

SEPA ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

Purpose of checklist:

Governmental agencies use this checklist to help determine whether the environmental impacts of your proposal are significant. This information is also helpful to determine if available avoidance, minimization, or compensatory mitigation measures will address the probable significant impacts or if an environmental impact statement will be prepared to further analyze the proposal.

Instructions for applicants:

This environmental checklist asks you to describe some basic information about your proposal. Please answer each question accurately and carefully, to the best of your knowledge. You may need to consult with an agency specialist or private consultant for some questions. You may use "not applicable" or "does not apply" only when you can explain why it does not apply and not when the answer is unknown. You may also attach or incorporate by reference additional studies reports. Complete and accurate answers to these questions often avoid delays with the SEPA process as well as later in the decision-making process.

The checklist questions apply to all parts of your proposal, even if you plan to do them over a period of time or on different parcels of land. Attach any additional information that will help describe your proposal or its environmental effects. The agency to which you submit this checklist may ask you to explain your answers or provide additional information reasonably related to determining if there may be significant adverse impact.

Instructions for Lead Agencies:

Please adjust the format of this template as needed. Additional information may be necessary to evaluate the existing environment, all interrelated aspects of the proposal and an analysis of adverse impacts. The checklist is considered the first but not necessarily the only source of information needed to make an adequate threshold determination. Once a threshold determination is made, the lead agency is responsible for the completeness and accuracy of the checklist and other supporting documents.

Use of checklist for non-project proposals:

For non-project proposals (such as ordinances, regulations, plans and programs), complete the applicable parts of sections A and B plus the SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR NON-PROJECT ACTIONS (part D). Please completely answer all questions that apply and note that the words "project," "applicant," and "property or site" should be read as "proposal," "proponent," and "affected geographic area," respectively. The lead agency may exclude (for non-projects) questions in Part B - Environmental Elements –that do not contribute meaningfully to the analysis of the proposal.

A. Background

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable:

Old Town Residential Design

2. Name of applicant:

City of Arlington

3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person:

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4. Date checklist prepared:

March 28, 2022

5. Agency requesting checklist:

City of Arlington

6. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable):

The non-project proposal will add a supplemental design document for development and redevelopment within the Old Town Residential zone. It is proposed to be adopted by City Council in May 2022.

7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain.

This is a non-project action that will require design standards for all future development and redevelopment within the Old Town Residential zone.

8. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal.

There has been no environmental information prepared for the non-project action. Environmental information will be required of any site-specific development where it is required.

9. Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? If yes, explain.

Government approvals pending on this non-project action is from the Department of Commerce, Arlington Planning Commission and Arlington City Council.

10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.

Department of Commerce, Arlington Planning Commission and Arlington City Council.

11. Give brief, complete description of your proposal, including the proposed uses and the size of the project and site. There are several questions later in this checklist that ask you to describe certain aspects of your proposal. You do not need to repeat those answers on this page. (Lead agencies may modify this form to include additional specific information on project description.)

This non-project action for the Old Town Residential Design Standards implements design regulations to properties within the Old Town Residential zone to maintain, preserve, and protect the historical and architectural style represented in the zone.

12. Location of the proposal. Give sufficient information for a person to understand the precise location of your proposed project, including a street address, if any, and section, township, and range, if known. If a proposal would occur over a range of area, provide the range or boundaries of the site(s). Provide a legal description, site plan, vicinity map, and topographic map, if reasonably available. While you should submit any plans required by the agency, you are not required to duplicate maps or detailed plans submitted with any permit applications related to this checklist.

This non-project proposal affects all properties within the Old Town Residential zone.

B. Environmental Elements

1. Earth

a. General description of the site:

(circle one): Flat, rolling, hilly, steep slopes, mountainous, other _____

b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)?

There are many parcels within the Old Town Residential zone and the slopes vary from property to property. Several properties have steep slopes, while other properties are completely flat and range from 0 to 70%. The area of the properties is McLeod Avenue to Stillaguamish Avenue (west to east) and Highland Drive to Division Street (south to north).

c. What general types of soils are found on the site (for example, clay, sand, gravel, peat, muck)? If you know the classification of agricultural soils, specify them, and note any agricultural land of long-term commercial significance and whether the proposal results in removing any of these soils.

