



The City of Seattle

## Pike Place Market Historical Commission

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MHC 03/26

### **MEETING MINUTES**

Date: Wednesday January 14, 2026

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**

Jonathan Cracolici, Chair

Grace Leong, Vice Chair

Sarah Baker

Mark C. Childs

Tom Graff

Jonathan Kiehnau

Golnaz Mohammadi

Ras Peynado

### **Commissioners Absent**

Alex Apostolopoulos

Pfeiffer Bloecker

Lisa Martin

Olivia Vermaak

### **Staff**

Minh Chau Le, Coordinator

Donna Hartmann-Miller, Administrative Support

Chair Jon Cracolici determined a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. New Commissioner Ras Peynado introduced himself.

**011426.1 APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL – USE & DESIGN**

**011426.11 Crepe de France**

93 Pike St, Economy Building

Applicant: Nany Price, Business Owner

Property Owner: Shannon Hilliard, PDA

Use: Proposal for an offsite business sign, to be hung from the marquee on the east side of the Economy Building.

Staff Report: Minh Chau Le provided exhibits related to the proposal: Site plan; Photo of proposed location; and clarified there are no proposed changes to the existing business's ownership, square footage, approved use, operating hours, or amount of onsite presence of the business owner. Additional information requested by the Use Review Committee (URC) was: Rendering of the sign from the north looking south. Relevant guidelines cited 3.6.6. URC cited no conflicts.

URC: Recommended approval.

Applicant Presentation & Comment: Nany Price presented the proposal for a sign to help orient people to her business.

Property Owner Comment: Shannon Hilliard provided comment in support.

Public Comment: None.

Commission Questions: None.

Commission Discussion: None. Grace Leong moved to adopt a resolution approving the application as presented including all verbal and written materials, citing guideline 3.6.6. Seconded by Mark Childs.

Vote: 8:0:0 Motion carried.

Design: Proposal for the design of the offsite hanging business sign.

Staff Report: Minh Chau Le provided exhibits related to the design portion of the proposal: Rendering of proposed sign; Scale drawings; Sign specifications - size, color, materials, finishes; Site plan. Additional information requested by the Design Review Committee (DRC) was: Rendering of sign from the north looking south; marquee area drawing indicating

potential future sign locations. Relevant guidelines cited 3.2, 3.6. DRC recommended approval pending further discussion.

DRC: Recommended approval pending review of additional materials and discussion.

Applicant Presentation & Comment: Nany Price presented the proposed design for the sign.

Property Owner Comment: Susan Brems provided comment in support.

Public Comment: None.

Commission Questions: Confirmation that bird deterrent is not necessary, protective cover is necessary; height from grade level is eleven feet; owner open to paint or vinyl; power source is above.

Commission Discussion: Suggestion to allow for addition of bird deterrent as needed. Jon Cracolici moved to adopt the resolution approving the application including all the testimony and discussion here at this meeting, with the amendment that bird deterrent may be added to the sign at some later time, citing guidelines 3.2 and 3.6. Seconded by Sarah Baker.

Vote: 8:0:0 Motion carried.

## **011426.2 APPLICATIONS FOR CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL – DESIGN**

011426.21 Shug's

1530 Pike Pl, Triangle Building

Applicant: Colleen Wilkie, Business Owner

Property Owner: Kate Trent, PDA

Proposal for interior renovation: replacement of lighting fixtures, flooring, finishes; installation of cabinetry, counters, equipment, fixtures, signage.

Staff Report: Minh Chau Le provided exhibits related to proposal: Site plan; existing condition photos; Proposed floor plan; Proposed interior elevations; Color and materials information – flooring, wall finishes, cabinetry, counters, signage; Specifications for lighting fixtures, food service equipment. Additional information requested by DRC was: physical floor tile samples; confirmation of countertop material; east wall materials and finish details; Show areas to be tiled by highlighting on the floor plan; Provide more information about menu board design and materials; add dimensions, directional information, and relevant material descriptions to all floor plans, site plans, and elevations. Relevant guidelines cited 3.4, 3.5. DRC recommended approval, pending review of the additional requested materials.

DRC: No immediate conflicts were cited.

Applicant Presentation & Comment: Colleen Wilkie presented the proposal and provided physical floor tile samples.

Property Owner Comment: Katie Trent provided comment in support.

Public Comment: None.

