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14 June 2016

Planner Christian Geitz
City of Kirkland
123 Fifth Avenue
Kirkland, WA 98033

Reference: Permit No. SHR16-00803

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am writing on behalf of Eastside Audubon to comment on Case No. SHR16-00803 regarding the proposal of a Process IIA Shoreline Conditional Use Permit for a sea plane operation at Carillon Point Marina. We are opposed to the issuance of this permit because of the danger to protected wildlife. The planes would be too disruptive to birds resting and feeding along the shore, especially over the winter months. This area of Lake Washington is a major wintering ground for many species of ducks.

This area of Lake Washington proposed as the site of the sea plane operation is a wintering area for migrating waterfowl and they would be harmed if a sea plane operation is established there. Waterfowl will be alarmed by planes moving in and out of the area and the noise from their engines, causing them expend energy which they need for wintering over. In addition, birds may be hit by the sea planes.

A wide variety of birds use this area of Lake Washington. Review of data from bird watchers' checklists posted to eBird, a database maintained by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and open to the public, in the area near Houghton Park in January and February 2016 show bird species and the numbers of each of them.

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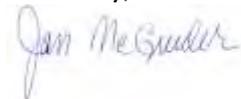
The following table presents the date on which the birds were seen and the observer's name, the name of the species, and the number of each species seen:

<u>Seen on 19 Feb 2016 by Ryan Merrill</u>	<u>Additional birds seen on 18 Jan 2016 by Adrian Lee</u>	<u>Other birds, continued</u>
Eurasian Wigeon 1	Gadwall 4	Osprey
American Wigeon 140	Aythya sp. 60	Caspian Tern
Mallard 17	Pied-billed Grebe 2	Dark-eyed Junco
Mallard (Domestic type) 7	Horned Grebe 6	Canada Goose
Greater Scaup 70	Red-necked Grebe 1	Great Blue Heron
Lesser Scaup 70	Western Grebe 150	House Finch
Bufflehead 1	Song Sparrow 1	Violet-Green Swallow
Common Goldeneye 3		Bald Eagle
Common Merganser 6		Black-capped chickadee
Double-crested Cormorant 1	<u>Other birds that use the area throughout the year are:</u>	Bewick's Wren
American Coot 2	Hooded Merganser	Northern Flicker
Mew Gull 4	Cooper's Hawk	White-crowned Sparrow
Ring-billed Gull 3	Barn Swallow	Belted Kingfisher
California Gull 1		Varied Thrush
Western x Glaucous-winged Gull (hybrid) 2		
American Crow 4		

The review of this proposal and the Environmental Impact Statement will need to include a discussion of the effect of the sea planes on these birds, and a determination of how the proposal will address the danger to these birds and whether or not the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will issue a take permit. If you have information about this aspect of the proposal, please send that information on to us.

Please add our chapter to the list of those who have commented on this proposal and I would appreciate your sending us a notice of the date of the hearing. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Jan McGruder, President

CC: Planning Director Eric Shields
City Manager Kurt Triplett
Mayor Amy Walen
Deputy Mayor Jay Arnold
Councilmember Shelley Kloba

Councilmember Penny Sweet
Councilmember Toby Nixon
Councilmember Dave Asher
Councilmember Doreen Marchione

Christian Geitz

From: Sigrid E. Elenga <sigride@mobilegis.com>
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 3:24 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: RE: Seaplanes at Carillon Point article in Kirkland Reporter, June 17, 16

Dear Mr. Geitz,

I read the article which mentions that the permit will be issued on a complaint basis. My husband and I live on 431 5th Ave West directly on the water and hear the take-offs and landings all too well. I would like to make a complaint: The seaplanes are so loud that they constitute a noise hazard.

We would very much like this kind of a business to move to Renton, at the Southernmost part of Lake Washington, where there are already other seaplanes or to forbid seaplanes on Lake Washington altogether.

Please let me know when you have the hearing in September.

Regards,

Sigrid Elenga
431 5th Ave West
Kirkland, WA 98033-5323
425-827=6124

May 21, 2016

To: Mr. Christian Geitz
Project Planner
123 5th Avenue
Kirkland, WA 98033

From: Fred Emerson
218 Main Street P.O. Box # 760
Kirkland, WA 98033
E-mail: fse@solsticepublications.com

Re: **Permit Number SHR16-00803**
Carillon Sea Plane Operation Shoreline Conditional Use Permit

This is to state my opposition to said project proposal.

This project proposal, should it be approved, would benefit a few and adversely affect many. Therefore it should be rejected.

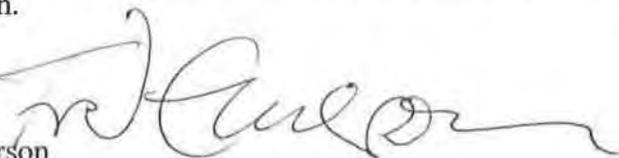
Reasons:

- **Environmental impact:** The proposed sea plane operation would be located in close proximity to the Yarrow Bay Wildlife Preserve, which houses many rare and endangered species, including bald eagles, ospreys, and herons as well as many other bird species, and also beavers, raccoons, and turtles. The Yarrow Bay Preserve and surrounding waters are the breeding grounds and main food supply source of many of these creatures that fish and hunt in this area. It would be unconscionable to further destroy their habitats through aggravated noise- and water pollution.
- **Public safety:** The proposed operation would create significant safety hazards for boaters, kayakers, paddle boarders, swimmers, divers, windsurfers and kitesurfers who would no longer be able to conduct their activities safely on Yarrow Bay waters and beyond.
- **Noise pollution:** Residents and guests would no longer be able to enjoy the undisturbed beauty and calmness of the bay and surroundings, including patrons of the hotels and restaurants at Carillon Point Marina, which attracts visitors from near and far.
- **Property values:** Who would want to invest in a multimillion-dollar home or tourist-dependent business in the middle of what would essentially amount to an airport? Property values would drop dramatically both on Lake Washington Boulevard, Yarrow Bay and Yarrow Point because of noise pollution and added safety hazards.

• **No need for additional seaplane services:** Because of the already existing seaplane port on Lake Washington at Kenmore, there is absolutely no need to build additional facilities for seaplanes for private or commercial purposes.

For these and other reasons, as a longtime resident of Yarrow Bay, I wish to express my strongest opposition to this proposal and ask the respective authorities to deny said application.

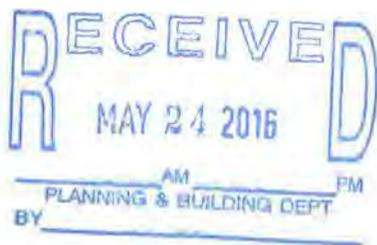
Sincerely,



Fred Emerson

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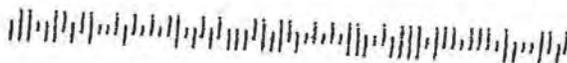
Mr. Christian Geitz

123 5th Ave.

Kirkland, WA 98033

RE: SHR16-00803

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Christian Geitz

From: Grant Erwin <grant@nwnative.us>
Sent: Friday, June 10, 2016 8:30 AM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Jay Arnold; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet
Subject: seaplane permits no. SHR16-00803 smf SEP16-00804

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Categories: Zoning Permits

I am writing in opposition to Kirkland allowing seaplanes to operate from Carillon Point. For most of my life I lived on the west side of Capitol Hill in Seattle, where I was subjected to seaplane noise from Lake Union (where Kurtzer Flying School was located at the time). I know from personal experience how incredibly annoying and intrusive the sounds of seaplanes taking off and landing can be.

I understand that Kirkland in some minor way may benefit financially if this business is allowed to operate from Carillon Point. There may be permit fees as well as some small percentage of increased sales tax or whatever. This revenue could not possibly outweigh the enormous burden of noise these seaplanes would inflict on Carillon Point's neighbors. It is the very worst kind of sound, penetrating deep inside a closed house. Seaplanes are LOUD. I would argue to you that many houses in the area will lose value if they are perceived to be located anywhere near the flight path. Remember, planes have to take off into the wind whatever direction the wind is coming from. And the wind blows in many directions. Can you imagine showing a prospective home buyer a property just when a seaplane roars by overhead? How could that not lower property values?

This society is plagued by noise. We have leaf blowers, power mowers, and traffic noise for starters. It's already bad. Permitting these seaplanes would make it much worse. Noise is a significant part of the urban environment. As such, these permits should not be allowed to skip the normal environmental reviews.

I am asking you to deny permit SHR16-00803. Failing that, please issue a determination of environmental significance for the SEPA.

Regards,

Grant Erwin
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Kirkland, WA 98033

Christian Geitz

From: S. Etchevers <setchev@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, June 10, 2016 12:40 PM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Jay Arnold; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: Seaplane tour operations from Carillon Point

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My family and I (4 voters) are against seaplane flights from Carillon Point. All of us want to preserve Kirkland as a quiet residential and pedestrian oasis for future generations within King County.

Cordially,

Shawn Etchevers

Christian Geitz

From: ccoby1@comcast.net
Sent: Saturday, June 18, 2016 12:25 PM
To: Amy Walen; Kurt Triplett; Eric Shields; Christian Geitz; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione; Jay Arnold
Subject: SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804

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Dear Mayor Walen, City Manager Triplett, Planning Director Shields, Planner Geitz and Councilmembers,

My name is Carollyne Coby-Fill and my husband and I reside at 5505 Lake Washington Blvd NE, Unit 2A, in Kirkland. Our home is immediately north of the Woodmark Hotel and Carillon Point. We are writing to you to state our serious concern regarding permit requests SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804. We understand these permits request approval to operate a seaplane tour business from the dock at Carillon Point. The granting of such a permit, allowing seaplane tours with daily take-offs and landings, would be a severe intrusion on our personal and private lives and would cause a major disruption to life at our home. This would also be true for all other residents in our neighborhood.

You will therefore understand our concern and objection to such a plan. We are also surprised that no notification has been received by us regarding these permit applications. Our knowledge of them comes from a neighbor who in turn heard from a friend in another building on Lake Washington.

As residents of this area of Lake Washington we are aware of many environmental requirements that all property owners have, in order to guarantee the environment is well protected. Our own Association has several rules and requirements regarding noise and maintenance of gardens to protect both residents and neighbors. We strongly feel that the inevitable noise generated by seaplane take-offs and landings would be highly disruptive to life in our home. There are already occasional seaplane take-offs from Carillon Point that create substantial noise level, and any possibility that our home would be exposed on a more frequent basis is, we repeat, of very real concern.

We assume you will be conducting a major Environmental Impact Study as a part of your review process, with an opportunity for all people directly affected to participate in depth, and that no decision will be made on these applications before such activity is completed. Kirkland has a well earned and long standing reputation for good governance, which has always included care and protection of your residents, for which we are most appreciative.

Thank you, and with best regards,

Carollyne Coby-Fill, and Dennis Fill

Christian Geitz

From: Kathy Fleming <kkfleming9@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 24, 2016 2:14 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: SHR16-00803 Sea Planes at Carillon Point

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Categories: Zoning Permits

I am writing to make a comment about the proposed sea plane operation at Carillon Point. I live up the hill from Carillon Point and am directly across from the proposed operation. From what I understand, we are talking about multiple takeoffs and landings every hour during the day. Sea planes are very noisy and noise carries up the hill. This is a nice residential area that should not be subjected to that type of noise on a regular basis. I am vehemently opposed to allowing this sea plane operation in a primarily residential area, especially given the noise impacts.

Kathy Fleming
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kkfleming9@gmail.com
Mutiny Bay Hideaway
www.VRBO.com/584858

Christian Geitz

From: Toby Nixon
Sent: Saturday, June 18, 2016 1:33 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: FW: SHR16-008036-00803

Making sure you got this for the record.

Toby Nixon | Council Member | City of Kirkland, Washington
tnixon@kirklandwa.gov | www.kirklandwa.gov | V: +1 425 587 3536 | M: +1 206 790 6377 | F: +1 425 650 7999
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From: NEWACRES (Fred and LouAnn) [newacres@comcast.net]
Sent: Friday, June 17, 2016 12:13 PM
To: Doreen Marchione; Dave Asher; Toby Nixon; Penny Sweet; Shelley Kloba
Subject: SHR16-008036-00803

Members of the Kirkland Council,

We are Fred and LouAnn Freeburg and we live at 4823 Lake WA Blvd NE #6 Kirkland, WA 98033

We want you to know we are **strongly against the granting of the requested permit** for Carillon Point sea planes. SHR16-00803

We have sent an email to Christian Geitz with the many reasons for our opposition to the request. You can review this material.

We have enough noise in our area presently. We do not need any more noise. We should be searching for ways to decrease the noise in our environment.

We live in a unique, beautiful wetland and lake area filled with wonderful birds and waterfowl. We cannot find information to indicate there has been an environmental impact statement, and we are wondering if was waived and why. Surely this area would qualify for need for such.

The information and facts of this case indicate that you should be against this permit request.

Thank you
Fred and LouAnn Freeburg

Christian Geitz

From: NEWACRES (Fred and LouAnn) <newacres@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 03, 2016 3:01 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Cc: Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Jay Arnold; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: Case No. SHR16-00803

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Greetings

Again I am writing to strongly urge you to **NOT** approve the request from Carillon Point for a **sea plane operation permit. Case No. SHR16-00803**

We live on Lake Washington overlooking Yarrow Cove. All the reasons listed in our [email to you dated June 16](#) are still true.

As you are well aware, Yarrow Cove is an environmentally fragile area inhabited by all kinds of animals and water fowl and shore birds. Any amount of increased noise generated by float planes or sea planes is so unnecessary. There are so few areas like Yarrow Cove left in the world. We need to protect it and absolutely not add more noise to the area. We have other places already established on Lake Union and at Kenmore for such float/sea plane "basis".

We ask that in all fairness to all concerned you would request an EIS.

The more people become aware of this permit request the more people are strongly against the granting of the permit.

regards,

Fred and LouAnn Freeburg
4823 Lake WA Blvd NE #6
Kirkland, WA 98033
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Christian Geitz

From: NEWACRES (Fred and LouAnn) <newacres@comcast.net>
Sent: Thursday, June 16, 2016 10:59 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: case no. SHR16-00803

Christian Geitz, City of Kirkland Planning and Building Department
To Whom It May Concern

We are writing to object to the granting of the Sea Plane Operation Permit for Carillon Point Marina. Referenced as Case No. SHR16-00803

My name is LouAnn Freeburg and my husband Fred and I live at 4823 Lake WA Blvd. NE #6 Kirkland, WA 98033.

My husband and I visited the Kirkland City Hall and looked over the Carillon Point Sea Plane proposal. It appeared as though the proposal had been written in such a way as to show minimal negative impact on the environment, and the neighbors. The following are some major points of concern we have regarding the proposal.

- 1] There is room for argument in the amount of noise the proposal says the sea planes make. To say something is less noisy than the 520 bridge is really not a recommendation in our book.
- 2] The number of flights per day can be huge. The proposal would allow for flights for daylight hours in the summer. On estimate that could be as many as 25 flights per day. Even if the number of flights were less, it would still be too many. We do not need such a thing where we live.
- 3] The proposal shows a page with flight plans with take off, approach and departure routes being off the north end of Yarrow Point and then getting close to the Yarrow Bay Marina. It shows the take off as being 1000 feet from the shore [not the docks] of the Yarrow Bay Marina, which is getting pretty close to my home and all the homes of the people who live along Yarrow Cove.
- 4] We have ridden on numerous sea planes getting in and out of various areas of Alaska and British Columbia. When they come to pick you up, you hear them well before you see them. And when they get close, you cannot hear each other talk. Passengers are required to wear ear protection because they are so noisy.
- 5] The first time you ride on a roller coaster it is fun....but to have a roller coaster in your front yard is not what any home buyer would put at the top of the priority list. Seeing the planes while having lunch one time at Carillon Point might be fun, but not in my front yard please.
- 6] The proposal shows data that people who rode on sea planes found the noise only a small problem. Again I refer to my item #5.
- 7] The proposal points out that we presently have noise coming at us from a multitude of directions. That being true, why would any one want to add additional noise? We should be doing the opposite and figuring out how to reduce the noise in our environment.

8] There are other places in Seattle to obtain a sea plane ride.....Lake Union and Kenmore.

9] When a sea plane goes by my home, I can hear it from every room in the house. The "20 second" time given that the sea planes would be heard is absurd. In fact you hear the plane before you see it and while you see it and after you see it. We are disturbed by a sea plane that takes off or lands on the other side of the lake. I cannot imagine what it would be like to have them doing such 1000 feet from my home.

