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BEFORE THE HEARING EXAMINER
CITY OF SEATTLE

In the Matter of the Appeal of:)
) Hearing Examiner File
THE BALLARD COALITION)
) W-17-004
of the adequacy of the FEIS issued by the)
Director, Seattle Department of) **DECLARATION OF DARBY WATSON**
Transportation for the for the Burke-Gilman)
Trail Missing Link Project)
)

I, Darby Watson, declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington the following:

1. This declaration is based upon my personal knowledge of the facts set forth below. I am over eighteen years of age and am otherwise competent to testify regarding these matters.
2. I am the Director of the Project Development Division for the Seattle Department of Transportation. In that role, I am responsible for prioritizing projects, approving budgets, developing capital projects for the department through the project definition phase and for delivering projects. Prior to this position I was a Section Leader with the San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency in the Livable Street Division managing similar work.

1 3. There is no universal definition for 10% design. Different agencies have different
2 guidelines and different engineers within those agencies may have their own standard for
3 what each level of design entails, exercising their professional judgment. The level of
4 detail provided at each design milestone varies by project depending on many factors,
5 including the type of project, the goals of the design, and the availability of information,
6 such as existing utility information, survey topography, etc. Even within a single design,
7 the level of design may vary between different segments of a project alignment.
8 Therefore, defining a level of design for plans is subjective.

9 DATED this 31 day of July, 2017.

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12 Darby Watson
13 *Director, Project Development Division of the*
14 *Seattle Department of Transportation*