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VIA EMAIL

RE: William Gartz, Code Compliance Cases CE 12-0085, CE 13-0048, CE13-0113, 14-0014

Dear Mr. Ursich:

This is in follow up to the August 20, 2014 meeting regarding the City of Mercer Island's Code Compliance cases against your client, Mr. William Gartz. This meeting was attended by you, Mr. Gartz and three City employees: myself, the Assistant City Attorney; Senior Planner, Shana Crick; and Code Enforcement Officer, Jimmi Serfling.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss resolution of four open code compliance cases against Mr. Gartz. You and Mr. Gartz also asked the City to address code compliance cases against George Lewis. During this conversation you asked if the City would consider an "exchange" for Mr. Gartz's compliance. In particular, you suggested if the City took action against Mr. Lewis, Mr. Gartz would then work to resolve his code compliance cases. In response, I unequivocally told you and your client, Mr. Gartz, (in the presence of Ms. Crick and Ms. Serfling) that the City would **not** agree to any "exchange" regarding Mr. Gartz's code violations. To be clear, such an "exchange" is simply not conduct in which the City would engage.

At the conclusion of the meeting, we discussed how to address each of the four code compliance cases and what documentation and applications are needed for Mr. Gartz to come into compliance. The City looks forward to receiving the necessary permit applications and requested documentation. Ms. Serfling will continue to handle the code compliance cases.

Sincerely,

Christina M. Schuck
Assistant City Attorney

cc: Katie Knight, City Attorney
Jimmi Serfling, Code Compliance Officer