



The City of Seattle

## Ballard Avenue Landmark District Board

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BLD 51/15

### MINUTES OF THE November 5, 2015 MEETING

TIME: 9:00 A.M.  
PLACE: Ballard Neighborhood Service Center  
5604 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue NW

#### **BOARD MEMBERS**

Meghan Griswold  
Joseph Herrin  
Gene Morris  
Cass O'Callaghan  
Brandon Peterson

#### **STAFF**

Heather McAuliffe

#### Absent:

Richard Hiner, Vice Chair  
Brian van Stipdonk, Chair

As a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m. by senior Board member, Joe Herrin.

#### **110515.1 APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES OF APPROVAL**

110515.11 Ballard Space LLC  
5306-5310 Ballard Avenue  
Mike Skidmore

Proposed change to storefront paneling.

Staff Report: Heather McAuliffe distributed materials from the application. The relevant guideline was 4.

Applicant Comment: Mike Skidmore, architect, explained that the packet provided clarification on work approved in July. He went over the revised

storefront details. He explained that two layers of trim would be added to the paneling, in order to provide more depth.

Public Comment: There were no comments from the public.

Board Discussion: Board members concurred that the application met Guidelines 4 and 15 d.

Motion: Brandon Peterson made a motion to approve the application as presented.

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## **110515.2 BOARD BRIEFINGS**

110515.21 DPD, SDOT – Ballard Urban Design and Transportation Framework (UDTF) /Move Ballard: Ballard Ave NW and NW 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave Draft Street Concepts  
Aditi Kambuj, DPD, Christopher Yake, SDOT

Briefing on Ballard UDTF and Move Ballard process and summary of recommendations. Seek feedback on initial direction of “festival street” design concepts for Ballard Ave NW and 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave NW.

Aditi Kambuj and David Goldberg from the City of Seattle Department of Planning & Development (DPD) presented conceptual plans to turn Ballard and 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave NW into festival streets. The streets would be closed periodically to support events. They discussed outreach to the community that was recently completed, and explained that implementation would start soon. There would be improvements to the right-of-ways to improve pedestrian safety, such as widening sidewalks, upgrading ADA ramps, adding pedestrian lighting, and adding landscaping elements.

Brian Regan, property owner, asked about increased parking opportunities. The presenters clarified that it was not within the scope of their project.

There was a discussion about the possibility of widening the sidewalks on Ballard Avenue. It was advised that the city find a solution that does not require changing their width, such as moving parking over to increase protected space for walking.

Mike Peck, property owner, spoke in support of changing Ballard Avenue into a festival street. He advised preserving character of the street.

Ginny Ruffner, property owner, wanted to know if the tree pits would receive grates. DPD staff confirmed that no grates would be installed.

Cass O’Callaghan expressed concerns about pedestrian safety at the intersection of NW 56<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> Ave NW.

Gene Morris spoke against moving curbs to widen the sidewalk. Ginny Ruffner agreed.

Cass O'Callaghan suggested extending the character of the festival street north of 22<sup>nd</sup>/56<sup>th</sup>.

**110515.3 BOARD BUSINESS:** No items were discussed.

**110515.4 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Board members reviewed the minutes of the September 3, 2015 meeting.

Motion: Brandon Peterson made a motion to approve the minutes as written.

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2-0-3 (Herrin, Morris and Peterson abstained)

**110515.5 REPORT OF THE CHAIR:** There was no report.

**110515.6 STAFF REPORT:** There was no report.

Joe Herrin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Brandon Peterson seconded the motion.

10:02 a.m. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather McAuliffe  
Board Coordinator