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## ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION - MINOR HISTORIC REVIEW

CASE NO.:

Historic Review Case HIS14-21MOD / AMANDA No. 14-117245-DR

**DECISION DATE:** November 5, 2014

**REQUEST:** 

Minor administrative historic design review to modify the administrative decision (HIS14-21) approving installation of 9 "Art Wells" at sidewalk corner locations, to 6 "Art Wells" at sidewalk corner locations within the Downtown Salem Historic District, on properties zoned CB (Central Business District). The applicant does not propose any changes to the design of the Art Wells, each of which would consist of a 6 by 6 square foot opening in the sidewalk covered by a cast iron grate, similar to the approved tree well design.

APPLICANT: City of Salem, Public Works Department

CONTACT:

Todd Klocke, Project Coordinator

**LOCATION:** Various sites within the Salem Downtown Historic District

CRITERIA:

Salem Revised Code (SRC) Chapter 230

FINDINGS: The applicant requests to modify the June 26, 2014 decision by the Urban Planning Administrator (HIS14-21 / AMANDA No. 14-110995-DR) to approve installation of "Art Wells" at 9 sidewalk corner locations within the Downtown Salem Historic District. In the modified proposal, the applicant proposes a total of 6 sidewalk corner locations within the Historic District, including 4 that remain unchanged from the original proposal.

In HIS14-21, staff reviewed the proposal for art wells for compliance with the standards for streetscape improvements in commercial historic districts as provided in SRC 230.075(a) and (b). Staff found that the decorative pattern of the cast iron grating is compatible with the character of the streetscape within the historic district, and that no significant historic sidewalk features that contribute to the Downtown Historic District would be disturbed by the installation of the proposed art wells. The applicant has not proposed any changes to the design of the art wells or the method of installation. Staff has reviewed the request for modification and finds that the new proposed locations for art wells would not affect compliance with the standards of SRC 230.075.

**DECISION:** Based upon the application materials deemed complete on October 15, 2014, and the findings as presented in this report, the application is APPROVED.

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Application Deemed Complete:

October 15, 2014

Notice of Decision Mailing Date: Decision Effective Date:

November 5, 2014 November 21, 2014

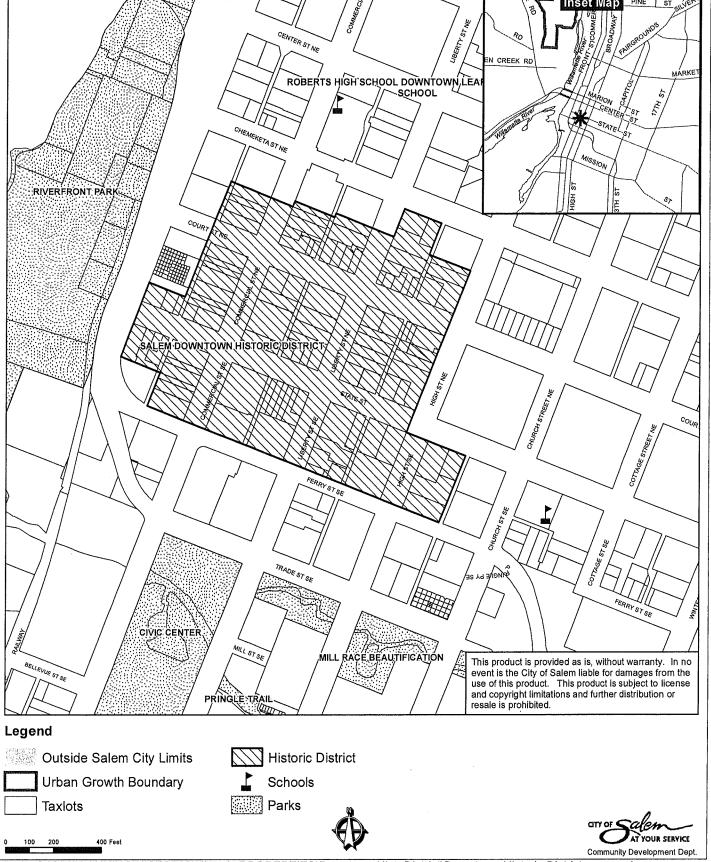
State Mandated Decision Date:

February 12, 2015

The rights granted by this decision must be exercised by November 21, 2016 or this approval shall be null and void.

This decision is final unless written appeal from an aggrieved party is filed with the City of Salem Planning Division, Room 305, 555 Liberty Street SE, Salem, OR 97301, no later than **5:00 p.m.**, **November 20, 2014.** The appeal must state where the decision failed to conform to the provisions of the historic preservation ordinance (SRC Chapter 230). The appeal must be filed in duplicate with the City of Salem Planning Division. The appeal fee must be paid at the time of filing. If the appeal is untimely and/or lacks the proper fee, the appeal will be rejected. The Salem Historic Landmarks Commission will review the appeal at a public hearing. After the hearing, the Historic Landmarks Commission may amend, rescind, or affirm the action, or refer the matter to staff for additional information.

## Vicinity Map SALEM DOWNTOWN HISTORIC DISTRICT



## TEN CITY-APPROVED SCULPTURE LOCATIONS 8/7/2014

