



CALL FOR ARTISTS

**2020 STORM DRAIN
ARTWALK**

PROJECT SUMMARY/OVERVIEW

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The City of Federal Way, in collaboration with the City's Arts Commission and Diversity Commission, is seeking artists to paint small scale murals at four storm drain locations in Federal Way as part of its Storm Drain ArtWalk Project. The goal of the project is to help connect residents to our local waterways and to raise awareness about how the choices we make can impact the health of our waterways.

WHY STORM DRAINS?

Storm drains are a critical, yet often overlooked piece of city infrastructure. They prevent flooding by carrying rainwater away from our communities and directly into our lakes, streams, and Puget Sound. Unfortunately the rainwater that flows into them can pick up pollutants along the way, such as car oil, pesticides, or dog poop. These pollutants then end up in local waterbodies, harming plants and wildlife and impacting recreational activities.

Storm drain art murals are a fun, creative, visual way to engage the public in conversations about stormwater, while also communicating the values of our City and reminding residents that our neighborhoods are directly connected to our streams and to Puget Sound.



Laurie Olsen

ELIGIBILITY AND DESIGN GUIDELINES

WHO'S ELIGIBLE?

Artists 18+ who live and/or work within King County are eligible to submit designs. Painting dates set for July 17th and 18th with rain dates scheduled for August 21st and 22nd. Artists must be available to paint on the designated days. Experience with murals or outdoor art is preferred, but not required.

SELECTION CRITERIA AND PROCESS

A selection panel made up of city staff and representatives from the Arts and Diversity Commissions will review all submissions and select four winning designs. Selected artists will be notified no later than June 19th. Selected artists will receive a \$1000 stipend for their work.

The selection panel will judge the submissions on the following criteria:

- 1 The submission incorporates one of the chosen themes (30%)
- 2 The design is bold, fun, and eye-catching (30%)
- 3 The design incorporates the storm drain itself (30%)
- 4 The artist has a record of completing similar projects (10%)

DESIGN GUIDELINES

Artwork should address at least one of the following stormwater themes:

- 1 Puget Sound Starts Here
 - 2 Only Rain Down the Drain
 - 3 Water Connects All of Us
- The storm drain itself should be incorporated into the overall design, although the grates themselves cannot be painted on.
 - All artwork must stay within the size limits shown on pages 5–8 of this document.
 - All artwork must be family friendly, and not contain any advertisements or business promotions.
 - Original artwork only.

HOW TO SUBMIT

Use the attached form on the last page to submit your application. All applications must be received before midnight on May 31, 2020.

CITY RESPONSIBILITIES AND ARTIST RESPONSIBILITIES

WHAT TO EXPECT DAY OF

The painting days are scheduled for **Friday, July 17th** and **Saturday, July 18th** from **7:30 am–5 pm**. In the event of inclement weather, the painting days will be rescheduled for Friday, August 21st and Saturday, August 22nd. Each painting location will be prepped and primed by city staff ahead of the painting days and sealed once paint is dried. City staff will be available on site each day to assist as needed.

The City will provide the following paints and painting supplies:

- 1 Primary color paints, plus white and black
- 2 Paint brushes (sized 1" and 3")
- 3 Containers for mixing and washing brushes

The paints provided by the City are the only paints that may be used in the mural. Any other needed supplies will be provided by the artist.

The City will also supply the following for each artist:

- 1 A shade canopy
- 2 Cones and signage for traffic control as needed
- 3 Safety vests
- 4 Water for washing

PREVENTING SPILLS:

