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Subject: Opposition to Marin Condominium PUD Amendment - Building C of Semiahmoo Spit Investments Inc.

Good afternoon Alex. I am writing in opposition to the application of Semiahmoo Spit Investments Inc. related to the Marin Condominium PUD Amendment - Building C which will be considered at a Public Hearing scheduled for January 24, 2019.

My husband and I live in Building B of the Marin Condominiums and our unit is right next door to Pad C. As you know from the letter provided by the Marin Condominium Association, the existing Building B and Pad C share a driveway which is owned by the Marin master condominium association (which also owns and controls the land and landscaping surrounding all of the Marin buildings, including Pad C).

While the applicant's proposed design is an attractive one, it does not fit in at all with the exterior design of Marin Buildings A and B, or for that matter, the Semiahmoo Resort or other structures on the Semiahmoo Spit. All of the existing structures on the Spit are "beach-like" (e.g., the exteriors incorporate wood or wood-like products and/or stone, and have sloped roofs) and are compatible with the historic structures on the Spit such as the Museum. Due to the extremely close proximity of Pad C to Marin Building B and the Semiahmoo Resort, as well as the relationship imposed by the Marin master condominium documents, it is even more important that the structure on Pad C incorporate similar exterior features. Requiring similar materials and a sloped roof on the Pad C structure will make it more harmonious with existing Semiahmoo Spit buildings and the natural beauty of the Semiahmoo Spit.

Moreover, the original plans for all 3 Marin buildings, previously approved by the City, were of similar (if not identical) design. To deviate from the original plan to such a degree is not in keeping with what the current Marin homeowners and other residents of the Spit envisioned or expected.

The applicant should be required to design a structure more similar to that of Marin Buildings A and B and other structures on the Spit, as previously requested by the Marin Condominium Association, other homeowners in the Semiahmoo community, and the Architectural Standards Committee of the Semiahmoo Resort Association.

For the foregoing reasons, we oppose the current design and request that you deny this application.

Respectfully yours,

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