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Subject: Notice of Appeal and Exhibits for Notice of Appeal Waterfront LID No. 6751
Hearing Examiner Case No. CWF-0259
Property Owner: Euiseok Jeong
King County Parcel Number: 253883-0100
Address: 1521 Second Avenue, Apt. 704, Seattle, WA 98101

I, Euiseok Jeong , owner of the condominium property located at 1521 2nd Avenue, Apt 704, Seattle WA, 98101 (Parcel No. 253883-0100), object to the Final Assessment for my parcel and now submit this appeal of the Recommendations of the Hearing Examiner regarding Waterfront LID No. 6751 Case No. CWF-0259. pursuant to:

SMC 20.04.090.C

Any finding, recommendation, or decision of the Hearing Examiner, or officer designated by the City Council to conduct a hearing pursuant to RCW 35.44.070 and RCW 35.44.080, shall be subject to appeal to the City Council, which may direct that the appeal shall be heard by a committee thereof.

However, we are not able to follow the instructions pursuant to:
SMC 20.04.110 - Appeal to City Council.

In the event of an appeal to the City Council or a committee thereof the notice of appeal shall cite by page and line and quote verbatim that portion or portions of the findings, recommendations and decisions of the Hearing Examiner or officer from which the appeal is taken. The notice of appeal shall also include a concise statement of the basis therefor and in the event that appellant deems the references on the findings, recommendations and decisions inadequate, a reference by metered index numbers to the places in the electronically prepared record of the hearing where the pertinent material may be found. The notice of appeal shall also designate by name or title and by sub number the items or exhibits in the record to which reference will be made in argument or comment before the City Council or committee. Preparation of a written verbatim transcript of all or any designated part of the hearing shall be at the appellant's initiative and expense, but shall not be required unless within five (5) working days after the filing of a notice of appeal the City Council or designated committee thereof so notifies the appellant, who in no event shall be required to pay the cost of any portion of a verbatim transcript not pertinent to appellant's own appeal.

Because the City has not provided “metered index numbers”, therefore our appeal cannot reference them. However, as part of the prehearing conference, we recommend that the Public Works committee secure and provide appellants with such a record, so that the appeals can then be supplemented with that additional information, so as to make the Committee’s consideration of each individual appeal more efficient and fair. Instead page numbers of attached exhibits are referenced.

Also we appeal from the following portions of the Final Waterfront LID Assessment Findings and Recommendation of the Hearing Examiner:

"The objection raises these issues without adequate supporting quantitative analysis demonstrating that the City valuation is inaccurate or that there will be no special benefit. The Objector included King County assessment information and Redfin estimates to challenge the City appraiser’s valuation for the property. Without additional supporting

evidence, the King County assessment information and Redfin estimate are not adequate to demonstrate an error in the special assessment for this property. The Objector failed to meet the burden of proof required to demonstrate that the property will not receive a special benefit"

This is clearly erroneous and that we did provide exhibits and statements of fact. The Hearing Examiner failed to consider my argument likely because of the volume and complexity of the entire LID Objection documentation and hearing process.

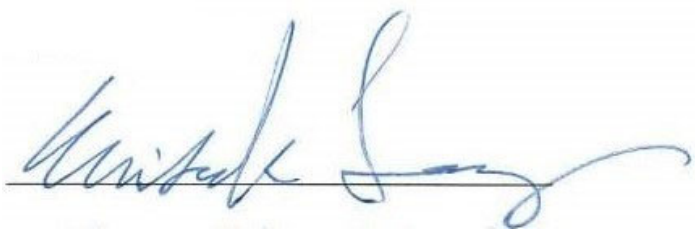
The Compass report should also be considered as a reliable estimate, if not more accurate that an appraiser report, since it has been prepared by a local licensed real estate agent with intimate experience of the local market valuations and the local condominium buying and selling trends. A fair evaluation is needed, and the Compass report should be considered an alternative verifiable reflection of an accurate price valuation.

The Redfin estimates specific unit and comparable units based on realistic market values and comparison of recent locals sales should be also be considered as valid exhibits worthy of consideration as they are one of the means by which real estate sales is determined.

The hiring of professional appraisers, as suggested by the Hearing Examiner, and the hiring of lawyers to deal with this unfair evaluation is a significant monetary burden to all families struggling during a pandemic and economic recession. Alternatives that have been provided with backup data and exhibits must be taken into consideration.

Please confirm that your office has received this and if there is anything else you need or anyone else I need to serve in order to perfect this appeal.

Thank you,



Printed name: Euiseok Jeong

Date: September 21, 2020