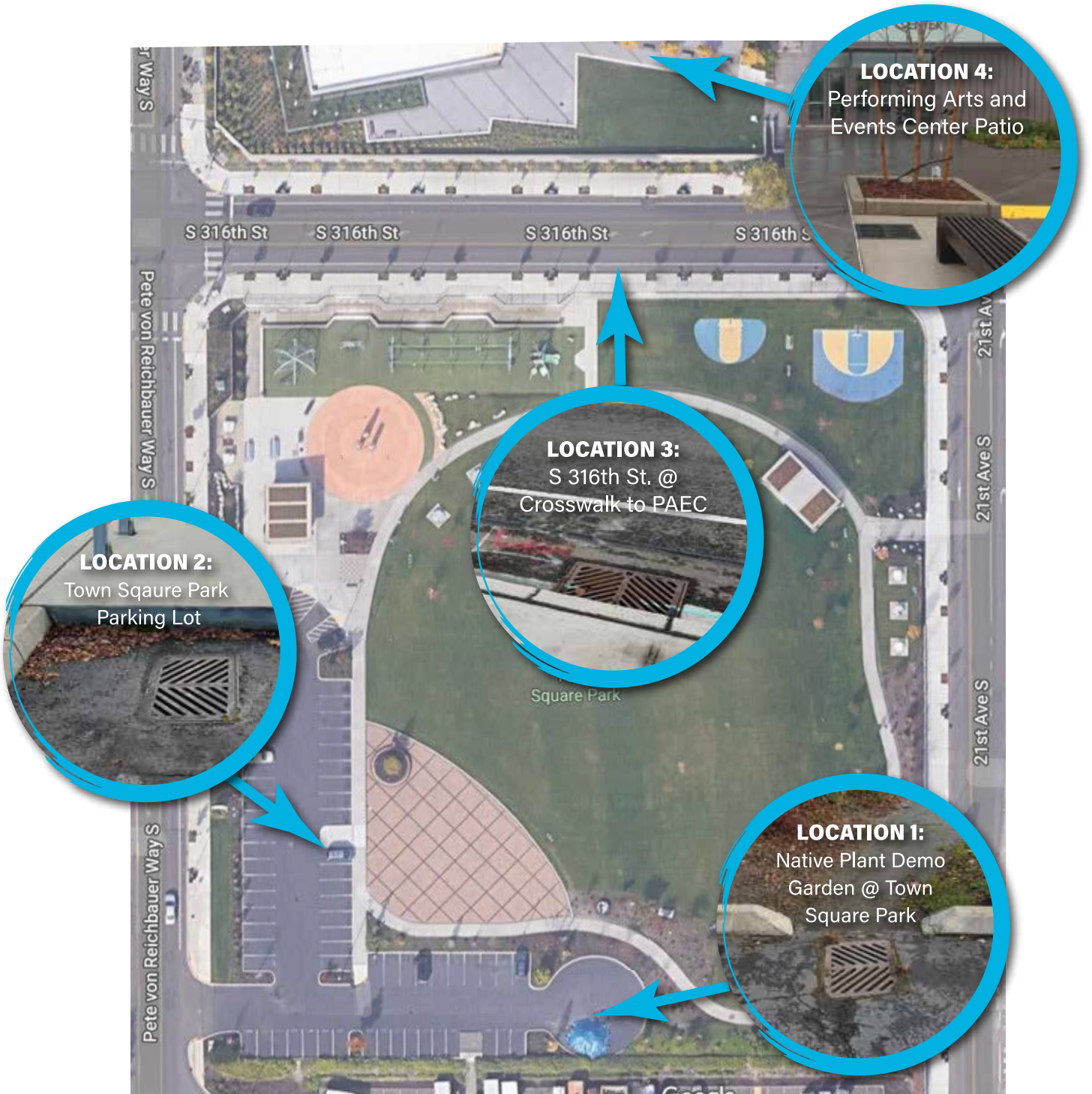
The City will install barriers to prevent paint from entering the storm drains while artists are working. Artists will still be required to take necessary precautions to prevent potential spills and to ensure that barriers stay in place.



