



The City of Seattle

## International Special Review District

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ISRD 94/2394/23

### Staff Report

**Address:** 657 S. Weller St. – New Central Hotel

**Applicant Representatives:** Julie Yuan and An Huynh, SCIDpda

**Exterior alteration – artwork (mural):** Proposed installation of four murals on the east façade of the building, along the alley. Murals are painted onto 4’w x 5’h wooden panels, which will be attached within the mortar joints.

See attached plans.

#### Additional information:

- The New Central Hotel was constructed in 1909 and is a contributing building within the National Register District.
- The site is located within the Asian Design Character District and Retail Core.
- When reviewing artwork, the Board considers placement, materials, colors, scale, and method of attachment.

### PROPOSED MOTION

I move that the International Special Review District Board recommend approval of a Certificate of Approval for exterior alterations – artwork, at 657 S. Weller St.

The Board directs staff to prepare a written recommendation of approval, based on considering the application submittal and Board discussion at the July 25, 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**

**Secretary of the Interior Standard #9**