

Linda Ann Kuller

From: Ingrid Gabriel
Sent: Thursday, June 1, 2017 8:46 AM
To: Naomi Aldort
Cc: DL - Council; Erika Shook; Linda Ann Kuller
Subject: RE: Population Projection Comments from Aldort

Hello,

I am forwarding your letter to the Council and Community Development.

Thank you for your comments,

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Subject: Population Projection Comments from Aldort

Hello Ingrid,

Ideally, we want the islands to stay wild, and minimally populated. Those of us who have grown up here or came here long ago feel that growth is a destruction of our islands.

I believe that the only people who want growth are those invested in income and not in beauty or quality of life. There are always people who are willing to destroy other's people's quality of life for profit. In addition, we must be careful not to go in the footsteps of our corrupt government. Prioritizing the economy above all else brings on destruction of beauty, destruction of views and nature, and creates greater income gaps leading to crime and other social issues we see in larger towns.

Every person or family that moves to these islands wish they could shut the door for good behind them. Obviously there is natural transition of population which is healthy and needed. But no, we don't want to be any more dense than we are. In fact for those of us who have been here for a while it has grown too much already.

On Orcas specifically (where we live), we want to keep it wild, keep Eastsound green with open spaces and small residences in town. We want fewer cars and more access to beaches. We want to preserve our small, friendly and safe community feeling and our focus on beauty, nature, organic food, the arts, trust, unlocked doors and cars, and low and country like structures. Lets nurture what we have and protect it from becoming a suburb.

No more growth. Let not the money decide, but the people and the nature.

Warmly,

Naomi

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