

The City of Seattle

# Pioneer Square Preservation Board

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PSB 296/24

## **Staff Report**

Board meeting Nov 20, 2024

Board Members Please Note: The citations from the District Ordinance, Rules for the Pioneer Square Preservation District, and Secretary of the Interior's Standards listed below are for your consideration in addition to any other citations you find relevant in considering each application.

## 112024.32 New England Building

96 S Main St

Final Desing and installation of interpretive panels as part of the Pioneer Square East West Pedestrian Improvements Project

Staff report: The proposed interpretation panels were proposed as part of the East West Streets project but the final design and installation was to come back to the Board for final design. The Board had supported the concept because it helps tell a more full story of the history of the area and the indigenous people who were and are still here that is less present in the built environment.

#### **Draft Motion:**

I move to recommend granting a Certificate of Approval for installation of interpretive panels per the applicants submittal.

The Board directs staff to prepare a written recommendation of approval based on considering the application submittal and Board discussion at the *November 20, 2024* public meeting and forward this written recommendation to the Department of Neighborhoods Director.

## **Code Citations:**

## **Seattle Municipal Code**

23.66.030 Certificates of Approval required

Certificate of approval required. No person shall alter, demolish, construct, reconstruct, restore, remodel, make any visible change to the exterior appearance of any structure, or to the public rights-of-way or other public spaces in a special review

district, and no one shall remove or substantially alter any existing sign or erect or place any new sign or change the principal use of any building, or any portion of a building, structure or lot in a special review district, and no permit for such activity shall be issued unless a certificate of approval has been issued by the Department of Neighborhoods Director.

# **Rules for the Pioneer Square Preservation District**

III. GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR REHABILITATION AND NEW CONSTRUCTION
Rehabilitation is defined as the act or process of making possible a compatible use
for a property through repair, alterations, and additions while preserving those
portions or features which convey its historical, cultural, or architectural values.

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