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April 10, 2013

To: Mayor Charlie Hales

From: Paul L. Scarlett, Director
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Denise Klein*

Subject: Reappointment to the Historic Landmarks Commission

One Historic Landmarks Commissioner appointment is due. Tim Heron, Sr. City Planner, and the Chair of the Commission worked together to develop a rationale to rank interested applicants for the positions based on points below.

Current Membership and Background

Last year Council appointed Jessica Engeman due to her solid experience in real estate and historic property redevelopment, as well as living in the recently designated Irvington Historic District. The Historic Landmarks Commission has also benefited by her experience with our State-level historic regulators, the State Historic Preservation Office [SHPO], and many years experience writing and presenting National Register applications for the SHPO. Harris Matarazzo was also reappointed to the Commission's Public at Large position due to his advocacy for historic preservation as a Bosco-Milligan Foundation member, as well as having already been an effective and thoughtful 1st term Commissioner.

These recent appointments have added credibility to the already diverse compliment of Commissioners that the Zoning Code mandates, improving the Commission's stature in the eyes of the public, and service to Landmarks Commission customers and the City of Portland.

New Landmarks Commission candidates rationale - archeologist still needed.

As mentioned, the two recent appointments of Matarazzo and Engeman has improved the stature of the Landmarks Commission. Retaining Paul Solimano in the Archeologist position will retain this high bar gained, but particularly at a time when we are increasingly seeing new development proposals on vacated land, and/or large additions to existing development, where excavations occur, and a high-probability for archeological relics exist.

Paul Solimano appears the best candidate given his current roll, active participation, and insight into archeological matters as "infill" development focuses on vacant land in historic districts. I am recommending Paul be reappointed to the commission in the same Archeology position for 2nd full, 4-year term to expire February 17, 2017.

With this proposed reappointment, there are no vacancies on the Historic Landmarks Commission. I have attached a current membership list for your use.

Historic Landmarks Commission:

The Historical Landmarks Commission provides leadership and expertise on maintaining and enhancing Portland's historic and architectural heritage. The Commission identifies and protects buildings and other properties that have historic or cultural significance or special architectural merit. The Commission provides advice on historic preservation matters, and coordinates historic preservation programs in the City. The Commission is also actively involved in the development of design guidelines for historic design districts.

The Historic Landmarks Commission consists of seven members, none of whom may hold public elective office. The Commission must include a historian with knowledge of local history; an architectural historian; an architect; two members from the following: landscape architecture, real estate, construction, community development, urban planning, archeology, law, finance, cultural geography, cultural anthropology, or related disciplines; and two members at-large. All members must have demonstrated interest, competence, or knowledge of historic preservation. No more than two members of the Commission may be in the business of buying, selling, leasing, or developing real estate for profit, or be officers of such a business. The members are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council. The terms shall be a maximum of four years with a maximum of two full terms.

Powers and duties. The Historic Landmarks Commission has all of the powers and duties which are assigned to it by PCC Title 33 or by City Council. The Commission powers and duties include:

1. Establishing or removing Historic Landmark and Conservation Landmark designations for specific buildings or sites in quasi-judicial reviews;
2. Recommending the establishment or removal of Historic Landmark and Conservation Landmark designations to the City Council in legislative actions;
3. Recommending the establishment, amendment, or removal of Historic Districts and Conservation Districts to the Planning Commission and the City Council;
4. Recommending and developing design guidelines for Historic Districts and Conservation Districts to the City Council;
5. Reviewing development proposals for Historic Landmarks and Conservation Landmarks and in Historic Districts and Conservation Districts;
6. Reviewing demolition and relocation requests for certain Historic landmarks and buildings in Historic Districts;
7. Providing advice on historic preservation matters to the Hearings Officer, Design Commission, Planning Commission, Portland Development Commission, other City commissions and committees, and City Council; and
8. Initiating and coordinating historic preservation and public outreach programs in the City, including reviewing recommendations for national register status and making recommendations to other governmental agencies regarding historic preservation programs and issues.

Current Members of the Commission are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Membership Category</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Jessica Engeman	Historian	10/01/15 [1 st full term]
Carin Carlson	Public at Large	11/30/13 [1 st full term]
Brian Emerick	Architect	12/31/15 [2 nd full term]
Kirk Ranzetta	Architectural Historian	10/01/14 [1 st partial term]
Harris Matarazzo	Public at Large	10/01/15 [1 st full term]
Carrie Richter	Law	11/30/13 [2 nd full term]
Paul Solimano	Archeology	2/17/17 [2 nd full term]

Primary Staff to the Historic Landmarks Commission: Tim Heron 503-823-7726

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Commissioner Amanda Fritz
Commissioner Steve Novick
Commissioner Dan Saltzman

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

<u>Reappointment</u>	<u>Membership Category</u>	<u>Full Term</u> _____
Paul Solimano	Archeology	February 18, 2013 through February 17, 2017 (2 nd full term)

Respectfully submitted,

Charlie Hales
Mayor

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Agenda No.
REPORT NO.
Title

Reappoint Paul Solimano to the Historic Landmarks Commission for a ~~4-year~~ term to expire February 17, 2017 (Report)

<p>INTRODUCED BY Commissioner/Auditor: Mayor Charlie Hales</p>	<p>CLERK USE: DATE FILED <u>APR 05 2013</u></p>
<p>COMMISSIONER APPROVAL</p> <p>Mayor—Finance and Administration - Hales <i>[Signature]</i></p> <p>Position 1/Utilities - Fritz</p> <p>Position 2/Works - Fish</p> <p>Position 3/Affairs - Saltzman</p> <p>Position 4/Safety - Novick</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LaVonne Griffin-Valade Auditor of the City of Portland</p> <p>By: <u><i>[Signature]</i></u> Deputy</p>
<p>BUREAU APPROVAL</p> <p>Bureau: Development Services Bureau Head: <i>[Signature]</i> Paul L. Scarlett, Director</p> <p>Prepared by: Leanne Torgerson Date Prepared: 3/25/13</p> <p>Financial Impact & Public Involvement Statement Completed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amends Budget <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Council Meeting Date 4/10/13</p>	<p>ACTION TAKEN:</p> <p>APR 10 2013 CONFIRMED</p>
<p>City Attorney Approval</p>	

AGENDA
<p>TIME CERTAIN <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Start time: _____</p> <p>Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>
<p>CONSENT <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>REGULAR <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Total amount of time needed: _____ (for presentation, testimony and discussion)</p>

FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS:		
		YEAS	NAYS
1. Fritz	1. Fritz	✓	
2. Fish	2. Fish	✓	
3. Saltzman	3. Saltzman	✓	
4. Novick	4 Novick	_____	
Hales	Hales	✓	