

22 September 2024

Jeff Davis
4568 E Mercer Way
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Re: CUP24-001 Comment Response

Dear Jeff Davis,

Thank you for your comments regarding the submitted Conditional Use Permit. We've taken the liberty of summarizing and responding to the main points:

traffic backup and pedestrian crossing from the JCC are very dangerous

The proposed project has no affiliation with the Stroum Jewish Community Center (SJCC) or the French American School of Puget Sound (FASPS). Regular parking by FASPS staff on site will cease prior to the start of this project, thereby enhancing pedestrian safety at crossings. Site lighting will be added to increase pedestrian safety.

we are not in favor of addition development ... this is a residential neighborhood

The Conditional Use Permit does not propose any buildings in the residential zone. The school building is proposed to be located on an adjacent lot that has been commercially zoned for 25 years. According to Goal 17.2 of the Land Use policies in the City's state-mandated Comprehensive Plan, "Commercial uses and densities near the I-90/East Mercer Way exit and SE 36th Street are appropriate for that area." The City of Mercer Island, like many other communities across the State of Washington, is obligated to plan for growth and has designated the commercially zoned lot, by use of zoning, to be an area of growth.

Thank you again for your feedback and participation in the public process.

Sincerely,

Anjali Grant