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Re: Public Comment Response – 2707 70th Ave SE

Re: Response to Public Comment – Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) Application

Dear Mr. Becker,

Thank you for taking the time to share your concerns regarding the proposed Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) project. We understand and respect the importance of maintaining neighborhood character, pedestrian safety, and responsible growth on Mercer Island.

We would like to provide a few clarifications regarding this project:

1. Conformance with City Regulations

The proposed ADU fully complies with the City of Mercer Island's current zoning and development standards. As noted by City staff, ADUs have been permitted in single-family residential neighborhoods for nearly two decades, and this project is consistent with that longstanding policy.

2. Parking and Traffic Considerations

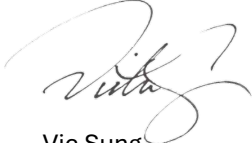
This application meets the City's parking requirements in effect at the time of submittal. The ADU will not rely on on-street parking, as adequate off-street parking will be provided on-site in compliance with City code. We also recognize the importance of safe streets for pedestrians, children, and school transportation, and the project has been designed to minimize additional traffic impacts.

3. Project Scope

The ADU is a modest addition intended to provide housing for family and/or long-term tenants, rather than significantly increase neighborhood density. The project is designed to be compatible with the surrounding residential character and to respect the scale of existing homes in the neighborhood.

We appreciate your engagement on these important community topics and your commitment to ensuring Mercer Island remains a safe and livable city. While broader policy decisions about housing density and citywide parking standards are determined by the City Council and State Legislature, we want to assure you that this particular project is designed to operate within the existing framework and to be a good fit for the neighborhood

Sincerely,



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