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Subject: Terry Avenue North Street Design Guidelines Appendix C to Street Improvement Manual* *NOTE: The Street Improvement Manual is Joint Director's Rule DCLU 30-90 & SDOT 91-4	Code and Section Reference: SMC Chapter 23.53	
	Type of Rule: Code Interpretation	
	Ordinance Authority: SMC 3.06.040 and 3.12.020	
	Approved	Date
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Index: Land Use Code, Technical and Procedural Requirements	Approved	Date
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Background

Terry Avenue North was identified in the South Lake Union Neighborhood Plan (adopted by City Council Resolution 29870) for its unique character. The South Lake Union Public Realm Plan (DPD, 2001) further refined the neighborhood plan recommendation and encouraged the preservation of Terry Avenue's rich maritime and industrial character: "The six blocks of Terry Avenue North between Denny and Valley have been designated a 'heart location' by the South Lake Union (SLU) Design Guidelines (adopted by City Council Resolution 121305). This designation indicates that Terry should serve as a social hub for the community, giving identity and character to the neighborhood. As a 'heart location,' Terry should be rich in pedestrian amenities including special paving and landscaping, art, and public open space."

The Terry Avenue North Street Design Guidelines are a catalyst to encourage high quality public and private investment as South Lake Union develops. The Design Guidelines establish a consistent design framework and identify elements that balance the needs of pedestrians, motorists, and services.

The Terry Avenue North Street Design Guidelines area extends along Terry Avenue North from Denny Way to North Valley Street, including abutting properties.

Rule

The Terry Avenue North Street Design Guidelines are incorporated into the Seattle Street Improvement Manual as Appendix C. The provisions of the Design Guidelines are voluntary. However, property owners are encouraged to follow them in order to achieve their intent. The Terry Avenue North Street Design Guidelines have been pre-approved by the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT) and the Department of Planning and Development (DPD). Therefore, Street Use Permit submittals that follow these Design Guidelines can be assured that the major design elements contained in their plans meet or exceed the requirements described in the Street Improvement Manual. The Street Improvement Manual is the standards manual used by SDOT's Street Use Division in the permit review process for private contracts.

Reason

While the Terry Avenue North Street Design Guidelines do not establish requirements, the design guidelines have been approved through an intensive review by SDOT and DPD. Adopting the Design Guidelines as an Appendix to the Street Improvement Manual provides recognition of the South Lake Union Neighborhood Plan and South Lake Union Public Realm Plan and design guidance to property owners who wish to follow these Plans.