Erica Applewhite

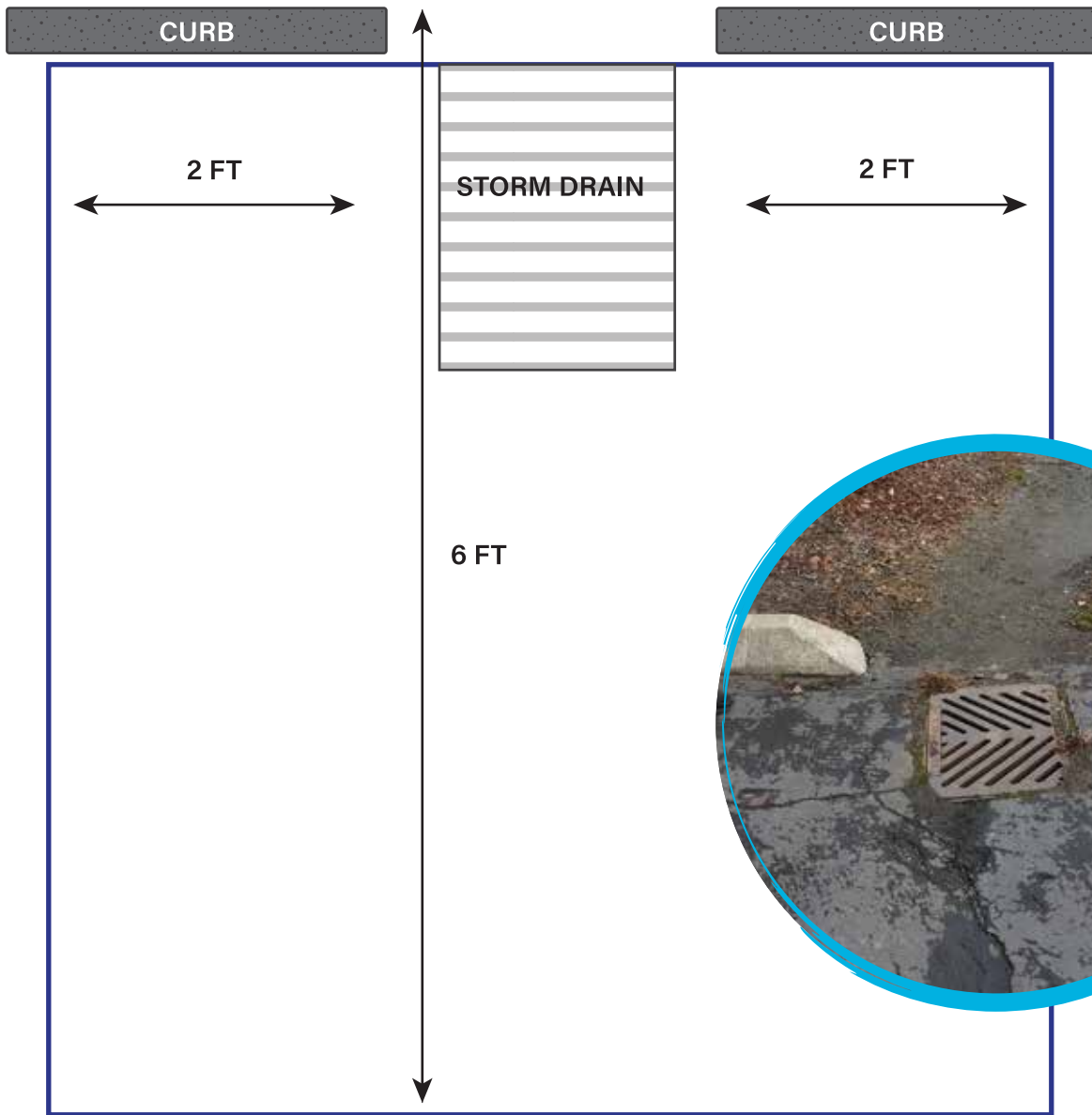
MURAL LOCATIONS

The four storm drains are located in the area around the PAEC and Town Square Park. The dimensions for each site are different, so please pay attention to the site dimensions for the storm drain that you are choosing to submit a design for.