10] We live on the lake and near a wet land. We are frequented by all kinds of wonderful birds, water fowl, and even some animals. We so enjoy watching the birds and the waterfowl....the wildlife and we want to keep it that way.

11] Where we live is a unique, exceptional area,.... a lovely cove, by a wet land and the lake. We presently have enough noise. ANY ADDITIONAL NOISE IS TOO MUCH.

Please listen to what all the people have said who have written in opposition.

We would like to be informed of any future information, meetings, hearings, etc regarding this proposal.

Thank you

Fred and LouAnn Freeburg

Christian Geitz

From: Robert Gemmell <rjgemmell5@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 10, 2016 2:54 PM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Penny Sweet; Shelley Kloba; Jay Arnold; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: Carillon Pt. seaplane operations

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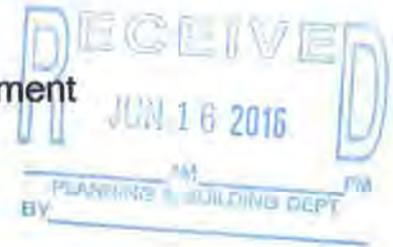
Kirkland City Council:

Please do not approve the above noted operations from Carillon Pt. The noise levels and threat to wind surfers, paddle boarders, kayakers and swimmers would be completely out of perspective for that local. Frankly, I cannot think of more improper and dumber proposal.

Phyllis & Robert Gemmell
6424 Lake Wash. Bl. N.E.

TO:

Christian Geitz
City of Kirkland Planning and Building Department
123 5th Avenue
Kirkland, WA 98033



**SUBJECT: APPLICATION & OPTIONA SEPA
Carillon Sea Plane Operation Shoreline Conditional Use Permit
Case SHR16-00803**

This is to state that we object to the proposed Seaplane Operation at Carillon Point in Kirkland. This is a residential area along the shoreline that is being proposed. The noise that residents would be exposed to with these take off and landings is not conducive to residential living. Not only is the noise and issue but this is also a very heavily used area for recreation. It is very objectionable as this water is used by standup boarders, kayaks, swimmers, canoes, recreational boaters who ski and tube behind their boats. It presents a very big issue for safety for these recreational activities and others.

There is already an airplane service, Kenmore Air, area on Lake Washington that has been established and use and has been working for years. This new service is definitely NOT something we who have resided on this shore for many years would approve.

Jim & Carol Genova
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Christian Geitz

From: Jennifer Georges <jbgeorges@me.com>
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 9:44 PM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; jarnold%kirklandwa.gov.skloba%
kirklandwa.gov.psweet@kirklandwa.gov; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: seaplane at Carillon Pt.

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To Whom It May Concern,

I live on NE 52nd St., only a short way up the hill from Carillon Point. I am very concerned about noise from multiple seaplane takeoffs and landings. I do not want to live by an airport and that is what this will become. I have been walking along Lk. Wa. Blvd. and heard the seaplane. What a way to destroy the peacefulness of a beautiful setting! If you care anything at all about the citizens of Houghton and greater Kirkland, you will not allow this plan of seaplane tourism to go forward.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Georges
5012 102nd Ln. NE
Kirkland, Wa. 98033

Christian Geitz

From: David German <dgerman@aquaquip.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 25, 2016 4:12 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Seaplanes SHR16-0083

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Categories: Zoning Permits

David German
5821 109th ave NE
Kirkland Wa 98033
dgerman@aquaquip.com

Please do not allow seaplanes to operate anywhere out of Kirkland, the noise would diminish the quality of life we all enjoy. The only people who would benefit from this would be the plane operators. If this proposal goes through it would be another outside interest degrading our quality of life.

David German
Store Manager
Aqua Quip
425.895.1997



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Christian Geitz

From: Michele Goossens <michgooss@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 12, 2016 9:38 PM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Jay Arnold; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: NO NO to Seaplane airport in beautiful Kirkland!

We are against the proposal for a Seaplane airport in Carillon Point.
The noise would destroy our quiet community that's already growing too rapidly. It damages the last prestige natural area and beauty of the estuaries in Kirkland.

Additionally would open the door for other operations and turn our entire area into a loud, polluted commercial zone.

Please say NO to the proposal

Thank you,

Goossens, Veranth and Slusher families

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Michèle G

June 17, 2016

Eric Shields, Planning Director
City of Kirkland
123 Fifth Avenue
Kirkland, WA 98033

Re: Carillon Properties Application for Seaplane Operation Permit
Permit Number: SHR-16-0083

Dear Mr. Shields and Team:

I write to express my observations, concerns and opinions regarding the application by Carillon Properties for a permit to operate seaplanes from near Carillon Point on Lake Washington.

I am a 30+ year resident of Kirkland and live on the lake near the boat ramp. I am concerned about seaplane **noise** from 9 a.m. until one hour before sunset, two planes operating all day, every day, year round. I am also concerned about **safety**.

Kirkland passed a Lake Washington noise ordinance recently. Airplanes should not be exempt from complying. Seaplanes are loud. Their noise is prolonged. Noise carries easily across water for long distances. Noise is pollution.

I am strongly opposed to allowing seaplanes to operate at Carillon Point.

The noise will be annoying and bothersome for those living near the waterfront and using the waterfront. One seaplane pilot website says: "Seaplanes must be at or near full speed during takeoff. This means that the engine is operating at peak efficiency and produces **volumes not dissimilar to a major urban airport takeoff.**"

Visit Kenmore or Lake Union when the planes are flying. Is that what we want on the Kirkland waterfront? Is that the experience we want when we're walking with friends, taking our kids to the beach, kayaking or paddle boarding, sitting at a summer concert or on a restaurant patio, or showing off our beautiful city to out-of-town guests?

Studies confirm the harmful effects of noise in our daily lives. Former U.S. Surgeon General William H. Stewart said in 1978, "**Calling noise a nuisance is like calling smog an inconvenience. Noise must be considered a hazard to the health of people everywhere.**"

One study in the Southern Medical Journal stated: "The potential health effects of noise pollution are numerous, pervasive, persistent and medically and socially significant. **The aim of enlightened governmental controls should be to protect citizens from the adverse effects of [noise] pollution.**"

Kirkland is making an important decision. If seaplanes are approved, there will be no going back. This is not something we should enter into lightly. It deserves more research and a thorough public

process. Victoria's James Bay Neighborhood Association has been fighting seaplane noise for several years and says, "Once the float-planes are in, they are almost impossible to get out."

Seaplane noise has its most impact on takeoff. Currently I can hear each seaplane takeoff from my home over a mile away. Most seaplanes are older, many are Beavers with huge radial engines and no muffler. The noise on takeoff can exceed 100 dbs.

Consider this a commercial water runway on Lake Washington. If it was a construction project the City would demand a traffic study. The city should request a noise testing and analysis to be done. Seaplanes are louder than nearly all other waterway users. The City of Kirkland's noise ordinance for Lake Washington should apply equally to aircraft as it does to watercraft.

Does the 1990 Part 150 Federal Law regarding noise at airports come into play? Is Lake Washington to become a de facto airport? Should a Noise Compatibility Study be commissioned? 49 U.S.C. (the Aviation Safety and Noise Abatement Act, hereinafter referred to as "the Act") and 14 CFR Part 150.

What should the standards be for loudness, frequency and duration? What should the flight patterns be to mitigate the noise pollution? Can the number of seaplanes be increased? What are the limits and how do we balance the concerns, rights and privileges of all? These are challenging questions, which cannot be properly addressed without more information, data, study and evaluation.

Why not just route the patrons to Lake Union and Kenmore? Kirkland is probably not the best location to consider a third commercial seaplane operation. Currently there are two: Renton and Kenmore. We (the citizens and the City of Kirkland government) might learn a great deal from their long term experiences. Noise is among the more prominent and significant concerns of neighbors. Mercer Island residents are directly impacted by Renton Municipal Airport, which includes both land and seaplane traffic.

I recommend a measured approach. We already have a recent lake noise ordinance. My opinion is that seaplanes violate that ordinance: on takeoff, taxiing, flying over, and on landing.

Respectfully,

s/JMG

John Graham
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Christian Geitz

From: john@famousrain.com
Sent: Sunday, June 19, 2016 5:39 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Sea Plane Operations (Seaplane Scenics)

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Christian,

I want to voice my strong objections to the Seaplane Scenics operations.

Not only have they been operating illegally without a permit, which implies a strong disregard for the city of Kirkland and its residents, but this really only benefits Seaplane Scenics and possibly helps Carillon Point profit as well. It does virtually NOTHING for the residents of Kirkland except blanket us in more noise.

Even as far away as 108th Ave NE and State Street you can CLEARLY hear sea planes take off on Lake Washington. This impacts a very large number of residents not just those living along the lake and those trying to enjoy Kirkland parks and the Cross Kirkland Corridor trail. In short, it seriously harms our quality of life and for what? To fatten the pockets of two private companies?

If Kirkland approves this permit I'm going to seriously consider moving elsewhere. I'm really tired of Kirkland being so pro-business while the quality of life in Kirkland goes steadily down hill with more traffic, roads that are falling apart, oversized new developments, more noise, the city wanting transit on the CKC, etc. The city seems to have lost their way. Here's the chance to do something in favor of the residents, rather than private business, for a change. Please reject the permit and stop Seaplane Scenics from operating from the shores of Kirkland. Thank you.

Regards,

John Guida
Kirkland, WA

Christian Geitz

From: Timi Gustafson <tmg@timigustafson.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 21, 2016 3:41 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Opposition to SHR16-00803

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May 21, 2016

To: Mr. Christian Geitz
Project Planner
123 5th Avenue
Kirkland, WA 98033

From: Fred Emerson
218 Main Street P.O. Box # 760
Kirkland, WA 98033
E-mail: fse@solsticepublications.com

Re: Permit Number SHR16-00803
Carillon Sea Plane Operation Shoreline Conditional Use Permit

This is to state my opposition to said project proposal.

This project proposal, should it be approved, would benefit a few and adversely affect many. Therefore it should be rejected.

Reasons:

- **Environmental impact:** The proposed sea plane operation would be located in close proximity to the Yarrow Bay Wildlife Preserve, which houses many rare and endangered species, including bald eagles, ospreys, and herons as well as many other bird species, and also beavers, raccoons, and turtles. The Yarrow Bay Preserve and surrounding waters are the breeding grounds and main food supply source of many of these creatures that fish and hunt in this area. It would be unconscionable to further destroy their habitats through aggravated noise- and water pollution.
- **Public safety:** The proposed operation would create significant safety hazards for boaters, kayakers, paddle boarders, swimmers, divers, windsurfers and kitesurfers who would no longer be able to conduct their activities safely on Yarrow Bay waters and beyond.
- **Noise pollution:** Residents and guests would no longer be able to enjoy the undisturbed beauty and calmness of the bay and surroundings, including patrons of the hotels and restaurants at Carillon Point Marina, which attracts visitors from near and far.
- **Property values:** Who would want to invest in a multimillion-dollar home or tourist-dependent business in the middle of what would essentially amount to an airport? Property values would drop dramatically both on Lake Washington Boulevard, Yarrow Bay and Yarrow Point because of noise pollution and added safety hazards.

- No need for additional seaplane services: Because of the already existing seaplane port on Lake Washington at Kenmore, there is absolutely no need to build additional facilities for seaplanes for private or commercial purposes.

For these and other reasons, as a longtime resident of Yarrow Bay, I wish to express my strongest opposition to this proposal and ask the respective authorities to deny said application.

Sincerely,

Fred Emerson

Christian Geitz

From: Solom Heddaya <solomh@outlook.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 26, 2016 8:41 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Carillon Sea Plane operation

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Dear Mr. Geitz,

I understand that my comment is a week late for the 6/20 deadline for comment on SHR16-00803, but I hope you can consider it.

<http://www.kirklandwa.gov/Assets/Planning/Planning+PDFs/Public+Notices/Carillon+Sea+Plane+Operation+S+CUP+Notice+of+Application+-+SHR16-00803.pdf>

I am writing this while sitting in the balcony of my condo (**Apt 409 Shorehouse, 6225 Lk WA Blvd NE**) enjoying the sound of the water and amazing view. Both of these could be seriously impaired by the proposed project. I do observe seaplanes taking off and landing occasionally. They are far louder than boats buzzing by.

Air pollution is a serious consideration for me as well. I do occasionally smell the exhaust from boats wafting up from water level to the 4th floor). Having a sea plane leave a trail of exhaust, in the air right as it takes off right in front of my condo will be far worse.

Beyond that, I would be concerned about property value, as I own another lake-front condo that I plan to rent and/or sell (**807 Lake St S, #202**).

While a few seaplanes a day can provide welcome diversions, having a full-fledged airport, with potentially many take-offs and landings, can be a real nuisance.

Thanks. /Solom

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Christian Geitz

From: Simone Hesel <simone.hesel@comcast.net>
Sent: Friday, June 10, 2016 11:37 PM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: SHR16-00803

I am a resident of the Waterfront next to Houghton Beach Park. I am totally against the proposed Seaplane activity.

The noise the Seaplanes generate currently is beyond irritating after a couple times a day already. To have them begin at 9AM and to endure them ALL day long would be beyond any believable comprehension. Is there not a noise ordinance that this would violate? Not to mention, those of us that enjoy sitting in the park, walking the waterfront, sitting on patios and enjoying the peace and quiet of the water lapping the shore, would be astronomically disrupted!

Additionally, the safety issue. There are boaters, Fishermen, paddleboarders, swimmers, kayakers and so on that enjoy these waters from daybreak to dusk everyday. With planes flying in and out all day long the accident/incident possibilities could be frightening.

Then there is the wildlife. The quiet arbortium behind Carillon, the Eagles, the heron and so on...Seaplanes would seriously disrupt their habitat. In the Fall, when the Family of Swans come down to visit, the Fish (I have no idea how the planes would disrupt them I admit), however, I am certain that they would.

There is NO benefit to any resident in the area for this permit to be issued. It would be a noise nightmare, an environmental issue and potential safety disaster. Just take a windy day, a bunch of fishermen with lines in the water and no way to move, some paddleboarders crossing the bays and kayakers negotiating the rough waters...and now a plane trying to land in the midst of them all!

To cause all of this disruption for a 20 minute ride for the sake of a dollar is wrong. There are other areas on the Lake that have Seaplane access. Carillon Point does not need to be added to the list.

I am not one to picket, march against a cause or generally disrupt any business - I am all for Capitalism and small business and so on but I would fight for a NO on this proposal.

Simone Hesel

Christian Geitz

From: Peter Horvitz <peter@phorvitz.com>
Sent: Monday, June 13, 2016 9:38 AM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Jay Arnold; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione

Dear Mayor Walen, City Manager Triplett, Planning Director Shields, Planner Geitz and Councilmembers:

My name is Peter Horvitz and I'm a resident of 5505 Lake Washington Blvd., Unit 1C in Kirkland and president of the One Carillon Point Owners Association, the homeowners association for One Carillon Point. Our condominium sits directly north of Carillon Point and the Woodmark Hotel. I'm writing to express concern about permit requests SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804. Although I have known that a seaplane has been parked at the Carillon Point dock I was unaware of these permit requests that are intended to seek permission for operating a seaplane tour business off the dock at Carillon Point. While I view occasional landings and dockings at Carillon Point acceptable, the permitting of a business providing seaplane tours with many takeoffs and landings daily is another matter all together. The noise from these takeoffs and landings are disruptive to me, other homeowners in our condominium and our neighbors. A friend who lives in another building on Lake Washington has told me that she can't carry on a telephone conversation when a seaplane is taking off.

It seems to me that a commercial use of this nature should require an Environmental Impact Study, extensive surveying of residents impacted, and ample comment period and review prior to a decision being made whether or not to grant these permits. Carillon Point and Carillon Properties have always been good neighbors, but in this instance none of our residents were ever notified about this potential use of their dock nor were we adequately notified by the city that these permits were being requested. Since we live on Lake Washington, we know of the many environmental requirements that property owners have to insure that the environment is well protected. Our Association has many rules regarding noise and maintenance of gardens to insure that we protect the environment for residents and neighbors. I feel that a similar level of protection is appropriate regarding noise generated by seaplane takeoffs and landings. I have informed all of the residents of One Carillon Point so that they are aware of this situation, but the only reason that I became aware of it is because a friend who also lives nearby sent me the information. I hope you'll review this matter thoroughly and only make a decision after significant community comment.

