



## **DESIGN COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING MINUTES DECEMBER 9, 2015**

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### **CALL TO ORDER:**

Vice Chair Brandt called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM in the Council Chambers, 9611 SE 36th Street, Mercer Island, Washington.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Vice-Chair Colin Brandt; Commissioners Susanne Foster, Daniel Hubbell, Lara Sanderson, Tami Szerlip and were present. Chair Richard Erwin and Commissioner Hui Tian were excused.

### **STAFF PRESENT:**

Travis Saunders, Senior Planner; and Christina Schuck, Assistant City Attorney were present.

### **MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL:**

The Commission reviewed the minutes from the October 28, 2015 meeting. Commissioner Szerlip motioned to approve the minutes as written with the exception that the second sentence of the third paragraph under Agenda Item #1 should read, "In his letter, Mr. Nash asserted that a development previously approved for the subject site complied with the design standards in effect at the time of the project's design approval in 2007." The motion was seconded by Commissioner Foster. The minutes were approved as modified by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

### **REGULAR BUSINESS:**

#### **Agenda Item #1: Preliminary Design Review – New Seasons Market - 2755 77th Avenue SE (DSR15-027)**

Travis Saunders, Senior Planner, provided the staff presentation and responded to questions from the Commission.

Greg Mitchell of LRS Architects, 720 NW Davis, Suite 300, Portland, OR 97209, provided a presentation for the applicant and responded to questions from the Commission.

Robert Thorpe and Tom Walker of RW Thorpe and Associates, 2737 78<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, Mercer Island, WA 9804 provided a presentation for the applicant and responded to questions from the Commission.

Commissioner Hubbell moved to grant New Seasons Market preliminary design approval for modifications to an existing building and landscaping for a new grocery store located at 2755 77<sup>th</sup> Avenue SE, as shown in Exhibits 2, 3, 4 (the landscape exhibit presented at the meeting), 5 (mechanical drawings presented electronically at the meeting), and 6 (example of finishes presented at the meeting), and as conditioned by the December 9, 2015 staff report to the Design Commission, along with the following conditions:

1. The applicant shall screen the utility cabinet on the northeast corner of the property per the discussion with the Commission.
2. The applicant shall screen the seating area with replacement of the fence.
3. The applicant shall screen the rooftop mechanical as discussed and as presented, noting the full enclosure of the north side.

4. The applicant shall continue to review landscaping for consistency to the existing per the discussion with the Commission.

Commissioner Sanderson seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously (5-0).

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

None

**PLANNED ABSENCES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS:**

No planned absences were announced.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS:**

The next regularly scheduled meeting is December 23, 2015, which will be cancelled due to holidays.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Travis Saunders, Senior Planner