LOCATION 1

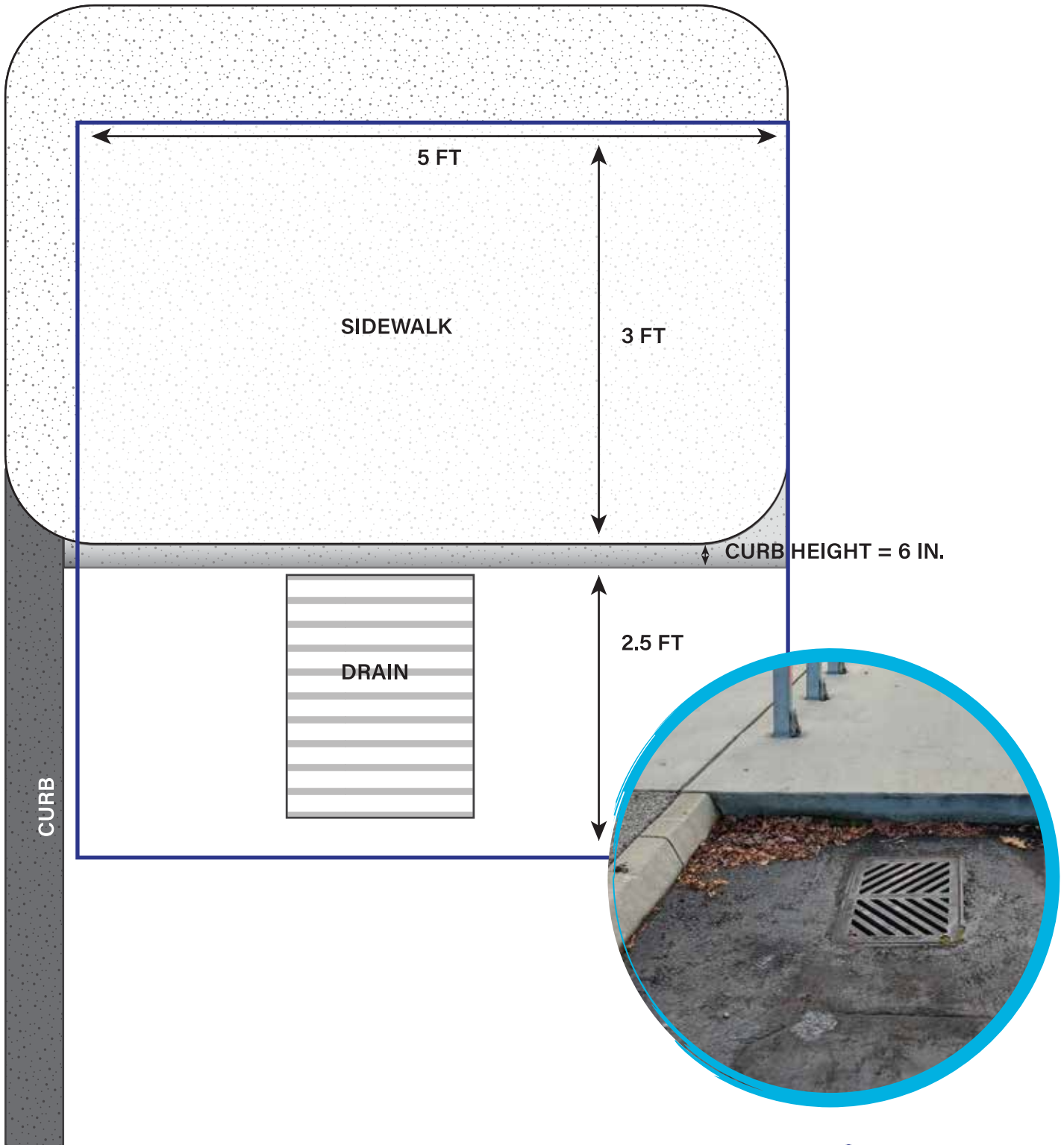
NATIVE PLANT DEMO GARDEN @ TOWN SQUARE PARK



1" = 1 ft., not drawn to scale

LOCATION 2

