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From: Heather Wright
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 4:30 PM
To: Jane Rasely
Subject: FW: Please reject plans for Winslow Hotel

From: Loree Hollander <lore.hollander@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, July 28, 2019 9:08 AM
To: Heather Wright <hwright@bainbridgewa.gov>
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Dear Ms. Wright,

My husband and I recently moved to BI for its natural beauty, the unique smalltown feel, and friendly residents. We live within walking distance of downtown Winslow and LOVE our new home of BI. We feel so lucky every day to live here! We have had the good fortune to travel extensively, and haven't found anything like Bainbridge Island. We are already working to integrate ourselves into useful members of the community, and feel like we've found our "forever home."

An 80-something room hotel in downtown Winslow, or indeed anywhere on the Island, would feel like the beginning of the end for our town. The streets are already horribly congested during summer months due to weekend tourists, and the amenities of our small town are already feeling overrun. There are also the environmental impacts of so much more foot traffic, cars/ exhaust fumes in our DT core, not to mention the fact that a developmental project like this would open the door to similar projects, which would totally wreck all of the things that (still) make BI a unique place. Please, let's be strong in the face of the pressures of development and maintain what so many Bainbridgers love about this place. If we want to be a better, more desirable and more healthy environment than other Seattle -area environs, then we must make decisions that support our vision. I sincerely hope that you deny plans for the hotel, and thus curtail the forces that would irrevocably damage this place we all love.

Respectfully,
Loree Hollander and Duke Hall