



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: September 23, 2024

SUBJECT: AJ Tucker Monument and Plaque Discussion

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

In November of 2023, the Bend Landmarks Commission approved the dismantling and storage of the stone façade of the A.J. Tucker Building and the demolition of the remainder of the building. In response to the conditions of approval, the Facilities Department applied for a code amendment to identify the site with a monument and plaque.

On September 4, 2024, Bend City Council adopted Ordinance No. NS-2506 for a Type IV amendment to Bend Comprehensive Plan to change the designation of the A.J. Tucker Blacksmith Shop in Bend Comprehensive Plan Table 3-1, from the "Historic Structures" category to the "Site Designated with Plaques" category. Attached for Board review and discussion are renderings of the proposed monument and plaque which are intended to meet this City requirement.

The proposed monument would be incorporated into a planter at the southeast corner of the Courthouse expansion at Greenwood Avenue and Harriman Street, the former location of the building. The monument would be constructed from lava rock reserved during the demolition. The numbered and catalogued façade stones would continue to be stored for potential reuse.

With Board support, staff will further develop the monument plans for submission to City staff for review and approval.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

None at this time.

ATTENDANCE:

Heidi Slaybaugh, Principal, Cole Architects
Eric Nielsen, Capital Improvement Manager
Lee Randall, Facilities Director