WAC 197-11-970 Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS)

DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE

Description: **High Point Play Area Renovation** – Seattle Parks and Recreation is proposing to relocate and expend the existing play area associated with the High Point Community Center. The play area will be relocated from the north side of an existing pathway to the south side of the pathway where there is more room to significantly expand the play area and create play experiences for children of all ages and abilities. The proposed work includes demolition of the existing play equipment; installation of new play structure and swings with playground grass surfacing and engineered wood fiber under the swings; installation of a new perimeter walkway which connects to the existing walkways; and, installation of benches, picnic tables with concrete pads, and relocation of the existing kiosk. While there are Steep Slope ECAs located on the underlying parcel, there are no ECAS within the project site. Approximately 860 cubic yards of grading is proposed.

Proponent: **Seattle Parks and Recreation**

Location: **6920 34th Avenue SW, Seattle WA, 98126**

Lead agency: **Seattle Parks and Recreation**

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 43.21C.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 on request.

☐ There is no comment period for this DNS.

☒ This DNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the date of publication (November 27, 2017). Comments must be submitted by December 11, 2017.

Responsible official:	Jesús Aguirre
Position/title:	Superintendent, Seattle Parks and Recreation
Phone:	206-684-8022
Address:	100 Dexter Avenue North, Seattle, WA 98109

Date: 11.16.2017 Signature: _____

Please contact: David Graves, Strategic Advisor, Seattle Parks and Recreation if you have questions or comments about this determination. **Phone:** (206) 684-7048; **Fax:** (206) 233-3949; or, **e-mail:** david.graves@seattle.gov. You may appeal this determination to **Office of the Hearing Examiner** at **PO Box 94729, Seattle, WA 98124-4729** or 700 Fifth Avenue, Suite 4000, Seattle, WA 98104 no later than **5:00 pm** on December 18, 2017 by **Appeal Letter** and **$85.00 fee**. You should be prepared to make specific factual objection. Contact the Seattle Examiner to read or ask about the procedures for SEPA appeals

City of Seattle

ANALYSIS AND DECISION OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
OF SEATTLE PARKS AND RECREATION

Proposal Name: **High Point Play Area Renovation**

Address of Proposal: **6920 - 34th Avenue SW, Seattle WA, 98126**

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ACTION

Seattle Parks and Recreation is proposing to relocate and expend the existing play area associated with the High Point Community Center. The play area will be relocated from the north side of an existing pathway to the south side of the pathway where there is more room to significantly expand the play area and create play experiences for children of all ages and abilities. The proposed work includes demolition of the existing play equipment; installation of new play structure and swings with playground grass surfacing and engineered wood fiber under the swings; installation of a new perimeter walkway which connects to the existing walkways; and, installation of benches, picnic tables with concrete pads, and relocation of the existing kiosk. While there are Steep Slope ECAs located on the underlying parcel, there are no ECAs within the project site. Approximately 860 cubic yards of grading is proposed.

SEPA DETERMINATION: Determination of Non-Significance (DNS)

BACKGROUND DATA

Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR) is proposing to relocate and expand the existing play area associated with the High Point Community Center. The site is located in West Seattle at the southeast corner of the High Point Community Center and Walt Huntley Playfield complex. High Point Community Center is situated a residential neighborhood with a school and a church to the west and residences to the south and east. To the north is the West Seattle Elementary School and two blocks to the east is 35th Avenue SW, a City arterial. The play area is one of the play areas schedule for improvement under the Seattle Park District's Fix It First program. Improvements include replacement of the playground equipment and providing access and a play experience for children of all ages and abilities.

There are areas on the larger community center playfield site which contain identified Environmentally Critical Areas (ECAs) – Steep Slopes, as indicated on the City's GIS database. No other ECAs are present on the site and no Steep Slope ECAs are present in the project area.

