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To: Alison Van Gorp; Deb Estrada; Council; Planning Commission
Subject: SJCC Rezone

Dear All,

I have been going to the SJCC for over 50 years and it always brings back great memories. I associate Mercer Island with all that is good from my childhood because of the Jewish Community Center. When it was time for us to raise our children all three attended the Preschool and participated in the camps at the Center. They all have fond memories and would like to live and raise their families on the Island because of the special feelings they had growing up there.

I'm writing to urge your support to amend the Comprehensive Plan to change the designation of the SJCC property from single family to commercial. [*State your relationship with the J and why you value the J*]. The J has been serving the Mercer Island community – as a community center – for over 55 years. Please align the comprehensive plan and land use maps to reflect that reality and ensure the J can continue to serve our community and thrive on Mercer Island for the next 55 years.

Now is the time!

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