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City Council

Special Recognition - Proclamation Recognizing Olympia Heritage Month and Review of Nominees for 2019 Historic Preservation Awards

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Proclaim May 2019 as Heritage Month and review of nominations for the 2019 Historic Preservation Awards.

Report

Issue:

Whether to proclaim May 2019 as Historic Preservation Month and review recipients of 2019 Historic Preservation Awards.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

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Members of the Heritage Commission

Background and Analysis:

Each year in May the City of Olympia recognizes the value of our shared history and heritage by declaring May to be Heritage Month, and hosting a series of educational events. This month will kick off a year-long focus by our City's Heritage Commission on the value of historic windows - "windows to the soul" for historic buildings -- with displays and workshops. A proclamation has been prepared.

The Heritage Commission also works to promote excellence in historic preservation. To that end, the

Commission nominates and recommends recipients for Olympia's Annual Historic Preservation Awards. These awards recognize people, projects, and places that serve as models for preserving and championing our cultural and built heritage.

This year there are four recommended recipients for 2019 Historic Preservation Awards. There is an item on the Consent Calendar to approve these nominations.

Following Council approval, formal presentation of these awards is scheduled for May 16 at the Capitol Theater, at an Olympia Design Month event to be hosted by the Olympia Heritage Commission. That event is free and open to the public and begins at 7 p.m.

The 2019 Historic Preservation Award Nominees are:

1. The owners and design team for Well-80 (514 Fourth Ave E), including Chris and Robert Knudson, Tovani Hart Architects, Neil Meyer, Architect; and Bargreen-Ellingson, Restaurant Design.

This award is the first ever to recognize new construction. The Well 80 building is an exemplary model for sympathetic design of a new building within a historic context, and goes even further to celebrate the history of brewing in the interior and the artesian well in its naming.

2. The Board of Directors of TVW, Washington's Public Affairs Network, for their sensitive rehabilitation of the Jeannette C. Hayner Media Center (1058 Capitol Way South). This project is a model for adaptive re-use of a historic commercial property to house creative and educational programming and services.
3. Jackie Wall, former Nisqually Nation Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, for her dedicated service to cultural resources preservation regionally, and to preservation of Tribal culture and heritage in particular. Her contributions have been exceptional.
4. Michelle Sadlier, Michelle Sadlier, for her tireless advocacy for a better understanding of local history through education, and her passionate protection and celebration of our community's multicultural heritage.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

General community interest in preserving, enhancing, and championing the places that give our city its unique character and tell the stories of our people.

Options:

1. Proclaim May as Heritage Month and review the 2019 Preservation Award nominees
2. Modify the recommendation
3. Do not proclaim May as Heritage Month or review the 2019 Preservation Award nominees

Financial Impact:

N/A

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Attachments:

Proclamation