PROPOSAL DESCRIPTION

SPR is proposing to relocate the play area from the north side of an existing pathway to the south side of the pathway. The existing play area is constrained by the tennis courts to the north and there is little room to expand it. Moving the play area to the south affords more opportunity to expand the play area and improve the access for children of all ages and abilities. Proposed improvements include:

- Demolition of the existing play equipment;
- Removal of the existing rubberized play area surfacing and concrete curbing;
- Installation of a 2 - 5 year old play structure and a 5 - 12 year old play structure, new swings, with playground grass surfacing (for 2-5, 5-12 play areas) and engineered wood fiber surfacing under the swings;
- Installation of a new perimeter walkway which connects to the existing walkways; and,
- Retaining wall on the west side of the play area; Installation of benches, picnic tables with concrete pads, and relocation of the existing kiosk.

The area where the existing play area is located will be returned to lawn and sculpted to create a berm for sitting and informal play. As noted in the Checklist, approximately 860 cubic yards of grass and dirt will be excavated to place the expanded play area on hillside south of the pathway and the existing play area. The existing play area and associated surfacing and curbing will be removed and approximately 400 cubic yards of the excavated material will be placed where the existing play area currently sits. This material will be sculpted to create a berm in the area where old play area exists and seeded with grass. Approximately 460 cubic yards of material will be exported. No areas of native vegetation will be disturbed; lawn areas that are damaged during construction will be repaired and restored.

During construction SPR and City Standard BMP's and TESC measures will apply. These measures include placing silt fencing and/or straw wattles, inlet protection, installation of a construction access road, and covering stockpiles.

ANALYSIS – SEPA

Initial disclosure of potential impacts from this project was made in the applicant's environmental checklist, signed October 30, 2017. The basis for this analysis and decision is formed from information in the checklist, associated reports attached to it and the lead agency's experience with review of similar projects.

The SEPA Overview Policy (SMC 23.05.665) discusses the relationship between the City's code/policies and environmental review. The Overview Policy states, in part, "[w]here City regulations have been adopted to address an environmental impact; it shall be presumed that such regulations are adequate to achieve sufficient mitigation". The Policies also discuss in SMC 23.05.665 D1-7, that in certain circumstances it may be appropriate to deny or mitigate a project based on adverse environmental impacts. This may be specified otherwise in the policies for specific elements of the environment found in SMC 25.05.675. In consideration of these policies, a more detailed discussion of some of the potential impacts is appropriate.

Short Term Impacts

The following temporary or construction-related impacts are expected: hydrocarbon emissions from construction vehicles and equipment; increased dust caused by construction activities; potential soil erosion and potential disturbance to subsurface soils during site work; increased traffic from construction equipment and personnel; increased noise and displaced recreational users.

Several adopted codes and/or ordinances provide mitigation for some of the identified impacts. The Stormwater, Grading and Drainage Control Code requires that soil erosion control techniques be initiated for the duration of construction. Erosion will be prevented by

implementation of a required Temporary Erosion Control and Sedimentation Plan. Best Management Practices, such as mulching and seeding will be implemented at the site to minimize erosion during construction. Puget Sound Clean Air Agency regulations require control of fugitive dust to protect air quality. The Building Code provides for construction measures and life safety issues. The Noise Ordinance regulates the time and amount of construction noise that is permitted in the city. Compliance with these codes and/or ordinances will lessen the environmental impacts of the proposed project.

The impacts associated with the construction are expected to be minor and of relatively short duration. Compliance with the above applicable codes and ordinances will reduce or eliminate most adverse short-term impacts to the environment. However, impacts to existing recreational uses, construction traffic and materials hauling, and construction noise warrant further discussion.

Recreation

While the play area is being moved and reconstructed, play area users will be directed to other nearby play areas located at the adjacent West Seattle Elementary School and two blocks to the west at Myrtle Reservoir Park. The construction will be of relatively short duration; other areas of the community center/playfield complex not under construction will not be impacted and be open to use. No significant adverse recreation impacts are anticipated and no mitigation is warranted or necessary.