TOWN SQUARE PARK PARKING LOT



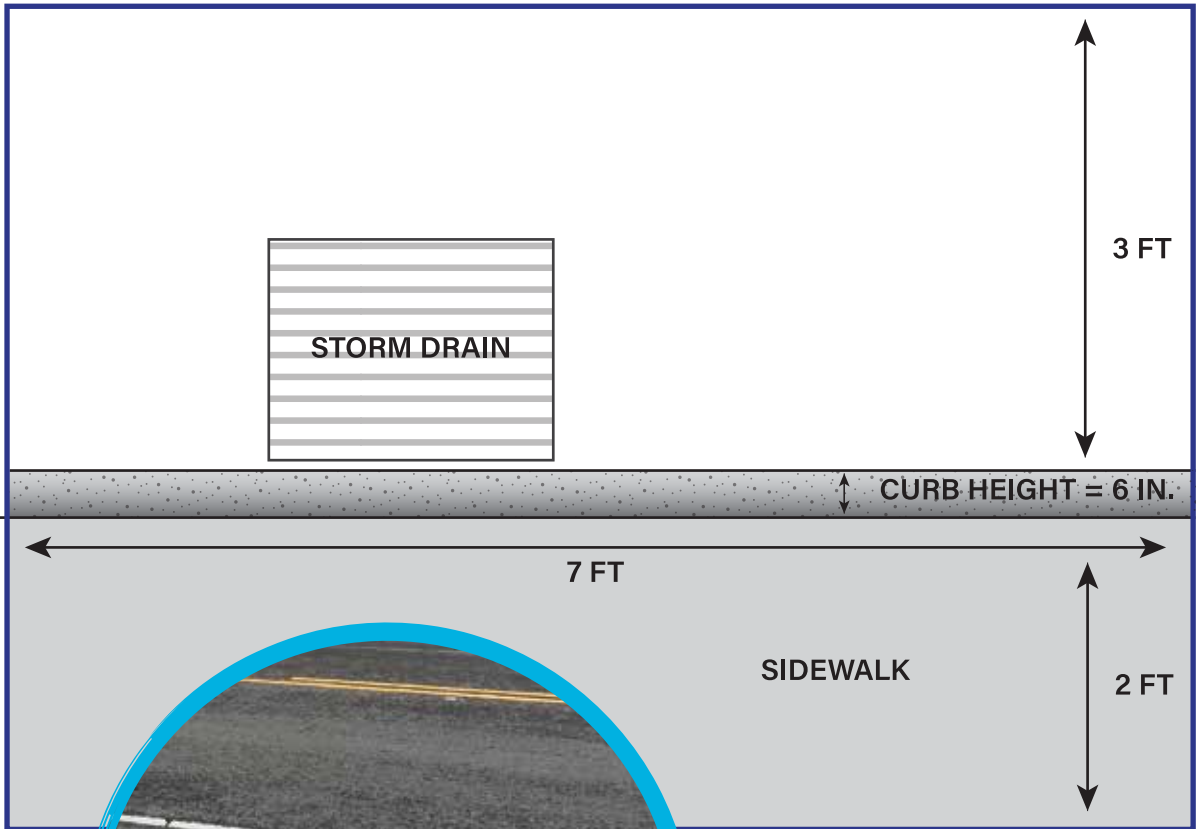
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LOCATION 3

