

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 nonproject proposals:

For nonproject proposals (such as ordinances, regulations, plans and programs), complete the applicable parts of sections A and B plus the [SUPPLEMENTAL SHEET FOR NONPROJECT 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 [\[HELP\]](#)

1. Name of proposed project, if applicable:

9th Ave SW, 5th St SW to S Meridian St Roadway Improvements (Phase 2)

2. Name of applicant:

City of Puyallup – Public Works – Capital Engineering

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

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5. Agency requesting checklist:

City of Puyallup

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

Construction anticipated to start in early 2025 with completion in August 2025.

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

No future expansions are planned.

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

A geotechnical report including boring explorations was prepared for this project. An archaeologist monitored the site during the Phase 1 construction and produced a Monitoring Report.

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.

The Washington State Fair (WSF) is currently working on improvements to the Gold Gate (SW corner of S Meridian/9th Ave SW and to their parking lot on the North side of 9th Ave SW, between 2nd and 3rd St SW.

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

Construction Stormwater Permit from Department of Ecology
Right-of-Way Permit from City of Puyallup

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.)

The work under this Phase (Phase 2) includes complete roadway reconstruction to install a curbsless "Fair Boulevard" street, including dense concrete sidewalks, pervious concrete sidewalks, porous HMA roadways, and dense HMA roadway sections. This "Fair Boulevard" will include several features such as decorative street lighting, ADA upgrades, planter areas, planter boxes, pedestrian safety features, stamped and/or scored concrete sidewalks, colored concrete pavement bands, security bollards, and other Urban Design features. The signals at

5th St SW/9th Ave SW & Meridian St/9th Ave SW will be modified to accommodate the roadway upgrade. The sidewalks and existing pedestrian queuing areas around the Meridian St/9th Ave SW intersection will be widened to safely accommodate pedestrians waiting to cross the street(s) to access the fairgrounds/Gold Gate.

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.

The work is located within the public right-of-way in 9th Ave SW in Puyallup, Washington from 5th St SW to S Meridian St. The street is located north of the Washington State Fairgrounds. Some Right-of-Way acquisition will be necessary, to accommodate the widening of the roadway/sidewalk radii of the intersections of 5th St SW, 4th St SW, 3rd St SW, 2nd St SW, and S Meridian St, with 9th Ave SW.

Refer to Project Plans for the locations of all other improvements.

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)?

2%

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.

Geotechnical borings drilled at the proposed project site were drilled to depths of approximately 21.5 feet below the ground surface. Based on these explorations, it appears that the top 4.5-7.5 feet is comprised of fill generally consisting of loose to medium dense sand, sand with silt, and silty sand with a variable gravel content. The following 14-17 feet is identified as native alluvial soils comprised of loose to dense sand with trace silt, sand with silt and silty sand with variable gravel content and stiff sandy silt. (GeoEngineers, 2019, included in Murraysmith, 2019)

The deeper utilities (Storm/Sewer) were installed under Phase 1, so there is very little deep excavation associated with this project. The deepest excavation is limited to around 4 ft

BGS. The majority of the excavation will be for the roadway/sidewalk installation and the excavation will generally not exceed 18 inches BGS.

No agricultural land of long-term commercial significance exists in the immediate vicinity.

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

No indication of unstable soils has been identified.

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.

Phase 2 Construction will require an excavation of approximately 3,500 cubic yards. Backfill for roadway and sidewalks will include approximately 3,100 tons of crushed rock and 1,600 tons of permeable ballast.

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

As with all projects, erosion could occur as a result of construction activities. The relatively flat site will allow erosion control best management practices (BMPs) to be effective in controlling any sediment transportation. There will be very little soil remaining after construction is complete, and it will be limited to the planting areas and planter boxes. This soil will be stabilized with plantings and mulch.

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

Phase 2 Construction will result in approximately 65% impervious surfaces, which is a reduction from existing conditions. The reduction comes from converting a large portion of the roadway from dense HMA to porous HMA and converting the North sidewalk from dense to pervious concrete.

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

Best management practices (BMPs), such as catch basin protection, silt fence, straw wattles, etc. will be used to minimize the potential for any off-site sediment transport.

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.

