

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION
FOR A SHORELINE SUBSTANTIAL DEVELOPMENT PERMIT
“Upriver Park”
File No. Z20-075SSDP**

Notice is hereby given that Avista Corporation applied for a Shoreline Substantial Development Permit on March 17, 2020. This application was determined to be technically complete on April 9, 2020. A Shoreline Substantial Development Permit is required for this work because the property lies within the Shoreline Jurisdiction. Any person may submit written comments by email on the proposal or visit <https://my.spokanecity.org/projects/upriver-park/> for additional information at:

*Planning and Development Services
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APPLICATION INFORMATION:

Applicant: Avista Corporation
c/o Robin Bekkedahl
1411 E. Mission Avenue
Spokane, WA 99202

File Number: Z20-075SSDP

Public Comment Period: Written comments may be submitted on this application by **May 25, 2020**. Written comments should be sent via mail or email to the Planning and Development address listed at the end of this document.

SEPA: This proposal is being reviewed under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) under Spokane Municipal Code Section 17E.050. This may be the only opportunity to comment on the environmental impacts of this proposal. A copy of the subsequent threshold determination may be obtained upon request.

Description of Proposal: Avista is proposing to vacate Upriver Drive for the sole purpose of developing Upriver Park for public use, providing public river access for non-motorized boaters and for realigning the Centennial Trail adjacent to the river. The proposed three (3) acre area will be developed as a Park to encompass and improve this reach of the Centennial Trail and improve existing access to the River. The Centennial Trail will be realigned and expanded to twelve feet (12') to accommodate the pedestrian and bicycling traffic. Two (2) entry areas will be integrated in the park on the north and south sides. Other elements will likely include, a brick arch, park benches, signage, picnic tables, bike racks, kayak stands, lighting and a concrete type amphitheater seating area at the north entry/plaza. A 10 foot to 20 foot length of gabion wall near the middle of the reach will be opened and reformed to allow pedestrian access from the Centennial Trail to the existing Shoreline Trail, an existing dirt path through the riparian area along the Spokane River. An existing reach of jersey barriers along Upriver Drive will be removed to open views of the shoreline and river. The project will remove only non-native vegetation and enhance ecological functioning, as these will be replaced with native vegetation between the new trail and the river.

Location Description: Upriver Drive from Mission Avenue to North Center Street. Adjacent to the Avista Campus at 1411 E. Mission Ave. Parcels 35093.0004, 0005, 0006, 2006, 2103, 2104, 1317 and the vacated portion of Upriver Drive. (SW S9 T25N R43EWM)

Current Zoning: Residential Single Family (RSF) and Light Industrial (LI)

Decision Making Process Once the Applicant submits an application to the City of Spokane for the review of the Shoreline Substantial Development Permit and the application is determined technically complete, a Notice of Application will be posted on the property and mailed to all **property owners, taxpayers** of record, as shown by the most recent Spokane County Assessor's record, and **occupants** of addresses of property located within a four hundred foot radius of any portion of the boundary of the subject property, including any property that is contiguous and under the same or common ownership and control. This Notice of Application will initiate a 30-day public comment period in which interested persons may submit written comments by email to the address of the City Staff. Once the public comment period has ended, the Planning Director will issue a Decision. **The decision may be appealed by a person with standing within 21 days from the date the Department of Ecology receives the final decision. The appeal is made to the Shorelines Hearings Board.**

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