NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF EXISTING ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT AND AVAILABILITY OF ADDENDUM

Lead Agency: Seattle Office of Planning and Community Development (OPCD)

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OPCD initiated the 130th and 145th Station Area Planning process in 2019 for the area within a half mile of the future 130th and 145th light rail stations. OPCD issued a Draft 130th and 145th Station Area Plan in March 2021, including recommendations for land use policy changes in for the Context Area to be adopted by Council in 2021, while OPCD continues to plan for the broader station area.

Description of the proposal: The proposal includes amendments to the Comprehensive Plan to support higher density and a mix of land uses in a block bounded by 5th Avenue NE, NE 130th Street, 8th Avenue NE and the Jackson Park Golf Course referred to in this FEIS Addendum as the 130th Street Station Context Area (Context Area). The Context Area, located adjacent to the future 130th light rail station, includes 32 parcels and is approximately 365,849 SF (8.4 acres). In particular, the proposal is as follows:

- Changes to the Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map (FLUM) for the Context Area from single family areas to commercial / mixed use areas and multifamily areas.
- Changes to the Comprehensive Plan text including two policies in the Growth Strategy Element (GS 1.7, GS 3.20) and one policy in the Land Use Element (LU 8.4) to support mixed-use and multi-family residential land uses in areas near future light rail stations.


OPCD has determined that impacts for a proposed Comprehensive Plan amendment for the 130th Street Station Context Area have been adequately analyzed in the referenced FEIS. The FEIS was prepared by the City of Seattle and OPCD was the lead agency.

Description of document being adopted: The Comprehensive Plan Update looked at text and map amendments to the Comprehensive Plan that would influence the manner and distribution of projected growth of 70,000 housing units and 115,000 jobs in Seattle through 2035. A major policy question addressed in the Plan Update considered where to accommodate this projected future growth. The FEIS evaluated the environmental impacts of various distributions of the 70,000 housing units and 115,000 jobs in Seattle through 2035. Three of the five alternatives evaluated in the FEIS included a potential new residential urban village near the future Lynwood Link 130th Street Station.
OPCD has identified and adopted the Seattle Comprehensive Plan Update (FEIS) dated May 5, 2016 as being appropriate for this proposal after independent review. The document meets our environmental review needs for the current proposal and will accompany the proposal to the decision makers.

OPCD has determined that this proposal will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c).

OPCD has prepared an addendum to the FEIS that provides additional site-specific information and analysis of a proposal to amend the Comprehensive Plan to support higher density and a mix of land uses in the Context Area. OPCD has reviewed the findings and concluded the proposed Comprehensive Plan amendments for the Context Area do not substantially alter the analyses of impacts contained in the FEIS and will not result in any likely significant unavoidable impacts.

INFORMATION AVAILABLE

Both the FEIS and the Addendum to the FEIS is available online at the OPCD website at http://www.seattle.gov/opcd/ongoing-initiatives/comprehensive-plan.

Questions regarding the Addendum may be directed to Patrice Carroll at (206) 684 0946 or Patrice.Carroll@seattle.gov.

HOW TO COMMENT

Written comments on this FEIS Addendum may be submitted through July 22, 2021. Comments may be sent to PCD_130_145th_StationArea@seattle.gov or

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