



The City of Seattle

Landmarks Preservation Board

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LPB 235/24

STAFF REPORT ON CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

Seattle Center Playhouse & Exhibition Hall 201 & 301 Mercer Street

Features and Characteristics for which a Certificate of Approval is required:
The site, the colonnades, and the exteriors of the buildings.

Designated under Standards: A, C, D, and E

Summary of proposed changes: A plan for temporary signage and art on the designated site and building exteriors, where the signage and art remain in place no more than 60 days, and can be installed and removed without damage to the site or buildings.

Suggested Language for Approval:

I move that the Seattle Landmarks Preservation Board approve the application and issue a Certificate of Approval for the proposed temporary signage and art plan at the Seattle Center Playhouse and Exhibition Hall, 201 and 301 Mercer Street, as per the attached submittal.

This action is based on the following:

1. With regard to SMC 25.12.750 A, the extent to which the proposed alteration or significant change would adversely affect the features or characteristics described in Ordinance 125643.
 - a. The proposed temporary signage and art appear to have little or no impact, and are easily reversible.
2. With regard to SMC 25.12.750 B, the reasonableness or lack thereof of the proposed alterations or significant change in light of other alternatives available to achieve the objectives of the owner and the applicant.

- a. No alternatives were provided as they did not seem necessary, and none were requested by the Board.
3. The factors of SMC 25.12 .750 C, D and E are not applicable.
4. The proposed work as presented is consistent with the following Secretary of Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation as listed below:

Standard #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 shall 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.

Standard #10: New additions and adjacent or related new construction shall 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.