

The City of Seattle

Landmarks Preservation Board

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LPB 143/24

STAFF REPORT ON CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

Gas Works Park 1901 N Northlake Way

Features and Characteristics for which a Certificate of Approval is required: The entire site, including the exteriors of all buildings and structures.

Designated under Standards: C, E and F

Summary of proposed changes: Retroactive approval to remove access ladder and platform.

Suggested Language for Approval:

I move that the Seattle Landmarks Preservation Board retroactively approve the application and issue a Certificate of Approval for demolition of a ladder and platform at the central cracking towers at Gas Works Park, 1901 N Northlake Way, 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 121043.
 - a. Demolition of the ladder and platform removes historic material from the structure, but the intervention is small in scale compared to the overall tower assemblage, and other access ladders and walkways remain intact.
- 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 owner's structural assessment indicates the ladder structure is in very poor condition. They do not propose to repair it due to safety concerns.
- 3. The factors of SMC 25.12 .750 C, D and E are not applicable.