



City Council Committee Meeting Agenda

Community Development Committee

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Thursday July 8, 2021 6:00 PM

1. PUD Transmission Line Mitigation Proposal
2. 2021 City Beautification Project

Community Development Committee

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**CITY OF STANWOOD
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
AGENDA STAFF REPORT**

DATE: July 8, 2021

SUBJECT: July CDC Agenda Topics

FROM: Patricia Love, Community Development Director

PUD Transmission Line Mitigation Proposal

Snohomish County PUD has submitted a permit application to Snohomish County to run a major transmission line facility along the south side Lover's Lane next to Heritage Park. This transmission line is part of their power system upgrades that will provide reliable power service to downtown Stanwood and Camano Island. Poles vary in height from 60 feet to 80 feet and will carry high transmissions lines and fiber optic cable. The existing power line on the north side of Lover's Lane will remain in place.

While all work and permanent facilities will be located within the existing Lover's Lane right-of-way, the project will have some long term affects on the Heritage Park site and aesthetics. To minimize impacts to the park, PUD and the City have been working collaboratively on the following mitigation measures to achieve our mutual goals of implementing the Heritage Park Master Plan while providing reliable power service to the community.

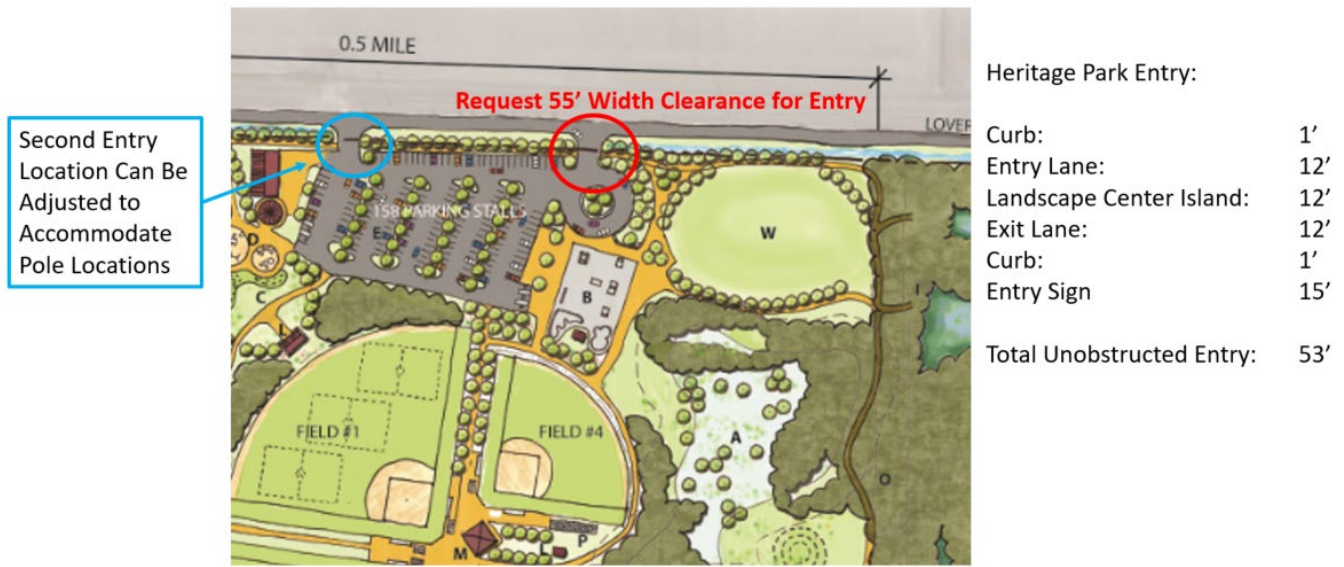
1. Tree Removal:

To install the new transmission line, the poplar trees along the frontage of the park on Lover's Lane will be removed. These trees act as a wind barrier, provide some shade in the summer months and provide a tree lined street frontage along the parking lot and entrance to the park. As mitigation for the removal of the trees, PUD has proposed to replant the frontage with street trees of the City choice along Lover's Lane and within the landscape strips of the parking lot. These mitigation measures are consistent with the Heritage Park Master Plan as shown below and could implement the beautification element of park sooner than planned.



