Don Cole City of Mercer Island Building Official 9611 SE 36th St, Mercer Island, WA 98040

## Subject: Request for Seasonal Development Limitation Waiver Extension

Dear Don,

I am writing on behalf of XY Construction to formally request a Seasonal Development Limitation Waiver extension for a period of six additional weeks. Our request is based on the need to complete essential site work and ensure a safe working environment for the installation of structures in the future.

We wish to outline the reasons behind this extension request:

**Quality Assurance:** To maintain the highest standard of workmanship, we have undertaken a rigorous quality assurance process. This includes commissioning Geotechnical and Structural Engineering reports at various project stages during the summer. Ensuring a superior quality of work has extended our project timeline beyond our initial projections.

**Progress Update:** As of October 1, 2023, we anticipate completing all foundation walls that are retaining or in direct contact with backfill. This significant milestone mitigates landslide hazards in most areas. However, remaining tasks include pouring the slab on grade around the walls, constructing a freestanding concrete garage, finalizing backfill work, and connecting utilities such as sewer, water, and storm systems.

**Weather Considerations:** Weather forecasts the winter of 2023 indicate reduced rainfall compared to previous years (<u>https://seattleweatherblog.com/rain-stats/rainfall-2023/</u>). Coupled with the relatively dry summer we have experienced, we believe that a six-week extension will allow us to complete our site work without excessive rain-related disruptions.

We have attached our project schedule, which realistically projects the completion of site work within the proposed six-week extension period starting on October 1, 2023.

During this extension, we are committed to implementing additional measures to mitigate landslide and erosion risks:

- 1. Installation of erosion silt fences in all areas prone to water runoff during wet seasons.
- 2. Display of emergency contact information on-site, with at least two individuals accessible by phone and email for emergency communications.
- 3. Deployment of erosion control tarps on any exposed soil not undergoing active construction.
- 4. Ensuring that all earth slopes on the site adhere to a 1:1 ratio.

Should you have any questions regarding our application or require any supplemental documents, please do not hesitate to contact us. We deeply appreciate your understanding and assistance in this matter.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,

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