Description of proposal: SDOT proposes to improve the 23rd Avenue Corridor from Rainier Ave. S to E Roanoke St. Project components include new pavement, re-channelization, pedestrian improvements, lighting improvements, additional electric trolley bus infrastructure for Metro Route 48, new bus stop facilities, traffic signal upgrades, and public art. In addition to these roadway improvements, Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) proposes to replace a municipal drinking water main that is located under 23rd Ave. between E John St. and S Jackson St.

Proponent: City of Seattle, Department of Transportation
Seattle Municipal Tower
700 Fifth Ave, Suite 3800
P.O. Box 34966
Seattle, WA 98124-4996

Location of proposal including street address, if any: The project limits are from E Roanoke St. in the north to Rainier Ave. S to the south. The project will be constructed in three phases. Phase 1 includes the portion of 23rd Ave. from E John St. to S Jackson St., Phase 2 is the portion of 23rd Ave. from S Jackson St. to Rainier Ave. S, and Phase 3 is 23rd Ave. from E John St. to E Ward Street, Turner Way E from E Ward St. to E Helen St., and 24th Ave. from E Helen St. to E Roanoke St.

Lead Agency: SDOT

SDOT has determined that this proposal would 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 may be examined in the Seattle Department of Planning and Development Public Resource Center at 700 Fifth Ave., Suite 2000, Seattle, WA, 98124. Documents are also at the Seattle Central Library at 1000 Fourth Ave., Seattle, WA, 98104 and the Douglass-Truth Branch of the Seattle Public Library, at 2300 E Yesler Way, Seattle, WA, 98122.

☐ There is no comment period.

☐ This DNS is issued after using the optional DNS process in WAC 197-11-355 and Seattle Municipal Code (SMC) 25.05.355. There is no further comment period on the DNS.

☑ This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2) and Seattle Municipal Code (SMC) 25.05.340; the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from the issue date below. Comments must be submitted by 5:00 p.m. Thursday, June 26th, 2014.

Issue Date: June 12th, 2014

SEPA Responsible Official: Goran Sparrman, Interim Director, SDOT

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Any interested person may appeal this DNS by submitting a Notice of Appeal and a $85.00 filing fee to the Office of the Hearing Examiner located at 700 Fifth Ave, Suite 4000, Seattle; mailing address: P.O. Box 94729, Seattle, WA 98124-4729; telephone: (206) 684-0521. The appeal must be filed no later than 5:00 p.m. July 3rd, 2014. The appellant should be prepared to make specific factual objections. See SMC 25.05.680 A(2)(a)(ii) for SEPA appeal procedures.