S 316TH ST. @ CROSSWALK TO PAEC



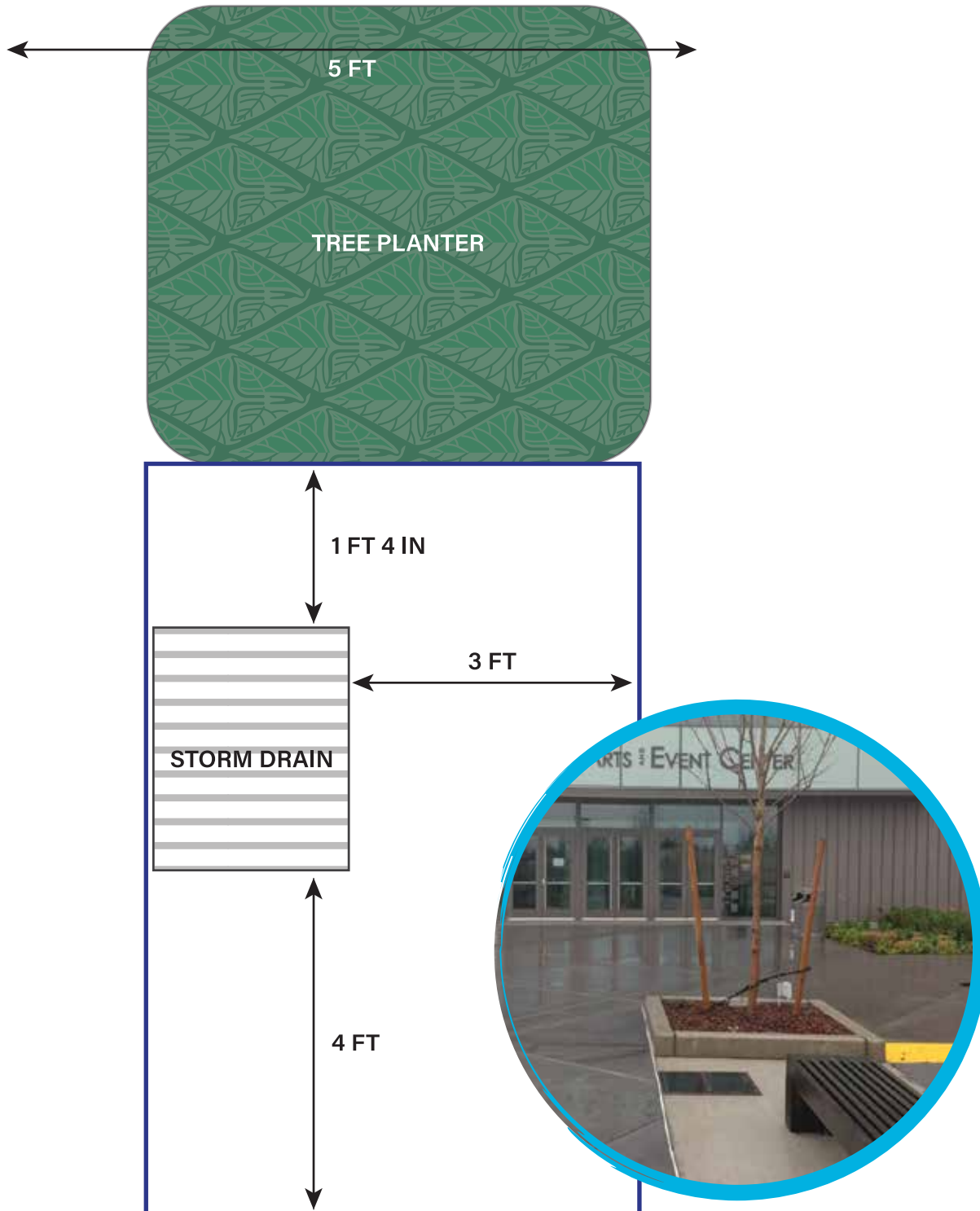
PROTECTED LANE



1" = 1 ft., not drawn to scale

LOCATION 4

PERFORMING ARTS AND EVENTS CENTER PATIO



1" = 1 ft., not drawn to scale

FEDERAL WAY STORM DRAIN ARTWALK ARTIST APPLICATION

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL: _____ PHONE: _____

Select the location for which you are submitting a design:

- LOCATION 1:** Native Plant Demo Garden @ Town Square Park
- LOCATION 2:** Town Square Park Parking Lot
- LOCATION 3:** S 316th St. @ Crosswalk to PAEC
- LOCATION 4:** Performing Arts and Events Center Patio

Please write a brief description of your design and how it relates to one of the three themes: Puget Sound Starts Here, Only Rain Down the Drain, or Water Connects All of Us. Please also include a name for your design.

The City will provide up to four hours of childcare on each of the scheduled painting days. If selected, will you be using childcare services? Yes No. If yes, for how many children? _____

- Please include a copy of your design with your application.
- Please return completed application by mail to:
Surface Water Public Education and Outreach Coordinator
City of Federal Way Public Works Department
33325 8th Ave South
Federal Way, WA 98003
or by email to SWM@cityoffederalway.com

Questions?

Visit Cityoffederalway.com/stormdrainart
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