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From: Dixie Carter <beechbrawd@gmail.com>
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To: PCD
Subject: Are you Kidding?!

To Whom It May Concern:

Whose grandiose, bright idea is it to cram in an 87-room hotel in downtown Bainbridge Island with no regard for the residents in senior housing and private home & condo owners surrounding that small parcel of land? Downtown during the tourist season is already jammed up and "over-extended" with traffic and hoards/parades of folks who can't find their way down the block without an "APP" on a cell phone! Elbow-to-elbow foot traffic is increasing year after year and we all accept this as: "they are spending their money here"----yet, we have a large **homeless encampment** area just north of McDonalds on highway 305. Double standard!! None of the tourist dollars are feeding those homeless folks----just sayin' !

Who is really behind the destruction of downtown Bainbridge with its unique character, charm and tranquility? I am not against *progress* when it's an appropriate endeavor, but this reeks of some hot-shot developer with deep pockets not giving a damn about senior housing, property values, environment, congestion, over-crowding, safety issues or any existing quality of life here! Walk a mile in my "knock-off" Birkenstocks!

I am 75-years old and live at Winslow Arms.....directly behind the proposed site of building this over-zealous, delusional project. I did NOT hop off the turnip wagon yesterday and I have no doubt there are greedy developers who are dying to get their hands on my "**home**", tear it down and construct themselves a money-making machine, along with all the other **senior** dwellings in my neighborhood. **NOT ON MY WATCH!**---don't ever underestimate the motivation of us old farts to fight for what is right and decent! Money doesn't buy everything!

Here's what I propose: There's plenty of land for sale on this island to build this ambitious & pretentious hotel.....could add more units, adequate "elbow room" parking, pool & hot tubs, tennis court, 9-hole golf course, oyster bar, go-kart track, dog-walking area, kid's game room, bicycle and scooter rental, etc.----then provide a shuttle bus from the ferry dock to the hotel for the guests arriving without a vehicle..... like the Clearwater Casino provides for its guests. C'mon, figure out how to get more BANG FOR THE \$BUCK without bulldozing over downtown Bainbridge! There is plenty of land out there that wouldn't have to represent a "Show-off-ego" assault on our quaint, distinctive way of living in this very small town,--only

a whole block long. Get real!!!

The "heart" of our small community is being threatened by money grubbers with no regard for the impact on the well-being of the downtown survival and preservation of traditional island life. Where are the boundaries outside of big banks and greasing the corrupt wheels of rich developers? Disgraceful!

I will be attending the meeting on the 23rd----loud and clear!

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