

Department of Natural Resources and Parks Wastewater Treatment Division

## **Regulatory Compliance and Land Acquisition Services**

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North Mercer Island Interceptor and Enatai Interceptor Upgrade Project – Response to City of Mercer Island Request for Information 2 (PAE19-001, CAO19-020, and SHL19-019)

## Dear Ms. Proebsting:

This letter is in response to your request for information on the land use permit application materials for the North Mercer Island Interceptor and Enatai Interceptor Upgrade Project (NME Project) on Mercer Island, Washington. This letter addresses comments from the City of Mercer Island (Mercer Island) Community Planning and Development Department on May 1, 2020.

As identified in the comment letter, we have provided a brief narrative on which a condition of approval can be based. The following is the Mercer Island comment and the response in *italics*.

**Mercer Island Comment**: It is unclear from the project materials how the proposed temporary improvements along SE 22<sup>nd</sup> St meet the yard standards in MICC 19.02.020(C)(3). Application materials state that temporary improvements, including a standby generator about 14 feet tall, an odor control unit about 8 feet tall, and a temporary electrical transformer about [6] feet tall will be within the front yard setback.

"Yard" is defined as "required to be kept open by the yard requirements prescribed herein." MICC 19.02.020(C)(3) lists structures that are allowed to be within required yard, it is not clear from the application materials how the code is proposed to be met.

Options I can think of to demonstrate code compliance include:

- a. An explanation of how the proposed temporary improvements fall into an exception (e.g. MICC 19.02.020(C)(3)(e), if this applies);
- b. Moving the temporary improvement out of the front yard setback; or
- c. Applying for a setback deviation, pursuant to MICC 19.06.110.

**Response:** Based on our review of MICC 19.02.020(C)(3)(e), it appears that all of the temporary improvements (e.g., standby generator, odor control unit, and electrical transformer) meet the specified



requirements. They can all be categorized as mechanical and electrical equipment. All of the equipment is specified to meet all noise levels as specified under WAC 173-60-040. Finally, the equipment will be located more than 3 feet from any lot line, per Sheet T-C101 in the Development Plan Set (attached).

If you have any questions, please contact me at 206-477-5458, or email me at chris.dew@kingcounty.gov.

Sincerely,

Christopher Dew

Water Quality Planner/Project Manager

Enclosure(s): Sheet T-C101

