Exhibit C: SEPA Thershold Determination

STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (SEPA) DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE

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PROJECT INFORMATION

PROJECT NAME: LID Integration Redmond Code Change

SEPA FILE NUMBER: SEPA-2016-00723

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:
This is a non-project action: to amend the Redmond Zoning Code to comply with a State mandate requiring the City to remove barriers within code that inhibit the use of Low Impact Development (LID).

PROJECT LOCATION:

SITE ADDRESS:

APPLICANT: Peter Holte

LEAD AGENCY: City of Redmond

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that the requirements of environmental analysis, protection, and mitigation measures have been adequately addressed through the City's regulations and Comprehensive Plan together with applicable State and Federal laws.

Additionally, the lead agency has determined that the proposal does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment as described under SEPA.

An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. **This information is available to the public on request.**

CITY CONTACT INFORMATION

PROJECT PLANNER NAME: Cathy Beam
PHONE NUMBER: 425-556-2429
EMAIL: cbeam@redmond.gov

IMPORTANT DATES

COMMENT PERIOD

Depending upon the proposal, a comment period may not be required. An **"X"** is placed next to the applicable comment period provision.

There is no comment period for this DNS. Please see below for appeal provisions.

'X' This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2), and the lead agency will not make a decision on this proposal for 14 days from the date below. Comments can be submitted to the Project Planner, via phone, fax (425)556-2400, email or in person at the Development Services Center located at 15670 NE 85th Street, Redmond, WA 98052. **Comments must be submitted by 05/13/2016.**

APPEAL PERIOD

You may appeal this determination to the City of Redmond Office of the City Clerk, Redmond City Hall, 15670 NE 85th Street, P.O. Box 97010, Redmond, WA 98073-9710, **no later than 5:00 p.m. on 05/27/2016**, by submitting a completed City of Redmond Appeal Application Form available on the City's website at www.redmond.gov or at City Hall. You should be prepared to make specific factual objections.

DATE OF DNS ISSUANCE: April 29, 2016

For more information about the project or SEPA procedures, please contact the project planner.

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL: Robert G. Odle
Planning Director

SIGNATURE: Robert G. Odle

RESPONSIBLE OFFICIAL: Linda E. De Boldt
Public Works Director

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Address: 15670 NE 85th Street Redmond, WA 98052

CITY OF REDMOND

ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST
NON-PROJECT ACTION

(Revised 5/27/15)

Purpose of the Checklsit:

The State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA), chapter 43.21C RCW, requires all governmental agencies to consider the environmental impacts of a proposal before making decisions. An environmental impact statement (EIS) must be prepared for all proposals with probable significant adverse impacts on the quality of the environment. The purpose of this checklist is to provide information to help you and the City of Redmond identify impacts from your proposal (and to reduce or avoid impacts from the proposal, if it can be done) and to help the agency decide whether an EIS is required.

Instructions for Applicants:

This environmental checklist asks you to describe some basic information about your proposal. Governmental agencies use this checklist to determine whether the environmental impacts of your proposal are significant, requiring preparation of an EIS. Answer the questions briefly, with the most precise information known, or give the best description you can.

You must answer each question accurately and carefully, to the best of your knowledge. In most cases, you should be able to answer the questions from your own observations or project plans without the need to hire experts. If you really do not know the answer, or if a question does not apply to your proposal, write "do not know" or "does not apply" and indicate the reason why the question "does not apply". It is not adequate to submit responses such as "N/A" or "does not apply"; without providing a reason why the specific section does not relate or cause an impact. Complete answers to the questions now may avoid unnecessary delays later. If you need more space to write answers attach them and reference the question number.

Some questions ask about governmental regulations, such as zoning, shoreline, and landmark designations. Answer these questions if you can. If you have problems, the City can assist you.

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. When you submit this checklist the City may ask you to explain your answers or provide additional information reasonably related to determining if there may be significant adverse impact.

