

SEPA Advisory Committee Meeting Summary

Date: June 20 and 22, 2023

Location: Zoom Video Meetings

Committee Members (with briefing dates):

- Doug Gallucci – Environmental Health & Safety (June 20)
- Anne Eskridge – Transportation Services (June 20)
- Julie Blakeslee – University Environmental & Land Use Planner, Chair (June 20 & 22)
- Kristine Kenney – University Landscape Architect (June 22)
- Rob Lubin – Housing & Food Services (June 22)
- Jecca Canet – Engineering Services (June 22)

Due to June scheduling limitations, two separate meetings were held June 20 and June 22 to cover the same material and hear comments from committee members. Dates of attendees are noted above.

UWMC-Northwest Major Institution Master Plan EIS

The UW Medical Center – Northwest Major Institution Master Plan will allow for space on the campus to accommodate projected population growth and corresponding increase in healthcare demands. It would also allow for replacing aging campus facilities with more energy efficient, lower maintenance, and appropriate systems for today’s medical center functional requirements. The Master Plan will include design guidelines and development standards for new development on the campus. The SEPA process is intended to foresee, assess, and outline mitigation measures for potential direct, indirect and cumulative impacts of development.

A preliminary draft SEPA EIS was emailed to committee members on June 8, 2023 for their review, prior to these meetings. The scope of the plan and existing features onsite were discussed. Comments were due June 22 and no comments or edits were proposed. The committee approved the preliminary draft EIS.

ICA Basketball Training Facilities – Project Update

The proposed Basketball Training Facility Project is intended to provide a “first-class” home for Husky basketball with practice courts to better serve the overall performance of student-athletes and the University’s commitment to Title IX, and be cost effective with a look and feel in alignment with recent ICA capital projects. The project will remove the Pavilion Pool addition to Hec Edmundson Pavilion and the south half of the S9 parking lot. These will be replaced with the basketball facility and an outdoor plaza.

This was discussed as a project update for upcoming construction and who should review the upcoming Construction Management Plan and phasing plan. The SEPA checklist had been reviewed and approved in June 2022 and was subsequently submitted with project permit applications.