



The City of Seattle

Pioneer Square Preservation Board

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Staff REPORT

For Board meeting September 2, 2020

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.

090220.31 Alley lighting

Briefing on an alley lighting improvement project

Staff report: The Board reviewed the Alley lighting guidance report prior to its publishing and supported the concepts in the report. Comprehensive lighting designs have been implemented in the Nord alley and the Pioneer Passage alley, and other individual buildings have also increased lighting. This is a project to increase alley lighting. While the existing guidelines indicate that the alley lighting should be installed there is not guidance as to what the lighting should look like. More recent proposals have tried to bridge lighting that is both functional and aesthetic and has ranged from goose neck lights, catenary lights to smaller profile down lights. Older installations included utility wall packs and goose neck lights.

Code Citations:

SMC 23.66.030 Certificates of Approval required

Pioneer Square Preservation District Rules

XIX. ALLEYS

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B. Alley Lighting. Wall mounted fixtures shall be installed at appropriate heights on alley building facades to improve public safety and encourage positive activity and uses in alleys. (7/03) The Board may require a project to include alley lighting in the redevelopment.

Secretary of Interior's Standards

9. New additions, exterior alterations or related new construction will not destroy historic materials, features and spatial relationships that characterize the property. The new work will be differentiated from the old and will be compatible with the historic materials, features, size, scale and proportion, and massing to protect the integrity of the property and its environment.

10. New additions and adjacent or related new construction will be undertaken in such a manner that, if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

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