Construction Traffic

There are adequate areas on-site and on street parking for the construction crews and equipment. The site is two blocks from an arterial which provides convenient truck access consistent with the requirements of the Street Use Ordinance. The checklist indicates that approximately the total grading quantity is approximately 860 cubic yards; 400 cubic yards will be balanced on site and 460 cubic yards of material will be removed over the course of the project. Removal of materials will take approximately 46 - 50 truck trips (assuming 10 cu.yds. per truck). Additional truck trips can be anticipated for the delivery of materials over the course of the project. The site is within two blocks of 35th Avenue SW, a City arterial, which provides access to Highway 99 and Interstate 5 via the West Seattle Bridge. The nearby arterial will provide convenient truck access. Construction traffic and haul route(s) will be designated, and notices and signage will alert pedestrians and drivers to times of day and peak activities. Thus, no further conditioning is necessary or warranted.

Noise

Construction activities will be predominantly confined to weekdays. Hours of construction are limited by the Seattle Noise Ordinance, SMC ch. 25.08, to 7:00 a.m. and ten 10:00 p.m. on weekdays (SMC 25.08.425). The reality of the local construction industry is that contractors typically work from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.; the likelihood that any construction activities will occur up to 10 p.m. is slight. The Noise Ordinance also regulates the loudness (dB) of construction activities, measured fifty (50) feet from the subject activity or device. The City has dedicated noise inspectors to monitor construction activities and respond to construction complaints. Compliance with the City's Noise Ordinance will prevent any significant adverse short term noise impacts and thus no further conditioning is necessary or warranted.

Compliance with applicable codes, ordinances and regulations will be adequate to achieve sufficient mitigation.

Long Term Impacts

Traffic & Parking

Once the project is completed, park and community center visitors will have a new play area with expanded play experiences for children of all ages and abilities. Play areas serve a predominantly local population so little to no additional traffic and/or parking demand is anticipated. No significant adverse parking impacts are anticipated and thus no mitigation is warranted or necessary.

Upon completion of the project, no long term adverse environmental impacts are anticipated and thus no conditioning is necessary or warranted.

DECISION

This decision was made after the responsible official, on behalf of the lead agency, reviewed a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the responsible department. This constitutes the Threshold Determination and final decision on application of SEPA's substantive authority and mitigation provisions. The intent of this declaration is to satisfy the requirement of the State Environmental Policy Act (RCW 43.21.C), including the requirement to inform the public of agency decisions pursuant to SEPA.

(**X**) Determination of Non-Significance. This proposal has been determined to not have a significant adverse impact upon the environment. An EIS is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(C).

( ) Determination of Significance. This proposal has or may have a significant adverse impact upon the environment. AN EIS is required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(C).

Signature: _____

David Graves, AICP, Strategic Advisor
Planning and Development Division
Seattle Parks and Recreation

Date: November 7, 2017

SEPA ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST
UPDATED 2016

Purpose of checklist:
Governmental agencies use this checklist to help determine whether the environmental impacts of your proposal are significant. This information is also helpful to determine if available avoidance, minimization or compensatory mitigation measures will address the probable significant impacts or if an environmental impact statement will be prepared to further analyze the proposal.

Instructions for applicants: [help]
This environmental checklist asks you to describe some basic information about your proposal. Please answer each question accurately and carefully, to the best of your knowledge. You may need to consult with an agency specialist or private consultant for some questions. You may use "not applicable" or "does not apply" only when you can explain why it does not apply and not when the answer is unknown. You may also attach or incorporate by reference additional studies reports. Complete and accurate answers to these questions often avoid delays with the SEPA process as well as later in the decision-making process.

The checklist questions apply to all parts of your proposal, even if you plan to do them over a period of time or on different parcels of land. Attach any additional information that will help describe your proposal or its environmental effects. The agency to which you submit this checklist may ask you to explain your answers or provide additional information reasonably related to determining if there may be significant adverse impact.

Instructions for Lead Agencies:
Please adjust the format of this template as needed. Additional information may be necessary to evaluate the existing environment, all interrelated aspects of the proposal and an analysis of adverse impacts. The checklist is considered the first but not necessarily the only source of information needed to make an adequate threshold determination. Once a threshold determination is made, the lead agency is responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the checklist and other supporting documents.