Best regards,

Peter

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Christian Geitz

From: pat.leejames <pat.leejames@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 16, 2016 3:06 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Fwd: Letter to city

Sent from my T-Mobile 4G LTE Device

----- Original message -----

From: PMeyer66@aol.com
Date: 06/16/2016 1:19 PM (GMT-08:00)
To: pat.leejames@gmail.com
Cc:
Subject: Letter to city

Mr. Christian Geitz
Planning and Building Department
City of Kirkland

RE: SHR16-00803

Dear Mr. Geitz,

We are writing to express our concerns about the above referenced proposed permit request that has been submitted to the city by Carillon Point that would allow them to operate seaplanes out of their dock.

We are shocked and dismayed that Carillon Point feels that this endeavor would enhance the livability of our beautiful and serene city of Kirkland. It is obviously planned as an additional revenue stream for Carillon Point, while the surrounding residential areas would be subjected to hours a day of deafening noise from the engines. We have experienced this first hand when we lived on Yarrow Point and lived in close proximity to a family with a seaplane. The daily noise prohibited us from using our lakefront decks and yards, and our young grandchildren would often bust into tears because of the frightening noise. This could happen to the nearby residents of Carillon Point if this permit is granted. There are many other negative influences that could occur, including a downward spiral in home values. Please protect us, the residents of this city, and keep the planes in Kenmore.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold Lee and Patricia James
5302 Lake Washington Blvd NE, Unit L
Kirkland, WA 98033

Christian Geitz

From: Maureen Kelly <maureenkelly@outlook.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 19, 2016 8:31 PM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Jay Arnold; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: Seaplane Operation at Carillon Point

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Dear Mayor Walen, City Manager Triplett, Planning Director Shields, Planner Geitz and Councilmembers:

There are two parts to this story. The first should be of great concern to the Kirkland City Council and citizens of Kirkland whether or not personally impacted by seaplane generated noise.

1) The City of Kirkland Planning Department has allowed a potentially controversial neighborhood business to operate without proper process. It is my understanding that the owner of Seaplane Scenics and management from Carillon Point met with the Planning Department in Fall 2015 at which time they were told what was required of them to start the permit process. Yet they have been operating out of Carillon Point for two years since late summer 2014 without permits. Further, the Planning Department has recently said they will likely allow the business to continue operations prior to receipt of permits. Why? Has Seaplane Scenics submitted a fully complete permit application yet? If so when, and did it include an Environmental Impact Study and a shorelines permit package? Has the city been collecting business tax since 2014?

2) There has been ZERO outreach to the affected neighborhood about a business that poses a significant noise and potential safety and environmental impact to the area. The noise generated by seaplane take-offs under certain wind and/or atmospheric conditions can equal the impact of the occasional obnoxious cigarette/speed boat for which there are noise ordinances. The noise might be shorter in duration but the frequency of 15-20 flights a day has a significant impact on the last nerve of those residing nearby.

I pose one question - how would you feel if your city allowed a small-plane airstrip to be built near your home without proper process? This is no different. Seaplanes are *much* louder than small land airplanes and as such are disallowed in the City of Yarrow Point, Medina and yes, even Kirkland.

I do not believe that the Planning Department should allow Seaplane Scenics to continue operation while they are in the permit application process. It sets a terrible precedent and there is no urgent need or significant benefit of Kirkland's residents to encourage this action. The issues are real and need to be vetted first.

Best regards,

Maureen Kelly

6201 Lake Washington Blvd NE #102

Kirkland WA 98033

206-465-5550

Christian Geitz

From: Fadi Khuri <khurifadi@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 19, 2016 10:12 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: SeaPlane proposal

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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In Reference to SHR16-00803, the Sea Plane proposal for Carillon Point, I urge you to only pass this initiative IF the noise from sound will not disturb residents, outdoor enthusiasts and commercial properties around the area AND in the flights path. If the flights path will include noise disturbing any of these groups, the vote should not pass. Please do not vote for the measure if the flights path is unknown, unclear, or will disturb residents or outdoor enthusiasts.

Juanita Bay resident,
Fadi Khuri

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Fadi Khuri
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Christian Geitz

From: Eric Shields
Sent: Tuesday, September 06, 2016 8:22 AM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: FW: Seaplanes and permit at Carillon Point

Letter writers must know you're back.

From: Amy Bolen
Sent: Tuesday, September 06, 2016 8:15 AM
To: Eric Shields <EShields@kirklandwa.gov>
Subject: FW: Seaplanes and permit at Carillon Point

Eric, I believe this one is for your department. Please copy me on any response. Thank you!

AMY BOLEN

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT, CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE
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From: City Council
Sent: Tuesday, September 06, 2016 8:14 AM
To: Council <Council@kirklandwa.gov>
Cc: Kurt Triplett <KTriplett@kirklandwa.gov>; Marilynne Beard <MBeard@kirklandwa.gov>; Tracey Dunlap <TDunlap@kirklandwa.gov>
Subject: FW: Seaplanes and permit at Carillon Point

Council, I have acknowledged receipt and forwarded to staff. Thank you.

AMY BOLEN

EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT, CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE
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From: Pam Kiesel [<mailto:pamkiesel@juno.com>]
Sent: Monday, September 05, 2016 8:34 PM
To: City Council <citycouncil@kirklandwa.gov>
Subject: Seaplanes and permit at Carillon Point

September 05, 2016

Council Members:

I wish to add my concerns to those already expressed by so many. I echo the concerns about pollution, dangers to boaters, dangers to swimmers, dangers to wetlands, NOISE, and proximity

to Houghton Beach Park etc. The noise does not just affect those who live on or near the lake. It is quite present for a long ways.

This whole topic seems to have been mishandled by City of Kirkland Staff. The communication about it was very poor and the original window for public comment was very short given that poor communication. The lack of the shoreline permit and the consequent illegal operation and the initial and subsequent staff reactions to the public when this came to light did not speak well for the city.

If there is a way this permit can be stopped, I hope it will be.

However that comes out, I hope that the city will continue to pursue fines being levied operators.

Thank you,

Pam Kiesel - long-time resident of Kirkland

Christian Geitz

From: Brian <bking9510@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 24, 2016 4:45 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Proposed Carillon Sea Plan Operation

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Categories: Zoning Permits

Working from home across from Carillon Pt, I see a variety of water activities being enjoyed, such as water skiers, fisherman, kayaks, and paddle boards heading into the Morningstar preserve. The thought of commercial aviation landing so close to this high traffic area sounds like a bad accident waiting to happen.

In addition, I see a half dozen bald eagles over Yarrow Bay on a daily basis, along with Heron and a variety of Geese. There is an eagle's nest on 94th / Yarrow. Kirkland will have a PR nightmare on its hands the first time a bald eagle goes through the prop of a small plane, possibly causing a plane crash. With all the high-res security cameras these days, someone will surely capture future accidents on tape. The finger will be pointed at Kirkland for approving the operation.

I think a 10 minute drive to catch a plane out of Kenmore is a much more reasonable approach.

<http://www.adn.com/aviation/article/ntsb-plane-birchwood-fatal-crash-was-struck-bald-eagle/2016/05/04/>

<http://bigstory.ap.org/article/fa4f58c04ca541f1aa4d0d78ce8c771b/agency-bald-eagle-caused-alaska-plane-crash-killed-4>

etc, etc, etc

Christian Geitz

From: Wendy Klinker <klinkerk@msn.com>
Sent: Friday, June 10, 2016 9:27 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Seaplanes

I highly disapprove of seaplanes on Lake Washington. Not sure where the statistics are coming from, but they are very NOISY? Stop the nonsense of trying to ruin Kirkland, we don't want trains on the trail, seaplanes on our lake or Urban dense housing and shopping complexes. Not sure why you think all of this is okay? If you let the citizens vote, I am sure they would disapprove of this new initiative and others.

Kindly,

Wendy Klinker

Christian Geitz

From: Wendy Lane <wuddy@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 9:33 AM
To: Christian Geitz
Cc: Michelle Schlichting
Subject: Seaplanes @ Carillon Point

Importance: High

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The Villas residents recently received a postcard regarding two tour companies requesting seaplanes take off and land in half hour increments from sunrise to sunset. I believe this would be a problem with not only with noise pollution to people, but with wildlife that live near by. The frequency is too much! A few times a day would be fine, BUT all day is not desirable to **anyone** living near by nor to wildlife in this area. Please **do not permit** this type of pollution to such a serene part of Lake Washington!!!

Thank you,
Wendy Lane
Villas Resident

Christian Geitz

From: uwkkg@aol.com
Sent: Friday, June 10, 2016 1:01 PM
To: Amy Walen; Jay Arnold; Penny Sweet; Doreen Marchione; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Kurt Triplett; Eric Shields; Christian Geitz
Subject: Public Comment on Seaplanes SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804

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Good Afternoon Council Members, Kurt, Eric and Christian:

SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804 Seaplanes

Please make me a party of record and make sure that I am subscribed to any listserv and receive all notices about the Seaplane(s) proposed for Carillon Point. If two planes are being proposed for flights every 20 minutes and until an hour before sunset (quite late in the summer), this is a very big change and not one that I believe has been adequately studied by the EIS for Carillon or any other EIS making it unsuitable for a Determination of Non-Significance. Additionally, I do not believe that this use or the intensity of this use has been an approved part of the Shoreline Plan. If anything it might say that this could be considered, but that would mean that it could also be denied.

My concerns thoughts are generally these:

- I used to enjoy boating and kayaking on Lake Union and now never want to go there as I feel that I'm dodging Seaplanes. Its just not relaxing.
- I don't believe the Environmental Impact Study for the Carillon project, or any other EIS has contemplated this use and its impacts. An EIS should be required
- I don't think the project should be given a "Determination of Non-significance" because I believe there are significant impacts that should be evaluated.
- The Ordinances and Council meetings from the Carillon Point (and marina) approval have some strong noise restrictions, so Seaplanes seem to conflict with the approval
- It seems that wording about Seaplanes and Conditional Use require the applicant to show that it does not conflict with the characte of the neighborhood. I think it conflicts.
- It seems that there are several qualifiers in the Conditional Use that are not being met by this proposal (I'll spare all from going through them until closer to the hearing)
- I think running two seaplanes is too much and I'm not sure I even like one. Either way, I am concerned that often things start off small and continue to get bigger, no matter what is promised at the beginning.
- The idea of being able to land and take off every 20 minutes sounds like the area may have the noise and the commotion almost constantly. Even if allowed fewer flights at the beginning, I think it will grow.
- Also, it is a bit difficult to trust someone to "play strictly by the rules" as we seem to be promised..... when this person has been breaking the rules and operating without permits for 2 years.

Thank you for paying attention to this item of concern and assuring that City Council and Staff will review this carefully and thoughtfully - This will be too big a Jeanie to put back in the bottle!

Karen Levenson

Christian Geitz

From: Howard Levy <Howlevy@live.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 16, 2016 9:28 AM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: SHR16-00803

We are condominium owners at the Villas at Carillon which is located directly across Lake Washington Blvd. from Carillon Point. We are writing to state our disapproval of the application to locate a seaplane terminal at Carillon. Point which would allow up to twelve flights a day. Currently, there are occasional seaplanes taking off and landing in this area and we and our neighbors are well aware of the noise impact. The loud engine sound of take-offs and landings vibrates against the front of our buildings rendering our decks almost useless during the activities. Carillon Point and the surrounding waterfront parks are noted for walking as well as recreation from picnics, ball playing, kite flying, boating. It is a noise polluting and visual distraction to the beautiful Olympic Mountains. There are various restaurants with outdoor seating that will be impacted by the noise also. In addition, we are concerned with the environmental impact to the lake, shoreline and animal and birds. We see on the website for Seaplane Scenics that they offer both scenic tours and pilot training. Training would involve multiple take-offs and landings, thereby increasing the noise pollution as well as fuel contamination to our area.

Thank you for allowing us to state our position against approving this application.

Howard and Jan Levy
5302 Lake Washington Blvd. NE
Unit E
Kirkland, Washington 98033

Sent from my iPad

Christian Geitz

From: Gaelan Lloyd <gaelan@fastmail.fm>
Sent: Tuesday, May 17, 2016 10:04 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Cc: Roy Hodges
Subject: Resident feedback on Carillon Point sea planes (SHR16-00803)

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Categories: Zoning Permits

Hello Christian,

We received the notice about an application for sea planes to operate in the Carillon Point area (SHR16-00803) and wanted to provide feedback.

My partner and I live in the immediate vicinity of Carillon Point, directly across Lake Washington Blvd. from the property where the permit application is scheduled.

We feel that there will be two fairly significant impacts to the environment by allowing sea planes to operate here.

(1) Substantial noise generation.

One of the main reasons we chose to move to Kirkland and specifically to the Carillon Point area was for the peace and quiet that this neighborhood provides. We have lived here for just over 3 years and have enjoyed a very quiet atmosphere. Our boating trips in Lake Union and walking around the surrounding areas are pleasant but are always interrupted by the extremely loud noise coming from the sea planes that operate in that area. Allowing these planes to operate directly across the street from our home will certainly disrupt the peace and quiet that we have grown accustomed to as they taxi and idle, and especially during take-off.

(2) Pollution increase.

The sea planes will provide a significant source of gas fumes and air pollution. Since we live so close to the planned operating center we will undoubtedly experience fumes as the planes idle and taxi around their base. Like many others, we open our windows and enjoy the fresh air during the summer months, a time when the volume of sea plane flights will be the highest. It would be extremely disappointing to not be able to enjoy this fresh air if the operating fumes from a fleet of sea planes is blowing in our direction.

This feedback is of course our opinion and we understand that the final decision may not be up to us but rather the community and local leadership. We are thankful for the opportunity to voice our concern and would be happy to be included in any updates to these proceedings as they develop.

Thank you for your time and consideration,

Gaelan Lloyd and Roy Hodges

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Email: gaelan@fastmail.fm

Christian Geitz

From: milton lumpkin <hootsandyatto@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 16, 2016 11:07 AM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; jarnold@kirklandwas.gov; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Cc: Peter Horvitz; Shayna Schuermann
Subject: Position on Lake WA seaplanes

Dear Mayor Walen, City Manager Triplett, Planning Director Shields, Planner Geitz and Councilmembers:

My name is Milton Lumpkin and my wife Gerry and I reside at 5505 Lake Washington Boulevard, Unit 2C, in Kirkland. I am a member of the Board of Directors of the One Carillon Point Owners Association. Our condominium is north of and adjacent to the Woodmark Hotel. We are concerned about permit requests SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804. Although we have known that a seaplane has been operating from the Carillon Point dock, we only recently became aware that permits for operating a seaplane tour business off the dock at Carillon Point have never been obtained.

ANY business located at Carillon Point providing seaplane tours is unacceptable to us and we feel that to grant such a permit would open the door for other tour operators and set a dangerous precedent. Our reasons for purchasing this condominium unit included not only the view but also the quiet and tranquil setting. The noise from multiple airplane takeoffs and landings each day would be offensive to us and our guests, ruin the environment on our deck, and diminish our enjoyment of the same.

I agree with the President of our Board, Peter Horvitz, that a commercial use of this nature should require an Environmental Impact Study, extensive surveying of residents, and an ample comment and review period prior to a decision being made whether or not to grant these permits. People who are fortunate enough to live and work on Lake Washington should understand and accept that we all have a responsibility to preserve and protect its environment. Our own Association homeowners are subject to many rules regarding noise to insure that we are good environmental stewards for all residents of and visitors to Kirkland. We agree with Peter Horvitz that a similar level of protection is to be expected regarding noise generated by seaplane takeoffs and landings.

All good wishes, Milton Lumpkin 206 498 1927 and Gerry Lumpkin 206 498 8788

Christian Geitz

From: Anne Mann <annegmann@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 2:15 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Seaplanes at Carillon Point

This email is in response to the Application for a Permit, **permit number SHR16-00803**, to allow 2 Seaplanes, apparently part of a Tour Company, permission to take off and land in half hour intervals, from sunrise to sunset at Carillon Point.

Please DO NOT do this. This will be very loud and create unbelievable noise pollution.

Thank you.

Christian Geitz

From: J Max <jloveshorses@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 12:56 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Cc: J Max
Subject: Seaplanes permit number SHR16-00803

I live at The Villas at Carillon. It is directly across the street from Carillon Point. There are four buildings and each building has twelve units. It is condominiums that are owned. I have lived here a little over nine years. I love it but I won't anymore if there are going to be seaplanes that take off and land in half hour intervals. That will cause noise pollution to humans and animals. That will definitely be hard also for the landscapers, people that are on the roof to pressure wash etc. it will be awful for the wildlife/birds that we have on the the property and on our walking, biking, jogging etc. on the King County trail that runs just behind the top of the property.that has signs up saying to respect the ecology of the birds etc.

I am highly against this petition!!!

