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Attn.: City Council
HAND DELIVERED 8/3/2020

Dear City:

Please accept my attached comments in response to the request for comments for the scoping of EIS related to the revision of the concurrency ordinance. Requested delivery of it on July 31, 2020 to the address "<https://form.jotform.com/201746911320043>," written on the published request for comment was unable to be completed. Attached is a copy of my notice of non-delivery from postmaster@outlook.com is attached.

I wonder if when the date for accepting comments was extended from July 28, 2020 to July 31, 2020, someone forgot to extend the acceptance of comments to 7/31 at the address indicated of <https://form.jotform.com/201746911320043>? And that is why my comment did not go through when I sent on 7/31/2020 before 5 p.m.?

Thank you for your consideration of my remarks.

Sincerely,

Nancy Whitten

PS. 8/3/2020

I tried to hand deliver this to City Hall about 3⁰⁵ pm on 8/3/20 + was not able to as sign said City Hall is closed to public. I called front desk + talked to Jackie, who said I had to mail it.

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July 31, 2020

City of Sammamish Council
Sammamish, Washington
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Re: My Comment in regard to Scoping for the EIS related to Revision to Concurrency Ordinance for GMHB decision, File # POL2020-00331

Dear Council Members:

Over the last couple of elections I supported several of you as candidates for the positions you now hold, with great hope for the future of our city. With your election to your current office I envisioned Council Members going forward, working together to find the best solutions for our community. I envisioned public involvement informing city council process and decisions. I looked for positive dialogue among council members and council with the public. I counted on a dedicated staff that was appreciated by the council and our community. I thought you would be building on the legacy of what prior councils, staff, consultants and our community had worked on so diligently over several years. Part of this legacy was the plan for accommodating growth, focused upon a new town center, the strengthening of infrastructure and preserving existing neighborhoods and their character.

I observe with great disappointment the present situation. A staff that is not appreciated by council and leaves unable to continue to work in the present toxic environment, a musical chair city manager dance with the choice of one with possible and very concerning conflict of interest. A council where the "majority" does not even talk to the "minority" and further, where the majority acts to cut off meaningful discussion with the minority, and also with the public. The purported adoption of questionable policy such as that expressed in the city's handling of the concurrency question, which seems that it just might be a pretext for the City to refuse any accommodation of the growth that will come whether we like it or not. The ignoring of the update of the related Transportation Improvement Plan so relevant to the decision under consideration. The failure to further the legacy left to the city and the council by prior policymakers. The failure to meaningfully permit and consider input from all council members and the public. The failure to value staff, the consultants and to hire and keep a well qualified city manager. In summary, the failure to act in the best interests of the public.

I urge the council to reconsider the topic of the town center, how the city should handle growth and the transportation and concurrency proposals. In particular I support the comments made

by former Mayor Don Gerend in response to the EIS scoping and ask the council to give them due consideration.

In these times where we see such divisiveness in our larger society, I would especially ask the council to be open and transparent, to seek public input and input from ALL councilmembers and to be leaders in reconciliation and healing as we go forward.

Sincerely,

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