



The City of Seattle

Landmarks Preservation Board

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LPB 193/25

STAFF REPORT ON CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

Wilsonian Apartments 4710 University Way NE

Features and Characteristics for which a Certificate of Approval is required:

The exterior of the apartment building, and that portion of the site that serves as the entrance courtyard to the apartment building.

Designated under Standard: C, D, and F

Summary of proposed changes: Retroactive proposal to install a 7' tall fence and gate between the sidewalks and courtyard.

Suggested Language for Approval:

I move that the Seattle Landmarks Preservation Board approve the application and issue a retroactive Certificate of Approval for the fence at the Wilsonian Apartments, 4710 University Way NE, 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 in the Report on Designation, LPB 402/05.
 - a. The proposed fence changes the appearance of the courtyard but does not obscure views of the building.
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. The applicant's goal is to improve security. No alternatives were requested, as the proposal seemed reasonable.

3. The factors of SMC 25.12.750 C, D and E are not applicable.
4. The proposed work as presented is consistent with the following Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation as listed below:

Standard #9: New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction will not destroy historic materials, features, and spatial relationships that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with the historic materials, features, size, scale and proportion, and massing to protect the integrity of the property and its environment.

Standard 10: New additions and adjacent or related new construction shall be undertaken in such a manner that if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.