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Dear Mark and Kathy,

Thank you for the good reception and interest yesterday at the Joint Recommendations Committee. Attached in several files is an electronic copy of our testimony yesterday, which we would appreciate if you could distribute to the Joint Recommendations Committee ("JRC"). This document and the Press Coverage document contain hyperlinks that do not work easily in hardcopy form so are in Word format.

Knowing now that a Consistency Letter was issued to Inland Development, the SeaTac Center businesses and their ally groups request that you and the JRC:

Please update your letter, copy to Lisa Vatske at the Washington State Housing Finance Commission, stating that the proposed Inland Development housing at SeaTac is not consistent with the 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan("Plan") until additional steps are taken to ameliorate the significant harm to low-income household economic development that the project, as proposed, will cause which works counter to the third Community/Economic Development principle goal of the Consolidated Plan.

We have learned, over time, that the intersectionality of our communities matters greatly. A letter of consistency cannot be granted, in a case like this of gentrification around a link rail station, based solely on compliance with one of the Plan's three main goals if the project will so completely work counter to another main goal, low-income household community and economic development, and, in this case, harm to a racial minority community that depends so greatly on the mall site as a commercial and cultural center.

Because we had difficulty finding the JRC meeting site, one of our planned speakers did not accompany us, Mr. Abdulhakim Hashi. Fortunately, we have a video record of Mr. Hashi speaking in front of the mall site, which the JRC members can view if you include this letter in your electronic distribution:

<https://1drv.ms/v/s!At4A1ODoFJGKqXxzKGhpezcT6ftR>

We are also including this video of Mr. Abdihakim Hirsi testifying before the SeaTac City Council in December 2018 on the night the City Council attempted to approve entering into a contract with Inland Development:

<https://1drv.ms/v/s!At4A1ODoFJGKrCbeEZbqwZzJD3VD>

We remain available to provide the JRC with any additional information it requires to modify the initial consistency letter.

Sincerely,

Steve Clagett