The soil types within the Old Town Residential zone are Everett very gravelly sandy loam, 0-8 percent slopes (66%), Ragnar fine sandy loam, 0-8 percent slopes (15.1%), Alderwood gravelly sandy loam, 0-8 percent slopes (9.3%), Alderwood-Everett gravelly sandy loams, 25-70 percent slopes (7.3%), and Urban land (2.3%). This non-project action proposal will not remove soils in agricultural lands designated as of long-term commercial significance.

d. Are there surface indications or history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity? If so, describe.

There is no known current surface indication or a history of unstable soils in the immediate vicinity of the Old Town Residential zone.

e. Describe the purpose, type, total area, and approximate quantities and total affected area of any filling, excavation, and grading proposed. Indicate source of fill.

As a non-project proposal, no filling or grading is proposed. Any future site-specific development or land use proposal not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to a separate SEPA review, which would include review of any proposed grading or filling activity.

f. Could erosion occur as a result of clearing, construction, or use? If so, generally describe.

As a non-project action, no erosion will occur as a direct result of this proposal. Any future site-specific development or land use proposal not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to a separate SEPA review, which would include review of any proposed clearing and construction that may result in erosion.

g. About what percent of the site will be covered with impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt or buildings)?

As a non-project action, no impervious surface coverage will occur as a result of this proposal. Any future site-specific development or land use proposal not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to a separate SEPA review, which would include review of any proposed impervious surface area.

h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to the earth, if any:

As a non-project action, no erosion reduction or control measures are proposed or required. Future site-specific development or land use action not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to project level SEPA and regulatory review and would require the implementation of applicable City regulations to reduce or control erosion or other impacts to the earth.

2. Air

a. What types of emissions to the air would result from the proposal during construction, operation, and maintenance when the project is completed? If any, generally describe and give approximate quantities if known.

As a non-project action, no emissions to air will occur as a result of this proposal.

b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odor that may affect your proposal? If so, generally describe.

Not Applicable

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any:

As a non-project proposal, no measures to reduce or control emissions are required or proposed. Future site-specific development or land use action not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to project level SEPA and regulatory review and would require the implementation of applicable city regulations to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to air, if any.

3. Water

a. Surface Water:

- 1) Is there any surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity of the site (including year-round and seasonal streams, saltwater, lakes, ponds, wetlands)? If yes, describe type and provide names. If appropriate, state what stream or river it flows into.**

There are no known streams, saltwater, lakes, ponds, or wetlands within the Old Town Residential zone.

- 2) Will the project require any work over, in, or adjacent to (within 200 feet) the described waters? If yes, please describe and attach available plans.**

As a non-project action, this proposal will not require any work in, or adjacent to any waters. Future site-specific development or land use actions not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to project level SEPA and regulatory review and would require the implementation of applicable city regulations to reduce or control activities near surface water bodies, if any.

- 3) Estimate the amount of fill and dredge material that would be placed in or removed from surface water or wetlands and indicate the area of the site that would be affected. Indicate the source of fill material.**

As a non-project proposal, no fill or dredge material will be placed or removed from surface water or wetlands.

- 4) Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or diversions? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.**

As a non-project proposal, no surface water withdrawals or diversion will be required.

- 5) Does the proposal lie within a 100-year floodplain? If so, note location on the site plan.**

The Old Town Residential zone is not located within the 100-year floodplain.

- 6) Does the proposal involve any discharges of waste materials to surface waters? If so, describe the type of waste and anticipated volume of discharge.**

As a non-project action, no discharges of waste materials to surface waters will occur as a result of this proposal.

b. Ground Water:

- 1) Will groundwater be withdrawn from a well for drinking water or other purposes? If so, give a general description of the well, proposed uses and approximate quantities withdrawn from the well. Will water be discharged to groundwater? Give general description, purpose, and approximate quantities if known.**

As a non-project action, no groundwater will be withdrawn or discharged.

- 2) Describe waste material that will be discharged into the ground from septic tanks or other sources, if any (for example: Domestic sewage; industrial, containing the following chemicals. . .; agricultural; etc.). Describe the general size of the system, the number of such systems, the number of houses to be served (if applicable), or the number of animals or humans the system(s) are expected to serve.**

As a non-project action, no waste material will be discharged from septic tanks or other sources as a result of this proposal. The city does not allow septic tanks for new residential structures within the Old Town Residential zone.

c. Water runoff (including stormwater):

- 1) Describe the source of runoff (including storm water) and method of collection and disposal, if any (include quantities, if known). Where will this water flow? Will this water flow into other waters? If so, describe.**

As a non-project action, no runoff will occur as a result of this proposal. Any future site-specific development or land use action proposal would be subject to a separate SEPA and development permit review, which would address runoff management.

