SEPA Advisory Committee Meeting

DATE: August 23, 2018 TIME: 10:00-11:00 AM LOCATION: Tower T-12

Attendees

UW: Elizabeth Bastian, David Ogrodnik, Frieda Taub, Julie Blakeslee;

EA: Rich Schipanski

Agenda Topic: Husky Stadium Transportation Management Plan (TMP) Preliminary Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS)

Husky Stadium TMP - Final EIS

Julie Blakeslee

Welcome to our new committee member, Elizabeth Bastian, from Transportation Services (TS).

The desire is to publish the Final EIS by about September 10th.

This is a single element of the environment EIS, focused on the only topic area that could change with implementation of the updated TMP, transportation. The UW Athletics is not building anything, not changing the use of the stadium, is not adding or subtracting the number of seats (occupancy). The updated TMP is anticipated to reduce the number of auto trips compared to the existing TMP as the non-auto trip goals will be higher and match or exceed today's trips.

Julie described the key comments received on the Draft EIS and recent discussions with SDOT and the Stadium TMP Technical Advisory Committee.

Discussion:

- What are the agency concerns regarding bikes and TNCs (i.e. Uber and Lyft)? UW has described several optional strategies that have been used to organize bicycles in the stadium area to encourage use of bicycles to get to the stadium while reducing the use on the main plaza to reduce and eliminate bike/pedestrian conflicts now and into the future. Similar to bicycles, there is concern about the congestion TNCs could have in the stadium area which is why UW Athletics has worked with TS to create the drop-off and pick-up area on campus and worked with TNCs to provide geofencing and directions.
- What are the different bike share companies and what type of e-assist bicycles are allowed on the Burke-Gilman Trail?
 - Lime, Jump and Motivate bicycle share companies. Class 1 pedal assist and Class 2 pedal assist+throttle bicycles are allowed on the trail up to 15 mph.
- Typographical errors and word choices were provided by the committee members.
- "RPZ" should be better defined and described.
- The responses to comments were good and had the right tone.

The committee concurred that the Final EIS should be published.