Re: Denial of Nomination of the Hahn Building, 103 Pike Street

Dear Mr. Buck:

At the December 17, 2014, meeting of the City’s Landmarks Preservation Board, the Board did not support the nomination of the Hahn Building, at 103 Pike Street in Seattle. The vote on the motion to approve the nomination was two voting in favor of nomination and six voting to deny the motion. As per the Rules and Regulations, Code of Ethics and Procedures adopted by the Landmarks Preservation Board, official actions of the Board shall require a majority vote of the Board members present and voting. Since there were eight members in attendance at the December 17, 2014 Landmarks Preservation Board meeting, a majority of five members voting in favor would be required for a motion to pass. Therefore, the motion failed and the nomination was denied.

Termination of Proceedings

SMC 25.12.850A states:

“In any case where a site, improvement or object is nominated for designation as a landmark site or landmark and thereafter the Board fails to approve such nomination or to adopt a report approving designation of such site, improvement or object, such proceeding shall terminate and no new proceeding under this ordinance may be commenced with respect to such site, improvement or object within five (5) years from the date of such termination without the written agreement of the owner.”

This provision is applicable to these nomination proceedings.

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