Jeanette Maxwell
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jloveshorses@hotmail.com

Sent from my iPad

Christian Geitz

From: J Max <jloveshorses@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 10:42 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Seaplanes

I forgot to mention that there are boat races every Friday that start in the spring time and finish in the fall. if there are seaplanes the boat races will not be able to take place. That is a highlight of the summer for me as I used to compete on boating races. There is so much activity with boats, kayaks, stand up paddle boards, swimmers, fishing etc. that is extremely dangerous for the people on the water if there are seaplanes.

Our house values will plummet.

I am STRONGLY AGAINST seaplanes.

Sincerely,
Jeanette Maxwell
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Unit i
Kirkland. 98033

Sent from my iPad

Christian Geitz

From: Shannon McCullough <srMcCullough1@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2016 12:08 PM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Jay Arnold; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: Regarding: SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804 (Seaplanes at Carillon Point)

Regarding: SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804
Seaplanes at Carillon Point

One of the many things I love about our city, is our resort like atmosphere which centers around our parks, our downtown, and our lovely lake where both the shores and the body of water provide so much summer fun. I understand that seaplanes could be viewed as another option for fun on the lake, but because they would operate at the expense of all existing fun, I am opposed. The flight paths associated with take-offs and landings put all other water activities at risk and the noise of flights buzzing in and out many times a day ruins the tranquility of our beautiful environment. Please do not approved this permit.

Shannon McCullough

Christian Geitz

From: Andrew McCormick <andy_mcc@hotmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2016 3:39 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Cc: Peter Marshall
Subject: Case No. SHR16-00803

June 11, 2016

Christian Geitz
123 5th Avenue
Kirkland, WA 98033

Dear Mr. Geitz:

I am writing to comment on Case No. SHR16-00803 regarding the proposal of a Process IIA Shoreline Conditional Use Permit for a sea plane operation at Carillon Point Marina. I am opposed to the issuance of this permit because of the danger to protected wildlife.

This area of Lake Washington proposed as the site of the sea plane operation is a wintering area for migrating waterfowl and I believe they would be harmed if a sea plane operation is established there. Waterfowl will be alarmed by planes moving in and out of the area and the noise from their engines causing them expend energy which they need for wintering over. In addition birds may be hit by the sea planes.

A wide variety of birds use this area of Lake Washington in winter. Review of data from bird watchers' checklists posted to eBird, a database maintained by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and open to the public, in the area near Houghton Park in January and February 2016 show bird species and the numbers of each of them. The following table presents the date on which the birds were seen and the observer's name, the name of the species, the number of each species seen,

Seen on 19 Feb 2016 by Ryan Merrill

1 Eurasian Wigeon 1

2 American Wigeon 140

3 Mallard 17

Mallard (Domestic type) 7

4 Greater Scaup 70

5 Lesser Scaup 70

6 Bufflehead 1

7 Common Goldeneye 3

8 Common Merganser 6

9 Double-crested Cormorant 1

10 American Coot 2

11 Mew Gull 4

12 Ring-billed Gull 3

13 California Gull 1

Western x Glaucous-winged Gull (hybrid) 2

14 American Crow 4

Additional birds seen on 18 Jan 2016 by Adrian Lee

15 Gadwall 4

Aythya sp. 60

16 Pied-billed Grebe 2

17 Horned Grebe 6

18 Red-necked Grebe 1

19 Western Grebe 150

20 Song Sparrow 1

Of these birds the American Coot, Mew Gull, California Gull, Ring-billed Gull, American Crow, Pied-billed Grebe, Horned Grebe, Western Grebe, and Song Sparrow are protected by the Migratory Bird Treaty Act of 1918 which states:

[The Migratory Bird Treaty Act](#) makes it illegal for anyone to take, possess, import, export, transport, sell, purchase, barter, or offer for sale, purchase, or barter, any migratory bird, or the parts, nests, or eggs of such a bird except under the terms of a valid permit issued pursuant to Federal regulations. The migratory bird species protected by the Act are listed in [50 CFR 10.13](#). [Alphabetical list of MBTA protected birds](#)

The review of this proposal and the Environmental Impact Statement will need to include a discussion of the effect of the sea planes on these birds, and a determination of how the proposal will address the danger to these birds and whether or not the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will issue a take permit. If you have information about this aspect of the proposal please inform me about that.

Please add my name to the list of those who have commented on this proposal and I would appreciate your sending me a notice of the date of the hearing.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Sincerely,

Andrew McCormick
10208 NE 23rd Street
Bellevue, WA 98004
425-637-0892
andy_mcc@hotmail.com

Member of Eastside Audubon Society
Kirkland, WA

CC: Peter Marshall, Conservation Chair, Eastside Audubon Society

Christian Geitz

From: James McElwee <jandlmcwee@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 4:52 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Seaplane Operations at Carillon Point, SRH16-00803

Mr. Geitz,

Please include the following issues in the City of Kirkland reviews of the subject application and any other applications currently pending for the operation of seaplanes at Carillon Point.

1A. Noise - The noise levels quoted for the propulsion systems are not always reliable, because the particular combination of engine design, exhaust system and propeller type may be modified well after delivery from the aircraft factory, and current noise levels quoted at delivery might be considerably different from today's levels. Please ascertain the source and reliability of any numbers provided by the applicant and assure their validity.

1B. Noise - The quoted noise (verified by your analysis) is likely to be pure noise level, but the effect on persons in the vicinity might be greatly influenced by the particular frequency of the noise and the dynamic nature of an aircraft takeoff or landing. Please examine the EPNdb levels of any proposed operations.

1C. Noise - Noise as it affects persons on the shore or engaged in recreation in nearby areas in the lake may well be affected by the flight path and/or the takeoff pattern on the water surface prior to lift-off. Consideration of the noise levels on those affected persons ought to take into consideration all the variations within the allowed operations of the aircraft anywhere in the vicinity of Carillon Point. This type of noise is noticeably obnoxious currently during certain weather conditions when planes are approaching Kenmore Air Harbor even though we, in the South Rose Hill neighborhood, are reasonably distant from the landing point. Please do not allow Carillon Point operations which would present an even worse condition.

2. Safety - Weather considerations generally are a large determinant of the allowed takeoff and landing procedures, and the necessarily constrained nature of operations at Carillon Point cry out for an understanding of the plans under adverse wind conditions. I note that it may be that an adverse wind for takeoff (probably a southeast wind) might be advantageous for landings, but the reverse is also true--a northwest wind would be advantageous for takeoffs but disadvantageous for landings. Surely all takeoff and landing operations, including approaches, would take place over the water, not over the populated land areas nearby.

Thank you for your consideration.

Jim McElwee
12907 NE 78th Place
Kirkland 98033
jandlmcwee@msn.com

Christian Geitz

From: nadia5188@gmail.com on behalf of Nadia Tkach <nadia.n.tkach@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 24, 2016 5:07 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: against sea plane operation at Carillon Point

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Categories: Zoning Permits

Hi,

I'm a concerned resident of Houghton area of Kirkland. I live at the top of the Houghton Hill and while I don't get to observe sea planes to land and take off and the noise from the lake doesn't reach my house, we already get plenty of noise from sea planes circling on top of the residential area and my neighborhood. We have already noticed a significant increase in sea plane flights over our house in the last couple of months and they are so noisy that we can hear them inside our house with our double-pained fairly new windows and doors closed. Even the construction next door to us is quieter than these sea planes. This is unacceptable to run sea planes over residential area from early morning to late evening (given sunset hours during summer time).

I'm very much against sea plane operation from Carillon Point or any vicinity of Beach Park and Downtown Kirkland.

Please re-consider the proposal and cease the sea plane flights in the area.

Thank you,

Nadia Tkach Mendes

Christian Geitz

From: PMeyer66@aol.com
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 1:54 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: SHR-16-00803

Mr. Christian Geitz
Planning and Building Department
City of Kirkland

RE: SHR-16-00803

Dear Mr. Geitz,

I am a resident of the Villas at Carillon and I'm writing to express my concerns about the application on file to grant Carillon Point a permit to allow seaplanes to depart twice an hour from their dock during daylight hours, thus creating a carnival atmosphere on our beautiful, pristine waterfront. This would not only create a horrific noise problem for the nearby residents of Carillon Point, but would also have a huge impact on our lake wildlife. Having lived on Lake Sammamish for 25 years I witnessed first hand the affect seaplanes had on the ducks and other birdlife. It wasn't unusual for mothers of newborn hatchlings to abandon their brood in an attempt to escape the noise and intimidation of the seaplanes taking off and landing, some never to return to their young. The noise would often prevent the local residents from enjoying their docks and waterfront property during the summer. Is that what the city of Kirkland wants for its citizens? The majority of the owners here at the Villas at Carillon are seniors who have purchased their units here to enjoy the lake views from our decks and the peaceful atmosphere. Please don't take that away from us.

Respectfully,

Priscilla Meyer
5302 Lake Washington Boulevard NE
Unit F
Kirkland. WA 98033

Christian Geitz

From: Debi Mishra <debim@microsoft.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 24, 2016 3:20 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Cc: Madhvi Mishra; 'rmishra@caltech.edu'; 'kita.mishra@gmail.com'
Subject: Carillon Point sea plane operation

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Categories: Zoning Permits

Hi,

Here is our comment on the proposal for conditional use permit application SHR16-00803 for a sea plane operation at 4100 Carillon Point.

- Not supportive.
- We will not have the same tranquility
- There will be higher risk of collisions as there is significant overcrowding in the area around the marina

Please let the yarrow bay area remain as is.

Thanks,

Debi, Madhvi, Ankita and Ritvik Mishra
4412 95th Ave NE
Yarrow Point, WA 98004

Christian Geitz

From: David Montanaro <david@montanaro.com>
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 4:40 PM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Jay Arnold; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804 - Carillon Point Seaplane Operation

To whom it may concern,

I am a Kirkland waterfront resident and would like to express my concerns about the proposed Carillon Point Seaplane operation for your consideration.

First, it is my understanding that this business has been allowed to operate prior to receiving formal approval for operation. This would not be allowed for any other business and should not be allowed for this operation for many reasons not the least of which concern ensuring and enforcing adequate safety, liability and insurance requirements. Operations should not be allowed to continue until this matter is resolved conclusively.

Second, this is a complex issue involving safety, environmental, noise and other impacts and should not be taken lightly. In fact, it should be approached with the same diligence and thoroughness that would be required if someone were going to operate aircraft operations out of a land-based facility within Kirkland City limits. It should involve review and assessment by appropriate environmental and aviation agencies in conjunction with the City's own review process and allow for adequate review and commentary by surrounding residents and businesses.

Thank you for the opportunity to voice my concerns.

Sincerely,
David Montanaro
Pebble Beach Condominium Resident

Christian Geitz

From: Penelope Skovold
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 6:16 AM
To: Christian Geitz
Cc: Eric Shields; Jon Regala
Subject: FW: Code enforcement complaint or inquiry (Seaplane Ops @ Carillon Pt.)

-----Original Message-----

From: Dave Moore [mailto:dave.moore@pobox.com]
Sent: Saturday, June 18, 2016 4:10 PM
To: PCDcomplaints <PCDcomplaints@kirklandwa.gov>
Subject: Code enforcement complaint or inquiry (Seaplane Ops @ Carillon Pt.)

I was very disheartened to read that only negative comments have been received on the situation surrounding seaplane operations at Carillon Point. Please count my inquiry as a positive one. As a licensed private pilot, prior small business owner, and licensed hearing aid specialist, I've always tried to maintain a balance between all three arenas.

Airplanes can be quite noisy, and hearing loss can be directly attributed to noise exposure. At the same time, small businesses are fragile, economic engines in our local economy. If I can help with assessments of the impacts from the seaplane operations, I would be pleased to assist.

Based on the high percentage of complaints you've reportedly received, and the lack of complaints prior to the publication of permit applications, I do hope you will at least consider continued, limited operations pending further evaluations. I believe we can accommodate said operations to a favorable outcome for all, but rest assured, the negative voices are not unanimous.

Sincerely,

/s/ Dave

David R. Moore
11513 - 80th Avenue NE
Kirkland, WA 98034

Christian Geitz

From: marilyn morford <dkmorford@frontier.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2016 5:59 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: SHR16-00803 application

This letter is in regard to the above application for Carillon Sea Plane Operation

We are strongly opposed to allowing a seaplane being operated from Carillon Point. The main opposition regards the noise level of take off and landing. The second has to do with the danger and interference of our own boating lanes and those of our neighbors.

We have long accommodated the kayaks, paddle boards and jet skis [and there should be speed limit for all power boats coming into our bay rather than just the shoreline] from the Woodmark Hotel. Even then their noise level does not compare to that of a seaplane - nor do any of the numerous pleasure craft in Yarrow Bay make that level of continuous noise.

Marilyn and Donald Morford
4555 Lake Wa. Blvd. N.E. #1
Kirkland, Wa. 98033
dkmorford@frontier.com

Christian Geitz

From: Deanna M <danskerd@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 13, 2016 10:40 AM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Jay Arnold; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804

Regarding the request to the City to operate seaplanes from Carillon Point, we are hoping you deny this request as it would add noise and pollution to our lovely community.

Thank you,
The Mortensens

Christian Geitz

From: Kellie Murray <KMurray@oneeightytwist.com>
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 1:30 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: RE: The Villas at Carillon Point's response to the proposal for a Seaplane Terminal at Carillon Point

Dear Mr. Geitz – as a residents of the Villas @ Carillon Condominium, please know that we are firmly against the proposal for a Seaplane Terminal at Carillon Point and support every point made in the note below from our the President of our association.

Thank you for considering our opposition to this proposal.

Kellie and Dana Murray
5404 Lake Washington Blvd. NE Unit H
Kirkland, WA 98033

Subject: The Villas at Carillon Point's response to the proposal for a Seaplane Terminal at Carillon Point

Mr. Christian Geitz
Planning and Building Dept.
City of Kirkland

Dear Mr. Geitz:

As the president of the Villas @ Carillon Condominium association located directly across Lake Washington Blvd from Carillon Point, my association will be highly effected by the change in community ambience that the proposed seaplane terminal at Carillon Point will create. I am writing to express the associations strong position against the proposed seaplane terminal, our dismay that the city would even consider placing such an enterprise in our neighborhood and to ask that the application to locate a seaplane terminal at Carillon Point be rejected outright.

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In general, most of our residences moved to Kirkland because of it's quality of life and the appropriate decisions that our government has made to create parks for our residences and employment that is improves our quality of life while being non-disruptive to the community. A commercial seaplane port in the center of our residential and recreational community is the anthesis of what we have been trying to create.

We implore our government not to go forward with this ill conceived ideas and warn that if this is allowed to go forward, we will most likely be forced to employ further legal recourse.

Thank you for allowing us to state our strong position against approving this application in any form.

Scott Myhre - President - "Villas at Carillon"
5402 Lake Washington Blvd NE
Unit D
Kirkland, WA 98033

-Scott

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scottmyhre@gmail.com

Christian Geitz

From: Scott Myhre <scottmyhre@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 10:53 AM
To: Christian Geitz
Cc: michelles@condohoa.net; Virginia (Gina) Rhode; Kellie Murray
Subject: The Villas at Carillon Point's response to the proposal for a Seaplane Terminal at Carillon Point

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Christian Geitz

From: Bea Nahon <Bea.Nahon@nahoncpa.com>
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 10:01 AM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett
Subject: Seaplane permit and SEPA - SHR 16-00803 and SEP16-00804

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[Re: Seaplane permit and SEPA - SHR 16-00803 and SEP16-00804](#)

First, please note that I have been a resident of the Moss Bay neighborhood for almost 19 years, residing about 2 blocks from the marina. To date, our household has not experienced any impacts of the ongoing seaplane operations based out of Carillon.

Second, please note that I want this commercial proposal to be a success for the applicant. I'd hope that the seaplanes at Carillon will enhance tourism and related commerce for the City, not just for the tour operations themselves, but ideally for repeat visitors to Kirkland.

However, in terms of the environmental impacts of this proposal, those two comments are not especially relevant – instead, the City's role is to consider the proposal's compliance with statutes and the various impacts of the operations. Accordingly, what I am asking the City – and eventually the Department of Ecology et al – to consider and require, is to minimize and mitigate the impacts of this operation so that the business can succeed without negative environmental impacts.

