



NOTICE OF LAND USE CODE AMENDMENTS AND DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE

Pursuant to SMC 25.05.340 and WAC 197-11-340

Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI) is proposing updates to the Land Use Code, supporting school programming for Seattle Public School students in modern facilities by amending Sections 23.45.504, 23.51B.002, 23.54.015, 23.55.020, 23.55.022 and 23.79.004 of the Seattle Municipal Code.

Proposed changes to the Land Use Code include:

1. Change the parking requirement to one parking space for every two classrooms;
2. Change the requirement to allow 45 feet for the building and 15 feet for screened rooftop mechanical equipment in NR and LR zones;
3. Update bus loading requirement to allow existing on-street (curbside) bus loading space to remain;
4. Update sign standards to allow electric/reader board signs. The update would allow one nonilluminated sign and one electric reader board sign outright, and adds new standards for frequency of movement, color, and operating standards. Current limits on size (height/width/sign area) would be maintained; and
5. Update the composition of the Advisory Committee to allow a wider range of expertise; allows more continuity of members, and affords more experience/training for committee members.

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 April 24, 2025. Comments may be sent to:

City of Seattle, SDCI
Attn: Tami Garrett
P.O. Box 94788
Seattle, WA 98124-7088
Tami.garrett@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., May 1, 2025. 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 and at [Changes to Code – SDCI seattle.gov](https://www.seattle.gov/development/changes-to-code). Questions about the environmental determination can be directed to Tami Garrett, SDCI Manager tami.garrett@seattle.gov. Questions regarding the proposed amendments may be directed to Chanda Emery, SDCI Senior Planner, at chanda.emery@seattle.gov.