



The City of Seattle

## Ballard Avenue Landmark District Board

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BLD 10/16

### MINUTES OF THE March 3, 2016 MEETING

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

#### BOARD MEMBERS

Meghan Griswold  
Joseph Herrin  
Richard Hiner, Vice Chair  
Gene Morris  
Cass O'Callaghan

#### STAFF

Heather McAuliffe

#### Absent:

Brandon Peterson  
Brian van Stipdonk, Chair

As a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Senior Board member, Joe Herrin.

#### **030316.1 APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATES OF APPROVAL**

030316.12 Nuts N Bolts LLC  
5227 Ballard Ave NW  
Kevin Richards & Amy Klet

Application: Install security gate and transom window.

Staff Report: Heather McAuliffe distributed application materials. The relevant guideline was 2.

*Richard Hiner arrived at 9:10 a.m.*

Applicant Comment: Kevin Richards, architect, explained that there were ongoing issues with homeless people sleeping in the stairwell, that drug paraphernalia had been found on the stairs, and that the tenants had been harassed on the stairway. In-swinging gates will be installed at the base of the stairs. He showed the proposed material, blackened steel, and explained that ½ inch insulated glass would be installed to prevent people from throwing garbage onto the stairs and to prevent fires. He explained that the design was chosen to be distinguishable and discernible from the historic parts of the building, as suggested by the Board during the briefing at the previous meeting.

Public Comment: Robert Johnson, district property owner, supported the application.

Board Discussion: Joe Herrin stated that the two issues were differentiating the design and preserving the prominence of the stairway. He said he thought that the choice of material minimized the framing and helped to differentiate the design from the historic design. Richard Hiner said he thought the different scaling of the doors also helped to differentiate the design. Meghan Griswold said she thought that the use of the material increased transparency into the space. The Board discussed the existing historic doors at the top of the stairway that would remain. Randi Suetens, the applicant’s representative, said they would likely be propped open during the day.

Motion: Richard Hiner made a motion to approve the application as presented.

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**030316.2 BOARD BUSINESS:** No items were discussed.

**030316.3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Board members reviewed the minutes of the February 4, 2016 meeting.

Motion: Joe Herrin made a motion to approve the minutes as written.

MM/SC/JH/RH

3-0-2 (Meghan Griswold and Gene Morris abstained)

**030316.4 REPORT OF THE CHAIR**

**30316.5 STAFF REPORT:** Heather McAuliffe announced that the Board elections would be held June 16. Gene Morris’s and Rick Hiner’s positions will be open. Brian van Stipdonk’s term as Board architect also expires at that time.

Heather McAuliffe said that the crew installing pavers at Ballard and 20<sup>th</sup> did not have enough of the 1970s pavers and so installed historic brick pavers instead.

Joe Herrin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rick Hiner seconded the motion.

9:25 a.m. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather McAuliffe  
Board Coordinator