

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING DESIGN REVIEW AMENDMENTS

Pursuant to SMC 25.05.340 and WAC 197-11-340

The proposal would amend the Land Use Code (SMC Title 23) and be effective for a period of 12 months after the ordinance's effective date. The proposal would:

1. Exempt from design review development projects that choose to meet the City's Mandatory Housing Affordability (MHA) requirement with on-site performance;
2. Provide an option for any development proposal that includes residential use to be reviewed under Administrative Design Review (ADR) rather than Full Design Review (FDR);
3. Allow the SDCI Director to waive or modify certain development standards for MHA performance projects; and
4. Allow applicants who opt for the ADR process to return to FDR, also at their option.

ENVIRONMENTAL DETERMINATION

After review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file, the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI) has determined that the amendments described above will not have a probable significant adverse environmental impact, and has issued a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) under the State Environmental Policy Act (no Environmental Impact Statement required).

HOW TO COMMENT

Comments regarding this DNS or potential environmental impacts may be submitted through March 13, 2023. Comments may be sent to:

City of Seattle, SDCI
Attn: Gordon Clowers
P.O. Box 94788
Seattle, WA 98124-7088
gordon.clowers@seattle.gov

HOW TO APPEAL

Appeals of the decision to issue a Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) must be submitted to the Office of the Hearing Examiner by 5:00 p.m., March 20, 2023. Appeals should be addressed to the Hearing Examiner and must be accompanied by an \$85.00 filing fee in a check payable to the City of Seattle. The appeal must be sent to:

City of Seattle
Hearing Examiner
PO Box 94729
Seattle WA 98124-4729

INFORMATION AVAILABLE

Copies of the DNS and the proposal may be obtained online at [Affordable Housing Design Review Amendments - What & Why - SDCI | seattle.gov](https://seattle.gov/affordable-housing-design-review-amendments-what-why-sdci). Questions about the proposed amendments and the environmental determination can be directed to Mike Podowski, SDCI, at mike.podowski@seattle.gov.