Use of checklist for nonproject proposals: *[help]*

For nonproject proposals (such as ordinances, regulations, plans and programs), complete the applicable parts of sections A and B plus the supplemental sheet for nonproject actions (part D). Please completely answer all questions that apply and note that the words "project," "applicant," and "property or site" should be read as "proposal," "proponent," and "affected geographic area," respectively. The lead agency may exclude (for non-projects) questions in Part B - Environmental Elements -that do not contribute meaningfully to the analysis of the proposal.

A. BACKGROUND [help]

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable: [help] High Point Play Area Playground Renovation
2. Name of applicant: [help] Katie Bang
3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person: [help]

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Seattle, WA 98134
206-684-9286

4. Date checklist prepared: [help] 10/30/2017

5. Agency requesting checklist: [help]

6. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable): [help]

Construction Documents Fall 2017-Summer 2018
Construction Fall 2018- Spring 2019

7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain. [help]

No.

8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal. [help]

SPU Getoech Report October 2017
Drainage Report, Mayfly Engineering Seot. 2017

9. Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? If yes, explain. [help]

No.

10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known. [help]

City of Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections Grading and Drainage Permit

11. Give brief, complete description of your proposal, including the proposed uses and the size of the project and site. There are several questions later in this checklist that ask you to describe certain aspects of your proposal. You do not need to repeat those answers on this page. (Lead agencies may modify this form to include additional specific information on project description.) [help]

Play Area Renovation/ Relocation. Work includes demolition of existing play equipment, rubberized surfacing, concrete curbing, perimeter walkway, retaining wall, benches, picnic tables with concrete pads, lighting, and relocation of existing kiosk. This area will include lawn restoration, and berming to balance the site. Work also includes construction of a new play area approx. 45' south of existing play area which includes installation of 2-5 structure, 5-12 structure, and swings, play ground grass surfacing (for 2-5, 5-12 play areas,) engineered wood fiber (EWF) for swings, concrete containment curbs, perimeter walkway, new seating, bike racks, and curb ramp. Per coordination with Ede Courtenay at SDCI, play area surfacing for both playground grass and EWF will include a reservoir course with an overflow pipe and would be designated as a permeable "hard surface"

Parcel Size: 478,230 SF
Site Size: 25,500 SF

12. Location of the proposal. Give sufficient information for a person to understand the precise location of your proposed project, including a street address, if any, and section, township, and range, if known. If a proposal would occur over a range of area, provide the range or boundaries of the site(s). Provide a legal description, site plan, vicinity map, and topographic map, if reasonably available. While you should submit any plans required by the agency, you are not required to duplicate maps or detailed plans submitted with any permit applications related to this checklist. [help]

6920 34TH AVE SW, Seattle WA 98126
Legal Description: POR SW 1/4 OF NW 1/4 DAF BEG AT NXN OF C/L OF
34TH AVE SW & SW MYRTLEST TH ELY ALG C/L SD
SW MYRTLE ST S 89-36-25 E 30 FT TH N 0-56-12 E
30 FT TO THE TPOB TH N 0-56-12 E 622.20 FT ALG
ELY MGN OF 34TH AVE SW TH S 89-29-48 E 232.28
FT TH S 0-54-12 W 381.01 FT TH S 89-05-48 E 195.80 Assessor's Parcel # 252403-9059

B. ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS [help]

1. Earth

a. General description of the site [help]

(check one): ☑ Flat, ☑ rolling, ☐ hilly, ☐ steep slopes, ☐ mountainous,

☐ other _____

b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)? [help]

Steepest existing slope is 3:1. The steepest slope we are disturbing is approx 6:1.

c. What general types of soils are found on the site (for example, clay, sand, gravel, peat, muck)? If you know the classification of agricultural soils, specify them and note any agricultural land of long-term commercial significance and whether the proposal results in removing any of these soils. [help]

Per geotech report for the infiltration testing- Fill was encountered from the ground surface to the maximum depth explored in the test pits and hand auger borings. Fill encountered in the test pits and hand auger borings generally consisted of silty sand with varying amounts of gravel and debris (brick, asphalt, concrete) (SM1). Fill encountered in HA-1 consisted of silt with varying amounts of debris (charred wood) (ML) at 4 to 5 feet bgs and sand with trace gravel at 5 feet bgs. HA-1 was terminated at 5.2 feet bgs due to refusal. Sand with varying amounts of gravel (SP) was encountered in HA-2 at 1.5 to 4.4 feet bgs. Moisture content determination was performed on one sample in each test pit. Results of those tests indicate a moisture. Proposal is to remove approx. 400 CY of soil.

