

Office of Mayor Ted Wheeler City of Portland

December 4, 2019

As Mayor and Commissioner of Finance & Administration, I request Council confirmation of the following appointment and reappointments to the Historic Landmarks Commission.

Appointment	Membership Category	(1st) Full Term
Derek Spears	Public-At-Large	December 9, 2019 through December 8, 2023
(filling a vacant position)		

Derek Spears is a unique candidate for the Historic Landmarks Commission by virtue of his experience as a real estate agent and underwriter and with an understanding of how changing state and city policies affect the stability of local communities.

Raised in the southeastern United States, Derek has seen how some building and areas that were sacred to minority communities were torn down and replaced with new development. Derek sees himself as a bridge between these communities and decision makers and hopes to lift the voices of the community in his role as a Landmarks Commissioner.

Statement from Derek Spears: "I have always loved listen to perspectives of others. It helps me gain a better understanding of the lens through which they see life. We all have gotten to a certain place in life by experiences. The more I listen to other perspective helps me understand that we don't always have a conflict we usually have a miscommunication or misunderstanding."

Re-Appointments	Membership Category	(2 nd) Full Term
Kristen Minor	Preservation Planner	December 9, 2019 through December 8, 2023
Matthew Roman	Public-At-Large	January 6, 2020 through January 5, 2024

Kristen Minor's continuation on a second term with the Historic Landmarks Commission comes at a critical time with the upcoming changes in the Historic Resources Code Project, given her expertise in the Land Use process as a former planner with BDS and her leadership as Chair of the Commission for the past 13 months.

Statement from Kristen Minor: "What excites me about continuing to serve on the Commission

is that I feel that I'm making a difference in pushing for more preservation which equals more sustainability. I continue to learn a lot about materials, about the stories that make up the whole of Portland, and about good design and how to guide that."

Matthew Roman's continuation on a second term with the Commission, likewise ensure consistency on the process as the second most senior commissioner. Matthew has a keen understanding of traditional building systems and materials and local architectural history and provides exceptional and practical guidance in the hearings room.

Statement from Matthew Roman: "What excites me about continuing to serve on the Commission is protecting the unique character of a city I have called home for over 25 years and the diversity of our cultural landscape while promoting historic preservation as an economic engine for Portland."

Respectfully submitted,

Ted Wheeler Mayor

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Agenda No. APPOINTMENT REPORT Title

Appoint Derek Spears and reappoint Kristen Minor and Matthew Roman to the Portland Historic Landmarks Commission (HLC) for 4-year terms to expire December 8, 2023 and January 5, 2024 (Report)



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