Seattle Pacific University

Major Institution Master Plan (MIMP) Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Process

July 6, 2021 CAC Meeting

Major steps in EIS Process

- EIS Scoping
- Draft EIS
- Final EIS

Step 1: EIS Scoping

- Already completed.
- Helped SDCI identify 'elements of the environment' to study
- Provided notice to public agencies, and organizations that SDCI would prepare an EIS

Alternatives

- Proposed MIMP Boundary Expansion and Increased Height Limits;
- Alternative 1 -- No Action Alternative;
- Alternative 2 No Boundary Expansion and No Change to Height Limits;
- Alternative 3 Boundary Expansion and No Change to Height Limits;
- Alternative 4 No Boundary Expansion and Increased Height Limits; and
- Alternative 5 Boundary Expansion, Increased Height Limits/No Street Vacations.

Elements of the Environment

- Air Quality/GHG emissions
- Plants and Animals
- Cultural Resources
- Land Use
- Height/Bulk/Scale
- Public View Protection
- Shadows on Open Spaces
- Transportation/Traffic
- Parking

Step 2: Draft EIS

- Key sections of the Draft EIS include:
 - Description of the Proposed MIMP and Alternatives
 - Affected Environment, Significant Impacts, Mitigation Measures and Unavoidable Adverse Impacts

Draft EIS Public Engagement

- The preliminary Draft EIS will be submitted to SDCI, SDOT, DON and other City Departments, as well as to the CAC and SPU for internal review and comment before being published.
- The Draft EIS will be distributed to agencies (federal, state, regional, City), organizations, and the public for a review and comment period.
- A public meeting will be held following issuance of the Draft EIS to gather comments regarding the Draft EIS.

Step 3: Final EIS

- Final EIS Content
- Final EIS Review
- Final EIS Distribution