

The City of Seattle Landmarks Preservation Board

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LPB 145/24

STAFF REPORT ON CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

William Grose Center / former Fire Station 6 101 23rd Avenue S

Features and Characteristics for which a Certificate of Approval is required: The site, and the exterior of the building.

Designated under Standards: D, E, and F

Summary of proposed changes: Select window replacement, new rooftop mechanical equipment, door operators, and new exterior ramp.

Note: The new roof and insulation has determined to be consistent with maintenance.

Suggested Language for Approval:

I move that the Seattle Landmarks Preservation Board approve the application and issue a Certificate of Approval for the proposed exterior alterations at former Fire Station 6, 101 23rd Avenue S, 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 Ordinance 122462.
 - a. The windows proposed for replacement are non-historic sashes within original openings, and the new windows are more visually compatible with the original character of the building.
 - b. The building and site alterations are relatively minor and are reversible.
 - c. The proposed rooftop equipment is larger than existing and therefore more visible, but are sized to meet the building's heating and cooling needs.

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- 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 explored design alternatives for the replacement windows to be responsive to Board and staff feedback.
- 3. With regard to SMC 25.12.750 C, the extent to which the proposed alteration or significant change may be necessary to meet the requirements of any other law, statute, regulation, code or ordinance.
 - a. The proposed exterior ramp, and door operators are to address accessibility code requirements.
- 4. The factors of SMC 25.12 .750 D and E are not applicable.
- 5. The proposed work as presented is consistent with the following <u>Secretary of Interior's</u> <u>Standards for Rehabilitation</u> as listed below:

<u>Standard #9</u>: 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.

<u>Standard #10</u>: 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.