

# City of Olympia Heritage Review Checklist

The proposed work should not detrimentally alter, destroy or adversely affect any exterior feature relating to the designation of the property to the Olympia Heritage Register. In the case of construction of a new improvement, building or structure on the site of a Register property, the exterior of such construction will not adversely affect and will be compatible with the external appearance of existing designated improvements, buildings and structures on the site. The **Secretary of the Interior's Standards** for the Treatment of Historic Properties (as amended) shall be the standards which guide the review of Register properties. (OMC 18.12.090(C)(1))

## Standard 1

Complies

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Conflicts

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N/A

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A property will be used as it was historically or be given a new use that requires minimal change to its distinctive materials, features, spaces, and spatial relationships.

**Justification, Conditions & other Notes:** The new use maintains the major defining characteristics of the existing building with minimal changes and reinstallation of elements that had been removed prior. Spatial relationships have been maintained by preserving the main entry at the Southwest and secondary entries at the East and West. Many elements of the interior and exterior of the library building will be restored with the intention to preserve and rehabilitate the original building.

## Standard 2

Complies

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The historic character of a property will be retained and preserved. The removal of distinctive materials or alterations of features, spaces, and spatial relationships that characterize a property will be avoided.

**Justification, Conditions & other Notes:** Upgrades to the exterior of the original 1914 library will be limited to functional improvements including the reintroducing an entry canopy at the Southwest entrance that will provide shelter to patrons entering the building along with repair and limited replacement of windows using new wood windows with exterior metal cladding that resembles the character of the windows shown in the original architectural drawings and archived historical photos of the building. The new monument sign is design to use materials that resemble the colors and character of the original brick, mortar and glazed terracotta.

## Standard 3

Complies

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Conflicts

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Each property will be recognized as a physical record of its time, place, and use. Changes that create a false sense of historical development, such as adding conjectural features or elements from other historic properties, will not be undertaken.

**Justification, Conditions & other Notes:** The proposed design is sensitive to the age of the building and its presence in Olympia since 1914, the site has undergone a number of changes in use and the proposed use will honor the building's place in history by highlighting the beauty of the original architecture and the craftsmanship displayed throughout the building. Major changes are limited to repairing and reinstalling stored features according to the original documentation and historic materials provided in an effort to maintain the building in its original state.

## Standard 4

Complies

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Conflicts

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N/A

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Changes to a property that have acquired historic significance in their own right will be retained and preserved.

**Justification, Conditions & other Notes:** The existing 1960s annex addition has been on the site for over 50 years. The one-story CMU block structure has not aged well and does not relate to the design elements or quality of the original library. The proposed project aims to re-clad the annex addition in a way that differentiates the new work from the 1914 library building while responding to some of its design elements and character. The deteriorating flat roof of the 1960 annex will be removed, but the existing CMU block walls will be retained and covered.

## Standard 5

Complies

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Conflicts

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Distinctive materials, features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a property will be preserved.

**Justification, Conditions & other Notes:** The original materials of the 1914 Library building are to remain with gentle cleaning and functional improvements, all new elements are designed to represent the character of their original design. The distinctive exterior entry lighting that had been removed and stored will be reinstalled and set in its original location to rehabilitate the building and restore the original design. The landscaping plan has been designed with respect to the period of the historic building and preserves distinctive existing mature vegetation.

Standard 6			
Complies <input type="checkbox"/>	Conflicts <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	Deteriorated historic features will be repaired rather than replaced. Where the severity of deterioration requires replacement of a distinctive feature, the new feature will match the old in design, color, texture, and, where possible, materials. Replacement of missing features will be substantiated by documentary and physical evidence.
<b>Justification, Conditions &amp; other Notes:</b> All of the windows on the south and west elevations have been replaced with single-pane, aluminum- framed windows. Any new windows in the 1914 library will be wood with metal exterior cladding and will match the color and design of the original windows. The existing windows on the east elevation are mostly original but are in various stages of deterioration. These windows will be inspected and repaired as needed, and will be replaced only if repairs are unsuccessful. The original windows on the second-floor north elevation appear to be in good condition and will remain unaltered.			

Standard 7			
Complies <input type="checkbox"/>	Conflicts <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	Chemical or physical treatments, if appropriate, will be undertaken using the gentlest means possible. Treatments that cause damage to historic materials will not be used.
<b>Justification, Conditions &amp; other Notes:</b> The cleaning of the original facade will use the gentlest means possible in order to leave evidence of the passing of time. A note will be included in the construction documents on the project information sheet.			

Standard 8			
Complies <input type="checkbox"/>	Conflicts <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	Archeological resources will be protected and preserved in place. If such resources must be disturbed, mitigation measures will be undertaken.
<b>Justification, Conditions &amp; other Notes:</b> Procedural and process information regarding the preservation of any cultural materials or human remains that could be observed or uncovered during ground disturbance shall be provided. An Inadvertent Discovery Plan shall be placed on project information sheet in our construction documents.			

Standard 9			
Complies <input type="checkbox"/>	Conflicts <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	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.
<b>Justification, Conditions &amp; other Notes:</b> The renovation of the addition portion of the project is designed to be differentiated from the original library building while still acknowledging key elements of its design, including material color and texture, distinctive forms, and architectural features. New exterior lighting fixtures have been selected to complement the library's brick quoin features; horizontal reveals are aligned with the horizontal accents in the brick siding; and the transition from a darker base material to a lighter material above is intended to echo the shift in brick color. The proportions of the massing are maintained in the new work, and the new storefronts at the east and west entries provide a clear transition between the two structures, further distinguishing the preserved historic building from the new addition.			

Standard 10			
Complies <input type="checkbox"/>	Conflicts <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A <input type="checkbox"/>	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.
<b>Justification, Conditions &amp; other Notes:</b> New additions will remain within the footprint of the 1960 Annex building with exception to the waste enclosure (required by the city) and the roof deck which has been located in the northeast quadrant of the building (set back from the three exposed building facades on the two street fronts) and adjacent parking lot to the east. the deck railing has also been designed to screen the existing roof top mechanical HVAC equipment.			