

Cristina Haworth

From: Jen Garone <jgarone@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 08, 2016 3:19 PM
To: Cristina Haworth; Robert Grumbach
Subject: 520 Demo Work

Hi - Next week is the Hearing Examiner meeting for the 520 bridge demo work noise variance.

Last night we were kept up past midnight due to construction noise, including back up beeps, general construction noise and shouts of employees. This was on top of the constant nuisance noise generated by the expansion joint.

There are three reasons why we should not grant a technical noise exemption.

1. quality of life and health impact for local residents due to noise and construction materials
2. impact on the environment
3. jurisdictional issues -- Kenmore should not be making binding agreements with KGM that impact Medina

Thanks

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Jennifer Harkins Garone
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From: Robert Grumbach <rgrumbach@medina-wa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2016 11:41 AM
To: Cristina Haworth
Subject: FW: My concerns about the WSDOT/KGM Technical Noise Variance hearing in Medina tonight

Please include this email for tonight's hearing.

Thanks.

From: Robert Grumbach
Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2016 11:40 AM
To: 'Heija'; Michael Sauerwein
Cc: Gretchen Stengel; Ron Santi; Valerie Parrish; Palvi Mehta; jmarthur74@gmail.com; melindasatterlee@gmail.com; priyasarathy@hotmail.com; RSarathy@perkinscoie.com; kamie.sargent@comcast.net; murrays@exchange.microsoft.com; rodneytom@hotmail.com; holsapple@aa.washington.edu; allen haines; Scott Fletcher; Jen Garone; david doud; Helen Andrews; Andrews John; Lin Michelle; Steve Lin; David Yee; Sarah Doud; Langworthy David; Langworthy Maria; Martin David; Penny Martin; Dickerson Lori; Broback Steve; Cornell Petriosor; Hawk Lisa; Wen Sheree; Preston Laurel; Preston Steve; Harris John; Callan Robin; Idix@comcast.net; Emma Williams; Sarah Oeltjen; Roy Noorda; pasewark@mindspring.com; Will Parks; Julie Zylstra; jay deutsch; richp@mindspring.com; Mitch Wasserman; Joe Sabey; Dicker Cahill <mayor@ci.yarrow-point.wa.us>; d_ty@comcast.net; Mary Magnano; Maria Langworthy; City Council Mail; Jean Amick
Subject: RE: My concerns about the WSDOT/KGM Technical Noise Variance hearing in Medina tonight

Hi Heija,

As I mentioned last night around 9:00 pm when you stopped me after the Planning Commission meeting, you can raise your objection at the hearing tonight with the Hearing Examiner and he can rule on your request for a postponement. I do not believe there are grounds for a postponement, but the Hearing Examiner will have to determine this.

Robert

From: Heija [<mailto:heija@heija.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2016 10:05 AM
To: Robert Grumbach; Michael Sauerwein
Cc: Gretchen Stengel; Ron Santi; Valerie Parrish; Palvi Mehta; jmarthur74@gmail.com; melindasatterlee@gmail.com; priyasarathy@hotmail.com; RSarathy@perkinscoie.com; kamie.sargent@comcast.net; murrays@exchange.microsoft.com; rodneytom@hotmail.com; holsapple@aa.washington.edu; allen haines; Scott Fletcher; Jen Garone; david doud; Helen Andrews; Andrews John; Lin Michelle; Steve Lin; David Yee; Sarah Doud; Langworthy David; Langworthy Maria; Martin David; Penny Martin; Dickerson Lori; Broback Steve; Cornell Petriosor; Hawk Lisa; Wen Sheree; Preston Laurel; Preston Steve; Harris John; Callan Robin; Idix@comcast.net; Emma Williams; Sarah Oeltjen; Roy Noorda; pasewark@mindspring.com; Will Parks; Julie Zylstra; jay deutsch; richp@mindspring.com; Mitch Wasserman; Joe Sabey; Dicker Cahill <mayor@ci.yarrow-point.wa.us>; d_ty@comcast.net; Mary Magnano; Maria Langworthy; City Council Mail; Jean Amick
Subject: My concerns about the WSDOT/KGM Technical Noise Variance hearing in Medina tonight