2. Pole Spacing:

As part of the beautification component of the park, it is envisioned that the existing driveway entrance will be widened. This affects PUD's pole placement along Lover's Lane. PUD has agreed to provide a 55-foot clear zone that will allow for widening and landscaping of the driveway entrance with additional space to add a Snow Goose park entry sign. The secondary entrance, as envisioned in the Master Plan, can be added at a later date that works with the final pole placement.



3. Stanwood Port Susan Trail Alignment:

The Heritage Park Master Plan envisions a pedestrian / multiuse trail along the entire frontage of the park. In addition, the Stanwood Non-Motorized Plan envisions a 5-mile looped trail system in downtown. Placement of the poles could potentially hinder locating future segments of the Stanwood Port Susan Trail. To mitigate this impact, PUD agreed in concept to provide the City with a no-cost pedestrian easement over their transmission line maintenance path that aligns with the Stanwood Port Susan Trail alignment. Obtaining permissions over existing easements for trail trail can be an involved and an extended time intensive process, but which both the City and the PUD are open to pursuing.

Source: City of Stanwood, WSDOT
Map Created: August 2016

1 MILES

Phase 1: 2020 Construction

Phase 2: 2020 / 2021 Design
2021/2022 Construction

Phase 3: 2022 Design
2023 / 2024 Construction

Phase 4: 2024 Design / Acquisition
2026 Construction

Phase 5: 2028 Design / Acquisition
2030 Construction

Staff is seeking the Committee's comments on the proposal which will be taken to the full Council on July 22.

2021 City Beautification Project

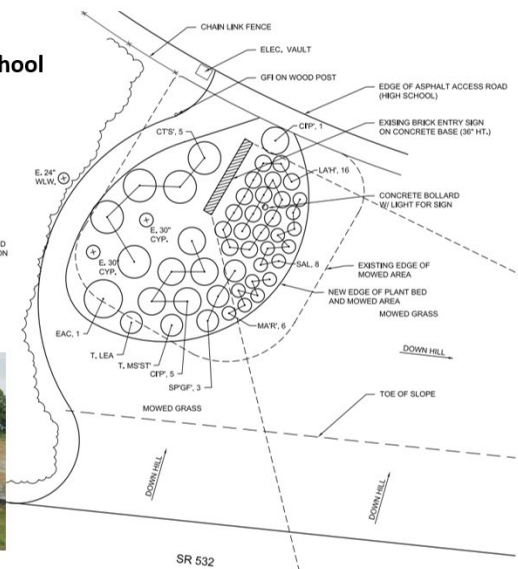
Three of the projects on the 2021 City Beautification work plan includes installing landscaping around key Snow Goose signs, install banner poles to create advertising space for special events, and to install service club signage. Scott Lankford of Lankford Landscape Architecture was hired to help the City with the designs. The following designs were reviewed by the Economic Development Board on June 18th and where they enthusiastically recommended that the City continue with the project subject to minor changes.

City Administrator Jennifer Ferguson and I met with Scott Lankford on Tuesday, June 28th to review the Economic Development Boards recommendations. Final plan sets should be ready in mid-August. The graphics below show the first draft and intent of the landscaping projects. Landscape projects are intended to be sent out to bid in early September with an anticipated October planting schedule. Work on the gateway structures will continue into 2022.

1. City of Stanwood Entrance Sign:

The Economic Development Board has recommended that the city entry sign be relocated to the east near 64th Avenue. This effort will take time, require approval from WSDOT or the need to obtain easements, and could be expensive. In the interim time, we propose to landscape the area with seasonal color and limb up the larger trees for better visibility. Plant colors include purple, red, and orange.

