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Subject: Madison Landing and Madison Place

I am a resident of Bainbridge Island who has lived here for 24 years. I became a homeowner 17 years ago when I bought my condo at the Courtyards on Madison.

I knew there were some new developments that were being planned in the downtown corridor but no one put together the big picture until my neighbor did the research.

I, and many others, are shocked to realize that you have approved so many new developments in just a couple of short blocks. Not including the brand new development already in the process on Madrona Lane, there will be an additional 111 new housing units and the potential for adding approximately 744 more daily car trips on Madison Ave. alone.

Has anyone even considered what the cumulative effect of all that development will do to those of us living here in the downtown corridor???? I've already seen and experienced the evidence of an increase in traffic on Madison Ave. over the last couple of years. It can take quite a while for me to be able to even exit the Courtyards and then I find myself in stop and go traffic just to get to Wyatt. When you finally get to downtown it's often nearly impossible to find any parking.

How in the world is adding at least 111 more homes and 2 cars per household going to improve the problems that already exist??

Seems to me that we will be adding to air pollution, noise pollution, destroying the last little bits of green space and making life more unpleasant for those of us who live here.

I feel as though the city has done nothing to make us all aware of the scope of all the building planned. It took one of my resourceful neighbors to realize that we were never even notified about any of these developments last November because we at the Courtyards on Madison were left off the mailing list. (And we will be just feet away from Madison Place.) It took that same neighbor to paint the big picture for us. We've had next to no time to process all this or have any discussion as the comment deadline was so quickly set.

Why is the city allowing all this? Is the infrastructure set up to handle all this additional load from sewer and storm water?? What about the city's aquifers?

Is it sadly the case that the city is only thinking about collecting more money in property taxes without regard for the quality of life of the people who actually live here?

I sincerely hope you will reconsider some of the details of all this development and allow more time for input from the actual residents of the downtown area.

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