

## SEPA THRESHOLD DETERMINATION

## Mitigated Determination of Non-Significance (MDNS)

FILE NAME: NORTHPOINT ARLINGTON REZONE

FILE NUMBER: PLN#729

**LEAD AGENCY:** City of Arlington Community and Economic Development Department

**DESCRIPTION:** This is a non-project proposal within the Arlington portion of the Cascade Industrial Center. The applicant is seeking to re-designate and rezone approximately 32.9 acres of a single, undeveloped 87.74 acre parcel (approximately 37.5% of the total site) to Light Industrial from General Commercial with Mixed-Use Overlay. The split zoning and future land use designations currently applied to the site occurred sometime prior to its current ownership. Resolving this inconsistency with the parcel is to encourage the development of permitted light industrial uses consistent with the Arlington-Marysville Manufacturing Industrial Center Subarea Plan. Any future site-specific development proposal would be required to complete its own, site-specific, project level SEPA review.

**LOCATION:** The project is located at 6600 172<sup>nd</sup> Street NE, Arlington, WA 98223. Tax Parcel ID # 31052700100100. The subject property is currently split-zoned General Commercial (GC) and Light Industrial (LI).

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**DATE CHECKLIST PREPARED:** July 14, 2020

APPROVALS REQUIRED: City of Arlington: Comprehensive Plan Amendment

**SEPA THRESHOLD DETERMINATION:** The City of Arlington has determined that with the mitigation measures identified herein, this proposal would not have a probable and unavoidable significant adverse impact on the environment. Pursuant to WAC 197-11-350(3), the proposal has been clarified, changed, and conditioned to include necessary mitigation measures to avoid, minimize or compensate for probable significant impacts. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030 (2) (c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request. However, we have identified impacts by the proposed project that requires mitigation. In addition to the requirement that the development must comply with all City of Arlington zoning and development regulations, the following conditions of approval of the permit decision apply:

**(B)(1) Earth:** In order to mitigate for potential earth impacts, any future site-specific development proposal would be required to implement Best Management Practices per Department of Ecology for Stormwater Pollution Prevention and TESC Controls to prevent erosion during and after construction.

**(B)(2) Air:** In order to mitigate for potential air impacts, any future site-specific development proposal would be required to implement dust control measures to reduce fugitive dust emissions during construction. A Construction Management Plan shall be submitted to the City prior to commencement of construction to ensure these measures. Construction equipment emissions shall comply with all State and Federal regulations for emissions.

**(B)(3)(b) Ground Water:** In order to mitigate for potential impacts to ground water any future site-specific development proposal would be required to employ best design practices meeting the current Department of Ecology Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington

- **(B)(3)(c) Water Runoff:** In order to mitigate for potential impacts to water runoff any future site-specific development proposal would be required to follow the current edition of the Department of Ecology Stormwater Management Manual for Western Washington and Best Management Practices used to protect groundwater. All onsite stormwater will be collected, treated, and detained or infiltrated to match preexisting runoff conditions on site.
- **(B)(4)(b) Plants:** Any future site-specific development proposal will be required to meet the City of Arlington's Landscaping Standards as required by AMC 20.76.
- **(B)(6) Energy:** Any future site-specific development proposal would be required to comply with the latest Washington State Energy Code requirements.
- **(B)(7)(A) Environmental Health:** Any future site-specific development proposal would be required to comply with current codes to reduce or control environmental health hazards. A spill prevention plan shall be in place according to local, State and Federal policies.
- **(B)(7)(b) Noise:** Any future site-specific development proposal would be required to comply with the City of Arlington noise standards found in AMC 9.20.060. Specifically, in section 9.20.060(8), noises resulting from any construction activity or the operation of heavy equipment from 7:00pm to 7:00am Monday through Saturday and all day Sunday, shall be prohibited.
- **(B)(10) Aesthetics:** Any future proposed development will be required to meet the City of Arlington's Design Standards. Street trees shall be installed along all applicable streets at time of future development in accordance with AMC 20.76.110.
- **(B)(11)(a) Light and Glare:** In order to mitigate for potential light pollution any future site-specific development proposal would be required to install light fixtures that are down shielded. The property is located within the Arlington Airport Protection District Subdistrict B.
- **(B)(13) Historic and Cultural Preservation:** There are no known buildings, structures, or sites located on or near the site that are in (or candidates for) the local historic preservation register. There are no known landmarks, features, or other evidence that would indicate Indian or historic use or occupation. Local registries were searched and it appears that no impacts to existing cultural and historic resources are anticipated to occur as a result of the proposed project. Nonetheless, an Unanticipated Discovery Plan will be required at the time of any future site-specific development proposal, and if any potential evidence is encountered during the site work, work will be halted and the State Historical Preservation Officer, Stillaguamish Tribe, and the City of Arlington will be contacted, and measures taken to implement the UDP.
- **(B)(14)(f) Transportation:** The City reserves the right to evaluate additional fees at the time of any future site-specific development.
- **(B)(16)(a) Utilities:** Any future site-specific development proposal would be required to connect to the City of Arlington water and wastewater systems.
- **(B)(16)(b) Utilities:** Any future site-specific development proposal would be required to construct all existing, extended, and new electrical power lines (not to include transformers or enclosures containing electrical equipment including but not limited to, switches, meters, or capacitors which may be pad mounted), telephone, gas distribution, cable television, and other communication and utility lines in or

adjacent to any land use or building permit approved after the effective date of this chapter shall be placed underground in accordance with the specifications and policies of the respective utility service providers and located in accordance with the administrative guideline entitled "Public Works Construction Standards and Specification." Even in the event the distribution line originates from a point opposite any public roadway from the new construction the service lines shall be placed beneath said roadway by means of boring or surface excavation across said roadway.

**DISCLAIMER**: The determination that an environmental impact statement does not have to be filed does not mean there will be no adverse environmental impacts. The City of Arlington codes governing noise control, land use performance standards, construction and improvements of roads, off site road improvement obligations, drainage control, traffic, school, park, stormwater, and utility mitigations, fire protection; and building practices will provide substantial mitigation of the aforementioned impacts.

The issuance of this MDNS should not be interpreted as acceptance or approval of this proposal as presented. The City of Arlington reserves the right to deny or approve said proposal subject to conditions if it is determined to be in the best interest of the city and/or necessary for the general health, safety, and welfare of the public to do so.

## **DATE OF MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE:** August 10, 2020

**COMMENT PERIOD:** There is a 14-day comment period for this MDNS. If you would like to comment on this Application or Threshold Determination, <u>written comments</u> must be received prior to 5:00 p.m. on <u>August 24, 2020</u>. The Responsible Official may incorporate any substantial comments into the MDNS. If the MDNS is substantially modified, it will be reissued for further public review.

SEPA Responsible Official: Marc Hayes, Director of Community and Economic Development

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TO APPEAL A DECISION: An agency or person may appeal the City's procedural compliance with WAC Chapter 197-11 (SEPA) for issuance of this MDNS. Appeal of the final MDNS must be made to the Hearing Examiner within 10 days of the date the MDNS is final (see WAC 197-11-390(2) (a)). The MDNS is a final MDNS when the City issues the land use permit. Appeal of the land use permit must be made to the Hearing Examiner within 14 days of the date the permit is issued.