Construction activities are expected to occur during 2025. During construction, there may be a small increase in exhaust emissions from construction vehicles and equipment and a temporary increase in fugitive dust due to earthwork. The city will enforce dust control during construction to prevent or reduce fugitive dust. Following construction, the facility itself won't result in a change of emissions, however there may in fact be a slight decrease in

emissions. There should be a reduced need for maintenance/repairs to the system, which would slightly reduce emissions from repair equipment/vehicles.

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

There are no off-site sources of emissions or odor that would affect the proposal.

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

Best Management Practices (BMPs) would be implemented during project construction to control dust levels and emissions. Such measures may include:

- Watering construction surfaces to control dust, temporary ground covers, sprinkling the project site with approved dust palliatives, or use of temporary stabilization practices upon completion of grading.
- Wheel-cleaning stations could be provided to ensure construction vehicle wheels and undercarriages do not carry excess dirt from the site onto adjacent roadways.
- Streets would be regularly cleaned to conform to Puyallup requirements to ensure excess dust and debris is not transported from the construction-site to adjacent roads.

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.

No streams, ponds, wetlands, etc. are in the immediate vicinity of the project site.

Drainage from the roadways where the stormwater and sewer are located shed runoff to various locations along the route, entering the stormwater system at various locations and ultimately being discharged to Clarks Creek, which is approx. 1 mile away.

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.

No, the project is not within 200 feet of any of the water bodies described above.

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.

None. (N/A)

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

None. (N/A)

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

The proposal does not lie within the 100-year floodplain.
(Pierce County, Flood Insurance Rate Map)

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.

The proposal does not involve discharges of waste materials to surface waters.

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.

No groundwater will be withdrawn from a well for drinking water or other purposes. No construction stormwater will be discharged to groundwater, without prior treatment. It is anticipated that water will be transferred to a settlement tank to settle prior to discharge to the stormwater system, or other approved methods. All dewatering would occur in accordance with Department of Ecology and City of Puyallup requirements.

Once Phase 2 is complete stormwater runoff within the roadway prism will be infiltrated into the ground via permeable pavement.

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.

No waste material will be discharged into the ground.

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.

All runoff is from rainwater falling on existing and proposed surfaces. Some of the water will flow through the proposed permeable pavements (porous asphalt & pervious concrete) and will infiltrate into the ground. The remaining rainwater falling on impervious surfaces will be collected by catch basins and will be routed to the existing storm drainage system, which ultimately drains to Clarks Creek.

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

Petroleum products are used to fuel and maintain construction equipment so there is a risk of contamination resulting from a spill. A "Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure" (SPCC) Plan will be developed by the future Contractor and BMP's will be implemented to minimize this risk. No discharge of other waste materials to ground or surface waters will occur.

The proposed design is not expected to have any adverse effects to water resources. Avoidance and minimization measures incorporated into the design and construction process will reduce the potential for adverse effects to water resources.

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

After Phase 2, the roadway and portions of sidewalk will be replaced with either porous asphalt or pervious concrete, and storm water will infiltrate in these areas.

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

Prior to construction, a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) will be completed. This will include a description of erosion control measures, as well as methods for: (1) collecting and conveying right-of-way storm drainage, and (2) restoring, repairing, improving and/or relocating any public storm drainage impact.

Groundwater extracted during dewatering would be discharged to a suitable storm drain system. If turbid water is produced, it would be pumped and contained in a settlement tank before being discharged to the storm drain.

4. Plants [\[help\]](#)

a. 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?

Vegetation is not anticipated to be removed or altered. Where vegetation will be disturbed due to connections to existing pipe, the vegetation will be restored to its original condition.

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

No threatened or endangered plant species are known to be on or near the site.

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

Phase 2 will include a combination of street trees, shrubs, grasses, groundcovers, and perennials, which will be located in platters areas and planter boxes along 9th Ave SW.

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

No noxious weeds or invasive species re known to be on or near the site.

5. Animals [\[help\]](#)

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: American Crow
mammals: deer, bear, elk, beaver, other:
fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other _____

The project site is in an urbanized commercial area adjacent to the Washington State Fairgrounds. No wildlife species were observed during field visits.

