## **Nicole Gaudette**

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**To:** Nicole Gaudette **Subject:** 4825 EMW

September 4th, 2019 nicole.gaudette@mercergov.org

Dear Ms. Gaudette,

We expected to be notified of any further progress toward development on the property located at 4825 East Mercer Way and thus far, have seen nothing. Apparently, neither have any of the EMW Highlands neighbors.

Please note that we are in complete agreement with Seth and Cel Davis' letter dated today, September 4th, 2019.

Further, we have additional concerns. There is an MI code that provides for either a 12 foot or 8 foot clear path on our private road, as a safety issue so that emergency vehicles can access our homes. The road in front of 4825 EMW is very narrow, doubtfully up to the 12 foot standard the City has adopted. We are concerned about this purely for safety reasons. What if someone suffers a heart attack and there happens to be a concrete truck blocking the road? What about a fire in one of our homes? This is serious, let alone the potential damage caused by recent tree cutting above the lot, who knows what wetlands runoff issues could potentially arise damaging properties, the road and our neighbors themselves.

Our private road is now heavily travelled and we must retain unfettered, unrestricted access from our homes out into the community as well as preserving emergency access from police, fire and medical. There is a huge increase in the number of vehicles now on the road and as such, a huge increase in traffic. There is NO OTHER ACCESS TO OUR HOMES.

This whole deviation from wetlands regulations and fast tracking the building permit, keeping the neighborhood "in the dark" regarding information on the proposed development and the City's "rubber stamping" of this matter is disturbing. This proposed construction would certainly further erode the quality of life here on the island which is why our we and our neighbors moved here. The manner in which this proposed development has progressed is fishy, and suspect. We moved here to escape the city and now the City is forcing more people, more vehicles, more density and more urbanization on us, destroying our way of life.

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