

To: Bainbridge Island City Council

From: Historic Preservation Commission

Date: February 20, 2018

Re: 2017 Summary of Activities and 2018 Proposed Work Plan

2017 SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES

In calendar year 2017, the Historic Preservation Commission undertook the following activities:

- I. In accordance with the revised Historic Preservation Code (18.24) the Commission proceeded to begin a review of the City's Historic Inventory:
 - Created a process to Identify "Register Eligible" properties
 - Reviewed over 150 inventory properties including Winslow Way properties, and Japanese/Filipino historic farms
 - Identified over 57 properties as Register Eligible
 - Sent letters to 57 Register Eligible property owners explaining the status
- II. Designed signage for properties listed on the Register
- III. Performed other statutory duties including:
 - Issued a Certificate of Appropriateness for a new roof on 1632 Parkview Drive and for a new garage for the Captain Lovell House.
 - Reviewed and approved the nomination of 568 Ericksen to the Local Register.
 - Reviewed demo permits for buildings over 50 years old and issued comments where appropriate.
 - Insisted on mitigation for the Moran School demolition, including a web-based history of the school and historic signage at the site.
- IV. Served in an advisory capacity to property owners and the City including:
 - Worked with the City, Friends of the Farms, Bainbridge Island History Museum and KO Consulting in developing a long-term restoration plan for the Suyematsu Farm.
 - Consulted with the new owner of the Moritani property (Fletcher Bay Foundation) in salvaging historic artifacts as well as asking for, and receiving, a commitment that historic signage would be placed on the property.
 - Continued to monitor progress at the YAMA site including having a commissioner (Marcia Montgomery) on the YAMA steering committee.
 - Provided input to design team for the proposed 305 Bridge.

2018 PROPOSED WORK PLAN

- I. Continue to review remaining inventory properties and identify Register Eligible properties with follow up notification to property owners.
- II. Hold a spring reception and workshop for Register and Register Eligible property owners to 1) thank Register Property owners for their commitment to historic preservation and 2) explain Register status to Register Eligible property owners and encourage nominations.
- III. Identify Historic Island Farms (18.24.130), encourage nominations, design and produce signage.
- IV. Explore the feasibility of establishing a web-based database, accessible by the public, of Historic Inventory and status of each property. Ideally, we would include photos and historic documentation.
- V. Work with representatives of the Fort Ward Bakery to issue a Certificate of Appropriateness so the building permit can be issued.
- VI. Continue to consult on the Suyematsu Restoration project.
- VII. Assure that signage is produced and installed at the Moran School site (with the Bainbridge Island History Museum).
- VIII. Continue to review and comment on demo permit requests for inventory properties.
- IX. Perform other routine statutory duties including:
 - Review and act upon nominations of Heritage Trees.
 - Consult with property owners, as needed, regarding improvements to historic properties and issues regarding nomination to the Local Historic Register.
 - Serve as a consultant to the City on historic preservation issues.

Adopted Unanimously on February 8, 2018 by Historic Preservation Commissioners:

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