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**SUBJECT: Watercourse Reconnaissance for Attia/Iskander Addition
8555 – 85th Ave SE, Parcel 073610-0041, Mercer Island, WA
City Permit # 2506-014**

Dear Nabil,

On July 8, 2025 I conducted a watercourse reconnaissance on the subject property. As indicated on Page 14 of the June 2, 2025 City of Mercer Island's Intake Screening Comments, there is a mapped watercourse on the site on the City's GIS mapping (**Attachment A**). Per the City comments, *"For the watercourse and buffer-the applicant can demonstrate that the existing watercourse does not meet the definition of a watercourse. This would require a Critical Area Review 1."*

The site is currently entirely developed with your existing single-family residence and associated yard areas and no watercourses of any kind were observed on or adjacent to the property.

Watercourses are defined in MIMC 19.16.010:

Watercourses: A course or route, formed by nature and generally consisting of a channel with a bed, banks, or sides throughout substantially all its length, along which surface waters, with some regularity (annually in the rainy season), naturally and normally flow in draining from higher to lower lands. This definition does not include irrigation and drainage ditches, grass-lined swales, canals, storm water runoff devices, or other courses unless they are used by fish or to convey waters that were naturally occurring prior to construction.

Conclusion

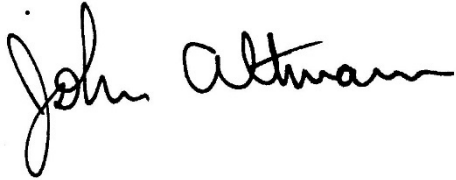
The City GIS mapping depicting a watercourse on the subject property is inaccurate and no channel of any kind was observed on or adjacent to the site during the field investigation.

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If you have any questions regarding the reconnaissance, please give me a call.

Sincerely,

ALTMANN OLIVER ASSOCIATES, LLC

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Altmann". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped "J" and a long, horizontal stroke for the "A".

John Altmann
Ecologist

Attachments

King County iMap



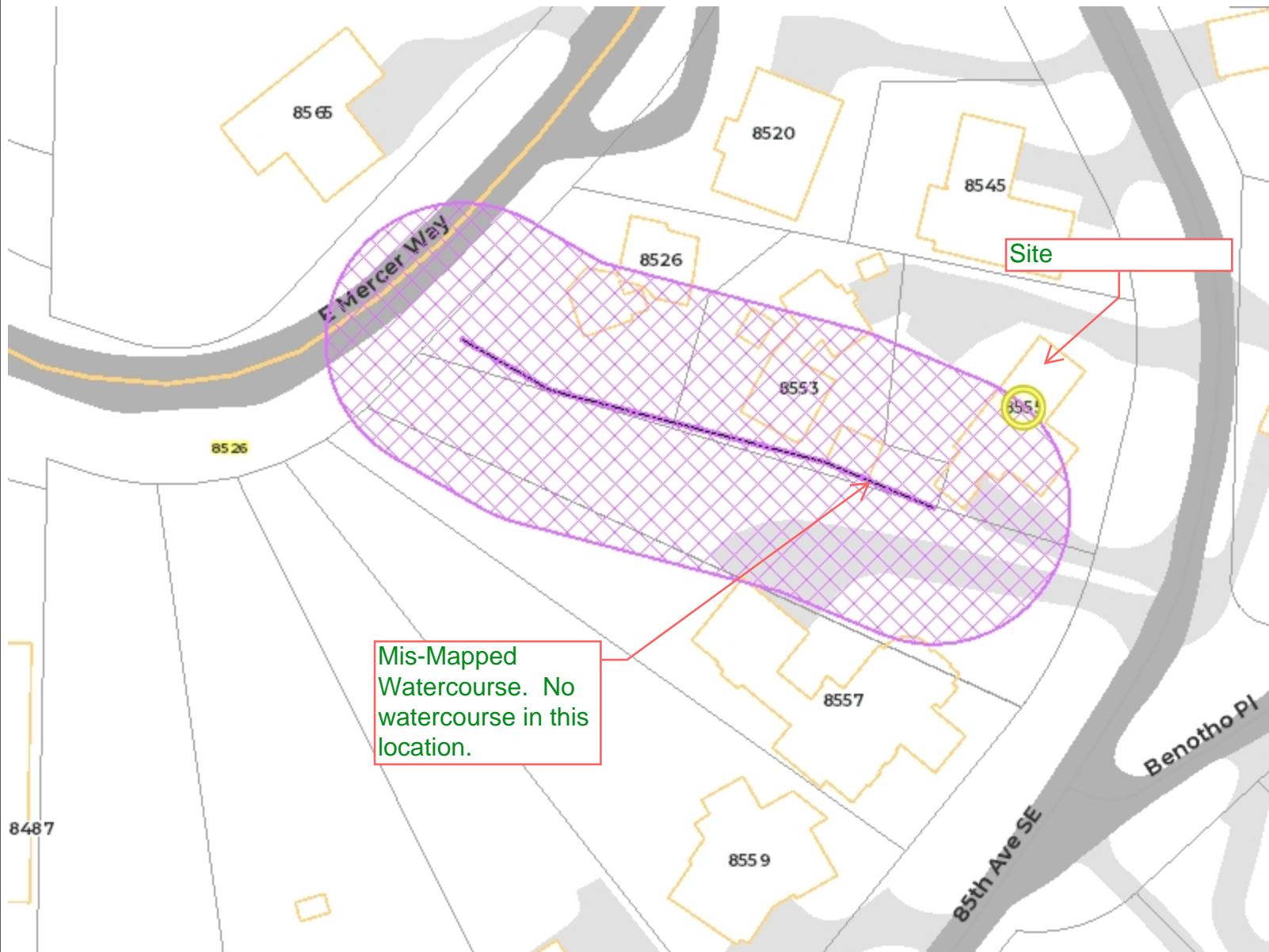
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Date: 7/10/2025

Notes:



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Legend

Unpiped Watercourse

- Type "F" = Fish
- Type "Np" = Non-Fish
- Type "Ns" = Non-Fish Seasonal
- Type "Np" (Unverified)
- Type "Ns" (Unverified)

Piped Watercourse

Watercourse Buffer/Setback

- Type "F" = 120-Ft Buffer
- Type "Np" = 60-Ft Buffer
- Type "Ns" = 60-Ft Buffer
- Type "Np" Unverified = 60-Ft Buffer
- Type "Ns" Unverified = 60-Ft Buffer
- Piped Type F/Np/Ns = 45-Ft Setback

Address

- Building
- Property Line
- Docks
- Freeway
- Major Street
- Street
- Paved Driveway
- Paved Road
- Paved Parking Area
- Parks
- Lake Washington

Notes

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Feet

1 inch =
133.6960385 feet

