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CITY OF SEATTLE
ORDINANCE _____

COUNCIL BILL 118467

AN ORDINANCE relating to the Pike Place Market Historical Commission; amending Section 25.24.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code to revise the number, categories, and appointing authority for Commission positions; and making technical corrections.

WHEREAS, the Pike Place Market Historical District and its Commission were created after an affirmative vote of the people approving Seattle Initiative 270105, which was enacted as Ordinance 100475; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 100475 was codified as Seattle Municipal Code Chapter 25.24; and

WHEREAS, Section 25.24.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code provides that the Commission be composed of two representatives each from the Friends of the Market, Inc., Allied Arts of Seattle, Inc., and the Seattle Chapter of the American Institute of Architects; and two owners of property within the Historical District, two merchants of the Market, and two residents of the Historical District;

WHEREAS, it is necessary and appropriate to clarify definitions of merchants of the Market and residents of the Historical District and to revise the number, categories, and appointing authority for Commission positions; and to adopt for the Commission the City's Race and Social Justice goals; and

WHEREAS, the Commission can benefit from considering at-large members drawn from but not limited to the Pike Place Market Constituency, the Market's population, and the greater Seattle area; NOW,
THEREFORE,

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY OF SEATTLE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Transitory provisions. The membership of the Pike Place Market Historical Commission established pursuant to Section 25.24.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code shall be changed as follows:

A. One position is created that shall be appointed without regard to occupation or affiliation, and as defined by the Pike Place Market Historical Commission Guidelines;

B. The two positions occupied by representatives of the Seattle Chapter of the American Institute of Architects (AIA) shall be occupied by two architects, provided that the current members who are representatives of the AIA may continue in their current positions until the end of their terms and may be reappointed to the architect positions; and

C. One of the positions occupied by an owner of property within the Pike Place Market Historical District (Historical District) is eliminated, provided that the member who is a property owner whose term expires the latest in time shall occupy the position created in subsection 1.A of this ordinance as of the effective date of this ordinance.

Section 2. Section 25.24.030 of the Seattle Municipal Code, last amended by Ordinance 115958, is amended as follows:

25.24.030 Commission created.

A. There is created a Market Historical Commission ((~~hereafter called~~))"Commission" ((~~appointed by the Mayor with the consent of a majority of the City Council and to be~~)) composed of 12 members, whose positions shall be numbered from 1 to 12. The members shall be appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council. The Commission shall be composed of two ((~~2~~)) representatives ((~~each~~)) from the Friends of the Market, Inc. (positions 1 and 2), ((~~Allied Arts of Seattle, Inc., and the Seattle Chapter of the American Institute of Architects; and two~~)) two architects (positions 3 and 4), two merchants of the Market (positions 5 and 6), two residents of the Historical District (positions 7 and 8), one owner((~~s~~)) of property within the Historical District (position 9), two representatives of Allied Arts of Seattle, Inc. (positions 10 and 11), ((~~two~~)) ((~~2~~)) merchants of the markets, and two ((~~2~~)) residents of the Historical District)) and one representative that shall be appointed without regard to occupation or affiliation (position 12). For purposes of this Section 25.24.030, "merchants of the Market" means persons that sell merchandise or services from shops or concessions

including, but not limited to, high stalls, fishmongers, and craft and produce sellers, located within the Pike Place Market Historical District, and “resident of the Historical District” means a person who occupies a primary residence they own, rent, or lease within the Pike Place Market Historical District. The Mayor shall make ~~((his))~~ appointments of the representatives of Friends of the Market ~~((,))~~ and Allied Arts ~~((, and the Seattle Chapter of the American Institute of Architects,))~~ from a list of four ~~((4))~~ nominees submitted by each of the said organizations. The Mayor shall make appointment of position 12 from a list of four nominees submitted by the Commission.

B. Each member shall have a demonstrated sympathy with the purposes of this Chapter 25.24. The members shall serve ~~((three (3) year))~~ three-year terms with the terms of the first Commission to be staggered. Any vacancy in an unexpired term shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment. A member whose term is ending may continue on an interim basis as a member with voting rights until such time as a successor for that position has been appointed and confirmed by the City Council.

C. The Commission shall have for its purpose the preservation, restoration, and improvement of such buildings and continuance of uses in the Historical District, as in the opinion of the Commission shall be deemed to have architectural, cultural, economic, and historical value as described in Section 25.24.040, and which buildings should be preserved for the benefit of the people of Seattle. The Commission shall also make rules, regulations, and guidelines according to the criteria as contained in this ~~((chapter))~~ Chapter 25.24 for the guidance of property owners within the Historical District. The Commission shall also develop plans for the acquisition and perpetuation of the Pike Place Market~~((s))~~ and of ~~((market))~~ Market activities through either public ownership or other means and shall make recommendations to the City Council from time to time concerning their progress. Staff assistance and other services shall be provided by the Department of Neighborhoods to the Commission as requested.

D. The Commission shall adopt a Statement of Commitment to Advancing Racial Equity in the Guidelines of the Commission. The Commission shall develop, use, and be accountable to a Racial Equity

Lens, a set of questions that considers actual and perceived racial inequities and steps to achieve racial equity, for all decisions involving Commission matters. Any organization involved in suggesting nominees for a Commission position shall use the Racial Equity Lens when identifying candidates for Commission membership.

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

Passed by the City Council the ____ day of _____, 2015, and signed by me in open session in authentication of its passage this ____ day of _____, 2015.

President _____ of the City Council

Approved by me this ____ day of _____, 2015.

Edward B. Murray, Mayor

Filed by me this ____ day of _____, 2015.

Monica Martinez Simmons, City Clerk

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