2) Could waste materials enter ground or surface waters? If so, generally describe.

As a non-project action, no runoff will occur as a result of this proposal. Any future site-specific development or land use actions not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to project level SEPA and regulatory review, which would address runoff management.

3) Does the proposal alter or otherwise affect drainage patterns in the vicinity of the site? If so, describe.

As a non-project action, no drainage patterns will be affected as a result of this proposal. Any future site-specific development or land use actions not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to project level SEPA and regulatory review, which would address drainage.

4) Proposed measures to reduce or control surface, ground, and runoff water, and drainage pattern impacts, if any:

As a non-project proposal, no measures are proposed or required to reduce impacts to surface or groundwater. Any future site-specific development or land use actions not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to project level SEPA and regulatory review.

4. Plants

Check the types of vegetation found on the site:

- deciduous tree: alder, maple, aspen, other
- evergreen tree: fir, cedar, pine, other
- shrubs
- grass
- pasture
- crop or grain
- Orchards, vineyards, or other permanent crops.
- wet soil plants: cattail, buttercup, bullrush, skunk cabbage, other
- water plants: water lily, eelgrass, milfoil, other
- other types of vegetation

b. What kind and amount of vegetation will be removed or altered?

As a non-project action, no vegetation will be removed as a direct result of this proposal. Any future site-specific development or land use actions not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to project level SEPA and regulatory review of any proposed vegetation removal or alteration.

c. List threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site.

Threatened and endangered vegetation species is unlikely but could be located within the Old Town Residential zone. This evaluation would take place with development or land use actions on a site-specific location.

d. Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any:

As a non-project action, no measures to preserve or enhance vegetation are required for this proposal. Any future site-specific development or land use actions not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to project level SEPA and regulatory review, which would include review of any proposed landscaping and measures to reserve or enhance vegetation on the site. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services provides listing for ESA species under its jurisdiction; and the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife provides listing for priority habitat species under its jurisdiction. These resources are consulted for mitigation of impacts from site-specific proposals under consideration.

e. List all noxious weeds and invasive species known to be on or near the site.

There may be noxious weeds and invasive species on site-specific properties. Any future site-specific development or land use actions are subject to regulatory review.

5. *Animals*

a. List any birds and other animals which have been observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site.

Examples include:

birds: **hawk**, heron, **eagle**, **songbirds**, other:

mammals: **deer**, bear, elk, beaver, other:

fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other _____

b. List any threatened and endangered species known to be on or near the site.

Threatened or endangered birds or animals may be found within the Old Town Residential zone.

c. Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain.

Yes, Western Washington is within the Pacific Flyway, but as a non-project action, this proposal will not impact migratory species.

d. Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any:

As a non-project action, no measures to preserve or enhance wildlife are required or proposed. Any future site-specific development or land use actions not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to project level SEPA and regulatory review, which would include review and implementation of measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife and National Fisheries Services provides listing for ESA species under their jurisdiction; and the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife provides listing for sensitive species under its jurisdiction. These resources are consulted for mitigation of impacts from site-specific proposals under consideration.

e. List any invasive animal species known to be on or near the site.

There are no known invasive animal species within the Old Town Residential zone.

6. *Energy and Natural Resources*

a. What kinds of energy (electric, natural gas, oil, wood stove, solar) will be used to meet the completed project's energy needs? Describe whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc.

As a non-project proposal, energy will not be consumed.

b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by adjacent properties? If so, generally describe.

As a non-project, there will be no impact on solar energy as a result of this proposal.

c. What kinds of energy conservation features are included in the plans of this proposal? List other proposed measures to reduce or control energy impacts, if any:

As a non-project action, energy conservation features are not applicable to this proposal. Any future site-specific development project not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to a separate SEPA review, which would include review and implementation of measures to reduce or control energy impacts, if any.

7. *Environmental Health*

a. Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spill, or hazardous waste, that could occur as a result of this proposal? If so, describe.

As a non-project action, no environmental health hazards will result as a consequence of this proposal.

1) Describe any known or possible contamination at the site from present or past uses.

As a non-project proposal, this is not applicable. Any future site-specific development project not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to a separate SEPA review, which would include identification of known or possible contamination, if any.

2) Describe existing hazardous chemicals/conditions that might affect project development and design. This includes underground hazardous liquid and gas transmission pipelines located within the project area and in the vicinity.

