Andrew Leon

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Sent: Monday, January 30, 2023 7:20 PM

To: Andrew Leon Cc: 'Bob Tacher'

Subject: Proposal for Baskin Robbins site

Dear Andrew,

NO, NO, NO, NO. I just read the proposal for the Baskin-Robbins site. I am a 46 year resident of Mercer Island. My husband and I (along with our long time resident friends) bemoan the loss of retail and especially restaurants. The high density housing that clogs the central business district has priced out decent restaurants. That is a tragic loss. Why do the 25,000 residents of this city have to go off island to eat? We have lost a great measure of the quality of life on the island. Sure we have lovely parks which we enjoy, but how about the great number of us who want to drive through town without traffic and go to a nice restaurant, even a family restaurant? Dining with character is a measure of what provides a quality lifestyle. What happened to the requirement that new commercial construction had to have retail on the ground floor?

Sincerely, Jaqueline Tacher