

July 19, 2018

City of Bainbridge Island
Attn: Olivia Sontag, Planning Dept
Bainbridge Island
WA 98110 -1812

Dear COBI:

Ref: CKCB Madison Ave, PLN 50958

I am writing to strongly oppose the approval for any height increase variance on this project of which the sole purpose is to enrich the amenities of two waterfront luxury condominiums. This project does not meet any requirements necessary to be considered for such a variance and would amount to granting a special privilege.

I reside in the Seabreeze condos in a unit overlooking the building site south towards Eagle Harbor. I was the first owner to move into the complex in 2007. Any additional height to this structure will significantly impact my current view and the views from our breezeways and building surroundings and is not allowed per the code. It also negatively impacts our privacy with the occupants of the luxury condominiums looking back into our units that would not be the case without this variance.

Further, the city council has placed significant attention on the development concerns impacting the island. A council member stated that "development is out of control." And in general the council wants to preserve the "island's special character." I agree and appreciate their efforts to manage development that is out of control. Do not make matters worse and allow any variances that do not come close to meeting the requirements. Observe and actively enforce the code, just like when the Seabreeze project was built in 2007, the developer managed to the code and no height variances were granted.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,



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