

Ann Hillier

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Sent: Tuesday, May 29, 2018 3:40 PM
To: Ann Hillier
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Subject: Comments re Lot 5 & 6 Soundview Dr NE properties use of "Reasonable use Exception & variance"

Dear Ann Hillier,

First I don't envy your job. I think it is very difficult to be fair in contested land use cases because you think you need to be reasonable and say yes. When it may not be always necessary to say yes, building always goes on its way.

I don't understand the use of "Reasonable Use Exception & Variance" It seems to be a term which would be used in dealing with smaller mundane things not something as big as this. Also to whom is it reasonable? Both lots can be built on with a very livable houses in each case as they are.

The owner Inhabit Limited Liability Com just wants more.

Everyone knows those two lots are considered Wet and everyone knows that since the creation of Fort Ward Estates there were setbacks which were followed by everyone who has built out there. It has created a privacy and harmony. You may not realize it unless you have taken the trouble to view the area that Soundview Dr NE is a very narrow street. Allowing someone to circumvent the est. practice to build to the narrow street a huge hulking multi story house will create discomfiture with the folks across the street.

It will also create traffic problems. And it will look funny. We have already seen what happens when builders do not respect the environment, we have those 3 large houses just south of Kitsap on Fort Ward Hill which were built on wetlands which were a natural drain. It took over 2 years and tons of straw and other fill to dry them up. The houses took years to sell and have changed hands several times. I would think they will always have damp problems. No one can understand why the City gave the go ahead on that project.

Who will foot the bill for making Belfair from Soundview DR NE to Douglas into a real street.? Is the City, meaning us, going to pay these extras?

Your okaying this building project runs in the face of the strong trends of living small, respecting the environment and conserving the Island is heading. As you may know recently elected members to the City Council all favored these trends. Fort Ward is represent in the City Council by one of these newly elected councilmen. What you are allowing is the old way of doing things, environment be dammed.

thank you for your attention,
Carolyn Siscoe