ADDENDUM TO EXISTING DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

February 27, 2017

NAME OF THE PROPOSAL: Seattle Center City Connector Streetcar

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSAL: The Center City Connector is a segment of the Seattle Streetcar network. When completed it will link the South Lake Union and First Hill Streetcar lines connecting over a dozen neighborhoods in Seattle’s Center City. The project includes: 1) new trackway along Stewart Street at Westlake Avenue to First Avenue near Pike Place Market, south along First Avenue to Jackson Street, and then connecting with the First Hill Streetcar Station at Jackson Street and Occidental Street in Pioneer Square; 2) a new turn-around track in the South Lake Union neighborhood (Republican Street between Westlake Avenue and Terry Avenue); 3) four new streetcar stations; 4) expansion of the Seattle Streetcar fleet and expansion of the South Lake Union operation and maintenance facility.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT BEING ADDED TO OR MODIFIED BY THIS ADDENDUM: The document for which additional information is being provided is the Seattle Center City Connector Environmental Assessment (EA) completed pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). The EA was issued on May 9, 2016 and adopted in its entirety to support a Determination of Non-significance (DNS) to satisfy State Environmental Policy (SEPA) regulations (Seattle Municipal Code 25.05). The DNS, EA and SEPA Addendum can be viewed on-line at: http://www.seattletstreetcar.org/centercity.htm

PROJECT PROPONENT AND LEAD SEPA AGENCY: City of Seattle, Department of Transportation (SDOT)

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The lead agency for this proposal has determined that this addendum does not have a probable significant adverse impact upon the environment. An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(C). This decision was made after review of the previously issued SEPA Threshold Determination of Non-Significance and the proposed addendum.

This addendum has been prepared and is issued pursuant to provisions of WAC 197-11-600(4)(c), WAC 197-11-625, SMC 600(C)(3) and SMC 25.05.625. The addendum, attachments, and files referenced herein add analysis or information about the EA, but do not substantially change the analysis of the potential significant impacts and alternatives previously considered in the DNS.

The SEPA Addendum is available to be read during normal business hours at the City of Seattle Central Library, 1000 Fourth Ave, Seattle; the City of Seattle International District Chinatown Branch Library, 713 Eighth Ave S, Seattle, and the Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections Public Resource Center, 700 Fifth Ave, 20th Floor, Seattle. Electronic copies are available on the project website: http://www.seattletstreetcar.org/centercity.htm

Public Comment Period: A public comment period of 15 days will commence on February 27, 2017. Written comments on the SEPA Addendum must be postmarked or emailed by 5:00 pm on March 14, 2017. Interested agencies, organizations, and members of the public can submit written or emailed comments during the public comment period to the attention of: Sandy Gurkewitz, Senior Environmental Planner, Seattle Department of Transportation, 700 Fifth Avenue, Suite 3800 (SMT-38-00). PO Box 34996, Seattle, WA 98124-4996, sandra.gurkewitz@seattle.gov.

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