



City of SeaTac Seeks Input on Revised Engineering and Design Standards

SeaTac, WA (September 12, 2016) - The City of SeaTac, along with several other local governments, is in the process of developing proposed changes to its stormwater, road design and construction standards. These proposed changes are needed to meet the requirements for low impact development (LID) mandated by the City's current National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit (NPDES) under the authority of the Washington Department of Ecology.

LID is a set of structural and non-structural development practices, which simulate natural processes by infiltrating stormwater into soils onsite. Examples of LID techniques include bioretention/rain gardens and pervious paving.

Because the proposed revisions may impact the future development plans for property greater than 14,400 square feet in residential zones and commercially zoned parcels, the City wants potentially impacted owners to be aware of this process. Before moving forward with proposed changes to these engineering standards, the City wants to gather feedback from property owners and members of the development community. For that reason, there will be at least two meetings to involve the public in this process.

Mayor Michael Siefkes commented: "There is a lot of concern about the affordability of housing. We need to be certain that the City is not negatively impacting a property owner's ability to pursue development in a cost effective manner." He added: "We are striving to limit burdensome regulations while insuring that the City meets federal and state requirements only to the extent absolutely necessary."

If you are interested in being added to the Development Stakeholder Group, please email or call Don Robinett, Stormwater Manager, at drobinett@ci.seatac.wa.us or 206-973-4722 and you will be added to the email distribution list.

A meeting is scheduled for this Friday, September 16th from noon to 1:30 PM at SeaTac City Hall located at 4800 S. 188th St., SeaTac, WA.

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