

Regarding: 120 West Mifflin Street – Designated Landmark (Schubert Building) –
Alteration to Certificate of Appropriateness.
Contact: George Austin, Block 100 Foundation, Inc.
(Legistar #28238)

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General Information:

The Applicant is proposing a minor change to the project that was granted Certificates of Appropriateness on June 25, 2012 (Legistar # 26725). The development team met with Staff to discuss the outstanding conditions of approval. Staff felt that the change in the storefront configuration of the Schubert Building required the review of the Landmarks Commission.

Relevant Ordinance Sections:

33.19(5)(b) Regulation of Construction, Reconstruction and Exterior Alteration

4. Upon filing of any application with the Landmarks Commission, the Landmarks Commission shall determine:
 - a. Whether, in the case of a designated landmark or landmark site, the proposed work would detrimentally change, destroy or adversely affect any exterior architectural feature of the improvement upon which said work is to be done; and
 - b. Whether, in the case of the construction of a new improvement upon a landmark site, the exterior of such improvement would adversely affect or not harmonize with the external appearance of other neighboring improvements on such site;

Staff Comments and Recommendations:

Staff believes the proposed change to the elevation of the Schubert Building is more in keeping with the elevation configuration proposed in the original Kronenberg drawing. The Kronenberg elevation drawing shows the door centered in the storefront opening with vertical mullions aligning with divisions in the transom panels above.

Staff believes that the standards for granting a revised Certificate of Appropriateness for the exterior alteration to the landmark building are met and recommends approval by the Landmarks Commission.