripes are applied on interior and the sign and logo portion is applied to the exterior.

Mr. Lam summarized the application and noted that what is proposed is in line with transparency requirements; he cited SMC 23.66.336. He said the colors and placement adheres to SMC 23.66.338.

Mr. Gilbert appreciated the presentation and welcomed the applicants to the district. He said what was presented is appropriate and meets transparency requirements.

Action: I move that the International Special Review District Board recommend approval of a Certificate of Approval for signs, at 504 5th Ave S.

The Board directs staff to prepare a written recommendation of approval, based on considering the application submittal and Board discussion at the February 14, 2023 public meeting, and forward this written recommendation to the Department of Neighborhoods Director.

This action is based on the **following applicable sections of the International Special Review District Ordinance:**

SMC 23.66.336 – Exterior Building Finishes

A. General Requirements

B. Asian Design Character District

SMC 23.66.338 - Signs

MM/SC/AY/ML 5:0:0 Motion carried.

021423.4 STAFF SUMMARY and BOARD BUSINESS

Administrative approvals since January 24, 2023

Ms. Frestedt said that legislation making administrative approval permanent starting March 15, 2023 was approved by City Council. She went over the type of application that could be reviewed administratively.

Mr. Lam appreciated how the process could be more transparent for residents and development community to help them understand the process and pipeline. He said he knows a lot of research is done and concise list provided and helpful.

Ms. Frestedt said the meeting minutes are almost up to date.

Ms. Frestedt asked for board input on date and time options for Board retreat. She said the retreat would include training and discussion about structure of board review, referencing guidelines, how to make a decision / determine what proposed meets the criteria.

Ms. Frestedt said three letters of interest were received for Ms. Baskerville's seat. She noted the potential to invite those who expressed interest to serve on Pioneer Square board to apply here.

Adjourn

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