SEPA DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS)
SEATTLE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (SDOT)
DIRECTOR’S RULE FOR STREETS ILLUSTRATED: SEATTLE’S
RIGHT-OF-WAY IMPROVEMENTS MANUAL

Description of proposal: SDOT proposes the new Director’s Rule to supersede the Seattle Right-of-Way Improvements Manual Director’s Rule 7-2012 that initially created the online resource that documents how the City manages physical improvements in the right-of-way and provides requirements, procedures, standards, and guidelines for physical changes. The new rule updates and revises the Manual to incorporate roadway typologies and other updates to streetscape and roadway standards. The Manual considers and attempts to balance the access and mobility needs of all users of the street right-of-way including pedestrians, bicyclists, automobiles, transit, and freight. Design guidance is not mandatory, but reflects best-practices and has the most favorable alignment with City plans, priorities, and community input.

Proponent: SDOT
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Seattle, WA 98124

Location of proposal including street address, if any: The Director’s Rule applies to the entire City of Seattle.

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 43.21 C.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 Construction and Inspections Public Resource Center at 700 5th Avenue, Suite 2000, Seattle, WA, 98104. Documents are also at the Seattle Central Library, at 1000 4th Avenue, Seattle, WA, 98104 and at https://www.seattle.gov/transportation/rowmanual/.

☐ 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 PM August 21, 2017.

Issue Date: August 7, 2017

SEPA Responsible Official: Scott Kubly, Director, SDOT

Signature

Date

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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 5th Avenue, Suite 4000, Seattle; mailing address: P.O. Box 94729, Seattle, WA 98124; telephone: (206) 684-0521. The appeal must be filed no later than 5:00 PM August 28, 2017. The appellant should be prepared to make specific factual objections. See SMC 25.05.680 A(2)(a)(ii) for SEPA appeal procedures.