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From: Molly McGuire
Sent: Thursday, July 9, 2026 9:10 AM
To: 'Blake Zhang'
Cc: Customer Service Mailbox; Andrea Larson
Subject: RE: CPA25-002 (Stroum Jewish Community Center) hearing

Hi Blake,

Thank you for reaching out regarding the SJCC's Comprehensive Plan Amendment project. I wanted to take a moment to answer your questions regarding the application process, but you can also find all of this information, and more, published on the City's Let's Talk page: [Stroum Jewish Community Center Comprehensive Plan Map Amendment and Rezone Project | Let's Talk Mercer Island](#)

A decision has not been made on this proposal. The notice you received was to notify neighbors that a public hearing will be taking place with the Planning Commission on August 5, 2026. At this public hearing, the Planning Commission will be making a recommendation for approval or denial to the City Council based on the criteria for a Comprehensive Plan Amendment in [MICC 19.15.230\(F\)](#).

Sincerely,

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From: Blake Zhang <bzblake347@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 8, 2026 8:13 PM
To: Customer Service Mailbox <customerservice@mercerisland.gov>; Molly McGuire <molly.mcguire@mercerisland.gov>
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I would want to understand whether these have been conducted / considered:

traffic study, event parking plan, no overflow parking on nearby residential streets, lighting directed away from homes, strong landscape screening on E Mercer Way, limits on outdoor amplified sound, and disclosure of max building height facing E Mercer way.

On Wed, Jul 8, 2026 at 8:07 PM Blake Zhang <bzblake347@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear city of MI,

I got a letter in the mail about the public hearing for this project at Stroum Jewish Community Center.

It doesn't say in the letter but has this been fully approved? I live right across the street from JCC so this has the biggest impact on me. Thanks.

Blake Zhang
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