City of Stanwood Entry Sign Planting Plan SR 532 by Stanwood High School



	CHIOSYA TERNAATA 'SUNDANCE'. GOLDEN MEXICAN ORANGE. Evergreen shrub. USDA zone 1-9. Grows in full sun to partial shade. Grows 5-6' tall and 3-4' wide. Blooms attractive white flowers in early summer. Attracts hummingbirds.
	Eucymia alba 'Compacta'. Burning Bush. Deciduous shrub. Grows 4' - 6' tall and wide. Dark green leaves, leafy turn a rich red in fall. Produces small orange red fruit. Needs full sun or light shade.
	SALVIA SUPERBA. BLUE HILLS. Bottlebrush perennial. USDA zone 5-8. Grows 1-4.5' tall and 1' wide. Grows in full sun. Blooms from May to September. Plants may repeat bloom throughout the summer, but need regular maintenance to encourage this. Remove spent flower spikes to help extend the bloom period.
	SPIREA JAPONICA 'GOLDFLAME'. GOLDEN SPIREA. Deciduous shrub. USDA zone 4-8. Grows in full sun. Grows 3-4' tall and 1-4' wide. Blooms showy red flowers from June to July. Attracts butterflies.
	Cistus purpureus. Purple Rock Rose. Deciduous shrub 1-2' tall by 5' wide in 6 years. Showy the purple flowers with yellow black centers, at ends of branches bloom May through August. Through resistant, and tolerant of poor soil. It prefers full sun and requires no irrigation after being established.
	MAHONIA REPENS. Creeping Mahonia. Broadleaf evergreen shrub. USDA 5-8. Grows 0.75 to 3.00' high 0.75 to 1.50' tall. Blooms in April. Needs a moderate amount of water. Grows in full sun to part shade. Has showy yellow flowers and edible fruit.
	Lavandula angustifolia 'Hidcote' Dwarf Hidcote lavender. Evergreen shrub. 1'-2' high and wide. Grey smooth leaves are narrow to 1/2" long. Flowers are darkest purple on 2" long spikes in July and August. Fragrant foliage and flowers. Prefers full sun and is drought resistant and deer resistant once established.

ENTRY SIGNAGE PLANTS

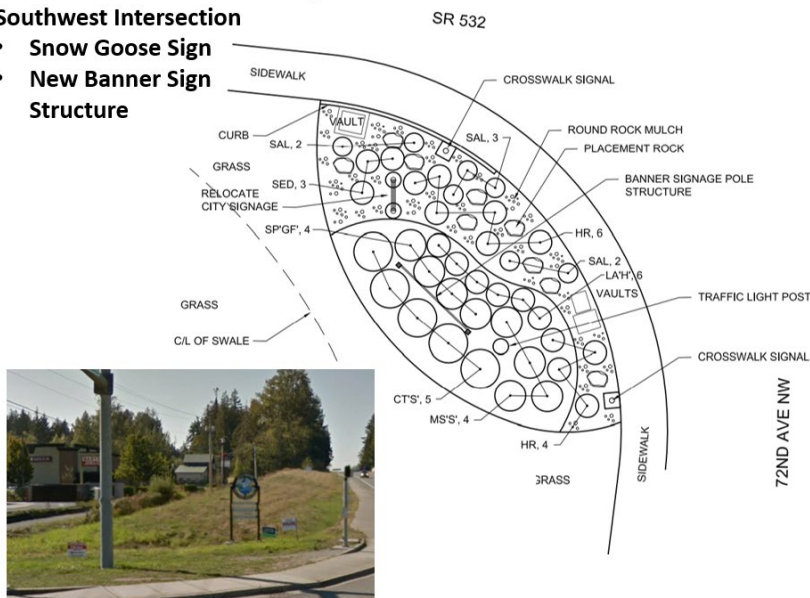
2. SR 532 & 72nd Avenue – Southwest Intersection:

This planting plan also includes seasonal color, but it also accommodates two 12-foot-tall poles that special event / community advertising banners can be attached to. Up to two banners can be hung between the poles at one time. Community service club logos will also be added to these poles. The Snow Goose sign will stay in its existing location – not relocated as noted in the plan.

