



The City of Seattle

## International Special Review District

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ISRD 83/25

### MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF TUESDAY, May 27, 2025

Time: 4:30 p.m.

Place: Hybrid Meeting

#### **Board Members Present**

Eric Chan (EC)

Heather Hargesheimer (HH), Chair

Kyle Jacobson (KJ)

Adrian Lam (AL)

Gary Lee (GL)

Jade Yan (JY)

#### **Staff Present**

Rebecca Frestedt (RF)

#### **Absent**

Samantha Wong (SW), Vice-Chair

#### **Key**

BM Board member

AP Applicant

SM Staff member

Chair Heather Hargesheimer called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

#### **ROLL CALL**

#### **052725.1 MEETING MINUTES**

2/11/25 MM/SC/AL/KJ 4:0:0 Approve: 4/0/1 EC abstained

3/11/25 MM/SC/AL/KJ 5:0:0 Approve: 5/0/0

#### **052725.2 PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment at the meeting.

*Board member Lee arrived at 4:39 p.m. and joined in person.*

#### **CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL**

Administered by The Historic Preservation Program  
The Seattle Department of Neighborhoods

**052725.31**      719 S. King St. – Wing Luke Museum  
Presenters: Wren Wheeler  
Record number: DONH-COA-01529

Staff gave the staff report, noting revisions to an application that was originally approved following the Board's review on December 10, 2024. There had been discussion during that meeting about extending the background of the mural to fill the wooden panel where the mural is proposed.

The applicant presented a revision to the original design, that was the result of meeting with the artist and the mural subject's family. They said that family felt that the revised drawing was an more accurate portrayal of the subject's personality.

HH asked about the addition of interpretive text.

The applicant explained that it would be brief and would include a QR code that would provide additional context.

Board members were supportive of the revised design, noting that it is an improvement on the original proposal and voiced appreciation for the applicant taking the Board's recommendations to heart.

There was no further discussion.

**Action:** I move that the International Special Review District Board recommend approval of a Certificate of Approval for revision of the design of a mural to be painted on to a blank wooden panel on the east façade, per the submitted application materials.

The Board directs staff to prepare a written recommendation of approval, based on considering the application submittal and Board discussion at the May 27, 2025 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 and relevant Standards:**

**Seattle Municipal Code (SMC)**  
**SMC 23.66.336 - Exterior building finishes**

**A. General Requirements.** To retain and enhance the visual order of the District, which is created by existing older buildings that provide unique character and form through their subtle detailing and quarter-block and half-block coverage, new development, including exterior remodeling, should respect the architectural and structural integrity of the building in which the work is undertaken, through sympathetic use of colors, material and style. Exterior building facades shall be of a scale compatible with surrounding structures. Window proportions, floor height, cornice line, street elevations and other elements of the building facades shall relate to the scale of the existing buildings in the immediate area.

**B. Asian Design Character District.**

**2. Colors.** Building facade colors must be reviewed by the Special Review Board and approved by the Director of Neighborhoods.

**Secretary of the Interior Standards**

#9. New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction shall not destroy historic materials that characterize the property.

MM/SC/KJ/AL

6:0:0

Motion carried.

**052725.4      Staff Summary and Board Business**

Staff went over applications that were reviewed administratively, summarizing the scope of work for several applications.

Adjourn at 4:55 p.m.