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RE: Fairhaven Highlands Scoping Summary

Dear Bob:

Thank you for your letter of March 28, 2008 requesting a meeting with me and other City departments regarding the EIS scoping and alternatives. I fully appreciate and share your client's interest in conserving resources by undertaking only that work which is appropriate. I also appreciate your reference to WAC 197-11-440(5)(b) which states, in part:

"Reasonable alternatives shall include actions that could feasibly attain or approximate a proposal's objectives, but at a lower environmental cost or decreased level of environmental degradation."

Because I want the Fairhaven Highlands EIS process to continue to be absolutely transparent, I request that you submit your request for modification of the Scoping Summary in writing, including which of the alternatives you find inappropriate with a rationale and justification for your finding. I will then discuss your request with our consultant and with appropriate city staff.

If you have any questions, please contact Kim Spens at 360.778.8360.

Sincerely,

Timothy M. Stewart, AICP
Director of Planning and Community Development

Cc: Joan Hoisington
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