

## **HISTORIC LANDMARKS COMMISSION MEETING**

City Council Chambers

July 10, 2018

### CALL TO ORDER – ITEM 1:

A regular meeting of the Astoria Historic Landmarks Commission (HLC) was held at the above place at the hour of 6:30 pm.

### ROLL CALL – ITEM 2:

Commissioners Present: President LJ Gunderson, Commissioners Jack Osterberg, Kevin McHone, Paul Caruana, and Mac Burns.

Commissioners Excused: Vice President Michelle Dieffenbach and Commissioner Katie Rathmell.

Staff Present: City Manager Estes. The meeting is recorded and will be transcribed by ABC Transcription Services, Inc.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES – ITEM 3(a):

President Gunderson noted the minutes of June 25, 2018 were not yet available.

### PUBLIC HEARINGS:

#### ITEM 4(a):

NC18-01 New Construction NC18-01 by Craig Riegelneegg, Carleton Hart Architecture for Hollander Hospitality to construct an approximate 29,782 square foot, four story hotel, adjacent to historic structures, at 1 2nd Street (Map T8N R9W Section 7DA, Tax Lots 11800 and 11900; Lots 1, 2, 3, 4, Block 1, McClure; and Map T8N R9W Section 7DB, Tax Lots 1300, 1400, 1501, 1700; Unplatted lots fronting on Block 1, Hinman's Astoria) in the C-3 Zone (General Commercial), Bridge Vista Overlay Zone (BVO), Flood Hazard Overlay (FHO), and CRESO Zone. (Adopting Findings of Fact from continuation with tentative denial from the June 25, 2018 meeting.)

President Gunderson reminded that the public hearing was closed at the last meeting.

Commissioner Burns stated he was not present at the last meeting and had not listened to the recordings. However, he had read the Finding of Fact in the Staff report dated July 5, 2018.

Commissioner Caruana referred to Page 7 and said the height of the building conformed, but the flat roof in addition to the height significantly affected the scale of the building. He recommended the language be changed to reflect that the flat roof design factored more into the scale of the building rather than the height of the building.

Commissioner Burns noted a typographical error on Page 7. The Ship Inn had been misspelled.

Commissioner McHone moved that the Historic Landmarks Commission (HLC) adopt the Findings of Fact and deny New Construction NC18-01 by Craig Riegelneegg, with the correction noted on Page 7 of the Staff report; seconded by Commissioner Caruana. Motion passed 4 to 0 to 1. Ayes: President Gunderson, Commissioners McHone, Osterberg, and Caruana. Nays: None. Abstentions: Commissioner Burns.

Commissioner Burns confirmed he abstained from voting because he had not listened to the record.

President Gunderson read the rules of the appeal into the record.

City Manager Estes stated he would make the necessary changes to the Findings of Fact dated July 5, 2018 to be included with the order.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS/COMMISSIONERS – ITEM 5:

There were none.

STAFF UPDATES – ITEM 6:

There were none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – ITEM 7:

George Hague, 1 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Astoria, said it did not sound like the HLC would be directly involved in the Urban Core Area of the Riverfront Vision Plan. There were many people concerned about the Bridge Vista Area and had made their comments known to City Council. People complained about many of the things heard a few weeks ago about this project. The Urban Core will have less of a view corridor between 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> Streets, like the view corridor on 14<sup>th</sup> Street. It would be sad to have to walk down a path between two buildings in order to see the river. People will argue that existing zoning and existing permitted uses could be worse, but they could also be better than the Urban Core. He hoped Commissioners would be involved because there are historic structures in the Urban Core Area. He asked that Commissioners urge their friends and neighbors to contact the City and request to be mailed and emailed when meetings take place. The meeting should start in the next couple of weeks.

City Manager Estes added that the Planning Commission would hold work sessions within the next month to six weeks. A public meeting would also be scheduled in late summer or early fall.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40pm.

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City Planner

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