



The City of Seattle

Pioneer Square Preservation Board

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Staff Report

Board meeting April 29, 2026

Board Members Please Note: The citations from the District Ordinance, Rules for the Pioneer Square Preservation District, and Secretary of the Interior's Standards listed below are for your consideration in addition to any other citations you find relevant in considering each application.

042926.42 **Future Arts Way**

Various location in Pioneer Square

Actualize Space - 112 Prefontaine Pl S

Arundel Books - 322 1st Ave S

ANTIPODE Gallery - 103 S Main St

Frida - 113 1st Ave S

651 4th Ave (2 Drops) - 651 4th Ave

Lemon Grove - 165 S Jackson St

The Metropole - 423 2nd Ave Ext S

RailSpur Alley - 115 S Jackson St

The Shop LMN Architects - 723 1st Ave

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Applicant: Future Arts Way Artist Collective

Proposed: Temporary installations of wayfinding stickers in the public right of way to identify locations to view augmented reality art via phone.

Staff report: The artwork will not be visible unless viewed through the phone. The only physical installation is the wayfinding decals on the sidewalk. It appears from the submission that there are no proposed locations where there are prism glass panels. The decals are to be removed by Dec 31, 2026. The Board should discuss if the decals are wayfinding and not signage; if the decals indicate where a pedestrian can stop and view art compared to a product, business or organization.

Draft Motion:

I move to recommend granting a Certificate of Approval for temporary installations of wayfinding stickers in the public right of way to identify locations to view augmented reality art via phone.

All per the applicant's submittal.

The Board directs staff to prepare a written recommendation of approval based on considering the application submittal and Board discussion at the April 29, 2026 public meeting and forward this written recommendation to the Department of Neighborhoods Director.

Code Citations:

Seattle Municipal Code

23.66.030 Certificates of Approval required

Certificate of approval required. No person shall alter, demolish, construct, reconstruct, restore, remodel, make any visible change to the exterior appearance of any structure, or to the public rights-of-way or other public spaces in a special review district, and no one shall remove or substantially alter any existing sign or erect or place any new sign or change the principal use of any building, or any portion of a building, structure or lot in a special review district, and no permit for such activity shall be issued unless a certificate of approval has been issued by the Department of Neighborhoods Director.

23.66.160

Secretary of Interior Standards for Rehabilitation

6. Distinctive materials, features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a property will be preserved.

10. New additions and adjacent or related new construction shall be undertaken in such a manner that if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.

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