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Subject: Running Short Plat Application No. SPL07-00025
Date: Sunday, September 16, 2007 3:57:25 PM

Mr. Hanson,

This e-mail is in response to a notice we received by mail regarding a neighbor's application to short plat his property into two lots.

My first comment is a general one and one which will likely have no effect whatsoever on whether this short plat is granted. My husband and I both really hate what is happening to our neighborhood! Everywhere, old houses are being torn down and two, three and sometimes even four houses are being squeezed onto the property!!! Million dollar mega houses loom over more modest homes. Shouldn't it be a consideration of the City to try to maintain neighborhoods with modest homes with yards for growing families and contain some of this overbuilding for the extremely rich?

As for the above-referenced property, besides being very disappointed that a perfectly good house will be torn down to make way for two yard-less towering houses that won't fit in with the character of the street, please note that the corner at 122nd and 70th is a very dangerous one and we don't think it would be a good idea to have a second driveway closer to the intersection. Cars tend to whip onto 122nd from 70th at a high rate of speed. I'm sure the owner has already thought of this however, and is planning to stack the two houses on one driveway -- another really ugly, impractical trend in the area -- which will mean that if the future owners have guests, they will likely have to park down the street, probably in front of our house, which does not please us at all. We say enough already!!! Put some limits on this gross overbuilding of mega houses in our neighborhood.

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From: BRONSON874@aol.com
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Date: Sunday, September 16, 2007 4:22:08 PM

Sir:

I object to the proposal to short plat a lot on the corner of NE 70th Street and 122nd Ave NE. There is no reason to subdivide this lot or destroy a perfectly good house just to satisfy the greed of a seller and a contractor. This zoning practice of replacing modest homes on spacious lots with high density big boxes on small lots needs to stop. There is no reason why this house could not be modernized or upgraded as is and preserve the yard. The increasing high density in the area puts unneeded stress on public services and destroys the character of the neighborhood. Please take a stand and stop this practice under the guise of progress.

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City of Kirkland - Ron Hanson
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September 18, 2007

Ron:

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I am opposed to the application for a short plat. And request that the application be denied.

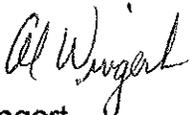
The area is zoned for a minimum lot size of 7,200 square feet. If zoning requirements are to have any meaning, 7,200 square feet means just that.

It's nice that the current owner wants to sell off half his property to make a nice profit, but there is no overwhelming need or public concern to break the zoning code. Is the owner proposing the short plat so that two low income housing units would be built? I don't think so.

Now is the time for the city to rigidly enforce the zoning codes. The homeowner bought the property as a unit and should sell it as such. Selling a property with a nice large lot has always been attractive for buyers.

Thanks for your consideration.

Very truly yours



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