



The City of Seattle

Pike Place Market Historical Commission

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MHC 74/24

MEETING MINUTES

Date: Wednesday May 14, 2025

Time: 4:30 p.m.

Physical location: PDA Meeting Room: 93 Pike Street # 317

Virtual location: Virtual access as provided in the meeting agenda.

Video recording of meeting available upon request.

Commissioners Present

Jon Cracolici, Chair

Grace Leong, Vice Chair

Mark C. Childs

Samuel Farrazaino

Lisa Martin

Golnaz Mohammadi

Elisa Oksner

Commissioners Absent

Sarah Baker

Staff

Minh Chau Le, Coordinator

Donna Hartmann-Miller, Administrative Support

Jon Cracolici determined a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 4:30pm.

051425.1 APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL – USE

051425.11 Bite Society

1509 Pike Pl Arcade #4, Fairley Building

Applicant: Lendy Hensley, Business Owner
Property Owner: Shannon Hilliard, PDA

Proposal for a change of location only of an existing Market business.

Staff Report: Minh Chau Le provided exhibits related to the proposal: site plans; reference photos. Located in Zone 2, street level. Approved uses: Food (a-e), Retail (a-d). Previous Use: Retail. Proposed Use: Other (c). Relevant guidelines cited: 2.8; 2.13. URC recommended approval.

URC: Approved because it moves Arcade #4 into better alignment with the Market zones.

Applicant Presentation & Comment: presented the proposal.

Property Owner Comment: supports the application.

Public Comment: Heather Pihl.

Commission Questions: Confirmation that applicant will be returning for design approval, there are farmers interested in vacated Arcade #6, Arcade #4 is a highstall that had been used as retail.

Commission Discussion: Requested that future use applications include location photos. Suggested inclusion of 2.5.1 (c), not (a) or (b) in the approval.

Action: Jon Cracolici moved to adopt a resolution approving the application as presented citing 2.8; 2.13; 2.7.2. Mark Childs made a motion to add the following amendment to motion: Arcade #4 will be returned to a highstall use, as defined by MHC guidelines, after Bite Society vacates Arcade #4. Grace Leong seconded the motion to modify the motion.

Vote (on the amendment): 6:1:0 Motion carried. Jon Cracolici opposed.

Vote (on the motion): 7:0:0 Motion carried.

051425.2 APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL – DESIGN

051425.21 Victor Steinbrueck Park Skate Deterrent

2001 Western Ave

Applicant and Property Owner: David Graves and Amy Lindemuth, Seattle Parks and Recreation

Proposal to install skate-deterrent features on concrete curb and wall surfaces within park.

Staff Report: Minh Chau Le provided exhibits related to the proposal: site plan; curb and wall photos; specifications for the deterrent features. Guidelines cited: 2.12; 3.1. Supplemental materials requested by the DRC: precise placement of proposed features, identification of curb and seat walls that may need skate deterrents in the future. DRC found more discussion needed.

DRC: More discussion is needed.

Applicant/Property Owner Presentation & Comment: presented the proposal; identified the Hemi GrindMinder as the preferred deterrent; identified the potential future locations of installation.

Public Comment: Heather Pihl; Joan Paulson.

Commission Questions: Confirmation of methods of installation.

Commission Discussion: Preference of the black oxide finish, not the stainless steel finish.

Action: Grace Leong moved to adopt a resolution approving the application as amended with the condition that the finish on the Hemi GrindMinder be the black oxide finish, citing 2.12; 3.1.

Vote: 7:0:0 Motion carried.

Agenda reordered by the chairperson.

051425.8 NEW BUSINESS

Quarterly update presented by PDA staff and leadership: Zack Cook and Rachel Ligtenberg provided updates on commercial leasing activities, the Design Advisory Group, an upcoming funding levy, wayfinding signage, and street management plans.

Public Comment: Joan Paulson; Austin Crowley.

Standing item: MHC coordination with PDA and community stakeholders: No update.

Standing item: Discussion of public ways and amenities: No update.

Recurring item: Commission work group updates - Mark Childs requests a meeting.

051425.3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None.

051425.4 REPORT OF THE STAFF

Minh Chau Le provided updates on pending commission appointments pending.

Golnaz Mohammadi left the meeting at 6:27 p.m.

Minh Chau Le to provide background information on highstalls, and provided updates on Department of Neighborhoods action regarding the Virginia Inn sign.

Commission discussion regarding what happens when an approval decision is appealed, and when an applicant can move forward to implementation. Sam Farrazaino to inquire with the city Law Department.

051425.5 REPORT OF THE CHAIR

Jon Cracolici provided an update on the commission's request to use the Zoom meeting platform.

051425.6 REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES

Use Review Committee: No report.

Design Review Committee: No report.

051425.7 REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Guideline Review Committee: No report.

051425.8 NEW BUSINESS

Public Comment: Austin Crowley.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Submitted by:

Donna Hartmann-Miller

Administrative Support