LYNNWOOD WASHINGTON

NOTICE OF **APPLICATION, IMPENDING DECISION**

196th ST. SW. IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

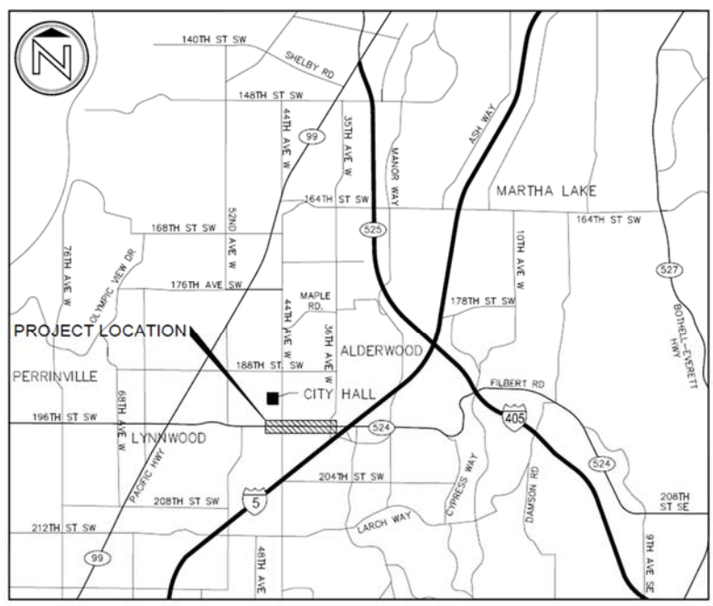
(File No. ERC-004168-2016)

Application and Project Description

On September 12, 2016 David Mach (Project Manager, City of Lynnwood) submitted an application on behalf of the applicant, the City of Lynnwood. The City of Lynnwood is seeking a threshold determination for the proposed 196th Street SW widening project between 36th Ave. W. and 48th Ave. W. The proposal consists of two vehicular through lanes in each direction, one Business Access and Transit (BAT) lane in each direction, one left-turn lane at major intersections, and a center planted median. The new curb, gutter, and sidewalk with tree grates will be added to the north and south sides of the roadway. New illumination will be provided along the corridor along with signal upgrades at 44th Ave. W. and 40th Ave. W with partial signal upgrades at 48th Ave. W and 36th Ave. W. A new enclosed stormwater conveyance system, including large detention pipes for flow control, is proposed to accommodate the roadway improvements. Specific information regarding improvements is available by contacting the Project Manager, David Mach, P.E., 425-670-5275, DMach@lynnwoodwa.gov .The application was deemed complete on October 7, 2016.

Location:

The project is located along 196th St. SW, between 36th Ave. W. and 48th Ave. W., Lynnwood, WA 98036.



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SEPA Environmental Review:

The City has reviewed the proposed project for probable adverse environmental impacts and expects to issue a Mitigated Determination of Nonsignificance (MDNS) for this project. The optional DNS process in WAC 197-11-355 is being used. <u>This may be the only opportunity to comment on the environmental impacts of the proposed project.</u> The proposal may include mitigation measures under applicable codes, and the project review process may incorporate or require mitigation measures regardless of whether an EIS is prepared. Agencies, tribes, and the public are encouraged to review and comment on the proposed project and its probable environmental impacts. A copy of the subsequent threshold determination for the proposal may be obtained upon request.

Mitigating Conditions in addition to required existing regulations and permits:

1) The project will implement the City's adopted City Center Plan and City Center Streetscape element with landscaped medians, pedestrian refuge islands at key intersections, wider sidewalks set back from the curb, illumination, underground utilities, and street trees in tree grates on both sides of the street. **2)** Safety and Security will improve due to new sidewalks, signal upgrades, improved pedestrian and roadway illumination, and a new raised median separating opposing traffic. **3)** The project will improve the safety of Business Access with a dedicated Business Access and Transit (BAT) lane, re-striped parking lots to minimize loss of parking, and U-turn movements at intersections, which will mitigate for the loss of the two-way left-turn lane. **4)** The additional two general purpose lanes, left-turn pockets at intersections, U-turn movements, signal upgrades, and BAT lane will increase Capacity and Mobility, decreasing congestion and delay. **5)** New sidewalks and improved property access points will encourage Non-motorized Travel, improving non-motorized connections into and throughout City Center. **6)** Easements will be put in place for improvements to areas outside the City ROW. Property appraisals will be conducted and offers negotiated with property owners as part of this process.

Additional Permits That May Be Required:

National Environmental Policy Act Compliance, Coastal Zone Management Certification, National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Baseline General Construction Permit, Grading, Right-of-way use, Road Improvement, Storm Drainage, Sanitary Sewer, Water Main and Service, Weekend Work.

Comments:

Comments concerning SEPA Environmental Review should be mailed to the City of Lynnwood, Community Development Department, PO Box 5008, Lynnwood, WA 98046 OR delivered to the Permit Center at 4114 198th St SW, Suite 7. Comments must be submitted by 4:00 PM on <u>November 4, 2016</u>.