

To: David Greetham, Senior Planner, City of Bainbridge Island  
From: Peter Hill and Elise Wright of the Marine Access Committee  
Date: November 13, 2018

Subject: Lapinski Dock, PLN51157 SSDP and SVAR

Thank you for meeting with us to provide information on the details of the subject property's Notice of Application (NOA). As noticed, John and Anjali Lapinski have applied for a Shoreline Substantial Development Permit and Shoreline Variance for their property at 6150 Eagle Harbor Drive.

A deadline for public comment is noted on the NOA at 4:00 pm November 13, 2018.  
We would like to submit the following comments:

The 154' dock proposed would as you know, exceed the length of the neighboring docks adjacent to this narrow property. The long dock would also extend into the public navigable waters of Eagle Harbor at a point where the harbor narrows. In addition to the dock, the owners have requested siting of an offshore buoy over their private bedlands, at a location that would put it at or near the center of the navigable waters leading to the western end of the harbor. These waters are used on a daily basis by members of the public accessing the harbor for rowing practice, kayaking and canoeing.

As part of our mandate from the City Council, the MAC advises on matters related to access to public waters. It is our opinion that the dock on this site should be limited to the length specified by the Shoreline Management Program of the City. In addition, we recommend that the City ask homeowners to reconsider siting of buoys that become a hazard to navigation in constricted areas of the public waters, especially in Eagle Harbor.

In short, we ask that this application for a variance be denied, limiting the dock to the usual length permitted by law, and that the request for a buoy be denied.

Peter Hill and Elise Wright  
Subcommittee members  
the Marine Access Committee