

**City of Seattle
Notice of Appointment**

Name: <i>Matthew Sneddon</i>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Agency Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Council <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Constituency	
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Montlake</i>	Zip Code: <i>98112</i>	Contact Phone No.: <i>(206) 992-9313</i>	
Appointed to: <i>Landmarks Preservation Board Historian Position</i>		Date of Appointment: 08/19/14	FILED CITY OF SEATTLE 2014 AUG 21 PM 4:14 CITY CLERK
Authority (Ord., Res.): <i>SMC 25.12</i>		Term of Office: From: <i>August 15, 2013</i> To: <i>August 15, 2016</i>	
Background: <p><i>Mr. Sneddon is a historian with over fourteen years of experience working as a cultural resource manager, evaluating a large variety of historic resource types, including residential, commercial, industrial, and vernacular buildings, bridges, highrises, and landscapes. Mr. Sneddon holds a PH.D. in History in the fields of the American West, US History, and the History of Technology and Science; as well as possessing additional degrees in history and mechanical engineering. In addition to working as a historic and environmental consultant throughout the Pacific Northwest, Mr. Sneddon is a guest lecturer and has taught several courses at the University of Washington, including one on heritage management and historic preservation. His broad knowledge of architecture, industry, and science, as well as his experience with such a diverse selection of historic resources, is a unique skill set that he will bring to the Landmarks Preservation Board.</i></p>			
Authorizing Signature: 		Name and Title of Officer Making Appointments: <i>Mayor Edward B. Murray</i>	



HISTORICAL
RESEARCH
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Matthew Sneddon, PhD

Historian

SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE

Dr. Sneddon joined HRA in 2011. He is formally trained in U.S. History, the History of Science and Technology, and the History of the U.S. West. Dr. Sneddon has worked in HRA's CRM division on projects related to Cultural Resources Management, historical architecture, and other associated reports. He comes to HRA with field training in historic preservation, architectural assessment, cultural resource management, and industrial archeology from coursework at the Building and Architectural Technology Institute at Lehigh University, work as a project historian for HAER, and as a historical consultant for the National Park Service. Dr. Sneddon has extensive experience as a researcher and instructor at the university level, including teaching a course on historic preservation in Washington. He has over a decade of historical and environmental consulting experience, including work on Section 106, State Environmental Protection Act (SEPA) and National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) projects. Since joining HRA, Dr. Sneddon has performed archival and government documents research, conducted cultural/historical field surveys, prepared narrative histories and historical context statements, and contributed to technical reports for cultural resource inventories.

EDUCATION

PhD, History, 2009, University of Washington, Seattle

MA, History, 1998, Lehigh University, Bethlehem

BA, History/BS, Mechanical Engineering, 1991, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Cultural Resources Assessment for the AMLI Wallingford Project, AMLI Residential, Seattle, King County, Washington

Project Manager for evaluating the historic significance of seven tax parcels under consideration for development, including basic research on construction and use of structures more than 25 years old (the age criteria for city landmark eligibility), documenting the architectural features of each structure through photography, evaluating each structures' eligibility for the City of Seattle Landmarks register, and screening properties immediately

Cultural Resources Assessment for the Ben Burr Bike Trail Project, City of Spokane, Spokane County, Washington

Project Architectural Historian for background research, archaeological and historic architectural survey, and preparation of a technical report for construction of a 12-foot-wide multi-use, non-motorized asphalt trail between Underhill Park and the existing Centennial Trail along the former path of Spokane's first electric interurban railroad. Sneddon's historic context traced the trail from its origins in the development of streetcars and interurban lines in Spokane to the rails-to-trails movement during the second half of the twentieth century.

Cultural Resources Inventory of the Bonhoeffer Botanic Gardens/Stanwood Learning Center Wetland Restoration Project, Snohomish County, Washington

Sneddon served as Project Architectural Historian for this project that surveyed and evaluated a church, cemetery, and several residences associated with a community established in the early twentieth century by Scandinavian immigrants. The report also discussed the potential for a local historic district centered on the church and cemetery. Historic Property Inventory forms were submitted for all surveyed buildings and structures.

Evaluation and Documentation of the Morgan Middle School Property, City of Ellensburg, Kittitas County, Washington

The Morgan Middle School was one of many schools designed by Floyd Naramore, a founding partner of NBBJ. As lead Architectural Historian, Sneddon prepared a technical report for the school that evaluated its eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places, and discussed facilities management and site planning considerations for the Ellensburg School District. The report also documented redevelopment and/or rehabilitation strategies, and addressed potential compliance and mitigation issues.

Historical Resources Services for the Riverside Extension Project, City of Spokane, Spokane County, Washington

Research Architectural Historian for background research and an intensive-level historic resources survey of 10 commercial buildings and warehouses in and near Spokane's East Downtown Historic District, including preparation of City of Spokane Historic Register nominations. The nominations contributed to the city's efforts to encourage and support historic preservation and compatible urban development in historically significant neighborhoods.

