

## Comments to Public Notice of Application

File no: DSR22-014

Property Location: 2900 78<sup>th</sup> Ave SE Mercer Island

My name: Michael Fink 9012 SE 50<sup>th</sup> Street, Mercer Island, WA

I am sending in my comments to the proposed downtown development of a new 10 unit apartment building on the old Baskin Robbins property. My wife and I have lived on Mercer Island since 1996. We raised our kids here where they also went to school. Over the years the Mercer Island downtown has had significant development. I think it has mostly been for the best.

I have no objections to the proposed new development other than:

1. The property is in the heart of the downtown business district. As such it should have at least 1 ground floor retail space to keep downtown vibrant.
2. All of the better projects have devoted some of the site to open space and/or public space. As this property is in the heart of the downtown, I believe that some element of that should be required as part of the redevelopment.

Thank you.



Michael Fink