

February 15, 2019

Subject: City of Bainbridge Island Notice of Application/SEPA Comment Period/Public Hearing
To: Carla Lundgren, Olivia Sontag

I am writing this letter as a homeowner who will be directly affected by the erection of a 75 room hotel with conference rooms, a banquet hall, restaurant, spa, increased traffic and limited parking, corporate functions and 'destination' wedding events. The immensity and the purpose of this structure dramatically changes the integrity of our neighborhood. We have a lovely destination wedding venue on Bainbridge called Islandwood. Islandwood also provides a venue for corporate meetings. Why do we need a duplicate venue for these activities? Do we want our island to be known as a destination for corporate meetings and events or do we want to try and preserve our island for the families and retirees who live here. Those of us who have homes here chose Bainbridge Island because it affords the peace and tranquility we were searching for away from the congestion and noise of the city. Our city planners need to be careful of everyone's living environment.

On a practical level the April 25th date needs to be pushed forward at least until the end of June as our neighborhoods need time to organize, discuss and prepare our presentation on this matter. Also many of us work and cannot attend a 10 AM meeting. So we need more time to organize our ideas. The next meeting needs to be set at convenient time for all involved.

Thank you,

Phyllis Carlyle