



July 16, 1970

The Jewish Community Center
3801 East Mercer Way
Mercer Island, Washington

ATTENTION: Mr. Okin

Dear Mr. Okin:

On July 15, the Mercer Island Planning Commission reviewed informally the final drawings of your plot and landscaping plan, showing their recommendations thereon. They expressed general satisfaction, but offered a few comments to be passed on to you. The gate in the fence is allowed on the understanding that it will generally be padlocked. The 30-foot deep band of natural screening should clearly be shown as permanent and not to be disturbed, around the southwest area. Finally, we would like to remind you that there will be a staff report presented to the Planning Commission at their October public meeting, reviewing the implementation of your approved plans. You need not be present then, but we will go over our report with you before we present it, in case there will be any further recommendations. We hope you will have the exterior fencing and screening, and light modifications fully completed by then.

Sincerely,

John W. Hunt
Asst. City Planner

JWH:rb

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June 19, 1970

Jewish Community Center
3801 East Mercer Way
Mercer Island, Wn.

ATTENTION: Mr. Leo Okin:

Dear Mr. Okin:

After sending you a letter yesterday, regarding the Planning Commission's recommendations, I found that my impressions and Mr. Bacon's differed on some points. Consequently, we went over the tape of the meeting today, and I would like to make these belated corrections to yesterday's letter:

1. A recommendation was made that a pathway be developed through the Southwest area of your grounds, to connect with S.E. 40th Street.
2. The four-month time limit for implementation was intended to apply to all items recommended.
3. The recommendation on lighting was not formally changed but, in discussion of the motion, Mr. Frothingham explained that, if the change in the first lights satisfied the neighbors' objections, perhaps the others would not have to be changed.

I hope this clears up any misconceptions that may have arisen from yesterday's letter. Some of these points may seem somewhat vague, and we would be happy to discuss them with you at any time.

Sincerely,

John W. Hunt
Assistant City Planner

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cc: Van Horne & Van Horne, Architects

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June 18, 1970

Jewish Community Center
3801 East Mercer Way
Mercer Island, Washington 98040

ATTENTION: Mr. Leo Okin

Dear Mr. Okin:

The proposed modifications to your plot and landscaping plan were considered by the City of Mercer Island Planning Commission at their public meeting on June 17, 1970. By a unanimous vote, they approved the construction of the children's play area as shown on Exhibit "C" with the following conditions attached:

1. The fencing should extend 140 feet north from the southeast corner of your property, bordering 99th Avenue S.E., also easterly from that point to the northeast corner of Mr. Chase's property, thence along Mr. Chase's north and west property lines to the edge of S.E. 40th Street.
2. No other fencing would be required at the present time, but the Planning Commission reserves the right to require additional fencing at some future time, should conditions arise which indicate it is needed.
3. The number of the trees proposed is acceptable, but they must be a minimum of eight feet in height.
4. The shielding or replacement of light fixtures, proposed for the southerly light in the parking lot, should also be done to all other outdoor light standards.
5. A time limit of four months would be allowed for the planting of perimeter landscaping.
6. Bus parking should be moved to other areas of the parking lot, preferably the north end.

We will forward under separate cover an approved copy of your plot plan and landscaping plan, showing thereon these attached conditions ~~when~~ copies are received from your architects. If you have any questions regarding these or any other matters, we would welcome any opportunity to help you. If you feel any of these requirements to be arbitrary or unnecessarily burdensome, the actions of the Planning Commission may be appealed, in whole or in part, to the City Council by filing a written notice or appeal within ten days (June 27th).

Sincerely,

Gerald M. Bacon
Planning Director

John W. Hunt
Asst. City Planner

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cc: Van Horne & Van Horne
103 Bellevue Avenue East
Seattle, Washington

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