

Pike Place Market Historical District Records, 1971-2012

Overview of the Collection

Creator	Seattle (Wash.). Office of Urban Conservation
Title	Pike Place Market Historical District Records
Dates	1971-2012 (inclusive) 1971 2012
Quantity	9.25 cubic feet, (25 boxes)
Collection Number	5754-D
Summary	Minutes, correspondence, reports, memos, case files, and other materials related to the Pike Place Market Historical District and its oversight board.
Repository	Seattle Municipal Archives Seattle Municipal Archives Office of the City Clerk City of Seattle PO Box 94728 98124-4728 Seattle, WA Telephone: 206-233-7807 Fax: 206-386-9025 archives@seattle.gov
Access Restrictions	Records are open to the public.
Languages	English

Historical Note

The Office of Urban Conservation was created in 1975 as part of the Department of Community Development (DCD). It was founded in an era of citizen protests against a proposed urban renewal program that would have demolished Pioneer Square and Pike Place Market. The office's mandate was to coordinate Seattle's historic preservation programs and administer the city's landmark boards and historic districts. When DCD was abolished in 1992, the office became the Historic Preservation Program in the Department of Neighborhoods.

Pike Place Market was established in 1907 to give local farmers a venue in which to sell their produce. It thrived for decades, but began to decline during World War II due to the effects of a major fire and the internment of Japanese American farmers. In the 1960s, urban renewal plans aimed to demolish the market and replace it with office towers and apartments. Citizen opposition, led by architect Victor Steinbrueck, managed to derail the scheme. A 1971 ballot measure sponsored by a group called Friends of the Market was passed, leading to the market's preservation as part of a Market Historical District and listing on the National Register. Today the market is the oldest continuously operating public market in the United States, as well as the most historically authentic. The Office of Urban

Conservation, and later the Historic Preservation Program, provided staffing to the Pike Place Market Historical Commission.

Content Description

Minutes, correspondence, reports, memos, and other materials related to the Pike Place Market Historical District. Series are described more fully below.

Use of the Collection

Preferred Citation

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Administrative Information

Arrangement

The Pike Place Market Historical District Records are arranged into the following series:

5754-D1: Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes

5754-D2: Pike Place Market Historical District Subject Files

5754-D3: Pike Place Market Business Relocation Cards

5754-D4: Pike Place Market Historical District Prints and Negatives

Separated Materials

Publications were pulled from the collection and are cataloged separately in the Published Documents Index.

Detailed Description of the Collection

The following section contains a detailed listing of the materials in the collection.

5754-D1: Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes, 1971-2012

4.4 cubic feet , (11 boxes)

Minutes and agendas documenting regular and special meetings of the Pike Place Market Historical Commission. The minutes report on issues discussed, tasks assigned, and actions taken, and include lists of board members and Office of Urban Conservation staff present. Board business primarily concerned consideration of applications for approval of architectural modifications and changes of use in the Market. Other subjects include District design guidelines, private development projects, parking, and building heights.

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
1/1	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	1971
1/2	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	1972
1/3	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	1973
1/4	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	1974
1/5	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan. - Jun.)	1975
1/6	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul. - Dec.)	1975
1/7	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	1976
1/8	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	1977
2/1	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan. - Jun.)	1978
2/2	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul. - Dec.)	1978
2/3	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan. - Jun.)	1979
2/4	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul. - Dec.)	1979
2/5	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan. - Jun.)	1980
2/6	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul. - Dec.)	1980
3/1	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan. - Jun.)	1981
3/2	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul. - Dec.)	1981
3/3	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan. - Jun.)	1982
3/4	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul. - Dec.)	1982
3/5	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	1983
3/6	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	1984

Container(s)	Description	Dates
3/7	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan. - Jun.)	1985
4/1	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul. - Dec.)	1985
4/2	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan. - Jun.)	1986
4/3	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul. - Dec.)	1986
4/4	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan. - Jun.)	1987
4/5	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul. - Dec.)	1987
4/6	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan. - Jun.)	1988
4/7	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul. - Dec.)	1988
4/8	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan. - Jun.)	1989
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5/1	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan. - Jun.)	1990
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5/6	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul. - Dec.)	1992
5/7	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan. - Jun.)	1993
5/8	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul. - Dec.)	1993
5/9	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	1994
6/1	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan. - Jun.)	1995
6/2	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul. - Dec.)	1995

