

## **DEVELOPMENT SERVICES**

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## HISTORIC PRESERVATION MEMORANDUM

TO: Historic Preservation Commission
FROM: Emy Scherrer, Historic Preservation Officer, Development Services
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DATE: January 17, 2020
RE: Historic Preservation Permit Application Review:
 THE HAMMOND ARCADE: PROPOSED ALTERATIONS TO NE AWNING AND SW ALLEY
 101 S. Higgins Ave, Missoula, MT 59802

Dear Historic Preservation Commissioner,

An application for an Historic Preservation Permit (HPP) was received by the City of Missoula for proposed alterations to the historic Hammond Arcade in downtown Missoula. The Historic Preservation Commission (HPC) reviewed this application and approved it on 12/7/2017, to expire two years from that date. That HPP has now expired, and the applicant did not make the approved alterations before expiration. Renewal of the HPP does require a formal process of review as outlined in 20.85.085 <u>– Historic Preservation Permit (HPP)</u>, in order to approve the permit for another two years. Proposed alterations have not changed since the HPP was initially approved.

The building was constructed in 1934 in the art deco style, is individually listed on the National Register of Historic Places, and is located within the Missoula Downtown Historic District. It is currently used for office and retail space, and is subject to review for an HPP per Missoula (20.85.085).

The purpose of this notification is to ensure that you are aware of the HPP request and to make the application available for review and comments. The proposed project includes exterior modifications to the wrap-around awning and transom lights on the north and east elevations, fenestration alterations and the addition of a deck on the south elevation in the rear alley. The application can be found at the following link on the city's website: <a href="http://www.ci.missoula.mt.us/1638/Private-Development-Projects">http://www.ci.missoula.mt.us/1638/Private-Development-Projects</a>.

After careful consideration and counsel with the applicant, the HPC is responsible for evaluating the proposed alteration, and ensuring it substantially meets review criteria of Missoula Municipal Code (20.85.085), and the *Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation* (36 CFR PART 67). The HPC will host a public hearing at 6:00 PM on Thursday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020, in Missoula City Council Chambers located at 140 W. Pine Street, and will approve, conditionally approve or deny the HPP request.

Public comments will be accepted in written form, mail or email, by Emy Scherrer, Historic Preservation Officer (HPO), until January 29th, 2020. Comments will continue to be taken by the HPO after this time and up until the public hearing date; however, only comments received by Nov. 29th will be included in the staff report to the commission. The permit staff report will be publicly available on the above-referenced website after Nov. 29th, 2020.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Emy Scherrer, HPO