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From: mindylandsman@comcast.net
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To: Planning Commission; Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada; Council
Subject: Please approve the JCC plan

Hi,

I'm Mindy Landsman, an MI resident since 1999, and a JCC member since 1994 when we moved to the Northwest and lived in Kirkland.

The J has been a critical part of our family life since 1994. Here are some of the ways that the J has enriched our lives:

- Our son (who was 10 months old at the time) attended the Mommy and Me class. He is now 33 years old.
- Our son went to pre-school at the J.
- I've been working out in the fitness room at the J since 1994.
- I worked as a Personal Fitness Trainer at the J from 2003 until 2020.
- I've been taking fitness classes at the J for 30 years.
- Our family watches films in the J auditorium from the Seattle Jewish Film Festival.
- We've attended wonderful cooking classes, comedy shows, and more at the J.
- For the past 2 years, I've been a volunteer in the Parkinson's Fitness Class.

I am no expert on city planning, but I'm surprised, and it makes no sense to me, that the J would be zoned as single family. The city should zone the JCC campus for what it is, a commercial entity serving Mercer Island and beyond. Surely the J can better plan its future without having to arbitrarily navigate single family zoning when putting forward plans for the site.

Please amend the Comprehensive Plan to change the designation of the SJCC property from single family to commercial.

Best regards,
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