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MEMORANDUM

Date: June 12, 2018

To: Kathryn Hartinger & Lora Lillard, BPS

From: Staci Monroe, Design / Historic Review

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Re: Briefing on DOZA Process Code Changes (Discussion Draft)

Summary of May 21, 2018 Historic Landmarks Commission hearing

Thank you for taking advantage of the opportunity to hold a preliminary briefing with the Landmarks Commission regarding your project. I hope you find it informative and valuable as you continue with your project development. Attached is a brief summary of the comments provided by the Landmarks Commission at the May 21, 2018 hearing. This summary was generated from notes taken at the public meeting and a subsequent review of the public meeting recordings. To review those recordings, please visit: http://efiles.portlandoregon.gov/record/11883409

These Landmarks Commission comments are intended to guide you in further developing the project. It should be understood that these comments address the project as presented on May 21, 2018. As the project evolves, the comments, too, may evolve or may no longer be pertinent.

Please continue to coordinate with Staci Monroe, as necessary.

Encl: Summary Memo

Cc: Landmarks Commission

This memo summarizes Landmark Commission design direction provided on May 21, 2018.

Commissioners in attendance on May 21, 2018 include: Kirk Ranzetta, Kristen Minor, Maya Foty, Annie Mahoney, Ernestina Fuenmayor

Comments:

- Concern was expressed with the need to codify that FAR cannot be reduced through design review. This additional language suggests that accommodating growth is more important than context in all situations. It was noted that it is likely a very rare occurrence, if at all, that the Design Commission stated there was too much bulk on a site, and that if it was done, it was likely important given the context.
- BPS was encouraged to look at areas where context should be considered more important than accommodating growth.
- BPS was encouraged to select a site adjacent to a historic district for the design scheme tests.
- Might be helpful to clarify if a follow-up Early Design Conference (EDC) is allowed and that it is also a tool for projects that do not trigger a Type 3, i.e. voluntary.