As I looked at the Application Form for Substantial Development, I was struck by the responses to the questions. Each response only included the site specific to the commencement and end of the seaplane activity, i.e. Carillon Point. The current use is noted in item 4 as "office mixed use commercial/marina/retail" - and in item 6 which asks about the vicinity and adjacent uses, even that answer only notes "marina facilities, guest pier, commercial cruise boats, boat & jet ski rentals (seasonal)." However, as this application is considered, it must be noted and taken into account that in addition, "the vicinity" also includes residential homes (single and multi-family) as well as waterfront parks – and uses of the waterfront involving all varieties of personal enjoyment and accoutrement. We can't narrowly limit our consideration simply to the point of takeoff and landing.

In my opinion, we must assess the impact on the entire vicinity within the City of Kirkland that will be impacted by 1) takeoff and takeoff paths, 2) landing paths, 3) the flight routes themselves, as these are tour flights that will not reach as high an altitude as a longer-distance flight, 4) fueling operations and storage and 5) other potential impacts of the operation that others may identify. These assessments need to take into account that the use will not be occasional, rather these occurrences will occur throughout the day, from morning until evening (which could be later into the evening during summer hours).

My understanding this operation has commenced without first receiving a conditional use permit. I don't know how that has been allowed or continued, but it allows us an opportunity to assess the current operations against relevant measurement standards.

And even if no complaints have been received to date, the increased frequency proposed by the applicant could well change what some consider to be an occasional disruption with noise and vibration, to a bonafide health hazard of repetitive noise and vibration.

With the combined goal of having a successful operation for the applicant without harmful impacts on the environment, its residents and its visitors, my recommendation is that the City require independent observers (i.e. not agents of the applicant) to conduct studies of noise and vibration from the current use that is occurring already. Those observations and measurements should occur at nearby parks, homes, retail uses and offices (noting that there are structural differences for different uses that can impact the infiltration of noise and vibration). Moreover, the measurements should occur at varying heights, i.e. what is the noise and vibration occurrence for someone at a ground level unit as compared to a 3rd floor unit? With that information, there should be a two-fold test – first, are the impacts within the limits of the current statutes? And second, are our standards meaningful enough, based on the observers findings, i.e. is a change in our statute for noise something to be considered as a mitigating measure?

Moreover, since this operation is already being permitted during the application process, in addition to conducting the measurements/observations suggested above, the applicant is strongly encouraged to meet with residents and property owners to discuss concerns and evolve solutions. I am aware that there has been a flurry of negative comments that I've seen in the various blogs etc and I understand that many of those comments have also been sent to the City. Had the applicant made an outreach to the neighbors, the neighborhood associations, KAN, etc. early on, the pushback could have been greatly minimized. I'm curious also to know why this proposal wasn't at least presented to the Park Board, given that there is a direct impact on the waterfront parks – that would have allowed an opportunity for presentation, idea-sharing, public comment, recommendations, etc. All of that said, I'd like to believe that it's not too late to have constructive dialog with each and every one of these groups– with the benefit of the information that I've suggested above – for the benefit of all.

One additional item that I am curious about - is this proposal only being brought before the City of Kirkland for its consideration? Are there other Cities or Towns that should be part of this process as well (e.g. Yarrow Point?) Considering the flight path, it seems odd that it would only be City of Kirkland.

I'll repeat: I want this proposal to be a success. And who knows what other similar proposals may come along in the future, perhaps at the marina or even private uses – so what we do now is vitally important not only for this proposal but for the future as well.

Respectfully submitted,

Bea Nahon
129 3rd Ave
Kirkland WA
425-828-4747

6/15/16

Case # SHR 1600803

I strongly object to any public "air service" to be considered at Carillon Point! We have enough noise from Houghton Beach, without the addition of sea planes landing and taking off close to our building.

I've lived in this building since 1974 and cherish the quiet and privacy.

Please don't degrade our building. Do not change the regulations!

Thank you,

Gloria Nelson
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Gloria M. Nelson
5535 Lk Wa Blvd NE #203
Kirkland, WA 98033-7430

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Christina Gentry

Christian Geitz

From: Tom Nesbit <thnesbit@hotmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 10:25 AM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Carillon Point Sea Plane Permit

This particular operator was flying last year and now this year. Noise is an issue but more importantly his landing approach is very aggressive; more steep than anything I see with Kenmore Air or other pilots who land on the lake.

He does a thrill approach with tight turns over the marina and steep descent. Operates in an unsafe manner and flies like an Alaskan Bush Pilot landing on a small lake with narrow approaches between mountain peaks. I am not sure this is the activity we want along our waterfront above the marina and along our populated beach areas.

You are inviting a major disaster with this flight operations style.

Regards
Tom Nesbit
5304 F Lake Washington Blvd. NE
Kirkland WA 98033

Christian Geitz

From: Hae Sue Park <haesuepark@hotmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 19, 2016 11:33 AM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Jay Arnold; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: Seaplanes at Carillon Point

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Dear City leaders,

Referencing:
SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804.

As a long resident of Kirkland since 1996 from the grand city of New York, our family has long enjoyed the serenity and peacefulness of our Lake Washington beach front. When my children were smaller, we would regularly go to the quiet beaches and playgrounds at Houghton, the Marina, Waverly, Juanita, OO Denny. Now as tweens & teens, we still frequent the beaches to picnic, read, draw/paint, throw a Frisbee, or catch a beach volleyball game. Even on rainy, cloudy days you'll see many strollers, runners, walkers enjoying the wonderful walk from downtown Kirkland all the way to Carillon Point.

The addition of seaplanes at Carillon Point will be a drastic and imposing threat to noise, pollution and basic congestion at this serene dock. Please do not support the allowance of seaplanes.

Thank you for your consideration.

Hae Sue Park
Highlands, Kirkland

Christian Geitz

From: Cindy Parsons <cparsons8858@yahoo.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 16, 2016 4:34 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Seaplane Permit at Carillon

Dear Mr. Geitz,

My name is Cynthia Parsons, and my husband and I live just above Carillon Point at 5302 Lake Washington Blvd NE.

We recently received the postcard notifying us of the Application for a Permit, **permit number SHR16-00803**, to allow 2 Seaplanes, apparently part of a Tour Company, permission to take off and land in half hour intervals, from sunrise to sunset.

This is clearly something we do NOT want to see happen here. The occasional, yet rare seaplane coming in and out of that dock is charming. However, a steady schedule of take off and landings **is a definite NO for us. We are clearly hoping you will request an Environmental Impact Study in this matter.**

As I mentioned, seaplanes are LOUD, particularly when taking off. The engine noise amplifies and carries off the Lake. The area off of Carillon Pt, including Yarrow Bay, is constantly occupied with pleasure boats, paddle boards, Jet skiers, sight seers, and other recreational users. This poses a safety hazard. I cannot imagine that the guests at the Woodmark or those dining dockside in one of the restaurants would welcome that noise and distraction. They have outdoor venues as well, which would seriously be interrupted.

As always, noise pollution is a serious concern as is wildlife/ birdlife disruption. **The Northend of Lake Washington, as well as west side of Lake Union**, are better suited for this kind of business and constant air traffic.

Quite honestly, the prospect of potentially tolerating Rapid Transit Trains 150 ft behind us, and multiple Seaplanes taking off and landing every half hour in front of us, leaves us wondering if the City of Kirkland actually HAS an overall plan and committment to preserve this gorgeous area, which is a wonderfully tranquil home to many residents most of the time. We are desperate to keep it that way.

Thank you for soliticating our opinion. I truly hope you block this application in whatever way possible.

Sincerely,
Phil and Cindy Parsons
Kirkland

Christian Geitz

From: Marshall Partington <drpartington@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, June 13, 2016 7:10 PM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: shr16-00803

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As a long term resident and member of the business community of Kirkland, I am highly in disfavor of implementing seaplane service along our Lake Washington shore as proposed.

Thank you,
Marshall Partington M.D.

Christian Geitz

From: Alvinpearl <alvinpearl@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 2:38 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Carillon Point/Seaplanes

Dear Sirs;

As a home owner near Carillon Point, I am against the proposal of a daily seaplane take-off on lake Washington near a residential neighborhood. I find this very disruptive to most home owners in this area considering the noise factor of these planes. I am surprised the city of Kirkland was not aware the seaplanes were docking at the new floating dock? is it possible there are no permits recorded for the dock and the planes?

Alvin S. Pearl
5505 Lake Washington Blvd. NE # 3E
Kirkland, WA. 98033

Sent from my iPad

Christian Geitz

From: Charles Pilcher <chuck@bourlandweb.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2016 4:36 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Seaplanes at Carillon Pt.

Dear Christian:

While I can appreciate the potentially positive economic impact of allowing a seaplane tour company to operate out of Carillon Point, I must ask that this not be allowed on the basis of the significant noise impacts to our otherwise relatively quiet beachfront parks and pedestrian walkways.

You must recall the uproar about the noise from boats rafting and partying in Juanita Bay. That noise is a drop in the bucket compared to the decibels created by a floatplane taking off. As it is currently, we have almost daily examples during the summer of such noise impacts. Even the flight training done by Kenmore Air across the lake in front of Laurelhurst/Windermere can be disruptively loud, and that's about a mile away. Plus the flight path of a plane taking off from Carillon Point during the summer will almost always be to the north, directly in front of Houghton Beach, Marsh Park and Brink Park (not that direction of takeoff matters, based on the noise from the planes across the lake.)

Remember the "[Wordle](#)" we created for "Kirkland 2035"? Nothing I can see in there would support seaplanes at Carillon Point.

The profit to the tour operator might be significant, but it's coming at the expense of our parks, waterfront and livability. This may be an economically attractive proposal but it's a disastrous environmental one.

Chuck Pilcher
Moss Bay
chuck@bourlandweb.com
206-915-8593

Christian Geitz

From: Harsha Ramalingam <hramalingam@cosmicocean.net>
Sent: Saturday, June 18, 2016 2:39 PM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen;
"jarnold@kirklandwa.gov.skloba@kirklandwa.gov.psweet"@kirklandwa.gov; Toby Nixon;
Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: No Seaplanes in Kirkland please - reference: SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804
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Hi,

I would like to voice my opposition to the introduction of seaplanes to Kirkland. In short, **no seaplanes please!**

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- Harsha

Christian Geitz

From: Mike <miker425@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2016 7:10 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Comments: Carillon Sea Planes SCUP - SHR16-00803

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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The City of Kirkland needs to consider quality of life, and the damaging effects of noise pollution, and reject the proposed Carillon Sea Plane Operation. The noise from sea planes taking off will blanket the most densely populated areas of Kirkland with obnoxious noise and be heard by tens of thousands of residents potentially every day year round from dawn to dusk. And for what benefit? So a private company can profit? There is virtually no benefit to the citizens of Kirkland for this operation and only a huge downside.

This is not a NIMBY issue. Much of Kirkland is laid out like an amphitheater around Lake Washington. Because sound travels so easily over water, and is largely unimpeded to many neighborhoods, the sea plane operations will affect a huge number of people. Babies will wake up from their naps. People will lose concentration. Outdoor conversations will be interrupted. Quality of life and even health will be degraded.

Kirkland already suffers from excessive noise from un-muffled speed boats and the occasional recreational sea plane. But at least that's only in the summer months and primarily on the weekends. A commercial sea plane operation would create more frequent noise that would be a major annoyance all year and 7 days a week. Further, the effects of noise pollution are cumulative. Adding more noise, even if there's some already present, has significant negative impacts.

Here's a quote from <http://www.NoiseOFF.org>

"It is a public health issue that is adversely affecting the lives of millions of people throughout the world. People continuously exposed to noise experience hearing loss, elevated stress levels, mood swings, hypertension, depression, lost sleep and productivity. In children, it results in slowed learning."

For more information, please take a moment to review this study regarding the public health issues arising from unwanted noise:

<https://docs.wind-watch.org/goineshagler-noisepollution.html>

Put simply, sea plane operations will negatively impact a large number of Kirkland residents with virtually no gain to anyone except the company operating the flights. Kirkland needs to reject the permit as it is not consistent with Kirkland's charter. Hopefully Kirkland doesn't want another Potola Village, or CKC outcry on their hands.

Michael Ranta
Kirkland, WA

Christian Geitz

From: rao remala <remala_ms@msn.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 26, 2016 6:37 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Proposed seplane port in Carilin point

Hello,

We strongly oppose this. We live in yarrow pt. This is a heavily populated area and we value our view and the relative quietness of our area. Running a noisy airport in our front yard would be extremely offensive. We have enough noise from the new 520 bridge. We do not need any more noise and we do not want our property values go down because of the noise

Plus there is already one seaport in Kenmore. We do not need it.

Thanks

Remalas

8827 NE 36th ST

Bellevue, wa-98004

Christian Geitz

From: Helen Rodgers <hhrodgers@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 16, 2016 6:37 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Negative reaction to proposed flight plane service to and from Carillon Point . . .

As a Kirkland resident close enough to be negatively impacted by what's proposed, I would like to go on record as saying that I'm oppose to the plan.

I hope my objection will be noted and I look forward to the opportunity to speak against it at the meeting which is being proposed.

Helen Rodgers
4823 Lake WA Blvd. N.E.
#8
Kirkland, WA 98033
425.889.0323

Christian Geitz

From: jrogers407@comcast.net
Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2016 9:17 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Sea plane operation at Carrillon point

Dear Mr. Geitz, This letter concerns itself with the above. I have some questions and then some comments. First: What is the rush? I note that case # SHR16-00803 was received by the city on April 8 and deemed complete by May 9. The city already expects to issue a DNS for the project. Written comments need to be received by you before June 20. That is most certainly an inadequate window of time for the citizens of this city and community to hear/read about this issue, discuss pro's and con's and express those opinions in time to have those opinions count. Secondly I would ask why a DNS is preordained to be approved before public input is gathered. This is our environment you know! I would like to point out that the Potala project also received a DNS, again with no public input. The public outcry caused the city to revise and an environmental impact statement was required and ultimately a rezone was enacted by council. This is risky business and indicates a rather slow learning curve.

Let us look at this issue from many of the residents' point of view. Many people who live on or near Lake Washington do so for specific reasons such as beauty, peace and solace from the workaday world. As I read the letters to the editor the main discussion is noise. Since I also live on this Lake I also hear the day to day sound of pleasure boats. cruise craft and etc. I certainly do not equate these noises with aircraft which are significantly noisier. This proposal will allow far more than a few business people flying out of Carrillon. These planes will be sightseeing aircraft and will proliferate. Week ends now have become significantly busy and frequent. These planes,if allowed also present a threat to slower moving boats and other craft.

Lastly, Lake Union, has a float plane harbor and is close at hand for business people and sightseers. This proposal is an extremely rushed and badly planned in my opinion. Before any further action is taken the people of this city need time for reasonable discussion

Yours Truly, J.F. Rogers
1025 Lake St S.
Kirkland Wa. 98033

Christian Geitz

From: Virginia Rohde <vcrohde@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 19, 2016 3:40 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Seaplane Business Permit

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
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Dear Mr. Getz,

I live at 5304 Lake Washington Blvd. NE in Kirkland. Recently I received a postcard notifying me of the Application for a Permit, **permit number SHR16-00803**, to allow 2 Seaplanes, apparently part of private business, permission to take off and land in half hour intervals, from sunrise to sunset at Carillon Point.

This raises concerns about noise pollution, not only for people, but wildlife (fish, birds, etc). Also possible pollution for the lake and surrounding environmentally sensitive areas.

Seems to me there are areas on the north end of Lake Washington as well as Lake Union that are in more commercial areas that would be appropriate for daily seaplane use.

Needless to say, I would be against issuing the requested permit.
Thank you for hearing my concerns,
Virginia Rohde

Christian Geitz

From: Marc <marcrosemanusa@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2016 8:39 AM
To: Toby Nixon
Cc: Simone Hesel; Joan Maguire; Claudi Wilson; Mark Gienger; chuck@bourlandweb.com; Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: Re: Carillon Point Seaplanes

Thank you very much.
It is appreciated.
Marc

Marc Roseman
Mobile.425.223.2277
Home.425.629.3367

On Jun 11, 2016, at 8:01 AM, Toby Nixon <TNixon@kirklandwa.gov> wrote:

I've lived near the end of an airport runway, so I'm very sensitive to your concern. I'm digging into what influence the council can have on this.

Toby Nixon | Council Member | City of Kirkland, Washington
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From: [Marc](#)
Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2016 6:38 AM
To: [Toby Nixon](#)
Cc: [Simone Hesel](#); [Joan Maguire](#); [Claudi Wilson](#); [Mark Gienger](#); chuck@bourlandweb.com; [Christian Geitz](#); [Eric Shields](#); [Kurt Triplett](#); [Amy Walen](#); [Toby Nixon](#); [Dave Asher](#); [Doreen Marchione](#)
Subject: Re: Carillon Point Seaplanes

Thank you for your reply Toby.