d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so,describe. [help]

See above.

e. Describe the purpose, type, total area, and approximate quantities and total affected area of any filling, excavation, and grading proposed. Indicate source of fill. [help]

Purpose of play area renovation is to increase size and to provide an ADA accessible play area. Proposal cuts 860 CY, to place new play area on south hillside, uses 400 CY of the cut as fill to balance the site creating a berm in the area where old playground exists, and exports approx 460 CY of fill.

f. Could erosion occur as a result of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe. [help]

Clearing includes removal of open lawn, existing play area and 4 existing trees. Erosion during construction will be handled with temporary sedimentation controls. Once new lawn and plantings are established, erosion should not occur during use.

g. About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt or buildings)? [help]

Project site is 25,500 SF. Impervious surface is 1,910 sf. Percent of impervious= 7%

h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any: [help]

Parks and City Standard BMP's and TESC measures will apply. This includes but is not limited to silt fencing, straw wattles, inlet protection, installation of a construction access road, and covering stockpiles.

2. Air

a. What types of emissions to the air would result from the proposal during construction, operation, and maintenance when the project is completed? If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities if known. [help]

Emissions from construction vehicles such as bulldozers, excavators, and concrete pump trucks. Maintenance emissions include lawn mowers and maintenance trucks.

b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe. [help]

Not any known.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any: [help]

None proposed.

3. Water

a. Surface Water: [help]

1) Is there any surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site (including year-round and seasonal streams, saltwater, lakes, ponds, wetlands)? If yes, describe type and provide names. If appropriate, state what stream or river it flows into. [help]

No.

2) Will the project require any work over, in, or adjacent to (within 200 feet) the described waters? If yes, please describe and attach available plans. [help]

No.

3) Estimate the amount of fill and dredge material that would be placed in or removed from surface water or wetlands and indicate the area of the site that would be affected. Indicate the source of fill material. [help]

None.

4) Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known. [help]

No.

5) Does the proposal lie within a 100-year floodplain? If so, note location on the site plan. [help]

No.

6) Does the proposal involve any discharges of waste materials to surface waters? If so, describe the type of waste and anticipated volume of discharge. [help]

No.

b. Ground Water:

1) Will groundwater be withdrawn from a well for drinking water or other purposes? If so, give a general description of the well, proposed uses and approximate quantities withdrawn from the well. Will water be discharged to groundwater? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known. [help]

No.

2) Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources, if any (for example: Domestic sewage; industrial, containing the following chemicals. . . ; agricultural; etc.). Describe the general size of the system, then number of such systems, the number of houses to be served (if applicable), or the number of animals or humans the system(s) are expected to serve. [help]

None.

c. Water runoff (including stormwater):

1) Describe the source of runoff (including storm water) and method of collection and disposal, if any (include quantities, if known). Where will this water flow? Will this water flow into other waters? If so, describe. [help]

The new storm drainage proposes permeable surfaces and a permeable facility using drainage reservoirs, underneath the play area surfaces. The reservoirs are tiered and connected down the hillside with drain pipe and have been designed to infiltrate 100% of the design storm results calculated with the Western Washington Hydrology Model (WWHM).
Additionally, an emergency overflow is proposed that routes any additional flow to an emergency overflow outlet..

This project is located within the Longfellow Creek Drainage Basin and any drainage from the site would flow into the High Point Community drainage system downstream.

2) Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe. [help]

No waste generating systems proposed.

3) Does the proposal alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site? If so, describe.

With 100% of the runoff accounted for in the modeling and the removal of the old play area with lawn replacement, drainage should be slowed from current conditions.

d. Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water, and drainage pattern impacts, if any:

Drainage impacts will be reduced through the implementation of drainage reservoirs underneath the play area, designed to capture 100% of storm water.

