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Notes:

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Mayor's Signature: 12/17/2015

Sponsors: Bagshaw

Vetoed by Mayor:

Veto Overridden:

Veto Sustained:

Attachments:

Drafter: adam.schaefer@seattle.gov

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1	Mayor	11/17/2015	Mayor's leg transmitted to Council	City Clerk			
	Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was Mayor's leg transmitted to Council. to the City Clerk						
	Notes:						
1	City Clerk	11/17/2015	sent for review	Council President's Office			
	Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was sent for review. to the Council President's Office						
	Notes:						
1	Council President's Office	11/17/2015	sent for review	Seattle Public Utilities and Neighborhoods Committee			
	Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was sent for review. to the Seattle Public Utilities and Neighborhoods Committee						
	Notes:						

- 1 Full Council 11/30/2015 referred Seattle Public Utilities and Neighborhoods Committee
Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was referred. to the Seattle Public Utilities and Neighborhoods Committee
Notes:
- 1 Seattle Public Utilities and Neighborhoods Committee 12/08/2015 pass Pass
Action Text: The Committee recommends that Full Council pass the Council Bill (CB).
In Favor: 1 Chair Bagshaw
Opposed: 0
Absent(NV): 1 Member Harrell
- 1 Full Council 12/14/2015 passed Pass
Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was passed by the following vote and the President signed the Bill:
Notes:
In Favor: 8 Council President Burgess, Councilmember Godden, Councilmember González , Councilmember Harrell, Councilmember Licata, Councilmember O'Brien, Councilmember Rasmussen, Councilmember Sawant
Opposed: 0
- 1 City Clerk 12/16/2015 submitted for Mayor's signature Mayor
Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was submitted for Mayor's signature. to the Mayor
Notes:
- 1 Mayor 12/17/2015 Signed
Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was Signed.
Notes:
- 1 Mayor 12/17/2015 returned City Clerk
Action Text: The Council Bill (CB) was returned. to the City Clerk
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- 1 City Clerk 12/17/2015 attested by City Clerk
Action Text: The Ordinance (Ord) was attested by City Clerk.
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CITY OF SEATTLE
ORDINANCE 124964
COUNCIL BILL 118584

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WHEREAS, the Landmarks Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 25.12 of the Seattle Municipal Code (SMC), establishes a procedure for the designation and preservation of sites, improvements, and objects having historical, cultural, architectural, engineering, or geographic significance; and

WHEREAS, the Landmarks Preservation Board (Board), after a public meeting on March 7, 2012, voted to approve the nomination of the improvement (the object known as the Seattle Post-Intelligencer Globe) located at 101 Elliott Avenue West (which is referred to as “the Seattle Post-Intelligencer Globe” or “Globe” for the purposes of this ordinance) for designation as a landmark under SMC Chapter 25.12; and

WHEREAS, after a public meeting on April 18, 2012, the Board voted to approve the designation of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer Globe under SMC Chapter 25.12; and

WHEREAS, on June 3, 2015, the Board and the owner of the designated landmark agreed to controls and incentives; and

WHEREAS, the Board recommends that the City Council enact a designating ordinance approving the controls and incentives; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. DESIGNATION: Pursuant to Seattle Municipal Code (SMC) 25.12.660, the designation by the Landmarks Preservation Board (Board) of the improvement (the object known

1 as the Seattle Post-Intelligencer Globe) located at 101 Elliott Avenue West (which is referred to
2 as “the Seattle Post-Intelligencer Globe” or “Globe” for the purposes of this ordinance) is hereby
3 acknowledged.

4 A. Legal Description. The Seattle Post-Intelligencer Globe is located on the property
5 legally described as:

6 Lots 1 through 5, Block 165, as shown on Supplemental Sheet No. 25 of the Plat
7 of Seattle Tidelands, as revised and corrected by authority of an act of the
8 Legislature of the State of Washington approved March 2, 1987, which said
9 supplemental sheet of said revised and corrected plat was duly recorded in the
10 Office of the Commissioner of Public Lands of the State of Washington and in the
11 Office of the Auditor of King County, Washington; together with all of vacated
12 West John Street between blocks 163 and 165 of said plat lying below a
13 horizontal plane at an elevation of 28.55 feet of City of Seattle datum from the
14 northwesterly line of Alaskan Way west to the southwesterly line of Elliott
15 Avenue West; together with Parcel A of City of Seattle Short Plat No. 78-16, as
16 recorded under recording No. 7806120944, being portion of West Denny Way
17 vacated by the City of Seattle under Ordinance No. 107027 and recorded under
18 recording No. 7801050673 in King County, Washington.