My suggestion is to have "the said decision makers of note, their support staff and members of the city council be required to spend one week of 40 take off and landings per day from dusk until dawn anywhere along the flight path (on the beach, in the water and in a home) to witness first hand the noise level and safety factors. They should make their decision based on living in the subject area.

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On Jun 10, 2016, at 11:29 PM, Toby Nixon <TNixon@kirklandwa.gov> wrote:

Hi, Marc. My understanding is that the city council has no say in this at all. I'm following up to be completely sure of that. As I understand it, the planning director issues the decision on whether or not an environmental impact statement is required, which can be appealed (but not to the council). As for the shoreline permit, apparently the staff makes a recommendation to the hearing examiner, who conducts a public hearing and issues a recommendation to the Department of Ecology, which has the final say. I'm surprised the council is completely out of the loop on this. I'm seeing if by unofficial acts (side conversations) we can push for at least requiring an EIS.

Toby Nixon | Council Member | City of Kirkland, Washington
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From: [Marc](#)
Sent: Friday, June 10, 2016 10:55 PM
To: [Christian Geitz](#); [Eric Shields](#); [Kurt Triplett](#); [Amy Walen](#); [Toby Nixon](#); [Dave Asher](#); [Doreen Marchione](#)
Subject: Carillon Point Seaplanes

I am all for free enterprise but turning Carillon Point/Woodmark Hotel into a landing strip for Seaplanes will have numerous ramifications. The total lack of consideration for this community re noise pollution, safety, the environment, ad infinitum, is irresponsible and is representative of everything that is wrong with the system. I would like to think that the Department of Ecology (who apparently has the final say) has more integrity than store bought politicians. Why not vote on building a theme park in the wetlands of Yarrow Bay while the zoning committee is at it?

Marc Roseman
Resident

Christian Geitz

From: Jon Roskill Hotmail <Jon_Roskill@hotmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 24, 2016 3:02 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: SHR16-00803

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Categories: Zoning Permits

Hi, I am writing to "comment" on the conditional use permit application SHR16-00803 for a sea plane operation at 4100 Carillon Point. My comments are:

- I think sea planes are a traditional and historical element of the pacific NW lakes and sounds, and I personally enjoy seeing them taking off and landing occasionally around our shared bay, but the idea of a commercial operation taking off and landing many times a day will take away the uniqueness and just turn the experience into another noise making endeavor impacting the usually peaceful atmosphere of the bay - an atmosphere that has already been impacted in recent years by an attempt to launch a commercial jetpack operation and a loud hovercraft.
- In addition, my wife jennifer expressed concern about boat/plane traffic collisions on a busy boating day, as there are already enough near-misses with boats in and around Carillon Point as you often have huge boat traffic driven by a combination of the marina, restaurants and the fuel dock.

Please don't turn our bay into Kenmore

Thanks,

Jon Roskill
9540 NE 42nd Place
Yarrow Point, WA 98004

Christian Geitz

From: Barbara Rumppe <brumppe@earthlink.net>
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 12:07 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Seaplanes at Carillon Point

Hello,

We live right across the street from Carillon Point and are very much against allowing seaplanes to use this as a commercial business area. Our windows vibrate loudly whenever seaplanes take off in the lake near us and all the birds fly wildly and nervously in all directions. Many people kayak in the lake in this area too and boats come and go from the marina. This is already a high density area with lots of marine traffic and this new business will pose a hazard in many ways (noise pollution, lake pollution, environmental damage, wildlife/bird terror, and possible marine collisions). A less populated location should be found and we really hope the permit will be denied.

Barbara and Dave Rumppe
Villas at Carillon Point

Sent from my iPad

Christian Geitz

From: Mark Schiller <schiller.mark@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, June 16, 2016 4:21 PM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Jay Arnold; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: Seaplanes at Carillon Point

Dear Kirkland government officials:

It's time to end the seaplane operations at Carillon Point. It's a really stupid idea, right up there with Kemper Freeman's idea of putting a helipad on one of his high rises in downtown Bellevue.

Kirkland is a noisy enough place already: with loud motor vehicles, loud music, loud leaf blowers, etc. And it gets more intrusive with each passing year. It's time to place a higher priority on urban tranquility. That's what we really need.

If somebody wants to go to Carillon Point, let them go there the way everyone else goes there: IN TRAFFIC. Maybe that will provide an incentive to do something serious about our transportation mess on the Eastside.

Mark Schiller
809 9th Avenue South
Kirkland, WA 98033
425.827.2968
schiller.mark@gmail.com

Christian Geitz

From: hs@heidischor.com
Sent: Sunday, June 19, 2016 8:16 AM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Jay Arnold; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: Sea Planes flying over my house

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Dear City Council, Mayor, City Manager, City Planner,

I want to register my concern for the increased flights over my house that I noticed last summer and again in the past month. The last flight I was able to see that this is a float plane. In the past, though flights leave from Kenmore, we had not noticed flights over our house. Perhaps, because there are now sight seeing flights from Carillon.

I find it unbelievable that planes can land and take off in Lake Washington without a permitting process and public hearing. I am disappointed in Kirkland governance to say the least. And that they can keep flying now, while in violation of code, is outrageous.

I oppose giving permits to Carillon Properties, and anyone associated with them, this is so self serving, and just a money making venture while impacting the thousands who live in the flight path. We already have enough motorized activity on our precious lake with motorboats and jet skis.

Our shared air and water space does not need to be further [co.pro](#).used and polluted for a commercial venture.

Thank you for your consideration.

Heidi Schor
425-420-0435

Comments regarding SeaPlane Operations proposed for Kirkland Carillion Point

Reference SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804

To: CGeitz@kirklandwa.gov

From: Judith and Steve Beto, 10104 NE 62nd Street, Kirkland WA 98033

708-227-0126, judithbeto@comcast.net, sbeto1@comcast.net

We are residents of Kirkland, residing at 10104 NE 62nd Street (on the corner of 62nd street and Lake Washington Blvd). Our home diagonally looks at the Houghton Park volleyball park and the Beach House restaurant.

We also own a condominium at 6736 Lake Washington Blvd directly across from Marsh Park.

We express great concern for the proposed use of the seaplane operation. We have grouped our comments/questions as 1) resident/user safety, 2) community safety, 3) environmental impact.

Lake Washington shoreline and its views are a driving force in our real estate value which drives our tax base. If we ignore the potential damage to the shoreline and adjoining use, the city would be trading off a small increase in business tax revenue for the potential loss of the very center of Kirkland's waterfront value.

We believe the permit request needs to be evaluated carefully for all aspects of effect to the entire area: land, water, air, wildlife, and humans.

Resident/user safety:

1. Lake Washington is heavily used by all forms of water use. Although we understand it is a natural resource and not directly governed or controlled by the city of Kirkland, the path of this proposed seaplane path and coverage is predominantly along Kirkland's waterfront.
2. Our observation of the current plane activities is a diagonal pathway from the Carillion Point pier directly across a busy lane of water traffic (individuals swimming, on paddleboards, on water skis, boats, sailboats) near Houghton Beach. They have little or no ability to move from the path of a landing plane. We have seen several "near misses" from our balcony simply because neither the plane nor the water traffic can move effectively and safely from dangerous collision. You just cannot see from above and cannot move rapidly from below.
3. Houghton Beach, closest to the proposed dock and plane path, is heavily used by children and families with the beach, playground, and pier.
4. 6-7pm on Fridays, a large number of sail boats gather and prepare to do an organized "circle" route yet have little or no ability to move from the path of a landing plane.

5. There are an increasing number of wind/kite water surfing individuals who use both the water and the area above the water near or within the proposed seaplane potential pathways.
6. The number of paddleboard users is substantially increasing at the seaplane take-off area, due to a vendor that rents them at the Houghton Beach pier.

Community Safety:

7. There is no security screening for passengers (and their carry-ons) boarding the airplane. (unlike SeaTac)
8. There is no vetting or security screening for the pilot (unlike SeaTac)
9. There is no required flight plan paperwork or schedule of flight or vetted passenger list (unlike SeaTac). Does the permit allow/control/identify transport of people or items to other bodies of water that might be potentially illegal?
10. There is no information on how long a plane could stay on the water prior to take-off or when landing, or the area that might occur.
11. We see from the diagram, there is a proposed unmarked taxi "line" to and from the pier area. However, there is no known or marked "runway" for the plane to use since the lake is open to all use. Unlike Lake Union, where it appears there is an industrial presence of large boats and repair areas, Lake Washington is used primarily by amateur/non-professionals/children/families. Lake Union does not have the public shoreline access like Lake Washington.
12. There is no amber alert mechanism unlike a motor vehicle.
13. There is no "air police" to monitor, or report to specifically for Lake Washington.
14. There is no known required maintenance or safety checks of these seaplanes.

Environment Safety:

15. We have no known environmental response plan if the plane leaks oil, fuel, or other hazardous substances into the lake. I do not know if there is a known plan for boats or other craft leaking similar substances.
16. Are there current laws that prevent the plane from dumping anything into the lake from above or on the water? If so, how would this be monitored?
17. We have no known environmental impact study on noise. We do have known nesting bald eagles are affected by noise. The activity on the lake in the summer is very active and already has impacted the shoreline birds.
18. The noise frequency, intensity, and level near shore has been very noticeable since the seaplane operations started. This noise level should be measured using a validated and reliable measure---then the maximum should be calculated and evaluated. If there is a known noise ordinance, it should be used as a guide to setting/allowing restrictions of use.

19. We have a cruising ordinance for Lake Washington Blvd. Open cars with loud radios are theoretically not allowed but widely “heard”. If the city cannot monitor and enforce “cruising” on land, how would we enforce/monitor on the lake?
20. Who is/would be responsible for both identifying and enforcing environmental impact?
21. What other birds, animals, fish (salmon) could potentially be affected?

Christian Geitz

From: Laurie Sheehan <lauriesheehan@johnlscott.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 31, 2016 9:01 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Permit # SHR16-00803

From: Laurie Sheehan
65 Kirkland Ave. #303
Kirkland, WA 98033
(425) 941-8226

Dear Mr. Geitz,

I am writing in regards to the proposal for seaplanes here in Kirkland at Carrillon Point. i strongly object! They are EXTREMELY loud and would and would adversely affect the quality of life for those of us living here as well as those who come to enjoy our beautiful parks. Property values would be affected as well. Please consider what this would mean to those who live, work and visit here.

Sincerely,

Laurie Sheehan
John L. Scott Real Estate

Christian Geitz

From: Suzie Spencer <sspencer@tekon.com>
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 2:09 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Opposition to Seaplane Terminal at Carillon Point

Dear Mr. Geitz – as a residents of the Villas @ Carillon Condominium, please know that we are firmly against the proposal for a Seaplane Terminal at Carillon Point and support every point made in the note below from the President of our association.

Sunday was a beautiful sunny day, enjoying it on my deck and on the water kayaking, with the noisy plane taking off and landing actually interrupted the peace and beauty. Listening to this daily during the most beautiful short season we are blessed with would be disheartening. Thank you for considering our opposition to this proposal.

Suzie Spencer
5404 Lake Washington Blvd. NE Unit F
Kirkland, WA 98033

Subject: The Villas at Carillon Point's response to the proposal for a Seaplane Terminal at Carillon Point

Mr. Christian Geitz
Planning and Building Dept.
City of Kirkland

Dear Mr. Geitz:

As the president of the Villas @ Carillon Condominium association located directly across Lake Washington Blvd from Carillon Point, my association will be highly effected by the change in community ambience that the proposed seaplane terminal at Carillon Point will create. I am writing to express the associations strong position against the proposed seaplane terminal, our dismay that the city would even consider placing such an enterprise in our neighborhood and to ask that the application to locate a seaplane terminal at Carillon Point be rejected outright.

I would like to make a number of points:

- The applications asks for up to two take-off's per hour from larger seaplanes. Currently there are occasional personal seaplanes taking off and landing in this area impacting us with their noise. Given the impact we observe fro this low level of activity, we believe increasing this traffic by an order of magnitued with larger and noisier engine and planes will significantly impact our quality of life and our property values
- The Kirkland/Houghton/Carillon Point/Yarrow Bay area is a hotbed of water activities during the summer months. There are many paddlers, boater and swimmers active with this area of the lake not to mention families picnicking and playing on our beaches. Operating more than twelve flights a day will increase the dangers present in our recreational actives and disrupt the peace and tranquility of our area.

- Many commercial enterprises are dependent on repeat customers who are brought to our community to enjoy the parks and ambiance of the area. Disrupting our beaches, parks and walkways will adversely effect the financial results of these enterprises in favor of a basically non-recurring activity which benefits a limited number of enterprises while disrupting the majority.
- Pilot training actives as advertised have absolutely no place in our recreational area. There currently exist commercial seaplane ports in other areas of the lake that do not have our recreational potential and volume of participants and can better manage the inherent dangers represented in training activities
- Lastly - the geological layout of the area with our homes situated quite close to the lake and hills acting as a stadium to focus noise makes the overall and disruption from large planes a substantial disturbance to our lives. Many of our residences are currently impacted by street noise from Lake Washington Boulevard, the addition of disruptions from numerous seaplane activities will cause us damage beyond measure.

In general, most of our residences moved to Kirkland because of it's quality of life and the appropriate decisions that our government has made to create parks for our residences and employment that is improves our quality of life while being non-disruptive to the community. A commercial seaplane port in the center of our residential and recreational community is the anthesis of what we have been trying to create.

We implore our government not to go forward with this ill conceived ideas and warn that if this is allowed to go forward, we will most likely be forced to employ further legal recourse.

Thank you for allowing us to state our strong position against approving this application in any form.

Scott Myhre - President - "Villas at Carillon"
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-Scott

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Christian Geitz

From: John Stephanus <johns@armco.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 03, 2016 8:44 AM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: EIS needed

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Hi Mr. Geitz,

My name is John Stephanus and I have lived at 4611 Lake WA Blvd. NE in Kirkland for just under 20 years.

One of the attributes that attracted me to this area was the serenity and beautiful nature. My wife and 6 year old daughter and I love to enjoy walking up to Carillon Point and further to Kirkland downtown.

I am very worried that the proposed Seaplane Airport at Carillon Point will significantly and negatively alter this serenity. My office is in the South Lake Union area, and I am very familiar with the noise from seaplanes. This is not a big deal in the SLU area...as it is mostly commercial. But for a mostly residential area like we have surrounding Carillon Point, it would be bad. No one wants to listen to loud seaplanes coming and going.

Therefore, I very much think that the proposed Seaplane Airport at Carillon Point should not be allowed. At the minimum, a full EIS should be required prior to making any determination as to the suitability of such Seaplane Airport.

Thanks much,

John Stephanus



John Stephanus

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Christian Geitz

From: John Stephanus <johns@armco.net>
Sent: Friday, June 17, 2016 10:52 AM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Case #SHR16-00803; Seaplane Airport at Carillon Point

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Christian Geitz

From: Karen Story <karen@nwnative.us>
Sent: Sunday, June 19, 2016 8:10 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Cc: Eric Shields
Subject: SHR16-00803: Seaplane Noise is Environmentally Significant
Attachments: OppositionToSeaplanePermit.doc

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[This letter is also attached as a Word document]

Re: SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804

June 19, 2016

Seaplane Noise is Environmentally Significant

Dear Kirkland Planning Department,

Due to the known damaging health effects of noise exposure (see references below), I feel strongly that the City should issue a **Determination of Environmental Significance** for the proposed seaplane operation at Carillon Point, and should recommend that the permit not be approved.

Kirkland is making a very important decision with long-term consequences. This is not something we should enter into lightly. If seaplanes are approved, there will be no going back, and it will set a precedent for allowing float planes elsewhere in Kirkland.

I do not live near the Kirkland waterfront, but I often use the waterfront, and treasure it as a precious public resource. I want to be able to stroll the waterfront, dine on a restaurant patio, or attend summer concerts, without the additional noise from seaplanes. Visionary Kirkland leaders have fought long and hard to preserve and protect the waterfront for public enjoyment. Please help ensure that this legacy is protected!

It's true that there are already loud waterfront uses, such as jet skis and turbo boats. But Kirkland can't do anything about these. What Kirkland can do is to prevent seaplane noise from joining the cacophony.

I urge you to do all in your power to ensure that our beloved Kirkland waterfront is protected from yet another source of noise.

I would also like to request that the original master plan, SEPA documents, and Environmental Impact study for Carillon Point be part of the hearing packet.

Sincerely,
Karen Story
9017 Slater Ave NE
Kirkland WA 98033

References

How Loud Are Seaplanes?

