



SAFESTREETS

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Next steps for Safe Streets Supportive Housing project; groundbreaking planned for end of year

EVERETT – The City and Catholic Housing Services (CHS) are poised to take the next steps toward building the 65-unit Safe Streets Supportive Housing facility on Berkshire Drive. At the May 18 land-use hearing, the hearing examiner determined that the project met all zoning requirements and all environmental impacts were properly considered. This decision followed the City’s final mitigated determination of non-significance (MDNS) for the proposed project under the SEPA (State Environmental Protection Act.)

Visit the planning department’s webpage for [full details on the land use and SEPA process](#), including the application submittals. No appeal followed the final MDNS or the hearing examiner’s land-use decision.

With the SEPA and land-use review process complete, the project is ready to move forward with the final steps in the permitting process over the next several months. This next phase of the project will include several actions for the City Council’s consideration, as well as opportunities for public comment at those Council meetings.

The following actions will come before City Council in a master resolution:

- Property disposition (transfer to CHS,) including use and construction covenants
- Internal property transfer and property surplus
- Project service funding allocations
- Contract for pass-through project funding from Snohomish County

The developer, CHS, is responsible for securing all of the financing necessary for this project.

Construction will begin after a final land transfer, the close of financing, and the issuance of final building permits. CHS anticipates groundbreaking in November or December of 2017.

Read more about supportive housing in Everett: Fred Safstrom, Housing Hope CEO, offered his thoughts on homelessness and the need for [supportive housing in an editorial in today’s Everett Herald](#).

Learn more:

For more information on the Safe Streets Plan, visit www.everettwa.gov/safestreets. Sign up for email updates at www.everettwa.gov/notifyme.