Container(s)	Description	Dates
6/3	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan. - Jun.)	1996
6/4	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul. - Dec.)	1996
6/5	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan. - Jun.)	1997
6/6	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul. - Dec.)	1997
6/7	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan. - Jun.)	1998
6/8	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul. - Dec.)	1998
7/1	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan -Jun.)	1999
7/2	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul.-Dec.)	1999
7/3	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan.-Jun.)	2000
7/4	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul.-Dec.)	2000
7/5	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan.-Jun.)	2001
7/6	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul.-Dec.)	2001
7/7	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan.-Jun.)	2002
7/8	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul.-Dec.)	2002
8/1	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jan.-Jun.)	2003
8/2	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes (Jul. - Dec.)	2003
8/3	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	2004
8/4	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	2005
8/5	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	2006
8/6	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	2007
8/7	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	2008

Container(s)	Description	Dates
8/8	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	2009
8/9	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	2010
9/1	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1972
9/2	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1973
9/3	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1974
9/4	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1975
9/5	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1976
9/6	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1977
9/7	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1978
9/8	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1979
9/9	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1980
9/10	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1981
9/11	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1982
9/12	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1983
9/13	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1984
9/14	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1985
9/15	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1986
9/16	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1987
10/1	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1988
10/2	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1989
10/3	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1990

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10/4	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1991
10/5	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1992
10/6	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1995
10/7	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1996
10/8	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1997
10/9	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1998
11/1	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	1999
11/2	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	2000
11/3	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	2001
11/4	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	2002
11/5	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	2003
11/6	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	2004
11/7	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	2005
11/8	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	2006
11/9	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	2007
11/10	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	2008
11/11	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	2009
11/12	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	2010
11/13	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	2011
11/14	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	2011
11/15	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Minutes	2012

Container(s)	Description	Dates
11/16	Pike Place Market Historical Commission Agendas	2012

5754-D2: Pike Place Market Historical District Subject Files, 1971-2000

4.8 cubic feet , (12 boxes)

Correspondence, memos, reports, clippings, and other materials relating to issues affecting the District.

The files are arranged into two subseries:

Subseries 1: Subject files

Subseries 2: Case files

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	Subseries 1: Subject files	
	Materials addressing general topics relating to the Market and/or discussed by the Market Historical Commission. Topics include the controversy over allowing food carts in the Market, daystall rule revisions, potential uses for the Parcel B drugstore site, street improvements, the acquisition of parcel PC-1, and appointments to the Market Historical Commission. The subseries also contains listings of all businesses in the Market from 1981 to 1986.	
Box/Folder		
1/1	Board Appointments	1971-1972
1/2	Board Appointments	1972-1974
1/3	Board Appointments	1975
1/4	Board Appointments	1976-1977
1/5	Board Appointments	1978
1/6	Board Appointments	1979
1/7	Board Appointments	1980
1/8	Board Appointments	1981-1982
1/9	Board Appointments	1983-1985
1/10	Board Appointments	1986

Container(s)	Description	Dates
1/11	Board Rosters	1976-1990
1/12	Boundary Increase	1993
1/13	Building Heights	1985
1/14	Burlington Northern	1974-1975
1/15	Burlington Northern	1976-1978
12/1	Cafe Phoenicia Appeal	1990-1991
1/16	City Attorney - Appeals	1977-1980
1/17	City Attorney - Opinions on Change of Use	1972-1980
1/18	City Attorney - Opinions on Design Changes	1975-1979
1/19	City Attorney - Opinions on Procedures	1972-1980
1/20	Correspondence	1972-1979
1/21	Daystalls - Hildt Agreement	1992-1993
2/1	Daystalls - Hildt Agreement	1992-1993
2/2	Daystalls - Hildt Agreement	1993-1995
2/3	Daystalls - Hildt Agreement	1998-1999
2/4	Daystalls - Rules	1992
2/5	Daystalls - Rules	1994-1996
2/6	Daystalls - Rules	1996-2000
2/7	Design Guidelines	1972-1973
2/8	Design Guidelines	1977-1978
2/9	Design Guidelines	1979

Container(s)	Description	Dates
2/10	Design Guidelines	1980-1982
3/1	Desimone Board Room	1973-1982
3/2	Discrimination Complaint	1996-1999
3/3	Drugstore Site	1978-1979
3/4	Drugstore Site	1980-1981
3/5	Drugstore Site	1981-1982
3/6	Drugstore Site	1981-1982
3/7	Drugstore Site	1981-1982
3/8	Fix / Madore Buildings	1978-1980
3/9	F.O.O.D. Depot	1980
3/10	Food Carts	1982
3/11	Food Carts	1982
3/12	Food Carts	1982
3/13	Food Carts	1982
3/14	Food Carts	1982-1983
3/15	Food Carts	1983
3/16	Food Carts	1985
3/17	Food Carts - News Clippings	1982-1983
3/18	Grandfathering	1972-1982
4/1	Graphics	n.d.
4/2	Handicapped Accessibility	1982