As a non-project proposal, this is not applicable. Any future site-specific development project not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to a separate SEPA review, which would include identification of existing hazardous chemicals or conditions, if any.

3) Describe any toxic or hazardous chemicals that might be stored, used, or produced during the project's development or construction, or at any time during the operating life of the project.

As a non-project proposal, this is not applicable. Any future site-specific development project not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to a separate SEPA review, which would include a review of toxic or hazardous chemicals stored, used, or produced during the project's development or construction, or at any time during the operating life of the project, if any.

4) Describe special emergency services that might be required.

As a non-project action, no special emergency services are required by this proposal.

5) Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any:

As a non-project action, no measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards are required for this proposal. Any future site-specific development project not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to a separate SEPA review, which would include review and implementation of measures to reduce or control environmental health hazards, if any.

b. Noise

1) What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other)?

This non-project proposal will not be affected by noise.

2) What types and levels of noise would be created by or associated with the project on a short-term or a long-term basis (for example: traffic, construction, operation, other)? Indicate what hours noise would come from the site.

This non-project proposal will not generate noise.

3) Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:

As a non-project proposal, no measures to reduce or control noise impacts are required or proposed. Any future site-specific development project not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to a separate SEPA review, which would include review and implementation of measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any.

8. Land and Shoreline Use

a. What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties? Will the proposal affect current land uses on nearby or adjacent properties? If so, describe.

This non-project proposal includes the Old Town Residential zone of the City. Any future site-specific development project not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to a separate SEPA review, which would include review and implementation of measures to reduce or control impacts to adjacent properties, if any.

- b. Has the project site been used as working farmlands or working forest lands? If so, describe. How much agricultural or forest land of long-term commercial significance will be converted to other uses as a result of the proposal, if any? If resource lands have not been designated, how many acres in farmland or forest land tax status will be converted to nonfarm or nonforest use?**

The properties located within the Old Town Residential zone are not used as working farmland or forest land.

- 1) Will the proposal affect or be affected by surrounding working farm or forest land normal business operations, such as oversized equipment access, the application of pesticides, tilling, and harvesting? If so, how:**

As a non-project action, this proposal will not affect or be affected by surrounding working farms or forest land operations.

- c. Describe any structures on the site.**

Not applicable to this non-project proposal.

- d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what?**

As a non-project action, no structures will be demolished as a result of this proposal.

- e. What is the current zoning classification of the site?**

This is a non-project proposal that pertains to the Old Town Residential zone.

- f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site?**

This is a non-project proposal that pertains to the Old Town Residential comprehensive plan designation.

- g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program designation of the site?**

Not applicable to this non-project action.

- h. Has any part of the site been classified as a critical area by the city or county? If so, specify.**

Not applicable to this non-project action.

- i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed project?**

As a non-project proposal, this is not applicable.

- j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace?**

As a non-project proposal, this is not applicable.

- k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any:**

As a non-project action, no measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts are required by this proposal.

- l. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing and projected land uses and plans, if any:**

As a non-project proposal, the proposed amendment is compatible with the land uses and plans.

- m. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts to agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance, if any:**

As a non-project action, no impacts to agricultural and forest lands of long-term commercial significance would occur as a result of this proposal.

9. Housing

- a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.**

As a non-project action, no housing units would be provided directly by this proposal. The proposed design standards regulate a variety of residential housing types that are already permissible under AMC Chapter 20.40.

- b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate whether high, middle, or low-income housing.**

As a non-project action, no housing units would be eliminated by this proposal.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any:

As a non-project action, no measures to reduce or control impacts to housing are required or proposed. However, these proposed design standards provide regulations to increase density by providing smaller lot sizes and a mix of missing middle residential housing types.

10. Aesthetics

a. What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not including antennas; what is the principal exterior building material(s) proposed?

As a non-project proposal this is not applicable.

b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed?

As a non-project proposal this is not applicable.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any:

As a non-project action, no measures to reduce or control aesthetics impacts are required or proposed. However, the proposed Old Town Residential Design Standards provide building, lots, and exterior residential housing designs requirements.

11. Light and Glare

a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of day would it mainly occur?

As a non-project action, no light or glare will occur as a result of this proposal.

b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or interfere with views?

As a non-project proposal, this is not applicable.

c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your proposal?

Not applicable to this non-project proposal.

d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if any:

As a non-project action, no measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts are required or proposed.