4. **Plants** [help]

a. Check the types of vegetation found on the site:

- [x] deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other
- [ ] evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other
- [ ] shrubs
- [ ] grass
- [ ] pasture
- [ ] crop or grain
- [ ] Orchards, vineyards or other permanent crops
- [ ] wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bullrush, skunk cabbage, other
- [ ] water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, other
- [x] other types of vegetation

b. What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered? [help]

3 trees are proposed to be removed.

c. List threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site. [help]

None known.

d. Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any: [help]

Proposed plan includes 4 trees to remain, 6 shore pines are proposed. (Pinus contarta var. contorta) and a variety of low drought tolerant shrub plantings, and lawn.

e. List all noxious weeds and invasive species known to be on or near the site.

None

5. **Animals**

a. List any birds and other animals which have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site. Examples include: [help]

birds: hawk, heron, eagle, songbirds, other:
mammals: deer, bear, elk, beaver, other:
fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other

None known

b. List any threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site. [help]

None known.

c. Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain. [help]

No. Seattle is within the Pacific Flyway for migratory birds.

d. Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any: [help]

Increased vegetation and plantings should enhance opportunities for urban wildlife.

e. List any invasive animal species known to be on or near the site.

None

6. **Energy and natural resources**

a. What kinds of energy (electric, natural gas, oil, wood stove, solar) will be used to meet the completed project's energy needs? Describe whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc. [help]

None

b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties? If so, generally describe. [help]

No. Buildings are not proposed. Residential properties are not close enough to be affected by shade.

c. What kinds of energy conservation features are included in the plans of this proposal? List other proposed measures to reduce or control energy impacts, if any: [help]

None.

7. **Environmental health**

a. Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spill, or hazardous waste, that could occur as a result of this proposal? If so, describe. [help]

None known.

1) Describe any known or possible contamination at the site from present or past uses.

None known.

2) Describe existing hazardous chemicals/conditions that might affect project development and design. This includes underground hazardous liquid and gas transmission pipelines located within the project area and in the vicinity.

None known.

3) Describe any toxic or hazardous chemicals that might be stored, used, or produced during the project's development or construction, or at any time during the operating life of the project.

None known.

4) Describe special emergency services that might be required.

None known.

5)Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any:

Standard erosion control BMP's including straw wattles, filtration socks in catch basin inlets.

b. **Noise**

1) What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other)? [help]

Traffic from 34th Ave SW

2) What types and levels of noise would be created by or associated with the project on a short-term or a long-term basis (for example: traffic, construction, operation, other)? Indicate what hours noise would come from the site. [help]

Construction equipment noise from 7:00 am to 6pm Monday through Friday.

3) Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any: [help]

Project will comply with the City of Seattle Noise Ordinance.

8. **Land and shoreline use**

a. What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties? Will the proposal affect current land uses on nearby or adjacent properties? If so, describe. [help]

Current use of the site is a public park and community center. The project proposes to relocate the existing play area directly south. Uses will not change.

b. Has the project site been used as working farmlands or working forest lands? If so, describe. How much agricultural or forest land of long-term commercial significance will be converted to other uses as a result of the proposal, if any? If resource lands have not been designated, how many acres in farmland or forest land tax status will be converted to nonfarm or nonforest use? [help]

No.

1) Will the proposal affect or be affected by surrounding working farm or forest land normal business operations, such as oversize equipment access, the application of pesticides, tilling, and harvesting? If so, how:

No.

c. Describe any structures on the site. [help]

A relocated kiosk and new 2-5 year old play equipment, 5-12 play equipment, and swings.

d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what? [help]

The existing play area will be demolished.

e. What is the current zoning classification of the site? [help]

LR1

f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site? [help]

CIty owned open space

g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site? [help]

N/A

h. Has any part of the site been classified as a critical area by the city or county? If so, specify. [help]

Yes. ECAs (Steep Slope) are located on the large parcel, but not within project site/area.

i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project? [help]

None.

j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace? [help]

None.

k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any: [help]

N/A

l. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any: [help]

Land use is not changing

m. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with nearby agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance, if any:

N/A

9. **Housing**

a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing. [help]

None.

b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing. [help]

None.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any: [help]

N/A

10. **Aesthetics**

a. What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed? [help]

Tallest play structure is 16' tall.

b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed? [help]

None.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any: [help]

N/A

11. Light and glare

a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur? [help]

No lighting proposed.

b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views? [help]

No.

c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal? [help]

Street lighting on the south and east.

d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any:

None.