19 B. Specific Features or Characteristics Designated. Pursuant to SMC 25.12.660.A.2,
20 the following specific features or characteristics of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer Globe are
21 designated: the Globe (excluding the 1986 structural steel base, the penthouse enclosure, and the
22 building upon which the globe sits).
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24 C. Basis of Designation. The designation was made because the Seattle Post-
25 Intelligencer Globe is more than 25 years old, has significant character, interest or value as a part
26 of the development, heritage or cultural characteristics of the City, state or nation, has integrity
27 or the ability to convey its significance, and satisfies the following from SMC 25.12.350:

- 1 1. It is associated in a significant way with a significant aspect of the cultural,
2 political, or economic heritage of the community, City, state or nation (SMC
3 25.12.350.C).
- 4 2. It embodies the distinctive visible characteristics of an architectural style, or
5 period, or of a method of construction (SMC 25.12.350.D).
- 6 3. It is an outstanding work of a designer or builder (SMC 25.12.350.E).
- 7 4. Because of its prominence of spatial location, contrasts of siting, age, or scale, it
8 is an easily identifiable visual feature of its neighborhood or the City and
9 contributes to the distinctive quality or identity of such neighborhood or the City
10 (SMC 25.12.350.F).

11 Section 2. CONTROLS: The following controls are hereby imposed on the features or
12 characteristics of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer Globe that were designated by the Board for
13 preservation:

14 A. Certificate of Approval Process.

- 15 1. Except as provided in subsection 2.A.2 or subsection 2.B, the owner must obtain a
16 Certificate of Approval issued by the Board pursuant to SMC Chapter 25.12, or
17 the time for denying a Certificate of Approval must have expired, before the
18 owner may make alterations or significant changes to the following specific
19 features or characteristics: the Globe (excluding the 1986 structural steel base, the
20 penthouse enclosure, and the building upon which the globe sits). It is
21 acknowledged that the Globe is a landmark object but that the site on which the
22 Globe is presently located is not a portion of such landmark designation. It is
23 anticipated that the Globe will be relocated from its present location, subject to a

1 Certificate of Approval. Review of a Certificate of Approval application for such
2 relocation by the Board shall include issues relating to the structural integrity and
3 preservation of the Globe structure in such relocation, but shall not include
4 approval of the relocation site itself.

5 2. No Certificate of Approval is required for the following:

6 a. Any in-kind maintenance or repairs of the features or characteristics listed in
7 subsection 2.A.1.

8 B. City Historic Preservation Officer Approval Process.

9 1. The City Historic Preservation Officer (CHPO) may review and approve
10 alterations or significant changes to the features or characteristics listed in
11 subsection 2.B.3 according to the following procedure:

12 a. The owner shall submit to the CHPO a written request for the alterations or
13 significant changes, including applicable drawings or specifications.

14 b. If the CHPO, upon examination of submitted plans and specifications,
15 determines that the alterations or significant changes are consistent with the
16 purposes of SMC Chapter 25.12, the CHPO shall approve the alterations or
17 significant changes without further action by the Board.

1 c. If the CHPO does not approve the alterations or significant changes, the
2 owner may submit revised materials to the CHPO, or apply to the Board for a
3 Certificate of Approval under SMC Chapter 25.12.

4 2. The CHPO shall transmit a written decision on the owner's request to the owner
5 within 14 days of receipt of the request. Failure of the CHPO to timely transmit a
6 written decision constitutes approval of the request.

7 3. CHPO approval of alterations or significant changes to the features or
8 characteristics listed in subsection 2.A.1 is available for interior alterations that do
9 not affect the Globe's exterior appearance, and do not change the ability of the
10 Globe to be illuminated or the banner sign to rotate.

11 Section 3. INCENTIVES: The following incentives are hereby granted on the features or
12 characteristics of the Seattle Post-Intelligencer Globe that were designated by the Board for
13 preservation:

14 A. Uses not otherwise permitted in a zone may be authorized in a designated
15 landmark by means of an administrative conditional use permit issued pursuant to SMC Title 23.

16 B. Exceptions to certain of the requirements of the Seattle Building Code, SMC
17 Chapter 22.100, and the Seattle Energy Code, SMC Chapter 22.700, may be authorized pursuant
18 to the applicable provisions thereof.

19 C. Special tax valuation for historic preservation may be available under RCW
20 Chapter 84.26 upon application and compliance with the requirements of that statute.

21 Section 4. Enforcement of this ordinance and penalties for its violation are as provided in
22 SMC 25.12.910.

1 Section 5. The Seattle Post-Intelligencer Globe is hereby added alphabetically to Section
2 IX, Miscellaneous, of the Table of Historical Landmarks contained in SMC Chapter 25.32.

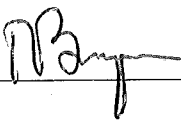
3 Section 6. The City Clerk is directed to record a certified copy of this ordinance with the
4 King County Director of Records and Elections, deliver two certified copies to the CHPO, and
5 deliver one copy to the Director of the Department of Planning and Development. The CHPO is
6 directed to provide a certified copy of the ordinance to the owner of the landmark.

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1 Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in force 30 days after its approval by
2 the Mayor, but if not approved and returned by the Mayor within ten days after presentation, it
3 shall take effect as provided by Seattle Municipal Code Section 1.04.020.

4 Passed by the City Council the 14th day of December, 2015, and
5 signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this


6 14th day of December, 2015.

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10 President _____ of the City Council

11 Approved by me this 17th day of December, 2015.

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15 Edward B. Murray, Mayor

16 Filed by me this 17th day of December, 2015.

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20 Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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