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RE: Proposed Building at 5637 East Mercer Way, File Numbers CA015-001 and SEP-001

Applicant: Bill Summers of MI Treehouse, LLC

Dear Mr. Maxim,

On April 26, 2015 we wrote the City of Mercer Island opposing the proposed building at 5637 East Mercer Way by Bill Summers of MI Treehouse, LLC. Today we are once again writing to oppose the proposed building at this site. We live at 9304 SE 57th Street. The parcel at 5637 East Mercer Way is located north of our property at the bottom of the steep slope in our back yard.

In accessing the City of Mercer Island website, I have reviewed the geographic services map gallery. The erosion, landslide and seismic maps clearly indicate the surrounding hillsides and wetland are located in geological hazardous areas.

Over the years we have seen and heard many trees fall on the hillsides that surround the MI Treehouse parcel. Each tree that is lost leaves more water on the hillsides increasing erosion and the threat of landslide in an area that has already been designated hazardous based on geologic, topographic and hydrologic factors.

With all the information available for the MI Treehouse parcel, there still appears to be no data as to how the proposed construction would impact runoff patterns and hydrostatic water on the hazardous hillsides surrounding the site. We remain increasingly concerned and believe that runoff patterns and hydrostatic water pressure on the hillsides will be negatively impacted and make an already hazardous environment even more unstable.

It is the City of Mercer Island's responsibility to ensure the safety and well-being of its residents. We believe that allowing construction in the wetland will further de-stabilize our hillsides and place surrounding properties at risk. We also believe that allowing construction will jeopardize our safety and the other residents that live in this area.

Please protect the residents of this area and decline the attempt by MI Treehouse to build a residential home in the Category III wetland at 5637 East Mercer Way. We appreciate your attention to our request.

Sincerely,


Rick Duchaine


Vicki Duchaine