Jane Rasely

From: Heather Wright
Sent: Thursday, August 29, 2019 4:35 PM
To: Jane Rasely
Subject: FW: Proposed Winslow Hotel

From: Thom McDonald <tmcdonald@w-link.net>
Sent: Wednesday, July 31, 2019 3:08 PM
To: Heather Wright <hwright@bainbridgewa.gov>
Cc: Morgan Smith <msmith@bainbridgewa.gov>; Council <council@bainbridgewa.gov>
Subject: Proposed Winslow Hotel

Dear Ms. Wright:
We would like to join with virtually all of our neighbors in expressing our profound apprehension regarding the proposed Winslow Hotel. In the 17 years that we have lived just around the corner from the proposed site, we have experienced a steady deterioration in the quality of life once afforded by our modest, semi-rural, residential neighborhood. Year after year, South Island development has been approved without the City providing transportation infrastructure improvements (required by the GMA) resulting in arterial level motorized traffic volumes on lower Grow Avenue and Winslow Way West (both of which have become excessively noisy and increasingly dangerous for pedestrians and bicyclists).
While we fully support the concept of concentrating residential development density in the Winslow "Core Area", we and other long-time residents here have spent a considerable amount of time and effort working with COBI in the past to insure that in return for accepting that density, our neighborhood character would, as much as possible, be protected from inappropriate development. As the City's Planning Commission has unanimously agreed, this proposal is completely out-of-scale for the proposed site, is in non-compliance with the Comprehensive Plan, and will pose serious problems for the residents of our neighborhood and community at large. We ask that the Planning and Community Development Department accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and deny the application for this proposed development.
Thank you.
Maureen Newby
Thom McDonald
164 Grow Ave NW