

SEPA Advisory Committee Meeting Summary

Date: December 17, 2020, 10:00-10:30 am

Location: Zoom Video Meeting

Attendees:

- Doug Galluci Environmental Health & Safety
- Caryn Walline Planning Manager in Transportation Services
- Freida Taub School of Aquatic Fisheries
- Julie Blakeslee University Environmental & Land Use Planner, Chair
- Kristine Kenney University Landscape Architect, (Not in Attendance; info via email)
- Rob Lubin Housing & Food Services

<u>Husky Village Redevelopment – UW Bothell</u>

The current Husky Village is located with Development Area D of 2017 UW Bothell and Cascadia College. The 4.4 acre site is owned by the UW and is on the northern edge of campus fronting Beardslee Boulevard. The 1986 cluster of buildings consist of ~70,700 gross square feet (GSF) with 90 apartment units housing 268 beds and small community center. The existing facilities have come to the end of their useful life and there is great demand for affordable student housing.

The proposed redevelopment would consist of ~300,000 GSF of residential (1,058 beds), dining (15,000 GSF), office (20,000 GSF for about 100 UW Bothell staff), and retail (small coffee shop and/or retail convenience store) in five structures. The building height would be within the allowed 65 feet, under the 2017 Seattle Campus Master Plan. Per City of Bothell requirements, Beardslee Boulevard would be widened. Sound Transit would build a new transit center at this location for their new BRT line and would provide bus stop and transfer opportunities with King County Metro and Community Transit bus routes.

The project is consistent with the design guidance and development regulations as set forth in the 2017 Campus Master Plan and the 2017 Campus Master Plan EIS. Slides were provided in the meeting showing the proposed buildings location within the CMP Development Area D, consistency with Area D development standards and design guidelines, building massing, drainage plans and adjacent wetland, and project phasing. Tree removal is proposed for this project; trees would be replaced on campus at a 2:1 ratio. A geotechnical study, wetland delineation report, Phase 1 environmental assessment, and transportation concurrency have been completed with no significant impacts identified. The committee had no questions about this project.

A draft SEPA checklist/consistency memo will be emailed to committee members for their review in early January. A draft SEPA checklist documenting consistency with the Campus Master Plan EIS was distributed 1/6/21 and comments requested by 1/13/21. All committee members approved the checklist.