12. Recreation

a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the immediate vicinity?

The Old Town Residential zone is in the vicinity of Downtown, Legion Park, Terrace Park, Haller Middle School, President's Elementary, Eagle Creek Elementary, Post Middle School and the Centennial Trail.

b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses? If so, describe.

This non-project proposal will not displace any existing recreational uses.

c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation, including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or applicant, if any:

As a non-project action, no measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation are proposed or required. All future site-specific development would be required to pay Community and Neighborhood/Mini Park Fees per the City's most current fee resolution.

13. Historic and cultural preservation

a. Are there any buildings, structures, or sites, located on or near the site that are over 45 years old listed in or eligible for listing in national, state, or local preservation registers? If so, specifically describe.

Not applicable to this non-project proposal.

- b. Are there any landmarks, features, or other evidence of Indian or historic use or occupation? This may include human burials or old cemeteries. Are there any material evidence, artifacts, or areas of cultural importance on or near the site? Please list any professional studies conducted at the site to identify such resources.**

Not applicable to this non-project action. Any future site-specific development project not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to a separate SEPA review, which would include review and implementation of measures to reduce or control impacts to Historical or Cultural Resources, if any.

- c. Describe the methods used to assess the potential impacts to cultural and historic resources on or near the project site. Examples include consultation with tribes and the department of archeology and historic preservation, archaeological surveys, historic maps, GIS data, etc.**

Not applicable to this non-project action. Any future site-specific development project not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to a separate SEPA review, which would include review and implementation of measures to reduce or control impacts to Historical or Cultural Resources, if any.

- d. Proposed measures to avoid, minimize, or compensate for loss, changes to, and disturbance to resources. Please include plans for the above and any permits that may be required.**

As a non-project action, no measures to reduce or control impacts on resources are proposed or required. Any future site-specific development project not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to a separate SEPA review, which would include review and implementation of measures to reduce or control impacts to Historical or Cultural Resources, if any.

14. Transportation

- a. Identify public streets and highways serving the site or affected geographic area and describe proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans, if any.**

The Old Town Residential zone has many public streets and has access to State Route 9 to the west.

- b. Is the site or affected geographic area currently served by public transit? If so, generally describe. If not, what is the approximate distance to the nearest transit stop?**

The Old Town Residential zone has several bus routes and stops.

- c. How many additional parking spaces would the completed project or non-project proposal have? How many would the project or proposal eliminate?**

As a non-project proposal, no parking spaces are proposed or eliminated. Future site-specific development must meet the requirements of AMC Chapter 20.72.

- d. Will the proposal require any new or improvements to existing roads, streets, pedestrian, bicycle, or state transportation facilities, not including driveways? If so, generally describe (indicate whether public or private).**

Not applicable to this non-project proposal.

- e. Will the project or proposal use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water, rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe.**

Not applicable to this non-project proposal.

- f. How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed project or proposal? If known, indicate when peak volumes would occur and what percentage of the volume would be trucks (such as commercial and non-passenger vehicles). What data or transportation models were used to make these estimates?**

This non-project action will not directly generate any vehicular trips per day. Any future site-specific development project not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC Chapter 20.98 would be subject to a separate SEPA review, which would include review and implementation of measures to reduce or control impacts to traffic and intersections, if any. All site-specific projects are subject to Traffic Impact Fees per the City's most current fee resolution.

g. Will the proposal interfere with, affect, or be affected by the movement of agricultural and forest products on roads or streets in the area? If so, generally describe.

As a non-project action, the proposal will not interfere with, affect, or be affected by the movement of agricultural and forest products on roads or streets.

h. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if any:

As a non-project action, no measures to reduce or control transportation are proposed or required. Any future site-specific development project not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or Chapter AMC 20.98 would be subject to a separate SEPA review, which would include review and implementation of measures to reduce or control impacts to traffic and intersections, if any. All site-specific projects are subject to Traffic Impact Fees per the City's most current fee resolution.

15. Public Services

a. Would the project result in an increased need for public services (for example: fire protection, police protection, public transit, health care, schools, other)? If so, generally describe.

As a non-project action, this proposal will not result in an increased need for public services.

b. Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public services, if any.

As a non-project proposal, no measures to reduce or control impacts on public services are proposed or required.