Container(s)	Description	Dates
4/3	Hearing Examiner Appeals	1978-1980
4/4	Hillclimb	1983
4/5	Invitations	1979-1982
4/6	Jurisdiction Issues (Commission / PDA)	1990-1992
4/7	Longshoremen's Building	1977
12/2	Lungomare Appeal	2001
4/8	Market Agenda for the '80s	1983
4/9	Market Agenda for the '80s - Steering Committee	1983
4/10	Market Businesses	1981
4/11	Market Businesses	1982
4/12	Market Businesses	1983
4/13	Market Businesses	1984
4/14	Market Businesses	1985
4/15	Market Businesses	1986
4/16	Market Place North	1978
4/17	Market Place North - News Clippings	1978-1982
12/3	Montage Lawsuit	1997
4/18	Municipal Market Building Rehabilitation Feasibility Study	1973
4/19	National Register Nomination	1973
4/20	Newport Hotel	1981
4/21	Ordinance Revisions	1971-1983

Container(s)	Description	Dates
4/22	Other Markets - Eastern Market, Washington DC	1980
4/23	Other Markets - Granville Island, Vancouver	n.d.
5/1	Parcel MC-1	1981-1982
5/2	Parcel PC-1 (includes plans)	1985-1987
5/3	Parcel PC-1 (includes plans and photos)	1987-1988
5/4	Parcel PC-1	1987-1989
5/5	Parcel PC-1 (includes plans)	1987-1989
5/6	Parcel PC-1	1989
5/7	Parcel PC-1 (includes plans)	1990
5/8	Parcel PC-1 (includes plans)	1990
6/1	Parcel PC-1	1997-1998
6/2	Parcel PC-1 - Guidelines	1986-1990
6/3	Parcel PC-1 - Guidelines	1990-1991
6/4	Parcel PC-2	1978-1979
6/5	Parking (includes plans and photos)	1990-1994
6/6	PPMHC Correspondence	1971-1972
6/7	PPMHC Correspondence	1972
6/8	PPMHC Correspondence	1973
6/9	PPMHC Correspondence	1974
7/1	PPMHC Correspondence	1975
7/2	PPMHC Correspondence	1976-1979

Container(s)	Description	Dates
7/3	Pike Place Merchants Association	1971-1972
7/4	Pike Place Merchants Association	1973
7/5	Pike Place Merchants Association	1974
7/6	Pike Place Merchants Association	1974
7/7	Pike Place Merchants Association	1975
7/8	Pike Project	n.d.
7/9	Policy Discussions	1979-1980
7/10	PDA - Charter	1973
7/11	PDA - Charter Revision	1991-1992
7/12	PDA - Charter Revision	1991-1992
7/13	PDA - Charter Revision	1992
7/14	PDA - Neighborhood Matching Grant	1993
8/1	R Block Cherry Tree	1977
8/2	Ramon Pelaez Memorial Fund	1973
8/3	Seattle Housing Authority - Western Avenue Project	1979-1982
12/4	Sidran Campaign Office - Emails	2001
12/5	Sidran Campaign Office - Hearing Examiner	2001
12/6	Sidran Campaign Office - News Articles	2001
12/7	Sidran Campaign Office - Superior Court	2001
12/8	Sidran Campaign Office - Superior Court	2001
12/9	Sidran Campaign Office - Superior Court	2001

Container(s)	Description	Dates
8/4	Street & Lighting Improvements	1974-1976
8/5	Street & Lighting Improvements	1977
8/6	Street & Lighting Improvements	1978-1982
8/7	Street & Lighting Improvements - Sodium Lights	1977-1981
8/8	Sunday Openings	1984-1985
8/9	Tile Project	1985-1987
8/10	Traffic & Parking	1977-1981
8/11	Urban Group Lawsuit	1989-1990
8/12	Urban Group Lawsuit	1990-1994
8/13	Urban Renewal - Street Vacation	1978
8/14	Warranty Deed	1993
8/15	Wycoff Building	1973

Subseries 2: Case files

Files on businesses that were located in the Market or that unsuccessfully applied for Market space. They contain correspondence, business proposals, applications for change of use, and the like. Some files include documents relating to earlier businesses that operated in the same location as the business named in the file title.

