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From: Noris, Anne
Sent: Friday, December 06, 2013 2:49 PM
To: Masuo, Janet
Subject: FW: Dec. 9 King County Council Mtg - Letter from Lake Washington School District to King County Councilmembers
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To: Noris, Anne
Cc: Pierce, Traci; Fogard, Janene; Denise Stiffarm (denise.stiffarm@klgates.com); Reith, Kathryn
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Anne,

Attached is a letter from Dr. Traci Pierce, Superintendent, Lake Washington School District, regarding the Proposed Ordinance #2013-0472 related to Zoning. It is an item that is listed on the on the December 9 Committee of the Whole meeting.

Would you please distribute this letter to the County Councilmembers and ensure that it is considered part of the record.

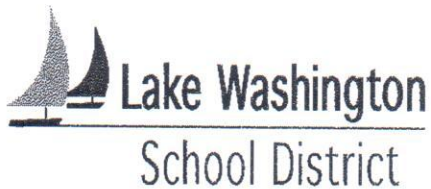
Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Diane

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December 6, 2013

The Honorable Larry Gossett, Chair
and King County Council Members
King County Council
516 Third Ave., Room 1200
Seattle, WA 98014

RE: Proposed Ordinance #2013-0472 related to Zoning

Dear Chair Gossett and King County Councilmembers:

This letter is in reference to proposed King County Ordinance #2013-0472 related to zoning. Redmond Ridge is a community served by Lake Washington School District. We currently have one elementary school in Redmond Ridge and are planning a second school due to increasing student enrollment. This community is home to many children.

As you know, this area is an urban reserve surrounded by protected rural lands. The area is very family friendly and therefore attracts many families with children. As a result, housing in this area generates more students per home for our schools than some other areas of our district.

Proposed ordinance in file #2013-0472 specifies Redmond Ridge business park sites as allowable locations for marijuana growing and processing. The potential for a large marijuana production operation near our current and future schools is concerning to the district. We have one school in vicinity of the proposed location and another planned. Given that these kinds of operations are new and untested, the impact on any community is not fully known at this time. As such, we are concerned that the initial experiments would occur in areas with large numbers of children.

Please take this information into consideration as you make decisions concerning location of marijuana operations in King County. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Traci Pierce
Superintendent