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David Lee Monday, April 29, 2019 4:25 PM Karl Bowman RE: LMC Marymoor

Mr. Bowman,

Thank you so very much for your comment! If it's alright with you, I'd like to add you to the emailing list about this project that will notify you of upcoming meetings and hearing about this project.

I do want to let you know that local businesses, particularly existing ones, are very important to the City. One of the things we're starting to push for (even though it's not codified), is including a provision in the development agreement to require room for "local businesses" and defining that as a business with three or less locations, founded in Redmond/Kirkland/Bellevue/Woodinville, and cannot be a national franchise (like GNC/Orange Theory/Subway/etc.). The developer has agreed to these terms in the draft associated development agreement. The ultimate goal would be for an existing Marymoor business or businesses to lease the space. Granted, I realize it does not get to the heart of your concern with the amount of properties around you being redeveloped as multi-family residential uses. But I do hope it does give you an idea that we're not taking these redevelopments lightly, and are working towards being responsible stewards of this neighborhood.

Again, thank you for your comments and I will pass this along to the City Council for their consideration. Please let me know if you have any questions or any additional comments!

Sincerely, David Lee



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David,

I received the notice of application for the proposed development at 17611 70th St. Thank You.

I'd like to submit the following comments for consideration. Your letter stated it could be done in email, but if I have to do something different for my comments to be part of the process let me know>

This will be the second property developed for multi family housing in the area bordered by East Lake Sammamish Parkway, Marymoor Park, Hwy 520 and Redmond Way. The first being the units next to Marymoor Self Storage on East Lake Sammamish Parkway.

I feel that the area described above should be zoned for small and medium size businesses and organization. Small businesses like the ones found in this area are what makes a city like Redmond interesting and vibrant. It provides a variety of employment to those that might not otherwise be well suited to the "tech economy" that is engulfing the Eastside. Though this area is not particularly interesting from an architectural standpoint, the businesses are. Businesses range from Sign Making equipment and supplies (USCutter - mine) to Bagels, Beer, Dance, auto detailing, auto repair, furniture, churches, mosques, schools, paint store, basketball, and fitness to name some. Taking a parcel right from the middle of this district is the start of the destruction of this area for small business. The value of the property will be greatest for multi family dwellings if they are allowed. And eventually all the landlords will move to this use either through development of their own or by sale. This is where government has to play the role of checking the free market for the long term good of the whole.

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