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

No threatened or endangered species are known to be on or near the project site. The WDFW Priority Habitat Species database does not identify any species on or near the site. (USFWS, 2019).

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

The project site is located within the Pacific Flyway, which is a flight corridor for migrating waterfowl and other avian fauna. The Pacific Flyway extends south from Alaska to Mexico and South America.

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

Impacts to wildlife are not anticipated. This site is a fully developed roadway. There will be a small increase in plants/trees, so that may result in a slight improvement to some wildlife (birds, bugs, bees, etc.).

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

No invasive animal species are known to be on the site.

6. Energy and Natural Resources [\[help\]](#)

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.

Decorative street lighting will be installed so some additional electrical energy would be required to power these lights. The project will upgrade existing cabinets/meters to accommodate the additional electrical needs.

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

The project does include some tree planting on the North side of 9th Ave SW. These trees may create some shade for very small portions of the area immediately to the North

of the City Right-of-way. However, these trees will be a max of 15' high (since they will be located under existing aerial utilities), so the shade creation will be very minimal (not more than a couple of feet beyond the Right-of-way line).

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:

The decorative lighting system will utilize highly efficient LED lights. No other energy is needed for the project.

7. Environmental Health [\[help\]](#)

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.

No

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

According to the Washington State Department of Ecology Facility/Site Database, there is no known or possible contamination at the site from present or past uses (Ecology, 2019).

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.

All existing utilities are included on project construction drawings. In addition, all existing utilities will be field located and marked prior to beginning any excavation activities.

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.

During construction, diesel fuel, lubricants, coolants, and other petroleum products would be used. No toxic or hazardous chemicals will be used, stored, or produced during the normal operation of this facility.

4) Describe special emergency services that might be required.

It is not anticipated that special emergency services would be required for this project. Construction of the stormwater and sewer main will comply with Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) regulations. Special emergency services beyond those currently employed at the site would not be required.

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

A Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure Plan would be developed and implemented by the Contractor in order to protect land and water resources.

b. Noise

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

There are no existing sources of noise in the area that would adversely affect the proposal.

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.

There would be a short-term increase in noise levels during construction of the project. Construction noise would be intermittent. Although sounds originating from temporary construction sites as a result of construction activity are exempt from the requirements of City of Puyallup Code 6.16.060(2)(b)(c) and Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-60, noise generated by construction of the project would generally occur between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m., limiting the potential for any short-term impacts to adjacent residential areas.

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

Noise impacts will be managed by restricting the contractor to hours in City noise ordinance.

8. Land and Shoreline Use [\[help\]](#)

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.

The project primarily occurs in existing City Right of Way. The adjacent properties are mainly Fair oriented and owned by the Washington State Fair. There is one multifamily residential site adjacent to the project. The project will not have any significant impact on adjacent properties. Access could be impacted temporarily during construction, however the contractor will be required to provide alternate access paths for nearby properties.

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 site has not been used as working farmlands or working forest lands.

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

The project would not affect, or be affected by, surrounding farm or forest land. No farm or forest lands are present in the area.

c. Describe any structures on the site.

No structures exist within the site, as it's within City Right-of-Way.

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

No aboveground structures exist.

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

The project will be constructed within public right-of-way.

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

The project will be constructed within public right-of-way.

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

Not applicable.

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

No part of the site has been classified as a critical area (Pierce County interactive map, City of Puyallup interactive map, 2019)

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

No people would reside or work in the completed project. Periodic routine maintenance work would be required at the site on an as needed basis.

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

No people are anticipated to be displaced by the completed project.

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

No displacement impacts are anticipated as a result of the project, therefore, no mitigation measures are proposed.

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

The proposal is for a roadway upgrade and is compatible with existing and projected land uses and/or plans.

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

The site has not been used for agricultural or forest use, therefore, mitigation measures have not been developed.

9. Housing [\[help\]](#)

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

No housing units would be provided.

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

No housing units would be eliminated.

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

Impacts to housing are not anticipated as a result of this proposal, therefore, mitigation measures have not been proposed.

10. Aesthetics [\[help\]](#)

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

This is a roadway project and no structures are included. There will be some above-ground features such as luminaires, planter pots, street trees, etc.

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

The above ground features not of substantial size, so they won't have a significant impact to any views.

