SEPA Advisory Committee Summary

Date: November 21, 2023

Committee Members:

- Doug Gallucci – Environmental Health & Safety
- Bill Bryant – Transportation Services
- Julie Blakeslee – University Environmental & Land Use Planner, Chair
- Kristine Kenney – University Landscape Architect
- Rob Lubin – Housing & Food Services
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N26 and E2 Lots Fleet Charging Project

The E2 project will provide 74 (level 2) plus 6 (level 3, fast) electric vehicle (EV) charging stations at the E2 parking lot. The N26 project will provide 38 (level 2) electric vehicle (EV) charging stations at the UW Plant Services building. These are UW Fleet Services lots and the project will support the increasing percentage of UW Fleet converting to electric vehicles. The scope of work includes the associated power requirements to support the electrical load of new chargers. This includes excavation and trenching needed to support the installation of electrical equipment and conduit runs. The project would also address site conditions for protection and security to deter vehicle vandalism and/or theft in the form of a fence and gate.

Level 3 chargers are anticipated to be installed in a later phase of this project.

A draft SEPA checklist was emailed to committee members on October 31 for their review. Comments were due November 7 and no comments or edits were proposed. The committee approved the checklist and DNS.

Anderson Hall

Anderson Hall is a recently Seattle Landmarked building. The project proposed is do renovations to modernize classroom and office spaces, provide welcoming and inclusive spaces, renovate the building systems, clean the exterior, and provide an accessible building by installing an elevator and creating accessible interior and exterior pathways. There is a desire to strategically reinvigorate the plaza between Anderson, Bloedel and Winkenwerder halls. Anderson Hall was built in 1925, designed by Bebb & Gould Architects, is approximately 35,900 sf in size, and houses the College of Environment’s School of Environmental and Forest Sciences.

A briefing of this project was discussed at the November 2023 committee meeting. The scope of the plan and existing features onsite were discussed. A draft SEPA checklist was emailed to committee members on January 17, 2024 for their review. Comments were due January 26 and no comments or edits were proposed. The committee approved the checklist and DNS.
Lot E18 Solar Panels Installation

The proposed project is to construct solar canopies in the E18 parking lot to provide solar charging stations for electric vehicles. The University is planning to complete this work in multiple phases with this Phase 1 consisting of covering approximately 40 stalls. The canopy is anticipated to provide 84kW of electrical power and connect to the City of Seattle and campus electrical grids. The E18 lot is located on top of the historic Montlake Landfill.

A briefing of this project was discussed at the November 2023 committee meeting. The scope of the plan and existing features onsite were discussed. A draft SEPA checklist was emailed to committee members on January 17, 2024 for their review. Comments were due January 26. Minor edits adding another anticipated permit that would be required and a typo were proposed. The committee approved the checklist and DNS.

ASUW Shell House Renovation

The ASUW Shell House is a Seattle Landmark and is on the National Register of Historic Places. The project intends to restore the building as a waterfront destination, event venue, and campus gathering space; preserve the unique and historic features of the structure; modernize the utility infrastructure, accessibility, thermal comfort, and life-safety features; and celebrate indigenous history, the 1936 UW Olympic Rowing Team, and George Pocock boat design. This will require structural stabilization, site work, building envelope thermal insulation, heating and ventilation, fire and life safety, and restrooms.

A briefing of this project was discussed at the November 2023 committee meeting. The scope of the plan and existing features onsite were discussed. This SEPA checklist has not yet been distributed for review.

Helipad Renovation

The existing helipad in East Campus is used by Airlift Northwest to serve UW Medical Center – Montlake and Seattle Children’s. The helipad is in need of maintenance and repair to replace/replace landing lights that have failed due to water intrusion, repave the surface, and repaint.

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