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City Clerk - Jason A. Seth, CMC

September 29, 2015

Ramin Pazooki
WSDOT
P.O. Box 330310
Seattle, WA 98133

**Subject: Hearing Examiner's Decision – Final Decision upon Reconsideration on Request for Extension
RE: WSDOT (Noise Variance), LUA-15-000036, VAR**

Dear Mr. Pazooki:

I have attached the City of Renton's Hearing Examiner's Final Decision upon Reconsideration on Request for Extension dated September 28, 2015. This document is immediately available:

- Electronically on line at the City of Renton website (www.rentonwa.gov/business); go to Current Land Use Applications and then scroll down to find your case;
- To be viewed at the City Clerk's office on the 7th floor or Renton City Hall, 1055 South Grady Way, between 8 am and 4 pm. Ask for the project file by the project number LUA15-000036; and

I can be reached at (425) 430-6510 or jseth@rentonwa.gov. Thank you.

Sincerely,

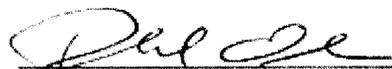
A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jason A. Seth".

Jason A. Seth
City Clerk

cc: Hearing Examiner
Vicki Grover, Civil Engineer II – Plan Review Engineer
Jennifer Henning, Planning Director
Vanessa Dolbee, Current Planning Manager
Craig Burnell, Building Official
Brianna Bannwarth, Development Engineering Manager
Sabrina Mirante, Secretary, Planning Division
Ed Prince, City Councilmember
Julia Medzegian, City Council Liaison

1 This result should not be too surprising. Variances governed by RMC 4-9-250 primarily deal with
2 modifications to construction standards. The expiration periods for those types of variances simply
3 set the date upon which construction must commence. Of course, once construction is completed
4 the impacts upon other properties are permanent. Extension of the construction deadline merely
5 delays the date that those permanent impacts commence. In contrast, a noise variance sets a narrow
6 window upon which noise impacts will occur. Changing the date of the window can potentially
7 have significant impacts upon the use of adjoining properties. Given this potential, the public
8 should have an opportunity to comment on the change in the expiration period.

9 DATED this 28th day of September, 2015.

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11 Phil A. Olbrechts

12 City of Renton Hearing Examiner

13 **Appeal Right and Valuation Notices**

14 RMC 4-8-110(E)(9) provides that the final decision of the Hearing Examiner is subject to appeal to
15 the Renton City Council. RMC 4-8-110(E)(9) requires appeals of the Hearing Examiner's decision
16 to be filed within fourteen (14) calendar days from the date of the Hearing Examiner's decision. A
17 request for reconsideration to the hearing e examiner may also be filed within this 14 day appeal
18 period as identified in RMC 4-8-110(E)(8) and RMC 4-8-100(G)(4). A new fourteen (14) day
19 appeal period shall commence upon the issuance of the reconsideration. Additional information
20 regarding the appeal process may be obtained from the City Clerk's Office, Renton City Hall – 7th
21 floor, (425) 430-6510.

22 Affected property owners may request a change in valuation for property tax purposes
23 notwithstanding any program of revaluation.
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