One seaplane pilot website (<http://avstop.com/stories/part2seaplane.htm>)

says: “Seaplanes must be at or near full speed during takeoff. This means that the engine is operating at peak efficiency and produces **volumes not dissimilar to a major urban airport takeoff.**”

What are the Public Health Effects of Noise?

Numerous studies indicate the harmful effects of noise in our daily lives. In 1973, at the International Congress on Noise as a Public Health Hazard, then-Surgeon General Dr. William Stewart stated, “**Calling noise a nuisance is like calling smog an inconvenience. Noise must be considered a hazard to the health of people everywhere.**”

In their position paper, **The American Noise Pollution Epidemic**

(https://www.noisefree.org/ONAC_2010.pdf), the Noise Free America Coalition states: “A Census Bureau report indicates that noise is Americans' number one complaint about their neighborhoods, and the most significant reason why they wish to move.”

In their publication in the Southern Medical Journal, **Noise Pollution: A Modern Plague**

(<http://www.medscape.com/viewarticle/554566>), Lisa Goines, RN and Louis Hagler, MD state:

- The potential health effects of noise pollution are numerous, pervasive, persistent, and medically and socially significant. **The aim of enlightened governmental controls should be to protect citizens from the adverse effects of [noise] pollution.**
- Noise pollution has profound public health implications.
- Noise, **even at levels that are not harmful to hearing**, is perceived subconsciously as a danger signal, even during sleep.
- Noise is a stressor on the human body. It causes the “fight or flight” syndrome, releasing cortisol and other harmful chemicals into the blood stream. Over time, these chemicals build up in the body, leading to a host of health problems, including cardiovascular disease, aggression, chronic fatigue, headaches, high blood pressure, mental illness, and anxiety.
- Excessive noise is very **harmful to children**. Noise pollution creates developmental delays in fetuses and cognitive delays in toddlers. Noise can cause or worsen learning disabilities and hearing loss in children.
- Noise pollution causes and contributes to anxiety, stress, nervousness, nausea, headache, emotional instability, argumentativeness, sexual impotence, change in mood, increase in social conflicts, neurosis, hysteria, and psychosis.
- Noise is a major cause of chronic fatigue.
- According to the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, noise has many physical effects, including increased blood pressure, heightened breathing rate, ulcers, and fetal development disruption.

Christian Geitz

From: christy <christystrong@live.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2016 3:18 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: SHR16-00803

I am a condo owner at the Villas at Carillon which is located directly across Lake Washington Blvd. from Carillon Point. I am writing to state my disapproval of the application to locate a seaplane terminal at Carillon Point which would allow up to twelve flights a day. Currently there are occasional seaplanes taking off and landing in this area and myself and my neighbors are well aware of the noise impact from our units. The loud engine sound of take-offs and landings vibrates against the front of the buildings, rendering our decks almost useless during these activities. In addition, we are concerned with the environmental impact to the lake and shoreline, as well as to the birds and ducks. We have a nesting Eagle family living in the adjacent cove too. We see on the website for Seaplane Scenics, that they offer both scenic tours and pilot training. Training would involve multiple take-offs and landings, thereby increasing the noise pollution to our area.

Thank you for allowing me to state my position against approving this application.

Christy Strong
5302 Lake Washington Blvd. NE
Unit I
Kirkland, WA 98033

Sent from my iPad

Christian Geitz

From: Julie Taylor <jctaylah@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2016 12:02 PM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Penny Sweet; Shelley Kloba; Jay Arnold; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: Re: SHR16-00803

I am writing in response to the proposed permit **SHR16-00803** allowing seaplanes to operate at Carillon Point. I am strongly against allowing this, due to the very loud noise that is created by seaplanes. The level of noise that the planes make is very disruptive to residential areas even now, when they are practicing touch-and-go on the lake throughout the year. Increasing the amount of seaplane traffic in the Kirkland area would mean a large increase in the amount of unpleasant noise. With the exception of the rare cigarette-boat, no other watercraft are nearly as noisy as those seaplanes.

I refer you to the recently updated Kirkland Ordinance on noise: O-4356, modifying the KMC; specifically sections (2) and (4), which prohibit the creation of “frequent, repetitive, or continuous sounds” which disturb the peace. A seaplane creates a loud, unpleasant noise for a lengthy period of time during take-off and landing.

Carillon Point and the surrounding area is primarily residential, and should be kept to the standards of a residential area, not a seaplane terminal. The sounds travel for long distances unabated across the water – you can hear people talking in a low voice 1000’ away and more on a calm day. At times I even hear people all the way at Magneson Park. The noise created by seaplanes at Carillon Point won’t be restricted to that area – it will travel throughout the Kirkland and any lands along Lake Washington.

We already have seaplanes on the lake, and people who want to take scenic tours can do so from Kenmore or Lake Union. There is no need for an additional terminal in Kirkland.

We don’t need seaplanes in our City. I encourage you to vote for the residents of our town and reject seaplanes at Carillon Point.

Julie Taylor

Kirkland Resident

Christian Geitz

From: Chuck Telford <chucktel@msn.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2016 4:13 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Seaplane proposal, ref. SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804

We wish to register our objection to a proposal that would allow seaplanes to operate from Carillon Point. Noise from the few seaplanes that operate on the lake now are noisy but infrequent, so they are fairly tolerable. However, adding seaplane service on a regular basis would be noise pollution in its worst form. I believe there are already seaplane services that operate out of the north and south ends of Lake Washington and from Lake Union. To add services so close to residential areas would be detrimental to the quality of our neighborhoods. The seaplanes we hear now produce tremendous volumes of noise which echo up the hill to Houghton where we live. We would not want to see that kind of noise pollution added to what is already there. Please deny the request for seaplane service from Carillon Point. Thank you for your consideration.

Chuck Cynthia Telford
10607 NE 60th Lane
Kirkland, WA 98033

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

Christian Geitz

From: dteppner@frontier.com
Sent: Monday, June 13, 2016 6:01 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Cc: Maureen Kelly
Subject: Seaplane- SHR 16-00803 and SEP16-00804

I as a neighbor living close to Carillion Point I think allowing seaplanes fly in and out from there is not a good thing. My concerns are as follows:

- Once you allow this to happen with one seaplane there would be more permits passed out at other sites on Lake Washington.
- Lake Washington is a busy place with boats, paddle boards, and swimmers, at Houghton Beach, their safety would be put in jeopardy.
- With seaplanes taking off constantly from dawn to evenings causes unexceptable noise for the neighbors who live close by as I do.
- By giving permits out to the owner's of the planes puts more money in their pockets without concern for those living in the area.

Dick Teppner
Parkside Apartments
5535 Lk. Washington Blvd. NE, #303
Kirkland, WA 98033
425-828-4208/206-755-5303

I don't know if I will be able to attend the public hearing, but I am against allowing giving permits out for the seaplanes taking off from Carillion Point.

Christian Geitz

From: Liz Tinkham <elizabethtinkham@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 25, 2016 8:56 AM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: SHR16-00803

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Categories: Zoning Permits

This note is in reference to the proposed seaplane operation at Carillon Point. As a Yarrow Point resident who lives on Yarrow Bay facing Carillon, I am not in favor of adding seaplane operations at the location. The noise would detract from the very peaceful Bay experience which we enjoy. In addition, as frequent boat, paddleboard, and kayak users of the Bay and the Carillon Point area (as are my children), I feel that adding plane operations would significantly increase the risk of injury to the smaller crafts and people onboard.

I appreciate your consideration.

Liz Tinkham
4450 95th Ave NE
Yarrow Pt, WA 98004



TOWN OF YARROW POINT
4030 - 95th Avenue NE
Yarrow Point, WA 98004
(425) 454-6994

June 20, 2016

Christian Geitz, City Planner
City of Kirkland
123 5th Avenue
Kirkland, WA 98033

delivered via e-mail: cgeitz@kirklandwa.gov

RE: Carillon Sea Plane Operation Shoreline Conditional Use Permit
Case Number SHR16-00803

Dear Mr. Geitz:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on Carillon Point Properties' proposal to operate a Sea Plane tour business from the Carillon Point Marina.

The Town of Yarrow Point is located directly across Yarrow Bay from the Marina, approximately 2,000 feet from the moorage facility. The Town has significant concerns regarding the noise disturbance that would be created by this operation, 365 days a year, during daylight hours.

The Applicant has stated "all flight operations shall be conducted outside of the City of Kirkland."¹ In conjunction with the graphic depicting flight patterns, we note that the proposed approach and departure routes are within 1,000 feet of Yarrow Point properties.² This will adversely impact our residents.

We find that the Noise Analysis prepared as part of the Wildlife Habitat Assessment is insufficient, as it is based on estimations of background noise, rather than actual noise readings.³ In order to accurately mitigate for any impacts, we suggest the City of Kirkland require a current field-based noise report to document the existing condition. In addition, a limitation on the number of flights per day and a reduction in hours of operation may be appropriate.

Finally, we note that the operator of the proposed Carillon Point Seaplane Tours, Seaplane Scenics, advertises on the company's website⁴ that tours originating from Carillon Point are already in place, with reservations available from 9:00 a.m. through 8:30 p.m. daily.

Please notify us of the upcoming Public Hearing on this matter. In the interim, we are interested in being advised of any revisions to the application.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dicker Cahill".

Dicker Cahill
Mayor, Town of Yarrow Point

¹ Applicant's Conditional Use Permit for Carillon Point, Slide #5.

² Applicant's Conditional Use Permit for Carillon Point, Slide #9.

³ Wildlife Habitat Assessment. Wetlands and Wildlife, Inc. April 2016. Pages 2-5.

⁴ www.seaplanescenics.com

Christian Geitz

From: joshua veranth <veranthj@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, June 12, 2016 9:43 PM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione; Jay Arnold; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet
Subject: Seaplane Operation Proposal

Dear City Leaders,

I am firmly opposed to the proposed seaplane operation at Carillon Point. As a longtime Kirkland resident, having lived and gone to school here for nearly 30 years, I am dismayed to see our city leaders considering offering a business concession to corporate interests, frittering away the interests of citizens of Kirkland's peaceful, people and wildlife friendly waterfront environment, in exchange for the profit and benefit of a tourism operation?

Please consider the negative impacts to the masses of citizens who enjoy our peaceful waterfront, the value these citizens place on protecting and preserving the sensitive, natural habitat of the adjacent Yarrow Bay and other nearby fragile ecologies.

I encourage all of you to lead the city in Opposing Sea Plane Operations in Kirkland!

Thank you!

Regards,
Josh Veranth

Christian Geitz

From: Aimee Voelz <avoelz@yahoo.com>
Sent: Saturday, June 11, 2016 10:05 PM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Jay Arnold; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Cc: Aimee Voelz
Subject: Seaplanes at Carillon Point

Dear City Council Members,

I'm writing in support of the proposed request for Seaplane sightseeing at Carillon Point: SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804.

My understanding is that the ecological review found that there would not be a disturbance to the wildlife preserve at Yarrow Bay. I believe the seaplane activity as proposed will not create an intolerable level of noise to nearby residents. I've spent time at an apartment building on Lake Union that had seaplanes land in front of it and the noise was limited to take-off and landing and was not disturbing.

I support the proposal because I'm in favor of drawing business and tourism where hubs already exist. I believe Carillon Point is a great location to expand business activity and that the area supports much more business than it currently has.

Thanks for considering my input.
Aimee Voelz
Moss Bay Resident

Christian Geitz

From: Eric Shields
Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2016 10:50 AM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: FW: Seaplane proposal SHR16-00803

This was addressed to me so I assume you didn't get it.

From: beluga40@aol.com [mailto:beluga40@aol.com]
Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2016 10:11 AM
To: Eric Shields <EShields@kirklandwa.gov>
Subject: Seaplane proposal SHR16-00803

Dear Mr. Shields,

We are writing with regard to Permit # SHR16-00803, the proposal by Carillon Point to add sightseeing flights to its waterfront. We would like to add our voices to the objections of this project mainly for environmental concerns as well as concern for neighborhood disturbance. Adding seaplanes on a consistent basis to the waterfront, is both a hazard to the wildlife that we enjoy in Yarrow Bay and the Kirkland waterfront, and a disturbance to what is a somewhat quiet neighborhood. It is true that Carillon has a boat operation out of its waterfront area, which is somewhat controlled for noise level and disturbance. But seaplanes add another dimension of noise that effects a much larger area and not controllable (noise wise) as far as their fly overs and landings and take offs. There is so much activity already in this area, we believe that adding seaplanes could also be a safety issue. We have admired for years the planning that Kirkland has done to keep the building heights minimal and protect its waterfront, making it more desirable than neighboring cities. Adding seaplanes to the waterfront on a regular basis would be disturbing to a much larger area that just Carillon Point, but the greater neighborhoods that surround that area, making it much less desirable.

We appreciate your consideration of our comments.

Barbara and John Vynne

Christian Geitz

From: Bruce Wange <b.wange@frontier.com>
Sent: Friday, June 10, 2016 5:12 PM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Jay Arnold; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: Seaplanes out of Carilolon Point SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804

Dear Mayor, Deputy Mayor, City Planners, City Manager, Council Members;

I recently learned of the plan to allow seaplanes to fly out of Carillon Point. I think this is a terrible idea and seriously hope the City does not allow this to happen. I live above Carillon Point and enjoy watching the bald eagles, the blue herons, the osprey & hawks fly from Yarrow Bay across the lake over Carillon Point to Juanita Bay Wetlands. I also enjoy the peaceful quiet that remains, excepting the noise from the growth and traffic that now comes from I-405 and 520. I have lived in this neighborhood for over 30 years and although growth is to be expected, this is an unnecessary factor in that growth.

The CKC was going to be this wonderful natural area that the community could all share and come together and meet, walk and commune as a city – which it has! It's wonderful! And now that could possibly be ruined with transit. And now with this in the works? – I really have to ask – what is the vision the City of Kirkland has for the community? It seems to be only about tax revenues and business. What about the quiet community and a place for families and residents to enjoy? Please do not ruin Kirkland! This belongs up in an area that is more industrial, not in a residential neighborhood, which is what is surrounding Carillon Point! Seaplanes already fly over Lake Washington – out of Kenmore!

Sincerely,
Elizabeth Wange

Christian Geitz

From: jswese@comcast.net
Sent: Tuesday, June 14, 2016 7:37 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Cc: Myhre, Scott
Subject: SHR16-00803

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

Mr. Christian Geitz
Planning and Building Dept.
City of Kirkland

Dear Mr. Geitz:

We are condominium owners at the Villas @ Carillon which is located directly across Lake Washington Blvd from Carillon Point. We are writing to state our disapproval of the application to locate a seaplane terminal at Carillon Point which would allow up to twelve flights each day. Currently there are occasional seaplanes taking off and landing in this area and we and our neighbors are well aware of the noise impact. The loud engine sound of take-offs and landings vibrates against the front of our buildings, rendering our decks almost useless during these activities. In addition, we are concerned with the environmental impact to the lake and shoreline. We see on the website for Seaplane Scenics, that they offer both scenic tours and pilot training. Training would involve multiple take-offs and landings, thereby increasing the noise pollution to our area.

Thank you for allowing us to state our position against approving this application.

Roger and Judith Weseman
5302 Lake Washington Blvd NE
Unit K
Kirkland, WA 98033

Christian Geitz

From: Joyce Williamson <williajk@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday, June 17, 2016 5:14 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: SHR 16-00803 Objection to Seaplane Operation at Carillon Point

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Flag Status: Flagged

Christian,

I object to the city of Kirkland allowing or issuing a permit for any company or person/s to operate or continue to operate seaplanes for any purpose in my Carillon Point neighborhood. My reasons follow:

- 1) Congestion There is already too much activity around and in the water with boats, swimmers, water skiers, people walking, bicyclers, cars, etc.
 No reason to permanently add seaplanes.
- 2) Safety Given the aforementioned congestion and the number of homes and businesses in the area, the likelihood of an accident resulting in tragedy is extremely high.
- 3) Noise Added noise is a nuisance to home owners trying to enjoy a peaceful existence in their homes, business owners and employees at work, people dining at a restaurant near the water, or anyone else in the area.
- 4) Pollution Water and air contamination from the seaplanes spoil our beautiful environment.

Thank you,

Joyce Williamson
10222 NE 52nd St. Kirkland, 98033
425-822-3852

Christian Geitz

From: Claudi Wilson <claudi.wilson@yahoo.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 24, 2016 2:45 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: seaplanes at carillon point

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Completed

Categories: Zoning Permits

I am very concerned about the constant noise that would be generated by a sea plane business at Carillion Point. This would have a negative effect on our ecosystem and wildlife also. Really! How is this even being considered. Oh yes it will bring in revenue. That seems to be the only thing the city council cares about.

