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## Hello.

I wanted to just take a moment to say a few words.

I have been a happy resident of Bainbridge for 20+ years and we have raised our family here. Our kiddos went through the full K-12 from Ordway, Sakai, Woodward and BHS, and graduated 2020 and 2021 respectively.

Bainbridge Island is a great community, and we support each other through a myriad of causes.

Affordable Housing on Bainbridge is a necessity. I would like to lend my voice in support of the Wintergreen Townhomes development that is proposed between Walgreens & Virginia Mason near HWY 305 & High School Road.

Building a project like this supports those workers that we depend on for our everyday needs such as grocery clerks, educators, civil servants and more.

My understanding is that this project will designate approx 42% of the townhomes to low income households (with an annual income qualifier in place) and those townhomes will be placed in the Housing Resources Bainbridge Community Land Trust so they will be affordable in perpetuity.

Our lack of affordable housing on Bainbridge is in crisis and I would like to see the Planning Commission seriously consider this project and give it the approval to move forward.

So many will benefit from this project's approval and moving forward.

Thank you for your time and consideration, and I sincerely hope you make the right choice and give this project the "Green Light on Wintergreen!"

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