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Dave Kuhl, Director
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**RE: City of Woodinville
2015 Comprehensive Plan and Code Update**

Dear Mr. Kuhl,

The Northshore School District appreciates the opportunity to review and comment on the proposed revisions to the City of Woodinville's Comprehensive Plan. This will be a guide for the next 20 years of development in the city and the quality of services provided to the citizens of the city. The District is currently one of the two providers of public education within the city limits and is committed to providing a quality education for all Northshore students.

Provisions of quality services to the citizens are a key component to review through the comprehensive plan update process. As the city considers various options for the planning period 2015-2035, provisions for services such as schools is an important consideration. Adopting the Northshore School District's Capital Facilities Plan, as outlined in the comprehensive plan, provides further guidance on the needs of classrooms and educational support infrastructure. As the city reviews the various options, consideration needs to be given to land use changes that could potentially impact services such as education.

The Transportation Element of the plan should encourage the development of a safe, efficient transportation system for both vehicles and pedestrians. Safe walking routes for students need to be developed and maintained as part of this infrastructure. The District will continue to work with the city to identify roadway hazards for students so that safety considerations are part of the land use permitting process.

Currently the District is in a process of reconfiguring grade levels to a K – 5, 6 – 8 and 9 – 12 model to provide greater academic opportunities for students district-wide. There are references in the code that should be reviewed for consistency with this proposed grade reconfiguration. Again, the District will continue to work with the city as schools within the city limits are reconfigured and boundaries are adjusted.

The District is committed to meeting the instructional needs of our community in the 21st century and working with the City to provide that infrastructure.

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