

TO: Historic Preservation Commission  
FROM: Chuck Denney, Parks and Recreation Director  
DATE: Thursday, June 15, 2023  
SUBJECT: Brewmaster's House Repairs

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1) Recommended Action:

Staff is seeking a recommendation from the Commission on wallpaper selections for the two main floors of the Brewmaster's House.

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2) Background:

On January 21, 2023, the Brewmaster's House/Museum was the target of arson and sustained damage to the exterior, interior, and some contents within the house. The Brewmaster's House, listed on the Tumwater Register of Historic Places and the National Register as part of the Tumwater Historic District, acts as a museum and archive for many irreplaceable historic Tumwater photographs, paperwork, and memorabilia.

Repairs began on the house in February and all walls/ceilings have had the wallpaper removed. Filling, patching, and sanding have been completed and the next phase is to select wallpapers. Staff will be providing options for walls and ceilings that represent patterns and colors that would have been used during the 1905 era when the house was constructed.

Repair work continues on the house and completion is anticipated to be late summer/early fall of 2023.

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3) Alternatives:

- ☐ Select one neutral color for all ceiling treatments
  - ☐ Select a variety of patterns/colors for separate living spaces
  - ☐ Consider painting shiplap wood wall in one area
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4) Attachments:

None