Box/Folder

9/1	Alberg Cherries	1985
9/2	Alki Associates	1981-1982
9/3	Arts Northwest Gallery	1978-1983
9/4	Bahai Northwest	1980-1984
9/5	Budget Tapes & Records	1984

Container(s)	Description	Dates
9/6	Burger King	1983
9/7	The Cannery	1985-1986
9/8	The Cleansing Bar	1984
9/9	Clinton Street Quarterly	1982-1986
9/10	The Con Shop	1977-1978
9/11	The Cornucopia	1980-1981
9/12	Council Thrift Store	1978-1980
9/13	Courtyard Cafe	1973-1987
9/14	Cultural Systems	1979-1980
9/15	DeFlicks	1985
9/16	Digital Pacific	1979-1981
9/17	18-9 Design	1985
9/18	Espresso a la Carte	1985
9/19	Francis Adams Sewing Shop	1978
9/20	G.O. Guy Drugstore	1981-1984
9/21	G.O. Guy Drugstore	1984
9/22	G.O. Guy Drugstore - Plans	1984
10/1	Gemstones Northwest	1984
10/2	Gourmet to Go	1985
10/3	Herb Farm	1988
10/4	The Hope Chest	1986-1988

Container(s)	Description	Dates
10/5	Horsemeat Market	1978
10/6	International News	1985
10/7	Kathryn's Kitchen	1983
10/8	Gary Kennedy (Metal Plating)	1979
10/9	Key Computing	1985
10/10	La Mesa Encantada	1983
10/11	Las Hamacas	1987
10/12	Loven Spoonful	1975-1977
10/13	Market Art Gallery	1983
10/14	Market Bingo	1978-1980
10/15	Market Times	1987
10/16	Matthews & Henry Architects	1982
10/17	McCudden Architects	1978-1983
10/18	Mexican Fonda Restaurant	1983
10/19	Mi-Sha Interprizes	1982-1983
10/20	Pasta Factory & Eatery	1983
10/21	Peet's Coffee Company	1987
10/22	Pike Place Cleaners	1983-1985
10/23	Pike Place Historical Film Society	1985-1988
10/24	Pike Place Ministry	1985
10/25	Post Alley Antiques	1977-1983

Container(s)	Description	Dates
10/26	Pike Place Word Processing	1978-1986
10/27	Pippin	1980-1985
10/28	Place Cards Inc.	1983
11/1	Place Pigalle	1977
11/2	Post Alley Public House	1984
11/3	Dr. J.M. Prichard	1973-1978
11/4	Provender Alliance	1979-1980
11/5	Ranch Meats	1975-1978
11/6	Rosalie Cantrell Hair Salon	1975-1981
11/7	The Rose Bush	1979-1980
11/8	Salvation Army Thrift Shop	1975-1977
11/9	Sanara	1973-1984
11/10	Sasquatch	1978-1980
11/11	Scandia Café	1976
11/12	Seattle in Style	1985
11/13	Seattle Indian Arts & Crafts	1984-1985
11/14	Shavey, DeGrasse, & Shavey, Architects	1977
11/15	Slavic Deli	1981-1983
11/16	The Snippet Company	1979-1981
11/17	Sticks & Stones & Things With Bones	1985
11/18	Super Satellite Services	1986

Container(s)	Description	Dates
11/19	TBA	1986
11/20	Television / Wear on Earth	1984
11/21	This Place	1980-1989
11/22	Trinity Galleries	1981-1983
11/23	Walker & Associates	1978-1979
11/24	We Hats	1985
11/25	WeWaSea / Solar West	1978-1981
11/26	Wholly Cow	1983-1985

5754-D3: Pike Place Market Business Relocation Cards, 1975

0.25 cubic foot , (1 box)

Index cards created in the planning process for the large-scale rehabilitation of the Market in the 1970s. Cards were created for each business in the Market to document how they were planning to operate during the construction (i.e., move to a temporary location, close temporarily and reopen after rehabilitation, etc.). Cards list business name, address, owner/manager, type of business, rent and utility payments, and other business information. The series serves as a snapshot of all the businesses operating in the Market at this point in time.

5754-D4: Pike Place Market Historical District Prints and Negatives, 1973-1981

0.2 cubic foot , (1 box)

Photographic material documenting Pike Place Market during the 1970s and 1980s. Images include dynamic street scenes of the market area, market interiors including vendors and stalls, and market exteriors including construction and rehabilitation. Also includes portraits of key people such as the Director of the Pike Project office, the Director of the Merchant Association, the Market Historical Commission architect, Save the Market activists, Market vendors, Urban Renewal representatives, and the former director of the PDA.

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
1/1	Pike Place Market - Interior Prints	1973-1981
1/2	Pike Place Market - Exterior and Street Scenes - Prints	1973-1981

Container(s)	Description	Dates
1/3	Pike Place Market - Portraits - Prints	1973-1981
1/4	Pike Place Market Negatives	1973-1981

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Community development--Washington (State)--Seattle

Historic buildings--Washington (State)--Seattle

Historic preservation--Washington (State)--Seattle

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