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Dear Mr. Lockard,

At our last council meeting we discussed the various proposals that would allow Port Alexander to develop some pieces of infrastructure, possibly with the assistance of Denali Funds and AIDEA. The final conclusion was that we should retain our community agreed upon concepts of infrastructure significance and stay with those new projects that are listed in our community comprehensive plan. We are a small town and I will say that the number of people able and available to carry out projects is small. We currently need to finish our number one priority water treatment system upgrade and then focus on the development of plans to accomplish the next element in our longstanding list. At some time we need to develop a firm commitment to the needed repairs on our docks. I have enclosed a copy of the capital improvement plan from the comprehensive plan.

PORT ALEXANDER COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

Zoning
Subdivision regulations
Capital improvement programs
Land management plan

I. ZONING

For Port Alexander, the form of a zoning ordinance is simple. There is no need for a complicated zoning system and many regulations. Our ordinance provides for a single residential zone. Some uses are permitted, and others that are not are required to obtain a conditional use permit issued by the city's Planning Commission. The commission will permit only if the proposed use is compatible with the comprehensive plan, and meets certain standards such as lot size and noise levels that are set down in the ordinance, as well as state and federal regulations that apply.

The purpose of the zoning ordinance is to provide sustainable long-term development in the City of Port Alexander in a manner that is consistent with the City of Port Alexander's Comprehensive Plan, and that it will provide for residences, small businesses, and other development beneficial to the community. The zoning ordinance was enacted due to concerns about the possibility of a high influx of tourism into and around the community.

II. SUBDIVISION STANDARDS

A subdivision ordinance is used to prevent overcrowding. This ordinance establishes standards for the lot sizes and number of livable dwellings per lot.