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From: Carrie West <carriewest3@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 4, 2019 8:25 PM
To: PCD
Subject: comments about the Hotel at the Corner of Winslow Way E and Madison Ave.

Dear Bainbridge Island City Council,

I am against the Winslow Hotel's footprint size, the parking lot size, and having outside events because of noise impacts, in general.

The Winslow Hotel's footprint is oversized for our neighborhood. I am an owner at the Seabreeze building and I am very concerned that this overly large building will not only block sunlight for the neighborhood, it will hold many more people than our neighborhood can manage well, and diminish our small town feel.

The parking lot size is also a concern because there will be many more people trying to find parking than the number of rooms in the hotel. What about all the people who come to the island in the summer just **walking** on and off the ferry? The streets are SO crowded as it is now. I realize the businesses in the city do well when there are more tourists, but do we really need more strangers coming to the island trying to park their cars and spend time here? When is enough, enough? When will we say, we don't want more tourists for the sake of having a small town who loves staying as a small town?

Outside events and noise are another item on my list. Really? Do they really need to have an outside stadium or a place to listen to music outside? We, the neighbors don't want to hear that music or events at all. Having the 4th of July parade, parties and fireworks during that event is enough but it is only for one day. Then the noise subsides. But if we had outside events continually through the year near our building, it would be unbearable, in my opinion.

What about the elderly as they maneuver around the streets of downtown Winslow and beyond? It is extremely important that we take special care of our senior citizens who live in the facilities who are very close to this hotel. They use the streets, and since they don't drive any more, they are on foot, or in electric carts. The more cars on the street, the more dangerous it is for them. Who will advocate for them and their needs?

Please consider - enough tourists! Please consider the health of the downtown neighborhood!

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