16. Utilities

a. Circle utilities currently available at the site:

electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system, other _____

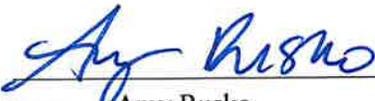
b. Describe the utilities that are proposed for the project, the utility providing the service, and the general construction activities on the site or in the immediate vicinity which might be needed.

As a non-project proposal, no utilities are proposed or required.

C. Signature

The above answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that the lead agency is relying on them to make its decision.

Signature: _____



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Position and Agency/Organization: Planning Manager / City of Arlington

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D. Supplemental sheet for non-project actions

(IT IS NOT NECESSARY to use this sheet for project actions)

Because these questions are very general, it may be helpful to read them in conjunction with the list of the elements of the environment.

When answering these questions, be aware of the extent the proposal, or the types of activities likely to result from the proposal, would affect the item at a greater intensity or at a faster rate than if the proposal were not implemented. Respond briefly and in general terms.

1. How would the proposal be likely to increase discharge to water; emissions to air; production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances; or production of noise?

The proposal has the potential to increase stormwater runoff on development sites, however stormwater standards are in place that will limit or prevent such increases. The proposed code changes will not likely contribute to the production, storage, or release of toxic or hazardous substances, or the production of noise.

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:

This non-project action does not propose to change any existing regulations for stormwater management, and any development projects will be required to meet all applicable regulations, including implementation of low impact development strategies whenever feasible.

2. How would the proposal be likely to affect plants, animals, fish, or marine life?

As a non-project action, the proposal is not likely to impact animals, fish, or marine life. Future development will be subject to the City's Critical Area Ordinance and Regulations under Title 20, which includes provisions to protect streams, wetlands, and wildlife.

Proposed measures to protect or conserve plants, animals, fish, or marine life are:

The City's Critical Area Ordinance and Regulations regulate development in environmentally sensitive areas. Future site-specific land activity not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC 20.98 would be subject to project level environmental analysis and threshold determination.

Future site-specific land activity will be required to meet all relevant development regulations, including open space, landscaping, and tree regulations, which help to protect and conserve plants and habitat.

3. How would the proposal be likely to deplete energy or natural resources?

The proposal would not likely deplete energy or natural resources. The proposed design standards do not alter the underlying standards that restrict development in natural resource areas.

Proposed measures to protect or conserve energy and natural resources are:

As a non-project action, no measures to conserve energy or natural resources are necessary for this proposal. Future site-specific land activity not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC 20.98 would be subject to project-level environmental analysis and threshold determination.

4. How would the proposal be likely to use or affect environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated (or eligible or under study) for governmental protection, such as parks, wilderness, wild and scenic rivers, threatened or endangered species habitat, historic or cultural sites, wetlands, floodplains, or prime farmlands?

The proposed design standards amendment would not likely affect environmentally sensitive areas because vegetation removal is prohibited in critical areas and critical area buffers. As a non-project action, this proposal is unlikely to directly affect environmentally sensitive areas or areas designated for government protection.

Proposed measures to protect such resources or to avoid or reduce impacts are:

The City's critical areas ordinance and regulations regulate development in environmentally sensitive areas. Future site-specific land activity not exempted by WAC 197-11-800 or AMC 20.98 would be subject to project level environmental analysis and threshold determinations.

5. How would the proposal be likely to affect land and shoreline use, including whether it would allow or encourage land or shoreline uses incompatible with existing plans?

The proposal will not affect shoreline use. The City's Shoreline Master Program regulates development in the shoreline designations. This proposal does not include any lands that are regulated by the Shoreline Master Program.

Proposed measures to avoid or reduce shoreline and land use impacts are:

The proposed design standards amendment does not impact the City's shoreline, so measures to reduce impacts are not applicable.

6. How would the proposal be likely to increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities?

This non-project proposal is unlikely to increase demands directly or indirectly on transportation, public services, or public services. The design standards simply regulate a variety of residential housing types that are already permissible under AMC Chapter 20.40.

Proposed measures to reduce or respond to such demand(s) are:

Since this proposal is unlikely to increase demands directly or indirectly on transportation, public services, or utilities, measures to reduce impacts are not applicable. However, Impact and Mitigation Fees are required of new or increased intensity of uses for all developments. The City's most current fee resolutions provides information on fee amounts for traffic impacts, parks, schools, and utilities. These fees are assessed with site-specific development proposals.

7. Identify, if possible, whether the proposal may conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment.

This non-project proposal does not conflict with any law or requirements to protect the environment.