Commission Questions: Clarification that the east separation wall is being added to reduce a gap and help cover an electrical panel with a sliding door for the left-hand side gap; hand washing sink in the back of house may or may not be required by the health department; peg wall and the back bar shelving will be wood; black tile proposed due to green being discontinued.

Commission Discussion: supportive of green tile if available. Jon Cracolici moved to adopt a resolution approving the application as presented, including all the testimony here at this meeting with the amendments that a hand washing sink may be added to the back of house should the Health Department request one, and the floor tiles may be the black as presented or a shade of green at the owner's preference. Seconded by Grace Leong.

8:0:0 Motion carried.

011426.22

Market Optical

1906 Pike Pl #8, Stewart House Building

Applicant: Dr. Mark Cannon, Business Owner

Property Owner: Susan Brems, PDA

Proposal for new signage: window decal signs at the business's front and rear entrances; additional hanging marquee sign at building entrance; two offsite signs at established offsite sign directory locations.

Staff Report: Minh Chau Le provided exhibits related to proposal: Statement about the reason for adding additional signage to the existing business; Site plan; Sign specifications: size, color, materials, finishes; Existing use approvals for the business; proposed sign location photos. Staff clarified that of the five signs that are proposed, four have already been installed and seek retroactive approval. The only new sign is the hanging marquee sign. Additional information requested by DRC: Provide a physical sample of new sign at the January 14 MHC meeting; Provide a drawing or rendering of the proposed marquee sign from the south (looking north). Relevant guidelines cited: 3.2, 3.4, 3.6. DRC recommended approval, pending review of the additional requested materials.

DRC: The issue of two businesses in one space had been raised.

Applicant Presentation & Comment: Dr. Mark Cannon presented the proposal and provided a physical material sample for the hanging sign.

Property Owner Comment: Susan Brems provided comment in support of the proposal.

Public Comment: Austin Godwin.

Commission Questions: Dr. Cannon confirmed they work in two other locations; confirmation that the power box access is on the east side, questions about whether vinyl surfaces are consistent with guideline 3.6.

Commission Discussion: retroactive signs identified; sign materials identified as vinyl on aluminum; sign wording differences reviewed. Jon Cracolici moved to adopt a resolution approving the proposal as presented inclusive of the testimony provided in this meeting, with the amendment that the marquee sign — sign number one in the presentation — be painted in accordance with guidelines citing 3.6.1, 3.2, 3.4, and 3.6 in general and approval of all the retroactive signs numbered two through five. Seconded by Grace Leong.

Vote: 8:0:0 Motion carried.

### **011426.3 INFORMATIONAL BRIEFINGS**

#### **011426.31 Presentation on the History of Pike Place, by John Turnbull.**

Informational presentation accompanied by slides including content on infrastructure, engineering, regulations; usage and functionality, business, farmer, and community interests, traffic, sidewalks, surfaces, urban renewal, establishment of historic district establishment, the PDA's role; right-of-way authority and management.

Tom Graff exited the meeting at 6:08 p.m.

### **011426.4 APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Jon Cracolici moved to adopt the meeting minutes of February 12, 2025 as edited by commissioner Mark Childs. Seconded by Sarah Baker.

Vote: 7:0:0 Motion carried.

### **011426.5 REPORT OF THE STAFF**

No report.

**011426.6 REPORT OF THE CHAIR**

Summary of recent meetings of MHC Street Use working group and agencies including PDA, Seattle Fire Department, Seattle Police Department, and Seattle Department of Transportation. Working group members Jon Cracolici and Mark Childs were in attendance.

Public Comment: Eric Pihl, Joan Paulson.

**011426.7 REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES**

Use Review Committee is looking for members.

Design Review Committee reviewed and approved a change order by The Pink Door regarding flooring materials for their outdoor dining patio.

**011426.8 REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE**

The commission is awaiting review and response from Law Department on the commission's most recent draft guidelines.

**011426.9 NEW BUSINESS**

Public Comment: Heather Pihl .

Chair Jon Cracolici asks Minh Chau Le to contact the Parks Department to remind them of the upcoming deadline and to invite an application to request an extension to the deadline regarding the totem pole installation.

Recurring item: Commission work group updates: None.

Annual item: Election of commission officers (Chairperson and Vice Chairperson).  
Nominations to be sent to DON staff, electronic voting to be administered by DON staff, elected officers to begin presiding at the next meeting of January 28, 2026.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Submitted by:  
Donna Hartmann-Miller  
Administrative Support