



City of Seattle

Important Meeting Date Change

September 18, 2017

Dear Interested Stakeholder:

The Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (Seattle DCI) has received a Land Use Application to allow the renovation of Seattle Center Arena. The applicant for this project is the Oak View Group, and the Lead Agency is Seattle DCI. The main elements of the proposal include: a 10,000 square foot new entry atrium at grade to the south of and below the existing arena roofline; 225,000 square feet below-grade expansion for additional seating, circulation areas, and new interiors located within existing landmark exteriors; and 65,000 square feet for below-grade loading dock, vehicular tunnel, and accessory services. Parking for 450 vehicles will be provided below-grade. The project will include city permits and approvals for the proposed development as well as a subdivision action.

Environmental Determination

The Director of Seattle DCI, as the lead agency under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), has determined that the proposal is likely to result in significant, adverse environmental impacts (a Determination of Significance or DS). An environmental impact statement (EIS) is required under RCW 43.21.030(2)(c) and will be prepared. The EIS will evaluate the No Action alternative, as required by SEPA, and two action alternatives.

Scoping

Seattle DCI has identified the following areas for discussion in the EIS: traffic and transportation; historic preservation (landmarks and archeological resources); light and glare; noise; land use; and public services and facilities (recreation). Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on the content and emphasis (the scope) of the Draft EIS during the comment period.

Information Available

Copies of the project application materials and plans are available online at the Seattle DCI webpage: <http://web6.seattle.gov/dpd/edms> under Permit and Property Records for **Project Number 3029061**. Information can also be obtained at the SDCI Public Resource Center, 700 5th Avenue, Suite 2000, open from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm on Tuesday and Thursday. Questions may be directed to SDCI Land Use Planner John Shaw at john.shaw@seattle.gov, 206-684-5837.

Public Meeting: NEW DATE AND TIME

A public meeting will be held on **THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2017 at the Armory Loft 2 at the Seattle Center, 305 Harrison Street, Seattle WA 98107** to obtain comments on the scope of the EIS, alternatives, mitigation measures, probable significant adverse impacts, and other approvals that may be required. An **Open House** will begin at **6:30 pm**, followed by **public comments beginning at 7:00 pm**. Comment forms will be available at the meeting, for those who prefer to comment in writing. **The previously-scheduled meeting on September 21 has been cancelled, and there will not be a meeting on September 27.**

Public Comment

Written comments on the proposal will be accepted through **October 6, 2017**. Comments should be emailed to prc@seattle.gov. Comments may also be mailed to Seattle DCI, PRC, P.O. Box 34019, Seattle, WA 98124. All comments will be posted to Seattle DCI's Permits and Property Records web page at <http://web6.seattle.gov/dpd/edms>.