SR 532 & 72nd Avenue Planting Plan

Southwest Intersection

- Snow Goose Sign
- New Banner Sign Structure



	SALVIA SUPERBA , BLUE HILLS. Herbaceous perennial. USDA zone 5-8. Grows 1-3' tall and 1' wide. Flowers in full sun. Blooms from May to September. Plants may repeat blooms throughout the season, but need regular maintenance to encourage this. Remove spent flower spikes to help extend the bloom period.
	Helictotrichon sempervirens , Blue oat grass. Evergreen clump grass, grows 2'-3' tall, 1/4" thick blades of grass, forms a fountain of blue grey, needs full sun, needs regular watering. Seed heads ornamental and 4' tall.
	Lavandula angustifolia 'Hidcote' Dwarf Hidcote lavender. Evergreen shrub, 1'-18" high and wide, grey smooth leaves are, narrow to 1" long. Flowers are darkest purple on 2" long spikes in July and August. Frequent foliage and flowers. Prunes full sun and is drought resistant and deer resistant once established.
	Miscanthus sinensis 'gracillimus' Maiden grass. Perennial clump grass, 5-7' tall with slender sweeping leaves topped by loose feathery beige flower clusters that are dramatic in winter. Turns tan in winter, cut back before new growth in spring appears.
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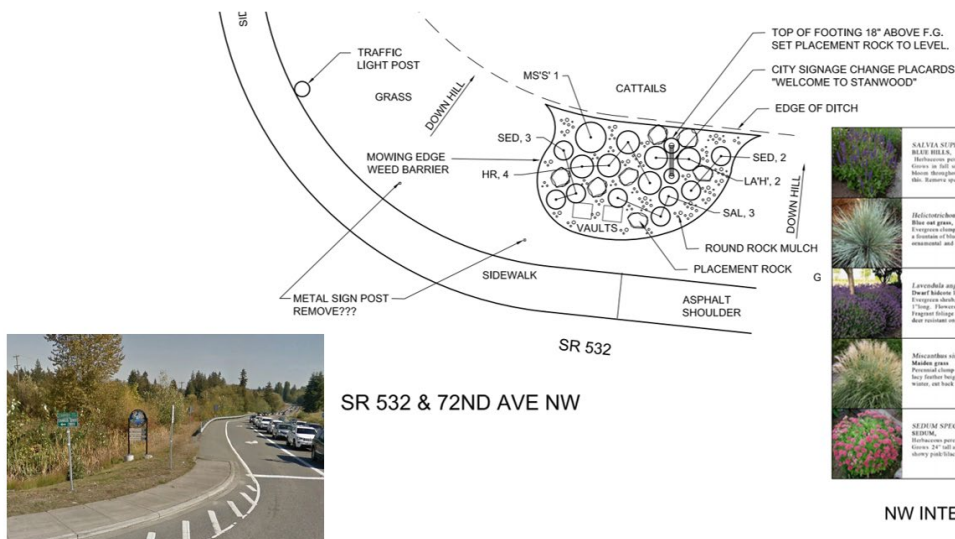
SW INTERSECTION PLANTS

3. SR 532 & 72nd Avenue – Northeast Intersection:

Applying a similar planting plan as notes on the southwest corner of SR532 and 72nd Avenue, this planting concept add a pop of color under the sign. The sign panels will be changed out with "Welcome to Stanwood" under the Snow Goose.

SR 532 & 72nd Avenue Planting Plan

Northeast Intersection



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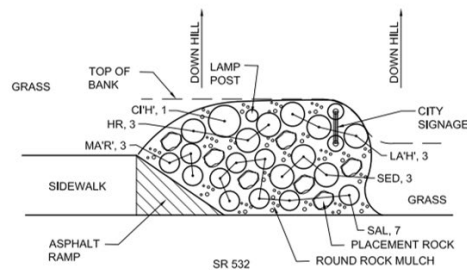
4. SR 532 & 92nd Avenue – Northwest Intersection:

Small planting bed area that adds color to the intersection to accent the Snow Goose sign. This concept uses a similar planting plan as that on the south side of SR532 on the berm / trail.

SR 532 & 92nd Avenue Planting Plan Northwest Intersection

	SEDUM SPECTABILE 'BRILLIANT'; SEDUM. Herbaceous perennial. USDA zone 5-9. Grows in full sun to partial shade. Grows 2' tall and 12-15" wide. Blooms from late summer to late fall with showy pink/lilac flowers. Attracts butterflies.		SALVIA SUPERBA. BLUE HILLS. Herbaceous perennial. USDA zone 5-8. Grows 1-1.5' tall and 1' wide. Grows in full sun. Blooms from May to September. Plants may repeat bloom throughout the summer, but need regular moisture to encourage this. Remove spent flower spikes to help extend the bloom period.
	Cistus hybridus White meadow. Evergreen shrub, grows 2' - 5' tall and wide. Leaves are long grey and crinkly. Flowers have yellow centers and white around. Blooms spring to summer. Fragrant on warm days. Needs no water care, needs sun, native to the Mediterranean.		Helictotrichon sempervirens. Blue oat grass. Evergreen clump grass, grows 2' - 3' tall, 1/4" thick blades of grass, forms a fountain of fine grey. Needs full sun, needs regular watering. Seed heads ornamental and 4' tall.
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SR 532 & 92ND AVE NW PLANTS

