



CITY OF BAINBRIDGE ISLAND

October 10, 2014

Dear Community Member:

The City of Bainbridge Island is the owner of a 13.83 acre undeveloped parcel located at the southeast corner of New Brooklyn and Sportsman Club Roads, commonly referred to as the Suzuki property. The property is residentially zoned at R-2, one unit per 20,000 square feet. This zoning yields a base density of 30 residential units, single-family or multi-family. Bonus residential density may be obtained through the *Housing Design Demonstration Program* ([BIMC Section 2.16.020.Q](#)) or the *Affordable Housing* provisions of [BIMC Section 18.21.030](#). Commercial or institutional uses may be allowed in the R-2 zone through a Conditional Use Permit ([BIMC Table 18.09.020](#)).

The City Council is considering selling the property, and is hosting a [Community Workshop on Monday, November 3, 2014](#) to solicit community input on whether and how the property should be sold, and what use should be made of the property. The Community Workshop will be at City Hall, 280 Madison Avenue N., from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., preceded by an Open House beginning at 5:30 p.m.

The City is seeking proposals that provide conceptual ideas illustrating how the property should be developed. The submitted proposals will allow participants in the Community Workshop to have some context within which to express their views. The City is open to receiving proposals from across the development spectrum, including community groups, developers, builders or architects.

Interested parties are invited to submit materials with permission to use them in connection with the Community Workshop. Submittals may include concepts, ideas, written proposals, graphic presentations or any other material that might provoke some constructive comment from community members in attendance. The 2008 Suzuki Task Force report on the possible disposition of this property can be downloaded from the [City's website](#). In addition, the City encourages interested parties to consider how the goals of the Housing and Environmental Elements of the Comprehensive Plan might be promoted by a particular development concept. Submitters are also invited to suggest zoning changes that in their view would allow for the best development of the property. All submittals will be displayed at the Open House preceding the Community Workshop.

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Submissions should be emailed to pcd@bainbridgewa.gov, and should include a completed 1-page summary form (please see enclosed). Submissions must be received by the City no later than 12:00 noon on Monday, October 27. Use of any submission is in the sole discretion of the City of Bainbridge Island.

Please feel free to forward this notice to other community members who might be interested in participating in the workshop. For further information, contact Jennifer Sutton at 206-780-3772 or jsutton@bainbridgewa.gov.

Sincerely,

Sarah Blossom, Val Tollefson, David Ward
City Council Ad Hoc Committee members

Enclosure