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Subject: WWU Rezone Request

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August 5, 2010

Bellingham Mayor, Dan Pike
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Bellingham Planning Commission
210 Lottie Street
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Dear Mayor and Planning Commission Members

The Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Commission (MNAC) recommends the Bellingham Planning Commission approve docket item 10-P4 Happy Valley Neighborhood (Area 1C) WWU Rezone Request.

This recommendation is based on the proponents application information and review of the Happy Valley Neighborhood Plan (HVNP) dated January 1, 2005 at the July 21, 2010 MNAC Meeting. Discussion indicated that this rezone to Institutional was anticipated and would be implemented when Western Washington University (WWU) owned or controlled the property in Area 1C of the Happy Valley Neighborhood. (Ref HVNP, Section VI, Public Facilities; Part A, Western Washington University).

Further, the WWU Institutional Master Plan (IMP) indicates Area 1C of the Happy Valley Neighborhood would be appropriate for expansion of office and other administrative support once completely owned by WWU and rezoned Institutional. (Ref WWU IMP, District 22, Pg B58 and B59).

Therefore, MNAC concluded all stakeholders are in favor of the rezone and gave a unanimous vote of approval for the proposed rezone request at the July 21, 2010 MNAC Meeting.

The content and recommendations of this e-mail are contained in MNAC meeting minutes available in COB public records.

Respectively submitted

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