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MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE

Case No.: SEP16-02066

DATE ISSUED: March 12, 2019

Project Name: Northwest University Master Plan

Project Location: Northwest University Kirkland Campus

Project Description: Request for approval of a 20 year Master Plan for the Northwest University Campus. Elements of the Master Plan include buildings, additions and campus improvements, totaling 364,910 gross square feet of net new construction. The improvements proposed are a new 6-Court Indoor Tennis Center, including new parking garages below; a new Gymnasium Pavilion replacing the existing Pavilion, including new parking garage below; a new Welcome Center replacing the existing Pecota Center building, including new parking garage below; a new 300 bed Residence Hall; Athletic Field Improvements including new AstroTurf and lighting with New Field House and bleachers at the athletic fields; additions to the Chapel; a new Fitness Center, including new parking garage below; and the Ness Academic Center to replace 3 existing buildings. The master plan will also propose use of the athletic fields by outside organizations; a reduced setback and planting buffer requirements along shared property lines with the Puget Sound Adventist Academy; alteration of campus access onto NE 53rd by realigning 111th Way NE to the East to accommodate the proposed Tennis Center; modifications to height limits above Average Building Elevation (ABE); revision to proposed traffic patterns and traffic plan; increase of onsite parking stalls and clarification of the FTE cap.

Proponent: Eric Drivdahl, Gellotte Hommas Architects for Northwest University

Project Planner: Tony Leavitt, Senior Planner

Lead agency is the City of Kirkland

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21.030 (2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public upon request.

Notice is hereby given that on March 12, 2019 the City of Kirkland issued a Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) in accordance with the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) and Chapter 197-11 of the Washington Administrative Code.

The proposal has been changed to include the following measures to mitigate impacts:

1. The University shall contribute \$15,000 to the City of Kirkland Neighborhood Traffic Control Program to be used to mitigate neighborhood traffic impacts in the Houghton Neighborhood in the vicinity of Northwest University.
2. The University shall improve the intersection of 108th Avenue NE/NE 53rd Street to include a new traffic signal and associated intersection improvements (curb ramp, crosswalk, etc.) to the City of Kirkland's standards.

3. In lieu of constructing half-street improvements along the 108th Avenue NE frontage to include a dedicated bus lane as described in the Phase II Transit Queue Jump improvement of the 108th corridor project (PT 0006), the City will require a width of up to 12-feet of right-of-way (ROW) dedication (approximately 880-feet) along the 108th Avenue NE University properties.
4. The University shall sell a width of up to 12-feet of frontage at 6710 108th Avenue NE for the construction of the Phase I Transit Queue Jump improvement of the 108th corridor project (PT 0005).
5. The University shall contribute a proportional share to the intersection improvement of Phase I Transit Queue Jump improvement of the 108th corridor project (PT 0005) not-to-exceed \$266,306 or 14 percent of the total project cost (whichever is lower).
6. The University shall contribute a proportional share to the intersection improvement of Phase II Transit Queue Jump improvement of the 108th corridor project (PT 0006) not-to-exceed \$175,606 or 8 percent of the total project cost (whichever is lower).
7. The University shall contribute a proportional share to the intersection improvement of the NE 68th Street Intersection Improvements/Access Management (TR 0117 004) not-to-exceed \$241,214 or 14 percent of the total project cost (whichever is lower).
8. The University shall submit a parking management plan for staff review and approval prior to final building permit for the first building greater than 5,000 square feet or with public use of the athletic fields.
9. The University will create a parking management plan and monitor events that are anticipated to result in 90 percent of the campus parking supply being occupied.

Responsible official:



Adam Weinstein, Planning & Building Director

March 5, 2019

Date

You may appeal this determination to the Planning & Building Department at City of Kirkland, 123 Fifth Avenue, Kirkland, WA 98033 no later than **5:00 PM on March 26, 2019** by a Written Notice of Appeal. You should be prepared to make specific factual objections and reference case number SEP12-01360. Contact Tony Leavitt, Senior Planner in the Planning & Building Department at 425.587.3253 to ask about the procedures for SEPA appeals. See also KMC 24.02.230 Administrative Appeals.

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cc: Applicant
Planning Department File

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(Karin Bayes, Office Specialist) Date