Inventory and Evaluation of the Mayfield Development, Cowlitz Hydroelectric Project FERC No. 2016 City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities, Light Division (dba Tacoma Power), Silver Creek, Lewis County, Washington

Project Architectural Historian for a survey and evaluation of Tacoma Power's Mayfield Dam, part of the Cowlitz River Hydroelectric Development. Research in corporate records and archival sources was used to develop a historic context that situated the dam within the post-war growth of Tacoma Power, the longstanding issue with fish passage, and developments in dam engineering. Sneddon and the project team developed a technical memorandum and PowerPoint presentation to discuss the dam with the Washington Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation.

Historical Determinations of Buildings and Archaeological Survey of Lands at Bryant Army Airfield, City of Anchorage, Alaska

The US Army built Bryant Airfield in the early years of the Cold War to support the Army Organic Aviation mission. As Project Architectural Historian, Sneddon developed a historic context that traced the history of Army aviation, particularly the introduction of helicopters and evolution of the Air Mobility concept, military aviation in Alaska, and Army Air National Guard, which took over the airfield in 1991 after years of joint operations with the Army. Using the context, Sneddon evaluated the airfield and supporting buildings, including hangars, a control tower, a fire station, and administration and operations buildings, for National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) eligibility. The technical report also advised the DMVA on which buildings that had not yet reached the age criterion for NRHP eligibility may be historically significant in the next decade.

Historic Property Eligibility Determination for the Crystal Springs Hatchery, Town of Springfield, Bingham County, Idaho

As Project Manager and lead Architectural Historian, Sneddon evaluated the eligibility of the former site of the Crystal Springs Hatchery for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). Sneddon's past work on fish passage and propagation and archival research informed a recommendation that the facility was ineligible for the NRHP.

Bridge Camp Bridge Survey for Hancock Forest Management, Pierce County, Washington

Project Architectural Historian for evaluation of an early twentieth-century Pratt truss bridge, originally built from a standardized design developed by prominent bridge engineer Ralph Modjeski for the Northern Pacific Railway Company, that was repurposed to serve as a logging truck bridge. This unusual bridge brought the history of intercontinental railroads, bridge engineering, and logging together for an evaluation that found the bridge eligible for the National Register of Historic Places.

Research Relating to the Ownership and Historical Development of a Site in City of Olympia, Thurston County, Washington

Research Historian for litigation support related to a late-nineteenth century manufactured gas plant in Olympia, Washington. Sneddon researched the plant's ownership and operational history, and urban development in a three-block radius around the plant using Washington State Archives corporate records, company minutes, and other sources, maps, and Polk's city directories. Sneddon documented the plant's construction, operations, and ownership, developed detailed corporate genealogies of all companies involved in the plant and subsequent property ownership, prepared a land title history, and tracked land use on several land parcels within a three-block radius.

Evaluation and Documentation of the Klein Farmhouse, 1502 East Capitol Avenue, City of Ellensburg, Kittitas County, Washington

Research Architectural Historian for basic research on the property's construction and use and photo documentation of the architectural features of structures on the site; evaluation of the structures' eligibility for inclusion in the City of Ellensburg Landmarks Register, State of Washington Heritage Register, and National Register of Historic Places.

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Projects, Washington

After a 2006 flood inundated their fire station, the Boistfort Fire Department sought to relocate their facilities on higher ground with FEMA funding, triggering review under Section 106 of the

LANDMARKS PRESERVATION BOARD

August 20, 2014

12 members: Per Ordinance No. 106348, all subject to City Council confirmation, 3-year terms for 11 members, and 1-year term for Get Engaged member

- 12 Appointed by Mayor

D*	G	Position No.	Name	Appointed	Term Ends	Term #	Position	Appointed By
6	F	1	Deb Barker	7-8-13	8-15-16	1 st	At- Large	Mayor
6	M	2	Rob Ketcherside	1-22-13	8-15-16	1st	At-Large	Mayor
6	M	3	Nicholas Carter	7-8-13	8-15-16	1 st	Structural Engineer	Mayor
6	F	4	Sasha Anderson	7-24-13	9-1-14	1st	Get Engaged	Mayor
6	F	5	Elaine Wine	12-14-09	8-15-15	2nd	Architect	Mayor
6	F	6	Linda Amato	1-22-13	8-15-15	1 st	Planning Commission	Mayor
6	F	7	Marie Strong	12-17-07	8-15-16	3rd	Real Estate	Mayor
2	F	8	Valerie Porter	9-17-12	8-15-15	1st	At-Large	Mayor
6	M	9	Aaron Luoma	08-17-09	8-15-13	2nd	Historian	Mayor
6	F	10	Alison Walker Brems	1-07-11	8-15-16	2 nd	Architect	Mayor
6	M	11	Jeffery Murdock	1-07-11	8-15-16	2nd	Finance	Mayor
6	M	12	Matthew Sneddon	08-19-14	8-15-16	1st	Historian	Mayor

*Diversity

	Men	Women	Vacant	Minority	(1) Asian-American	(2) African-American	(3) Hispanic Latin@	(4) Native-American	(5) Other**	(6) Caucasian
Mayor	5	7		1		1				11
Council										
Other Bodies										
Total	5	7				1				11

**Other includes diversity in any of the following: race, gender and/or ability