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CITY OF LAKE FOREST PARK
PLANNING DEPARTMENT
17425 BALLINGER WAY
LAKE FOREST PARK, WA 98155

Re: Seattle City Light streetlight replacement along Beach Dr NE – Shoreline Exemption

Applicant/Contact: Shannon Straws, Seattle City Light, Environmental Affairs
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Project Location: Along Beach Dr NE, near NE 165th st (see attached project drawing/map)

Property owners: The utility belongs to Seattle City Light. The repair/upgrade project entails work within the street Right-of-Way.

Project Description:

Part of the streetlight system along Beach Dr NE needs to be repaired; this project replaces 2 existing streetlights located in the right-of-way near 16290 Beach Dr NE in Lake Forest Park. Three new service hand holes will be installed and approximately 120 Lft of trenching will be required to install new conduit to service the streetlights from the existing electrical vault. The two new streetlight poles will be replaced in the same location as current streetlights are located. Total ground disturbance is expected to be well under the 250cy exemption threshold established by Lake Forest Park's Shoreline Management Plan. Work is located approximately 170 ft. from the edge of Lake Washington, and will follow all best management practices for soil and erosion control and working near the shore, as outlined in an environmental review by City Light Environmental Affairs and the City's Standard Specifications.

All work would occur within the street right-of-way, including within planting strips and sidewalks. The area surrounding the work is primarily residential. Properties in this vicinity typically slope towards Lake Washington located to the east.

One streetlight pole and two handholes will be installed along the east side of Beach Dr NE. The streetlight is located to the east of the sidewalk, and the vault is located within the sidewalk. The area is flat and fairly level due to the sidewalk and street. This streetlight is located off the southwest corner of Sheridan Beach Community Pool property.

Trenching will cross the street to the west side and proceed southward to the next streetlight. This area is a sloped vegetated strip located between Beach Dr NE and the paved Burke-Gilman Trail which parallels the road. The slope varies in this area increasing from approximately 20% near the intersection of NE 165th st to approximately 40% near the location of the streetlight.

The other streetlight pole and one handhole will be installed at the southern end of trenching. Both streetlight pole and handhole will be installed within approximately 5 ft of the edge of the pavement, with the streetlight replaced in the same location as the current streetlight.

Once completed streets, sidewalks, and planting areas would be restored to current conditions.

Enclosed with this letter is a project drawing/map as a component of the application. Please feel free to call or email me if you need clarification on any aspect of the project. We would also be pleased to provide any additional material that you might require.

Thank you very much for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Shannon Straws
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Seattle City Light