12. **Recreation**

a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity? [help]

Sports field on this parcel directly east of the play area, community center on this parcel directly north of the play area.

b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe. [help]

No.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any: [help]

The play area will be closed during the renovation/relocation. Play area users will be directed to nearby play areas during the construction period. Once the work is completed, there will be increased recreational opportunities with expansion of playground.

13. **Historic and cultural preservation**

a. Are there any buildings, structures, or sites, located on or near the site that are over 45 years old listed in or eligible for listing in national, state, or local preservation registers located on or near the site? If so, specifically describe. [help]

None known.

b. Are there any landmarks, features, or other evidence of Indian or historic use or occupation? This may include human burials or old cemeteries. Are there any material evidence, artifacts, or areas of cultural importance on or near the site? Please list any professional studies conducted at the site to identify such resources. [help]

None known.

c. Describe the methods used to assess the potential impacts to cultural and historic resources on or near the project site. Examples include consultation with tribes and the department of archeology and historic preservation, archaeological surveys, historic maps, GIS data, etc. [help]

N/A

d. Proposed measures to avoid, minimize, or compensate for loss, changes to, and disturbance to resources. Please include plans for the above and any permits that may be required.

N/A

14. Transportation

a. Identify public streets and highways serving the site or affected geographic area and describe proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans, if any. [help]

Accessible route to play area from 34th Ave SW. New curb ramp is proposed for bike and ADA access.

b. Is the site or affected geographic area currently served by public transit? If so, generally describe. If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop? [help]

Currently served by public transit along 34th Ave SW.

c. How many additional parking spaces would the completed project or non-project proposal have? How many would the project or proposal eliminate? [help]

None.

d. Will the proposal require any new or improvements to existing roads, streets, pedestrian, bicycle or state transportation facilities, not including driveways? If so, generally describe (indicate whether public or private). [help]

Proposal provides funding for bike access as part of Seattle's Greenways initiative. A curb ramp along 34th Ave SW and bike racks are included with the funding.

e. Will the project or proposal use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe. [help]

No.

f. How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project or proposal? If known, indicate when peak volumes would occur and what percentage of the volume would be trucks (such as commercial and nonpassenger vehicles). What data or transportation models were used to make these estimates? [help]

None.

g. Will the proposal interfere with, affect or be affected by the movement of agricultural and forest products on roads or streets in the area? If so, generally describe.

No.

h. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any: [help]

None.

15. **Public services**

a. Would the project result in an increased need for public services (for example: fire protection, police protection, public transit, health care, schools, other)? If so, generally describe. [help]

No.

b. Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any. [help]

None.

16. **Utilities**

a. Check utilities currently available at the site: [help]

☑ electricity ☐ natural gas ☑ water ☐ refuse service ☐ telephone ☑ sanitary sewer ☐ septic system,

☐ other _____

b. Describe the utilities that are proposed for the project, the utility providing the service, and the general construction activities on the site or in the immediate vicinity which might be needed. [help]

None

C. Signature [help]

The above answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the lead agency is relying on them to make its decision.

Signature: _____

Name of signee: Katie Bang

Position and Agency/Organization: Capital Projects Coordinator/ Seattle Parks and Rec

