

URM WEBINAR #1 Proactive Planning for Unreinforced Masonry Retrofits

Session Title: Proactive Planning for Unreinforced Masonry Retrofits
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Presenters and Bios:

Erin Doherty, Coordinator, Historic Preservation, *Seattle Landmarks Preservation Board*

Erin Doherty is with the City of Seattle's Historic Preservation program, within the Department of Neighborhoods. She coordinates the Landmarks Preservation Board, and the Sand Point Naval Air Station Landmark District. Ms. Doherty is a licensed architect in the State of Washington, with more than twenty years of experience in historic rehabilitation and new construction in New York and Washington.

Matt Auflick, Community Relations Manager, *Seattle Office of Emergency Management*

Matt is the Community Relations Manager for the City of Seattle Office of Emergency Management. In this role, Matt is responsible for managing the office's community engagement, volunteer management, and public information programs. Prior to working for the City of Seattle, he served as a Project Manager for Peace Winds America, overseeing the U.S.-Vietnam Disaster Preparedness Initiative and implementing a business continuity training program Hai Phong, Vietnam. Matt previously held several positions with the Western Pennsylvania Region of the American Red Cross where he designed and implemented numerous public preparedness campaigns and served in various response roles on national and local relief operations.

Jonna Papaefthimiou, AICP, Planning, Policy, and Community Programs Manager, *Portland Bureau of Emergency Management*

Jonna Papaefthimiou is the Planning, Policy, and Community Programs Managers at the City of Portland's Bureau of Emergency Management. Since 2014, she has led the City's efforts to promote URM retrofits, including a now-repealed placarding ordinance. She also manages natural hazard mitigation, operational continuity, and disaster response planning for the City. She is most proud of PBEM's community outreach program, which includes partnerships with many culturally-specific groups, and the largest group of emergency response volunteers in the US. Jonna previously worked as a land-use planner, community organizer, and policy advisor for a past Portland mayor. She has a Masters in City Planning from MIT. In an actual emergency, she is a Planning Section Chief.

Session Description:

Local jurisdictions have taken a proactive approach to addressing unreinforced masonry within their boundaries. Synergy is created between planning departments, emergency management, and historic preservation professionals in order to identify risks through thorough survey and inventory efforts, and subsequent development of policies following robust public engagement. This session will focus on what two leading Pacific Northwest cities are doing to proactively plan for and address public safety and historic preservation issues with regards to the seismic retrofit of unreinforced masonry buildings. Representatives from the City of Seattle and the City of Portland will discuss potential mandatory retrofit ordinances, public outreach and engagement, and efforts to support voluntary retrofits using the "Bolts Plus" standard to relieve the most vulnerable components of URMs.