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City to Host Information Session on Low Impact Development Site Assessments

Bainbridge Island, Wash., (February, 2017) – On Thursday, March 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. the City of Bainbridge Island will host an information session at City Hall to provide professionals in the development and real estate sectors information regarding new Low Impact Development Site Assessment requirements as it relates to development permits.

At the end of 2016, the City updated its stormwater management regulations to meet State-mandated Low Impact Development (LID) requirements (BIMC Chapter 15.20). The City is in the process of creating a new site assessment review process that will be a requirement prior to any building, clearing or grading permit being submitted to the City. The permit is designed to ensure that stormwater low impact development practices are integrated early into planning development work. The new site assessment review process would apply in situations when applicants propose items such as:

- New development or Redevelopment of 800 square feet or more of hard surfaces,– as defined in BIMC 15.20
- Grading of 7,000 square feet or more– as defined in the International Building Code Appendix J (see BIMC 15.04)
- Clearing of 7,000 square feet or more – as defined in BIMC 16.18
- Paving over 800 square feet related to:
 1. New pavement; or
 2. Removing and replacement of surfacing to base course or lower; or
 3. Resurfacing by upgrading from dirt to gravel, asphalt, or concrete; upgrading from gravel to asphalt, or concrete; or upgrading from a bituminous surface treatment (“chip seal”) to asphalt or concrete.

Following the presentation, City staff will be available to answer questions. For further details regarding the information session contact Barry Loveless, Public Works Director at 206.842.2016.

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