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

The proposed features will be constructed per City Standards and Details and will match the aesthetic of standard city roadways.

11. Light and Glare [\[help\]](#)

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

No light or glare will be proposed for this project.

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

Not applicable to this project.

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

Not applicable to this project.

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

Not applicable to this project.

12. Recreation [\[help\]](#)

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

Washington State Fairgrounds is directly south of the work.

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

No recreational uses would be displaced. In fact the roadway improvement is designed to be used as a festival street when the fair is in use and the roadway closed. This will

provide additional space for recreational uses and will enhance the entrances to the Fair on the North side.

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

No impacts to recreational opportunities are anticipated as a result of the project, therefore, mitigation measures are not proposed.

13. Historic and cultural preservation [\[help\]](#)

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.

A review of historic registers indicates that there are no properties listed on or determined eligible for listing on the Nation Register of Historic Places or Washington Heritage Register within or adjacent to the project area (DAHP, 2019)

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.

No evidence of Indian or historic use or occupation has been identified. During phase 1 of the project (2019), the city had an onsite archaeologist monitor all excavation. No evidence of Indian or historic use or occupation was found. A report was created to document the (non) findings. Phase 2 of the project takes place in the same location as phase 1 did and does not include any excavation deeper than what was included in phase 1.

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.

The site is within a heavily used roadway, the risk is anticipated to be very low. The city went through Executive Order 21-02, since this project includes state funding (Dept. of Ecology). The City consulted with local tribes and DAHP. DAHP concurred that archaeological monitored is not needed during construction since this phase is completely within the previously monitored area of Phase 1.

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.

The City will comply with state law requiring the protection of cultural resources and human remains (RCW 27.53, RCW 27.44, RCW 68.50, and RCW 68.60). The City will temporarily halt work in the immediate vicinity of the identified resources and notify Pierce County, DAHP, and Affected Tribes to negotiate mitigation and/or avoidance measures. The City will also create a project-specific cultural resources inadvertent

discovery plan. The plan requires that affected Tribes will be notified, in the event any cultural resources are discovered.

14. Transportation [\[help\]](#)

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 project is located within 9th Ave SW bounded by 5th St SW and S Meridian St. The 2nd St SW, 3rd St SW, and 4th St SW intersections with 9th Ave SW will also be included in the proposed project.

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?

There are no bus stops on 9th Ave SW, but there are two stops on 5th Ave SW (#3609, #3595) near 9th Ave SW and two stops on S. Meridian (1522, #1482), near 9th Ave SW.

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

The project will eliminate the parallel parking on both sides of 9th Ave SW, between S. Meridian and 5th St SW.

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).

This is a full roadway improvement project, including replacing the driving surfaces, sidewalks, ramps, and other features within the public right-of-way.

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

The project would not use or occur in the immediate vicinity of water, rail or air transportation.

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 nonpassenger vehicles). What data or transportation models were used to make these estimates?

Following construction, there would be no increase in the number of vehicular trips in the general project area, since this is a roadway project only.

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.

The proposal would not interfere with, affect, or be affected by the movement of agricultural or forest products on roads or streets in the area.

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

Temporary construction impacts would be mitigated through an approved Traffic Control Plan and disruptions to nearby businesses and residents will be minimized to the greatest extent possible. Long-term transportation impacts are not anticipated; therefore, mitigation measures have not been developed.

15. Public Services [\[help\]](#)

- 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.**

The proposal would not result in an increased need for public services.

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

An increase in the need for public services is not required, therefore, mitigation to reduce impacts to public services is not proposed.

16. Utilities [\[help\]](#)

- a. Circle utilities currently available at the site: electricity, natural gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system, other _____**

The right-of-way currently has existing gas, water, telephone, sanitary sewer, electrical, storm sewer, and other existing below and overhead utilities.

- d. 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.**

Stormwater is the only service proposed for this project. Stormwater is provided by the City. With utilities available in the public right-of-way, minimal additional construction activities will be required to provide the needed services.

C. Signature [\[HELP\]](#)

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: 

Name of signee Ryan M. Rutkosky

Position and Agency/Organization Senior Civil Engineer, City of Puyallup

Date Submitted: July 1, 2024