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From: Christina Garriques <christinagarriques@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, November 14, 2019 6:09 AM

To: PCD

Subject: 253 Winslow Way W Development

Dear City of Bainbridge Island Planning Department:

I am writing to urge you to support the hotel development by Madison Avenue Development at <u>253 Winslow Way W.</u>

The hotel development is necessary for the Bainbridge Island. Currently, there are very few places for people to stay when visiting the island- this is a significant problem. The few hotels that are available lack upkeep and are not a true representation of what the island has to offer.

This hotel development will not only provide the island with hotel rooms, but it will serve as a gathering place for visitors and locals alike. Music, celebrations, board meetings and community events will take place in this multi-use space, designed to embrace the beauty and nature of Bainbridge.

As the island continues to depend on tourism, we must capture those who travel to the island by foot. The shop and restaurant owners of Winslow way will undoubtedly feel the boost in revenue by having an overnight destination for people to stay. Developer Mike Burns has continued to meet the requests of the planning committee, and the development is within the building requirements set fourth. The building will serve as a revolutionary and environmentally sustainable building; something all island residents can be proud of.

Please consider those who are in favor of this tremendous project. As a community we must begin to see the positive outcomes of growth, and the future the Winslow hotel will bring for our community.

Sincerely,

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