
2. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

2.1 PROJECT SITE & BACKGROUND

The Eastern Waterfront area is one of the oldest districts in the City of Portland, and one of the first areas of the City visible from sea. As such, redevelopment of this area has been an emphasized initiative over the past decade. Consistent with the 2017 Comprehensive Plan, the City of Portland intends to extend public roadway and utilities to facilitate development of the Eastern Waterfront area. Thames Street parallels Fore Street and extends along the waterfront from India Street to just beyond the Ocean Gateway Pier, where the street terminates in a surface parking lot and pedestrian trail (Eastern Promenade). The City of Portland proposes extension of Thames Street, consistent with the vision of the City of Portland's 2006 Master Plan for Redevelopment of the Eastern Waterfront.

2.2 PROJECT SUPPORT & FUNDING

Consistent with the vision of the City of Portland's 2006 Master Plan for Redevelopment of the Eastern Waterfront, the Eastern Waterfront Roadway Extension project will facilitate redevelopment and revitalization of the Eastern Waterfront. The estimated cost of permitting, design, construction, and construction administration is approximately \$1,200,000. The project is included in the City of Portland's approved 2018 Capital Improvement Plan.

2.3 PROPOSED PROJECT

The proposed project includes extension of Thames Street roadway and utilities to the east by approximately 300 feet and design of a storm water outfall to allow for the future separation of storm water drainage for an approximate 50-acre area currently served by combined sewer. Design of a connector roadway between Thames Street and Fore Street is not included in this project.

2.4 LEVEL II SITE PLAN APPLICATION

Due to construction of impervious surface area greater than 7,500 square feet, and disturbance of land less than one acre, the project qualifies for review under the standards for Level II Site Plan Application.

The following report is presented in conformance with the requirements of a Level II Site Plan Application. Appendices are included with the Report in support of various sections. Civil engineering plans showing the proposed project design are included in Appendix B.