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Planning Commission,

Enclosed is a letter and map to request your support for our application for a map correction. This is for application 19-0003.

We will try to attend but in case there are complications with the ferry we wanted to send you this brief response to reacquaint you with our request.

Thank you so much for taking the time to read this and other letters we submitted August 2021 after the July 16, 2021 meeting.

Sincerely,

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August 2, 2022

To: Planning Commission  
For Hearing of August 19, 2022

RE: Application 19-0003

We request you reconsider your decision from July 16, 2021 and support our request as the county planners have done so as to conform with county code and correct a longstanding error.

There were some misrepresentations presented during the July 2021 meeting. We sent information after the meeting but are sending this note today to reacquaint you with the details of this property that has been in our family for 123 years.

1. This property was divided from the agricultural portion east of the ravine per court order in 1920 when our great-great aunt had to divide it for her step-children to inherit part. At that time, this property became included in what is now the Skid Road community. This parcel has never been zoned agricultural, always rural residential and we have always paid taxes on this zoning. This is contiguous with all the other lots in our Davis Bay Community of Skid Road. Our neighbors are enjoying a greater privilege than we are as there are many smaller waterfront lots in our community along with larger parcels that are all zoned 1 du/5 acres or less. This is a map correction so our parcel is consistent with our neighborhood of 1 du/5 acres and not a split density.
2. This property has been in our family since 1899. Contrary to what one of your commissioners said, it is not our intent to "divide it so we can make more money". Our hope is that our family can retain this property for another 100 years. We wish to correct a split density error that is contrary to the county code and reduce any confusion for

our heirs. Mr. Zack from the county stated at your July 2021 meeting that the county would not even know where the split density line is.

3. Our request is to correct a mapping error that was made many years ago where the density zoning should have followed the lot line or natural land formation. Code 18.040.010 (C). The existing split density appears to follow a section line which is not appropriate per code. The line should run along the east property line and it should all be zoned 1/du per 5 acres to conform with the rest of our neighborhood. Please review the attached map that shows all the larger parcels in our Skid Road neighborhood are zoned rural residential as is our parcel, and you can see the zoning marked 1du/per 5 acres.
4. There has not been any new development upland of our neighbors as they presented to you in a letter. There is no evidence of water problems associated with our property. The neighbors had a one-time problem with water in their septic during a day of record setting rain and snow melt (December 21, 2020) that had nothing to do with our property or development far to the north of them and us that was completed over thirty years ago. Many on the island had their septic tanks flood during that storm. Our neighbors told us they had never had a water problem in the thirteen years previous to this one day. This had nothing to do with our property. They have been upgrading their septic system now in the last few weeks as it had aged out and needed updating.

Please review all the information we previously submitted and we respectfully request you change your position and support this map correction.

Sincerely,

Loren Burt  
Lisa Burt  
Marianne Burt Karuza  
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