Good morning Robert, Honorable Hearing Examiner and neighbors,

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page(<http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/Projects/SR520Bridge/BridgeAndLandings/CurrentWork.htm#newbridgenoise>) and their Decommissioning Folio (http://www.wsdot.wa.gov/NR/rdonlyres/4AA8E017-F141-4850-9D8F-1F19C2F86848/0/2016_0608_DeCx_Folio.pdf) they clearly outline plans to conduct the rubblization near our shoreline and to use East staging areas for heavy work. Their plan, the impacts and anticipated noise are presented as foregone conclusions yet you maintain that WSDOT/KGM do not have the required permit permission to conduct the over water barge work within our city limits...yet. You said they will have to submit some sort of deviation request regarding their current shoreline permissions. You then said that you as Development Director would decide if you will make the decision administratively or require a Public Hearing. Given the tremendous impact and interest this project has on our entire community I would like to gently suggest that the City Manager and the City Attorney should bear the responsibility and oversight of that decision and naturally I believe a public Hearing is without a doubt the best path for transparency's sake.

As a result of my research and our conversation I would like to request the following;

Please postpone the hearing until proper public notice has been provided utilizing the common practice of posting notice at City Hall and other designated locations in addition to the required site posting and 300ft mail notices.

I would like to request an electronic copy of the application, staff report and attachments. I also encourage the city to post this information and future hearing Examiner Agenda Packets in an easy to find online location. I urge the City Manager and Development Services to add a condition to the permit if granted, that requires all work and noise associated with overwater rubblization and material removal must be considered under a separate permit and noise variance if required, subject to public hearing.

Please obtain written assurance from WSDOT and KGM that the Kenmore settlement/trucking plan will be the only manner of debris removal if by some sad reason the rubblization work does ultimately occur on Lake Washington.

I respectfully request that this letter be added to the hearing record for tonight and that my name be added to all future notices and communication related to SR520 construction and demolition.

As always, Robert, thank you for being informative, responsive, and a lively conversation partner. Let me know if you have any questions or if anything further is required to include my thoughts in the hearing record.

Best Regards,
Heija Nunn

From: Robert Grumbach <rgrumbach@medina-wa.gov>

Date: June 15, 2016 at 8:14:13 AM PDT

To: Gretchen Stengel <gcmstengel@live.com>, Ron Santi <r.j.santi@comcast.net>, Valerie Parrish <valerie@parrish.net>, Palvi Mehta <palvimehta@hotmail.com>, "jmarthur74@gmail.com" <jmarthur74@gmail.com>, "melindasatterlee@gmail.com" <melindasatterlee@gmail.com>, "priyasarathy@hotmail.com" <priyasarathy@hotmail.com>, "RSarathy@perkinscoie.com" <RSarathy@perkinscoie.com>, "kamie.sargent@comcast.net" <kamie.sargent@comcast.net>, "murrays@exchange.microsoft.com"

- ? There was a question about whether the technical noise variance would include the rubblelization that was originally planned in Kenmore and is now being proposed to be done on barges in Medina; and the short answer is yes. However, the technical noise variance does not authorize the rubblelization activity to take place in Medina. The authorization part involves a revision to a shoreline permit that the City is still waiting to receive information on. Just as an FYI: KGM indicated that the added rubblelization would fall within the current construction noise levels that were already being planned as they would be using the same equipment to rubblelize as they are using to take the bridge apart.

- ? There was also a question raised about whether the rubblelization that was planned for Kenmore is now going to be trucked through Medina and the answer to that is no. While we knew since the Construction Mitigation Plan hearing that the debris from demolishing the East Approach that is located on land would have to be trucked through the haul route in Medina, the rubblelization that would take place on the barge would still be shipped to Kenmore and trucked through their City.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Robert

Cristina Haworth

From: Robert Grumbach <rgrumbach@medina-wa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2016 11:45 AM
To: Cristina Haworth
Subject: FW: KGM Technical Noise Variance

For the hearing examiner.