Date Submitted: Oct 30, 2017

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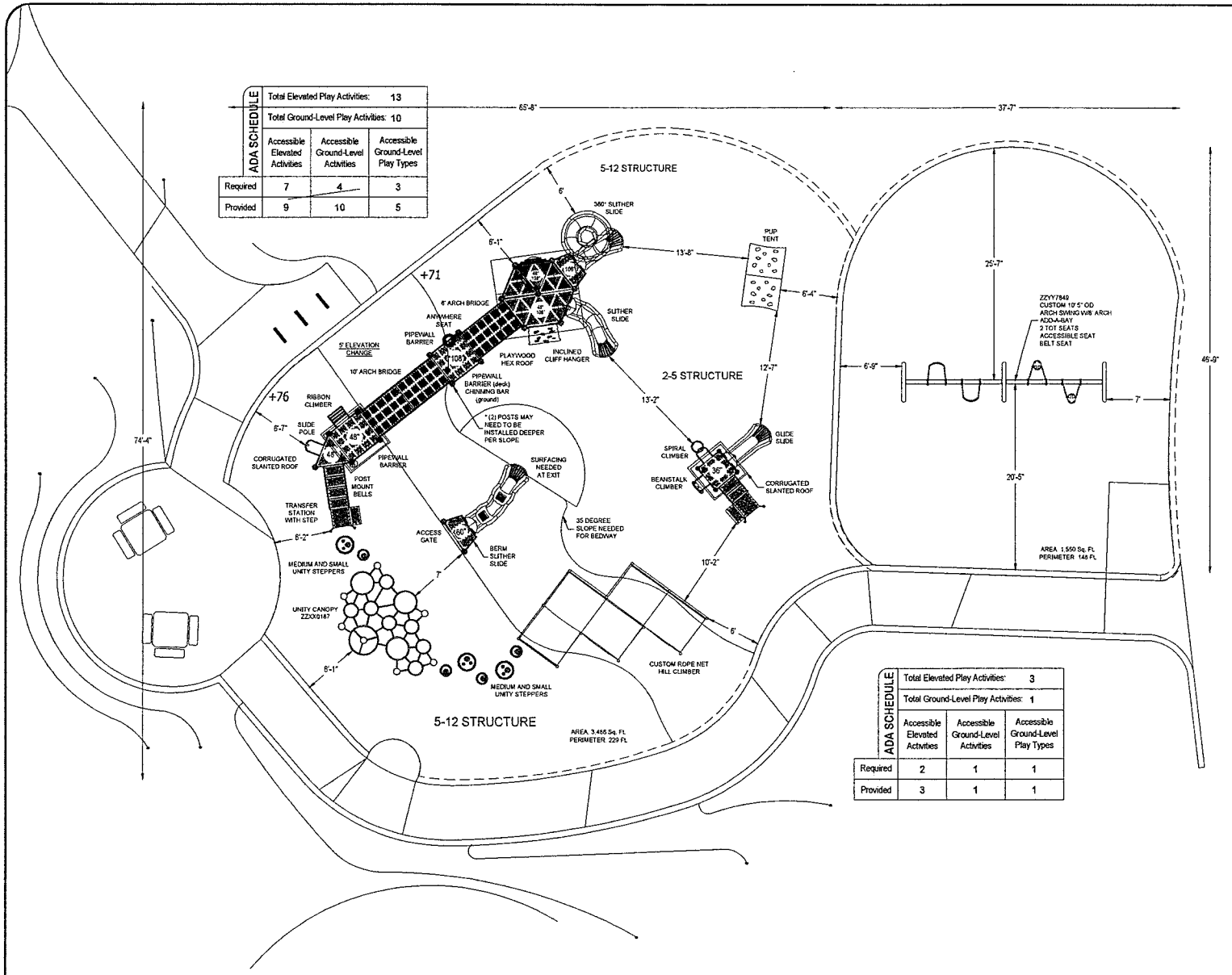

*PLAYGROUND SUPERVISION REQUIRED

PLAYWORLD

Northwest Playground Equipment, Inc.
345 NW Dogwood
P.O. Box 2410
Issaquah, WA 98027

EQUIPMENT SIZE:
36'-2" x 35'-6" x 16'

USE ZONE:
See Dwg

AREA:
See Dwg

PERIMETER:
See Dwg

FALL HEIGHT:
9 Ft.

USER CAPACITY:
98+

AGE GROUP:
5-12 & 2-5

✓ ASTM F1487-11
✓ CPSC #325

PROJECT NO:
17-2118F.NPE

SCALE:
3/32"=1'-0"

DRAWN BY:
MICHAEL BORDNER

Paper Size
B

DATE:
12-OCT-17

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