

**RE: File No 2402-089**

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Tue 4/9/2024 10:40 AM

To: Benjamin W Starnes &lt;starnes@uw.edu&gt;

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Hi Ben,

Thank you for providing comment on Building Permit 2402-089. Your comments will be provided to the applicant and responded to as necessary.

Sincerely,

**Molly McGuire**

Planner

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**From:** Benjamin W Starnes <starnes@uw.edu>**Sent:** Tuesday, April 9, 2024 10:28 AM**To:** Molly McGuire <molly.mcguire@mercerisland.gov>**Cc:** mbstarnes@comcast.net**Subject:** File No 2402-089

Dear Ms. McGuire,

I received a public notice of application by my neighbor Mr. Tony Chen for demolishing the existing family home at 6175 SE 27<sup>th</sup> Street and wish to comment about this proposal.

After witnessing several construction projects in our neighborhood recently, I have seen significant impediments to ingress and egress in and out of our community. I am a busy vascular surgeon practicing at Harborview Medical Center in Seattle and at times need to leave urgently for an emergent operation.

My question is, on these narrow streets, what is the specific plan for managing construction vehicle parking? There are no parking spots on the street due to narrow alleys, drainage ditches etc, and the only parking spots will be along the western border of my property at 6200 SE 27<sup>th</sup> Street. I fear that large construction vehicles will damage my property along the western edge, property lights, gravel, mulched areas etc... I believe that the proper plan would be for construction crews to park elsewhere and commute to the construction site in a single vehicle when feasible to limit the traffic in our neighborhood and the potential for becoming "blocked in".

I would like to hear Mr. Chen's response to my comments.

Thank You

Ben Starnes



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