Let's consider quality of life for all the beach goers and residents on the lake. No sea planes at Carillion point, PLEASE.

Claudi Wilson

Christian Geitz

From: Claudi Wilson <claudi.wilson@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 10, 2016 3:31 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: seaplanes at Carillion

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Flag Status: Flagged

Aren't we supposed to be concerned about the environment?

Seaplanes landing and taking off every 20 minutes will have an extremely negative effect on the quality of life and enjoyment of the Kirkland waterfront. They are extremely noisy! The lake is filled with boarders, kayakers, and boats. I have safety concerns. The noise and congestion effects not only people but the wildlife also. Seaplanes are such a bad idea for Carillion Point. I can't believe it is even up for discussion! Kenmore air is close by for people wanting the seaplane experience.

Mary Wilson

PROPOSED SEA PLANE OPERATION APPLICATION

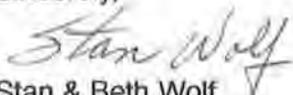
TO: Christian Geitz
City of Kirkland Planning and Building Department
123 5th Avenue
Kirkland, WA 98033

May 16, 2016

SUBJECT: Application & Optional SEPA
Carillon Sea Plane Operation Shoreline Conditional Use Permit
Case SHR16-00803

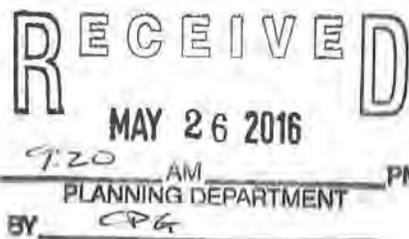
We protest the proposed Seaplane Operation at Carillon Point in Kirkland. This area is a lakeside residential area and we object to the noise it generates, based on the current usage of one seaplane during 2015 and in current use now. We have lived here on Lake Washington for 30 years and enjoy the view and the serenity of lake sounds. To have one or more seaplanes operating throughout the day and evening would generate too much noise and pollution. The airplanes take off to the west, throwing the maximum noise back to the shore. Residents of Kirkland have shown a dislike for noise along the Cross Kirkland Corridor and the operation of seaplanes along the lake waterfront would be as objectionable to us as trains along the CKC. We love the serenity of the lake and put up with some load boats and music, but a seaplane operation base would be just too much noise.

Sincerely,



Stan & Beth Wolf

6333 Lake Washington Blvd NE, Kirkland, WA 98033
email: seagullsb1@mac.com



Christian Geitz

From: Irene Young <ireneyoung@yahoo.com>
Sent: Friday, June 10, 2016 3:38 PM
To: Christian Geitz; Eric Shields; Kurt Triplett; Amy Walen; Jay Arnold; Shelley Kloba; Penny Sweet; Toby Nixon; Dave Asher; Doreen Marchione
Subject: SHR16-00803 and SEP16-00804

Please do not allow seaplanes to fly out of carillon point. It will disturb the peace and tranquility that Kirkland enjoys. Just one seaplane can be very loud when it flies overhead !

Thank you

Irene Young

722 4th st west
kirkland,wa

Christian Geitz

From: Howard Zeck <gerdibud@msn.com>
Sent: Monday, June 20, 2016 12:46 PM
To: Christian Geitz
Subject: Application for Permit #SHR16-00803

This Permit to allow two seaplanes as part of a tour company to take off and land in half-hour intervals from sunrise to sunset at Carillon Point is unconscionable. It raises concerns about noise pollution, not only for people but wildlife/birdlife as well. Possible pollution of the lake and surrounding environmentally sensitive areas is also at stake.

We strongly object to the approval of this permit.
Howard and Gerda Zeck

WAC 173-60-030

Identification of environments.

(1) Except when included within specific prior designations as provided in subsections (2), (3), and (4) of this section, the EDNA of any property shall be based on the following typical uses, taking into consideration the present, future, and historical usage, as well as the usage of adjacent and other lands in the vicinity.

Residential properties located along the shoreline of Lake Washington and adjoining the subject property are defined as Class A EDNA.

→ (a) **Class A EDNA** - Lands where human beings reside and sleep. Typically, Class A EDNA will be the following types of property used for human habitation:

- (i) Residential
- (ii) Multiple family living accommodations
- (iii) Recreational and entertainment, (e.g., camps, parks, camping facilities, and resorts)
- (iv) Community service, (e.g., orphanages, homes for the aged, hospitals, health and correctional facilities)

Carillon Point is identified as a Class B EDNA

→ (b) **Class B EDNA** - Lands involving uses requiring protection against noise interference with speech. Typically, Class B EDNA will be the following types of property:

- (i) Commercial living accommodations
- (ii) Commercial dining establishments
- (iii) Motor vehicle services
- (iv) Retail services
- (v) Banks and office buildings
- (vi) Miscellaneous commercial services, property not used for human habitation
- (vii) Recreation and entertainment, property not used for human habitation (e.g., theaters, stadiums, fairgrounds, and amusement parks)
- (viii) Community services, property not used for human habitation (e.g., educational, religious, governmental, cultural and recreational facilities).

(c) **Class C EDNA** - Lands involving economic activities of such a nature that higher noise levels than experienced in other areas is normally to be anticipated. Persons working in these areas are normally covered by noise control regulations of the department of labor and industries. Uses typical of Class A EDNA are generally not permitted within such areas. Typically, Class C EDNA will be the following types of property:

- (i) Storage, warehouse, and distribution facilities.
- (ii) Industrial property used for the production and fabrication of durable and nondurable man-made goods
- (iii) Agricultural and silvicultural property used for the production of crops, wood products, or livestock.

(d) Where there is neither a zoning ordinance in effect nor an adopted comprehensive plan, the legislative authority of local government may, by ordinance or resolution, designate specifically described EDNAs which conform to the above use criteria and, upon departmental approval, EDNAs so designated shall be as set forth in such local determination.

(e) Where no specific prior designation of EDNAs has been made, the appropriate EDNA for properties involved in any enforcement activity will be determined by the investigating official on the basis of the criteria of (a), (b), and (c) of this subsection.

(2) In areas covered by a local zoning ordinance, the legislative authority of the local government may, by ordinance or resolution designate EDNAs to conform with the zoning ordinance as follows:

- (a) Residential zones - Class A EDNA
- (b) Commercial zones - Class B EDNA
- (c) Industrial zones - Class C EDNA

Upon approval by the department, EDNAs so designated shall be as set forth in such local determination. EDNA designations shall be amended as necessary to conform to zone changes under the zoning ordinance.

(3) In areas not covered by a local zoning ordinance but within the coverage of an adopted comprehensive plan the legislative authority of the local government may, by ordinance or resolution designate EDNAs to conform with the comprehensive plan as follows:

- (a) Residential areas - Class A EDNA
- (b) Commercial areas - Class B EDNA
- (c) Industrial areas - Class C EDNA

Upon approval by the department EDNAs so designated shall be as set forth in such local determination. EDNA designations shall be amended as necessary to conform to changes in the comprehensive plan.

(4) The department recognizes that on certain lands, serenity, tranquillity, or quiet are an essential part of the quality of the environment and serve an important public need. Special designation of such lands with appropriate noise level standards by local government may be adopted subject to approval by the department. The director may make such special designation pursuant to the procedures of the Administrative Procedure Act, chapter [34.04](#) RCW.

WAC 173-60-040

Maximum permissible environmental noise levels.

(1) No person shall cause or permit noise to intrude into the property of another person which noise exceeds the maximum permissible noise levels set forth below in this section.

(2)(a) The noise limitations established are as set forth in the following table after any applicable adjustments provided for herein are applied.

This chart identifies the maximum noise limitation for noise produced by the Float Plane (Class B source) and received by the neighboring residential properties (Class A receiving) is 57 decibels (dBA).



EDNA OF NOISE SOURCE	EDNA OF RECEIVING PROPERTY		
	Class A	Class B	Class C
CLASS A	55 dBA	57 dBA	60 dBA
CLASS B	57	60	65
CLASS C	60	65	70

(b) Between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. the noise limitations of the foregoing table shall be reduced by 10 dBA for receiving property within Class A EDNAs.

(c) At any hour of the day or night the applicable noise limitations in (a) and (b) above may be exceeded for any receiving property by no more than:

- (i) 5 dBA for a total of 15 minutes in any one-hour period; or
- (ii) 10 dBA for a total of 5 minutes in any one-hour period; or
- (iii) 15 dBA for a total of 1.5 minutes in any one-hour period.

[Order 74-32, § 173-60-040, filed 4/22/75, effective 9/1/75.]

This section identifies the allowed dBA flexibilities for set duration. Under this provision, the applicant may exceed 57 dBA by 10 dBA for a total of 5 minutes in any one-hour period.

WAC 173-60-050

Exemptions.

(1) The following shall be exempt from the provisions of WAC [173-60-040](#) between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 p.m.:

(a) Sounds originating from residential property relating to temporary projects for the maintenance or repair of homes, grounds and appurtenances.

(b) Sounds created by the discharge of firearms on authorized shooting ranges.

(c) Sounds created by blasting.

(d) Sounds created by aircraft engine testing and maintenance not related to flight operations: Provided, That aircraft testing and maintenance shall be conducted at remote sites whenever possible.

(e) Sounds created by the installation or repair of essential utility services.

(2) The following shall be exempt from the provisions of WAC [173-60-040](#) (2)(b):

(a) Noise from electrical substations and existing stationary equipment used in the conveyance of water, waste water, and natural gas by a utility.

(b) Noise from existing industrial installations which exceed the standards contained in these regulations and which, over the previous three years, have consistently operated in excess of 15 hours per day as a consequence of process necessity and/or demonstrated routine normal operation. Changes in working hours, which would affect exemptions under this regulation, require approval of the department.

(3) The following shall be exempt from the provisions of WAC [173-60-040](#), except insofar as such provisions relate to the reception of noise within Class A EDNAs between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.

(a) Sounds originating from temporary construction sites as a result of construction activity.

(b) Sounds originating from forest harvesting and silvicultural activity.

(4) The following shall be exempt from all provisions of WAC [173-60-040](#):

(a) Sounds created by motor vehicles when regulated by chapter [173-62](#) WAC.

(b) Sounds originating from aircraft in flight and sounds that originate at airports which are directly related to flight operations.

(c) Sounds created by surface carriers engaged in interstate commerce by railroad.

(d) Sounds created by warning devices not operating continuously for more than five minutes, or bells, chimes, and carillons.

(e) Sounds created by safety and protective devices where noise suppression would defeat the intent of the device or is not economically feasible.

(f) Sounds created by emergency equipment and work necessary in the interests of law enforcement or for health safety or welfare of the community.

(g) Sounds originating from motor vehicle racing events at existing authorized facilities.

(h) Sounds originating from officially sanctioned parades and other public events.

(i) Sounds emitted from petroleum refinery boilers during startup of said boilers: Provided, That the startup operation is performed during daytime hours whenever possible.

(j) Sounds created by the discharge of firearms in the course of hunting.

(k) Sounds caused by natural phenomena and unamplified human voices.

(l) Sounds created by motor vehicles, licensed or unlicensed, when operated off public highways EXCEPT when such sounds are received in Class A EDNAs.

(m) Sounds originating from existing natural gas transmission and distribution facilities. However, in circumstances where such sounds impact EDNA Class A environments and complaints are received, the director or his designee may take action to abate by application of EDNA Class C source limits to the facility under the requirements of WAC 173-60-050(5).

(6) Nothing in these exemptions is intended to preclude the department from requiring installation of the best available noise abatement technology consistent with economic feasibility. The establishment of any such requirement shall be subject to the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act, chapter [34.04](#) RCW.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter [70.107](#) RCW. WSR 94-12-001 (Order 92-41), § 173-60-050, filed 5/18/94, effective 6/18/94; WSR 83-15-046 (Order DE 82-42), § 173-60-050, filed 7/19/83; Order DE 77-1, § 173-60-050, filed 6/2/77; Order 75-18, § 173-60-050, filed 8/1/75; Order 74-32, § 173-60-050, filed 4/22/75, effective 9/1/75.]

Notice of Appeal SEP16-00804

Carillon Point Float Plane Proposal

Submitted December 1, 2016



Statement of matter being appealed

The No Seaplane Group, comprising 98 members and growing, is appealing the Determination of Non-Significance of SEP16-00804, Shoreline Conditional Use Permit for proposed seaplane operation at Carillon Point private marina, located along the shoreline of Lake Washington.

Specific components or aspects being appealed

We believe the sound study is inherently flawed:

- The street measurement location is too far from the water's edge and from the flight path to accurately measure the noise that waterfront residents and users are exposed to.
- The study did not measure noise in front of the waterfront homes and businesses that are most affected by the noise.
- The study did not measure the noise farther north along the waterfront, where there are heavily-used parks and walkways.
- The study did not measure the noise on the slope above the waterfront, where sound travels unimpeded off the water.

Rationale or contentions of appeal

We believe that seaplane noise does cause "a significant adverse environmental impact for which mitigation cannot be identified." (Per the SEPA threshold determination.) Numerous studies indicate that the health effects of noise pollution are medically and socially significant. (See supplemental information.) Noise pollution and psychological and physical damage result from the cumulative effects of the various noises that comprise an urban environment. Introducing a hitherto unpermitted noise source will exacerbate this cumulative effect.

The City of Kirkland staff report states that "It will be necessary to further analyze certain aspects of the proposal to determine if the project complies with all the applicable City codes and policies." We believe these analyses should have been conducted prior to issuing a DNS, and that the staff report is therefore incomplete.

We believe that if the sound study had measured noise in front of the homes, parks, and trails along the flight path, that the decibel levels would have exceeded the allowances in WAC section 173-60-40.

We believe that allowing noise levels to exceed the WAC maximum for five minutes every hour (8% of the time) is unreasonable, and is not in keeping with the intentions of the exception clause allowing 67 dBA for "various periods of time."

The sound study measured only two flights. One of these flights generated an engine backfire measured at 77 dBA. The noise study company was told that this event is "very rare," and the db

reading was thus excluded from the study. We contend that a backfire occurring in such a small flight sampling is statistically significant, and should have been included in the noise study.

Statement demonstrating standing to appeal

The appellant comprises Kirkland citizens who live on or near, or use the Kirkland waterfront, and will be directly affected by seaplane noise.

Supplemental information - the Public Health Effects of Noise

Numerous studies indicate the harmful effects of noise in our daily lives. In 1973, at the International Congress on Noise as a Public Health Hazard, then-Surgeon General Dr. William Stewart stated, **“Calling noise a nuisance is like calling smog an inconvenience. Noise must be considered a hazard to the health of people everywhere.”**

In their position paper, **The American Noise Pollution Epidemic**

(https://www.noisefree.org/ONAC_2010.pdf), the Noise Free America Coalition states: “A Census Bureau report indicates that noise is Americans' number one complaint about their neighborhoods, and the most significant reason why they wish to move.”

In their publication in the Southern Medical Journal, **Noise Pollution: A Modern Plague**

(<http://www.medscape.com/viewarticle/554566>), Lisa Goines, RN and Louis Hagler, MD state:

- The potential health effects of noise pollution are numerous, pervasive, persistent, and medically and socially significant. **The aim of enlightened governmental controls should be to protect citizens from the adverse effects of [noise] pollution.**
- Noise pollution has profound public health implications.
- Noise is a stressor on the human body. It causes the “fight or flight” syndrome, releasing cortisol and other harmful chemicals into the blood stream. Over time, these chemicals build up in the body, leading to a host of health problems, including cardiovascular disease, aggression, chronic fatigue, headaches, high blood pressure, mental illness, and anxiety.
- Noise, **even at levels that are not harmful to hearing**, is perceived subconsciously as a danger signal, even during sleep.
- Excessive noise is very **harmful to children**. Noise pollution creates developmental delays in fetuses and cognitive delays in toddlers. Noise can cause or worsen learning disabilities and hearing loss in children.
- Noise pollution causes and contributes to anxiety, stress, nervousness, nausea, headache, emotional instability, argumentativeness, sexual impotence, change in mood, increase in social conflicts, neurosis, hysteria, and psychosis.
- Noise is a major cause of chronic fatigue.
- According to the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, noise has many physical effects, including increased blood pressure, heightened breathing rate, ulcers, and fetal development disruption.

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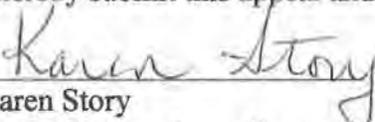
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Signature and Acknowledgement of Accuracy

I hereby submit this appeal and acknowledge that I believe its content to be accurate and true.


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Date: 12-1-16