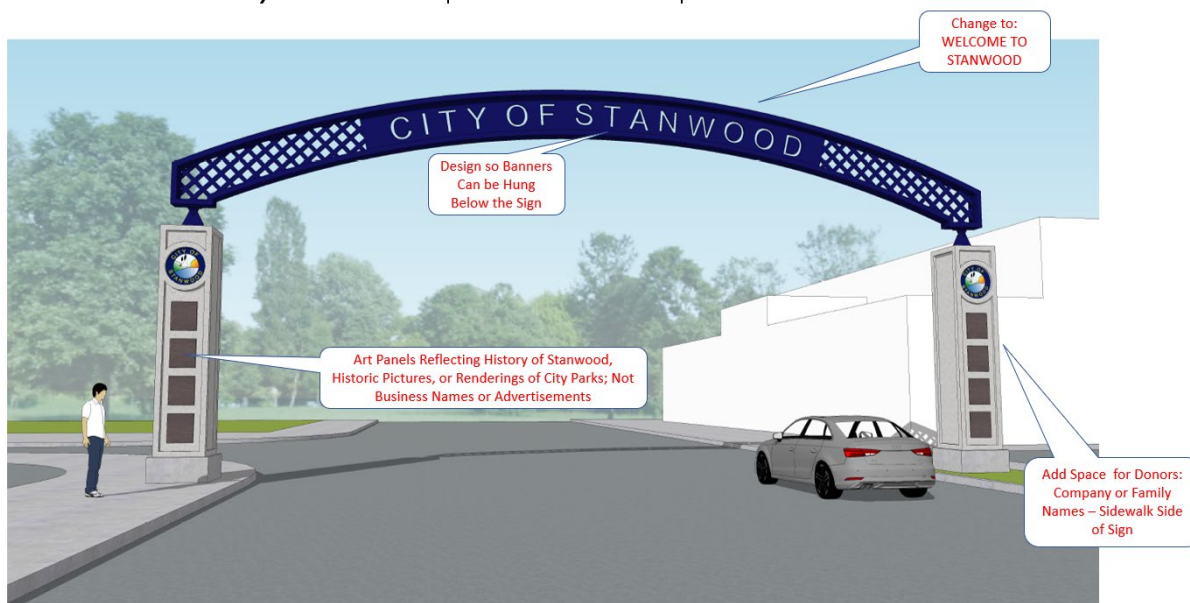


SR 532 & 92ND AVE NW

5. 88th Avenue Gateway:

The Economic Development Board considered two arch options: one with the mesh design shown below and one with a solid arch with cut in letters. They preferred the mesh design. They also suggested the minor changes noted below in the callout boxes. Mr. Lankford is making the proposed edits and will be preparing a cost estimate by mid-August.

88th Avenue Gateway: Economic Development Board Preferred Option



6. Westend Gateway:

The roadway configuration in the west end doesn't lend itself well to placement of a larger arch as is proposed on 88th Avenue. The Economic Development Board suggested that the 88th Avenue arch mesh design be used for inspiration for a gateway feature in the west end. Mr. Lankford is working up several ideas for the west end including a paver – plaza concept in the triangle with a sculpture or pillar, LED lights along the brick road or at the intersection of 102nd Avenue and 270th Street, or some other concept. The goal is to have a preliminary design in mid-August and a meeting with the west end business owners in early September.

West End Historic District



Use "Mesh" Design and Pillars for West End Gateway Inspiration:

- Pillar in the triangle
- Arch on 270th - Consider Optional Locations
- LED Lighting at Intersections or Across Streets
- Other: Meet with West End Businesses