From: david doud [<mailto:daviddoud@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2016 11:41 AM
To: Robert Grumbach
Subject: RE: KGM Technical Noise Variance

Dear Robert,

For public comment regarding KGM application for Technical Noise Variance and the Hearing Examiner Meeting this evening, I'm writing in opposition to granting this permit. As a homeowner located adjacent to the bridge, at 3211 Evergreen Point Road, and the father of three growing children (15,13, 10), the proposed noise levels and rubblelization activities endanger my family and the general public's health and safety.

Thank you for sharing my comments in opposition with the Hearing Examiner.

Sincerely,

David Doud
3211 Evergreen Point Road
Medina, WA. 98039
cell 425 440 1244

Robert Grumbach

From: Suzanne Cohen <suzanne@seattlestudyclub.com>
Sent: Wednesday, June 15, 2016 1:56 PM
To: Robert Grumbach
Subject: KGM's technical noise variance request

Hi Robert,

I am writing to voice my concerns about KGM's technical noise variance request. I would greatly appreciate your forwarding my email to the hearing examiner. I am unable to attend tonight's hearing.

As I do not live within 300 ft of the site I did not receive mailed notice of the hearing. Although the notice that was mailed to a handful of residents may have been sufficient under Medina Code it would seem that, given the impact on residents well beyond the 300 ft mark, additional efforts to notify all of Medina's impacted citizens would have been desirable and appropriate. As I'm sure you know, bridge noise may be heard over almost the entire "north point" area, especially when the wind is from the south/southwest.

This afternoon someone sent me copies of your email of 8:14 am and Heija's email of 10:05 (both dated 6/15/16). I am curious what documents have been submitted by KGM to establish that rubblization would fall within the current construction noise levels. Your "FYI" indicates KGM states it will, because they are using the same equipment to rubblize as they are to dismantle the old bridge. However, even using the same equipment there may be a significant difference between simple dismantling and rubblization. The very nature of rubblization requires some type of repetitive pounding to break up the concrete. In addition, we all know that sound is amplified when it travels over water.

I recognize that there is no way around construction/demolition noise...it's the nature of the beast. However, it would seem that there are a lot of unresolved issues (including, perhaps, environmental issues related to Lake Washington and its wildlife) associated with this variance request, many of which are identified in Heija's email. Until those issues are resolved, in my opinion the variance hearing should be denied.

best

Suzanne

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June 15, 2016

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Attention: City Manager, Development Services, and Medina Hearing Examiner

Re: KGM Technical Noise Variance request

To whom it may concern:

Please postpone the hearing currently scheduled for this afternoon, June 15, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.

Public notice for this meeting was insufficient. In my own case, although I had received timely notice of the meeting to consider KGM's noise variance application previously scheduled in May, and timely notice of the postponement of that meeting, I learned about today's meeting by email a few hours ago. I am aware of other neighbors who are similarly surprised.

Access to relevant documents is entirely inadequate, as documented in detail in an email from Heija Nunn dated June 15, 2016. We citizens have therefore been denied the opportunity to prepare a detailed response.

If the hearing takes place today, I urge the City to DENY this noise variance request.

Medina residents are already experiencing impactful noise that is detrimental to our quality of life 24 hours a day. Any arguments for the variance that depend on the maximum number of hours per day of exposure to the additional noise and/or the maximum amount of noise are invalid, because we are already under constant exposure. Moreover, please verify that any arguments about tolerable amounts of exposure are verified for children, not just adults. Many children are included in the exposure area, especially during the summer. Standards that have only been verified for adults are not adequate measures for our community.

If the noise variance is allowed, please limit the noise to the fewest possible daytime hours: NO nighttime noise.

This work is not urgent. Unlike during the construction phase for the new bridge, we are not racing to build infrastructure to be used at the earliest possible opportunity. The demolition schedule should not be urgent. The City's duty is to protect its citizens, not to facilitate an applicant's desired timetable.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Laurel Preston