# Gulledge, Kristin

From: James Bach <docmaynard@outlook.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2023 11:53 AM

**To:** PlanningCommission **Cc:** Robertson, Jennifer S.

**Subject:** Bellevue Planning Commission

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#### To whom it may concern-

I have interest in putting myself in the pool for any new openings on the City Planning Commission. I previously served from 2002-2008 (up until the birth of my 2nd child) and feel like my schedule is loosening up again to contribute to the City. Please let me know that this message was received and if there is anything that I need to submit to put in for my candidacy. I have copied Jennifer Robertson, with whom I joined the commission 21 years ago. Time has flown by.

Kindest regards,

James Bach 206-310-6543

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From: 300 Trees Barb Braun <br/>bbraun@live.com>

**Sent:** Friday, April 14, 2023 7:15 AM

To: PlanningCommission

**Subject:** Comments on Affordable Housing LUCA

Attachments: AHLUCA\_Comments\_Braun.pdf

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# Land Use Code Amendment (LUCA) for Affordable Housing Strategy Action C-1 Phase 2

April 14,2023

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