Planner Name: Cathy Beam

Date of Review: 4/21/16

To Be Completed By Applicant	Evaluation for Agency Use Only
A. BACKGROUND	
1. Name of proposed project, if applicable:	
Redmond Zoning Code changes assoicated with the Low Impact Development (LID) Integration Process.	CB
2. Name of applicant:	
Peter Holte, City of Redmond	CB
3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person:	
MS: 2NPW, PO Box 97010; Redmond WA, 98052 425-556-2822	CB
4. Date checklist prepared:	
March 11, 2016	CB
5. Agency requesting checklist:	
City of Redmond	CB
6. Give an accurate, brief description of the proposal's scope and nature:	
i. Acreage of the site: NA	CB
ii. Number of dwelling units/ buildings to be constructed: NA	CB
iii. Square footage of dwelling units/ buildings being added: NA	CB
iv. Square footage of pavement being added: NA	CB
v. Use or principal activity: NA	CB
vi. Other information: None	CB

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7. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable): Code changes to the City of Redmond Zoning Code must occur by December 31, 2016 in order to comply with the Western Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit (aka the NPDES permit.)	CB
8. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further activity related to or connected with this proposal? ☐ Yes ☑ No If yes, explain. This question does not apply to this proposed action.	CB
9. List any environmental information you know about that has been prepared or will be prepared directly related to this proposal. There is a lengthy cannon of literature describing the benefits of LID on the environment. No environmental information has been prepared or will be prepared that relates directly to this proposal.	CB
10. Do you know whether applications are pending for governmental approvals of other proposals directly affecting the property covered by your proposal? ☑ Yes ☐ No If yes, explain. Changes to the Redmond Zoning Code require the approval of the Redmond City Council.	CB

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11.	List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your proposal, if known.	
	Changes to the Redmond Zoning Code require the approval of the Redmond Council.	CB Planning Commission recommendation, City Council aprpoval
12.	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.	
	The City of Redmond is required by the Federal Clean Water Act and the Washington State Department of Ecology to review and address barriers in codes that will prohibit the use of LID. Proposed updates to the City Zoning Code will remove these barriers, address gaps, and place the City in compliance with these requirements.	CB
13.	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 changes will apply to zoning classification throughout the City.	CB citywide

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B. SUPPLEMENTAL	
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?	
LID is a method of stormwater management that has been proven to reduce the environmental impacts of polluted stormwater runoff.	CB
Proposed measures to avoid or reduce such increases are:	
LID is a method of stormwater management that has been proven to reduce the environmental impacts of polluted stormwater runoff.	CB
2. How would the proposal be likely to affect plants, animals, fish, or marine life?	
LID is a method of stormwater management that has been proven to protect surface water resources. By reducing pollution and reducing the "flashiness" of stormwater runoff, LID can help protect riparian habitat.	CB
Proposed measures to protect or conserve plants, animals, fish or marine life are:	
LID is a method of stormwater management that has been proven to protect surface water resources. By reducing pollution and reducing the "flashiness" of stormwater runoff, LID can help protect riparian habitat.	CB

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3. How would the proposal be likely to deplete energy or natural resources?	
No impacts of these sorts are anticipated due to the proposed action.	CB
Proposed measures to protect or conserve energy and natural resources are:	
No impacts of these sorts are anticipated due to the proposed action. Proposed changes to the City Zoning Code should be energy neutral. LID is a method of stormwater management that has been proven to protect surface water resources. By reducing pollution and reducing the "flashiness" of stormwater runoff, LID can help protect riparian habitat.	CB
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?	
LID is compatible with the conservation of sensitive areas, and the building of stormwater facilities other than conveyance pipes is prohibited by City code.	CB
Proposed measures to protect such resources or to avoid or reduce impacts are:	
No such protective measures are required -- in fact maintaining sensitive areas is an "LID principle."	CB

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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?	
Changes in the Zoning Code allowing for greater use of LID should address stormwater quality and quantity issues, and therefore benefits shorelines. Use of some LID stormwater facilities are not allowed in phosphorous control areas.	CB
Proposed measures to avoid or reduce shoreline and land use impacts are:	
The inflitration of water in Phosphorous Controls areas is not allowed by the Washington Department of Ecology and thus is not part of the proposed Zoning Code changes.	CB
6. How would the proposal be likely to increase demands on transportation or public services and utilities?	
No such impacts are anticipated as a result of this action.	CB
Proposed measures to reduce or respond to such demand(s) are:	
No such impacts are anticipated as a result of this action.	CB

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7. Identify, if possible, whether the proposal may conflict with local, state, or federal laws or requirements for the protection of the environment. The proposed action will place the City of Redmond in compliance with State issued Western Washington Phase II Municipal Stormwater Permit, and the Federal Clean Water Act.	CB

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: Peter Holte Digitally signed by Peter Holte DN: cn=Peter Holte Date: 2016.03.11 15:23:36 -08'00'

Name of Signee: Peter Holte

Position and Agency/Organization: NPDES Coordinator, City of Redmond

Relationship of Signer to Project: LID Integration Staff Lead

Date Submitted: 4/13/2016