NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT Uptown Urban Center Rezone

The Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) on the proposal described below is available for public review.

Proposal: The proposed action is programmatic in nature and involves changes to zoning and development standards, allowing increased height and density in certain portions of the Uptown Urban Center. The planning area is generally bounded by Aurora Avenue N on the East, Denny Way on the south, Elliot Ave N on the west, and the base of Queen Anne hill on the north.

The DEIS evaluated the environmental impacts of two potential non-project rezone alternatives and one "no action" alternative.

Alternative 1 Midrise with increases in building height of 2 to 4 stories; Alternative 2 High-rise with buildings of 160 feet in height limited to one per block; and Alternative 3 No Action – current zoning.

The FEIS considers a preferred alternative that represents a composite of all three alternatives with the tallest buildings located south and east adjacent to South Lake Union and Downtown, moderate increases of 2 to 4 stories in mixed use commercial zones, and an incremental increase in height in the Lowrise and Midrise multifamily zones to implement new Mandatory Affordable Housing requirements.

Timing of Preferred Alternative and Implementation:

The Mayor anticipates submitting recommendations for City Council consideration in 2017. The recommendations would amend Seattle Land Use Code (SMC Title 23), including the zoning map.

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How to Appeal the Environmental Determination

Appeals of the adequacy of the Final Environmental Impact Statement must be received by the Hearing Examiner no later than **5:00 p.m., April 6, 2017**. Appeals may be filed online at <u>www.seattle.gov/examiner/efile.htm</u>, delivered in person to the Hearing Examiner's office on the 40th floor of Seattle Municipal Tower at 700 Fifth Ave., or mailed to the City of Seattle Hearing Examiner, P.O. Box 94729, Seattle, WA 98124-4729. (Delivery of appeals filed by any form of USPS mail service may be delayed by several days. Allow extra time if mailing an appeal.) An appeal form is available at www.seattle.gov/examiner/LANDUSEAPLFORM.pdf. Appeals must be accompanied by an \$85 filing fee. The fee may be paid by check payable to the City of Seattle or a credit/debit card (Visa and MasterCard only) payment made in person or by telephone at 206-684-0521. (The Hearing Examiner may waive the appeal fee if the person filing the appeal demonstrates that payment would cause financial hardship.)

The Hearing Examiner Rules and "Public Guide to Appeals and Hearings Before the Hearing Examiner" are available at <u>www.seattle.gov/examiner/guide-toc.htm</u>.

Availability of Final EIS:

Copies of the Final EIS are available for public review at:

- *City of Seattle SDCI Public Resource Center (700 5th Ave, Floor 20);
- *Seattle Public Library, Central Branch (1000 Fourth Ave.);
- * Seattle Public Library- Queen Anne Branch (400 W. Garfield St)

The Draft and Final EIS also may be viewed at OPCD's website, at <u>www.seattle.gov/dpd/uptown</u> Interested parties may obtain copies of the Final EIS free of charge (while supplies last) at SDCI, 20th floor Seattle Municipal Tower, 700 Fifth Avenue. However, a postage fee of \$5.50 must be paid if documents are to be mailed. Please send a check payable to the **City of Seattle** to:

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