

TO: City Council
FROM: Brittaney McClanahan, Executive Assistant
DATE: September 15, 2026
SUBJECT: Advisory Board Appointment of Paul Strickland to the Historic Preservation Commission

1) Recommended Action:

Approve Mayor Dahlhoff's appointment of Paul Strickland to the Historic Preservation Commission.

2) Background:

The Historic Preservation Commission is authorized under [TMC 2.62.040](#) to advise the City Council on matters of Tumwater history and historic preservation. The major responsibility of the Commission is to identify and actively encourage preservation of the City's historic resources by initiating and maintaining a register of historic places and reviewing proposed changes to register properties; to raise community awareness of the City's history and historic resources; and to serve as the City's primary resource in matters of history, historic planning, and preservation.

The Commission is responsible for submittal of nominations to the State and National Registers of Historic Places and serves as the local review board, making determination concerning the eligibility of historic properties for special valuation and verifying that the improvements are consistent with the Washington State Advisory Council's Standards for Rehabilitation and Maintenance.

Paul Strickland will fill a vacancy on the Historic Preservation Commission. Upon Council confirmation, Paul's term will expire October 31, 2027.

3) Policy Support:

Vision | Mission | Values

Partnership: We work in partnership with residents, businesses, community organizations and governments to address challenges and advance shared goals.

4) Alternatives:

- ☐ Approve the appointment
 - ☐ Do not approve the appointment
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5) Fiscal Notes:

There is no fiscal impact associated with this report.

6) Attachments:

A. Application and supplemental documents