



The City of Seattle

## International Special Review District

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ISRD 124/22

### Staff Report

**Address:** 714 S. King St. – Uncle Bob’s Place

**Applicant Representatives:** Leslie Morishita, Interim CDA

**Exterior alteration – artwork (mural):** Proposed application of a vinyl mural applied to the north façade using an adhesive. Dimensions: 22’10” wide by 50’high.

See attached plans.

#### **Additional information:**

- The site is located within the Asian Design Character District.
- A Certificate of Approval for a mural painted onto the west façade was approved August 9, 2022. A Certificate of Approval for balcony perforation design was approved in April 2022.
- Final Design of the building was issued in January 2020. Building signage, artwork, and the perforation design for a gate along S. King Street were not included with the Final Design application. The location and general proportions of the proposed mural was identified during the Final Design review.
- When reviewing artwork, the Board considers placement, materials, colors, scale, and method of attachment.

#### **Staff comments:**

The size of the mural is consistent with the placeholder the applicants presented with their Final Design application. At the time the content of the mural was no known. Staff was concerned about the potential impact of applying the mural to the surface of the building with adhesive. Staff expressed some concern that the content of the mural may be difficult to make out due to scale of

individual design elements. The applicants responded to these concerns within their application submittal.

**PROPOSED MOTION**

I move that the International Special Review District Board recommend approval of a Certificate of Approval for exterior alterations – artwork on the north façade of the building, at 714 S. King St.

The Board directs staff to prepare a written recommendation of approval, based on considering the application submittal and Board discussion at the September 27, 2022 public meeting, and forward this written recommendation to the Department of Neighborhoods Director.

This action is based on the **following applicable sections of the International Special Review District Ordinance:**

**SMC 23.66.336 – Exterior Building Finishes**

**A. General Requirements**

**B. Asian Design Character District**

**Secretary of the Interior Standard #9**