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ORDINANCE 109320

AN ORDINANCE relating to historic preservation, imposing controls upon the East Republican Street stairway, a landmark designated by the Landmarks Preservation Board under Ordinance 106348.

WHEREAS, the Landmarks Ordinance (106348) establishes a procedure for the designation and preservation of structures and areas having historical, cultural, architectural, engineering or geographic importance; and

WHEREAS, The Landmarks Preservation Board after a public hearing on September 9, 1979, voted to approve the nomination of the East Republican Street stairway between Melrose Avenue East and Bellevue East in Seattle, as a Landmark under Ordinance 106348; and

WHEREAS, after a public hearing on November 7, 1979, the Board voted to approve the designation of the East Republican Street stairway as a Landmark under Ordinance 106348; and

WHEREAS, on January 4, 1980, the Board and the owners of the designated property agreed to controls and incentives; and

WHEREAS, the Board recommends that the City Council approve the agreed controls and incentives; Now, Therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the designation by the Landmarks Preservation Board of the East Republican Street stairway, more particularly described as: the East Republican Street Right-of-Way in portion of Pontius Addition to Seattle and a portion of the Supplementary Plat of Pontius Second Addition to Seattle (between Melrose Avenue East centerline and Bellevue Avenue East centerline), as a Landmark based upon satisfaction of the following criteria of Ordinance 106348:

(1) It is associated in a significant way with a significant aspect of the cultural, political, or economic heritage of the community, city, state or nation; and

(2) It is an outstanding work of a designer or builder; and

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(3) Because of its prominence of spatial location, contrasts of sitting, age, or scale, it is an easily identifiable visual feature of its neighborhood or the city and contributes to the distinctive quality or identity of such neighborhood or the city, is hereby acknowledged.

Section 2. The following controls upon alteration of the landmark are hereby imposed:

A Certificate of Approval must be obtained or the time for denying a Certificate of Approval must have expired before the owner may make alterations to:

- 1) The concrete stairway structure in its entirety;

- 2) The major planting elements on both sides of the stairway within the Right-of-Way.

Any in-kind maintenance and repair for the above noted features shall be excluded from the above controls.

Section 3. Enforcement of this Ordinance and penalties for its violation shall be as provided in Section 14.08 of Ordinance 106348.

Section 4. The City Clerk is hereby directed to record this ordinance with the King County Director of Records and Elections, deliver two copies to the City Historic Preservation

officer, 400 Yesler Building, and deliver one copy to the Superintendent of Buildings.

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Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty days from and after its passage and approval, if approved by the Mayor; otherwise it shall take effect at the time it shall become a law under the provisions of the city charter.

Passed by the City Council the 3rd day of September, 1980

and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this 3rd day of September, 1980

President of the City Council.

Approved by me this 12th day of September, 1980

Mayor.

Filed by me this 12th day of September, 1980

Attest:

City Comptroller and City Clerk.

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By Virginia Miller
Deputy Clerk.

