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Kindest regards,

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Enrich & Sustain – Petition for Actions

To the Sammamish City Council,

I support the [Enrich & Sustain](#) growth platform substantially as presented. I have read the “Alpha Version” as well as supplementary documents presented to the City from March – July 2020, that have been posted as written public comments, by meeting date, on the Sammamish Civic Web.

Specifically, I agree and support:

- A. Now is the time for Sammamish to optimally alleviate these imbalances within our City:
 - ✓ Housing Supplies
 - ✓ Economic Amenities
 - ✓ Transportation Systems
- B. To modestly optimize these three imbalances, these temporal perspectives must be evaluated:
 - Prior to Incorporation (About 1960-1999)
 - After incorporation. (From 1999 to 2019)
 - Present day
 - The future – from the “7-generation” approach.
- C. Obtain the “missing” information* as described in “The Chew” and “Single-Family Buildout”.
(*See article 2 of alpha version [Enrich & Sustain](#) and civic web written public comments by Paul Stickney on 5.19.20)
- D. There are seven fundamental parts to optimize called for by [Enrich & Sustain](#), summarized here:
 - 1) Lessen the amount of additional large single-family homes allowed in Sammamish.
 - 2) Quickly increase the amount of different, diverse and smaller housing supplies in our City.
 - 3) Plan to sustainably meet cycle-of-life housing demands for those living and/or working here.
 - 4) Suitably size desirable and convenient economic amenities, based on parts 1, 2 and 3.
 - 5) Determine city-wide transportation and transit systems, based on parts 1, 2, 3 and 4.
 - 6) Effectively manage and leverage the wealth and benefits enabled by parts 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.
 - 7) Do major lane capacity road widening projects in the future – only if they are needed.
- E. All seven city council members should wholeheartedly support the specifics above. There may be differences of opinion, that will need collaboration and compromise, with the points below.
- F. > With the sufficient “missing” information* in hand – as a community we need to determine specific policy and numeric changes for each of the seven fundamental parts of [Enrich & Sustain](#). This will include optimally altering all the elements in our Comprehensive Plan, Sub-Area Plans, Zoning, Programs, Plans and Development Regulations. (*“The Chew” and S-F Buildout”)
- G. > *(Rephrased, the specifics to optimize the seven fundamental parts of [Enrich & Sustain](#) need to be discussed by our community first, then have our elected City Council make legislative decisions.)*

My Ask: Make [Enrich & Sustain](#) one of the alternative solutions the City seriously considers to balance, remedy and alleviate past, present and future growth issues within Sammamish.

Enrich & Sustain for Sammamish

Community ♦ Neighborhoods ♦ Lifestyles

Seven Generations ♦ Diverse Cultures ♦ Six-Sectors*

*The Environment – Transportation – People – Money – The Region – Community Character