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Subject: Your question at LORC - Landmarks Ordinance

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Hi Shiva-

I wanted to clearly answer the question you asked me at the last LORC meeting regarding the proposed language in section (1) of the ordinance. I wasn't sure exactly what you were asking at the time, but I believe you were asking whether the proposed language was acceptable to MTHP.

So that I'm not adding commentary that is not already captured in the record, I'll simply excerpt my comments dated 27 August 2014. (For reference the draft language is copied first)

Draft language:

- (1)(b) Ensure the harmonious, orderly, and efficient growth of the City that sensitively incorporates historic structures and artifacts.
- (c) Enhance the visual and aesthetic character of the City by ensuring that new design and construction, when it happens, complements the City's historic resources.

Jason Tish comments from 27 August 2014 (emphasis added):

(1) (b) "new development the sensitively incorporates historic structures and artifacts" can be easily construed as condoning the salvage of façade materials and architectural remnants and incorporation into new construction in order to mitigate the adverse impacts of demolition, full or partial. These treatments, sometimes referred to as facadectomy are not condoned in SOIS [Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation], and are generally rejected in the preservation profession as legitimate approaches to the conservation of historic buildings."

Suggested revision to section (1)(b):

- (1)(b) Ensure that growth and development sensitively incorporate **and complement** historic properties.
- (c) Enhance the visual and aesthetic character of the City by ensuring that new design and construction, when it happens in historic districts or adjacent to designated Landmarks, complements the City's historic resources.

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