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Subject: C-07 - C14-2018-0072 - 1700 West Avenue

Karen,

Good afternoon!

I spoke to Steve Sadowsky about this so that I could be clear about the scenario and process in which the city might initiate historic zoning.

The brief answer is that the City does not initiate historic zoning without a) a request from an owner or b) plans that include demolition which would compromise the historic integrity of the structure.

However, historic designation is still possible:

1. Because of the state of the building, a partial demolition permit will be required as part of the construction. The applicant will need to come to the HPO for the permit.
2. The HPO will evaluate the plans, and determine whether the building's historic integrity would be compromised. If not, the permit will be issued and partial demolition can move forward.
3. If the plans appear to compromise historic character, the permit will come before the Historic Landmark Commission, and the Commission may initiate historic zoning (-H) and recommend the building as a landmark.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Take care!

Best - Scott

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From: McGraw, Karen - BC
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Scott,

You mention that this is “the historic Shelley House” so why is it not being slated for historic zoning or at least review by the HLC?

This is the opportunity to do that. The building may be eligible for preservation tax credits (local, state and/or national).

Has staff discussed this with the applicant?

Thanks,

Karen McGraw
District 9 Planning Commissioner

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