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Hi Alekka..

Please post with Assembly Agenda and forward to Mayor, Assembly, and Planning Commission as written comment related to Resource Extraction CUPs.

### **Quality of Life Requires Improved Public Processes**

This community has made it clear that it values health, wellness, and our quality of life. Recent events surrounding Resource Extraction CUPs have brought to light issues where the community needs to make some changes to be fair to all.

According to HB Code 18.20.020 "Resource extraction" means a heavy industrial use involving the removal of rock, gravel, sand, clay, topsoil, peat, timber, petroleum, natural gas, coal, metal ore, or any other mineral, and other operations having similar characteristics. Despite a CUP for Resource Extraction turning land use into a "heavy industrial zone", such CUP requires only ten days public notice and even less notice of specific details with posted P&Z agenda. Sixty days notice to the general public, not just to those located within 500 feet of the such a major land use change, would improve communications, understanding, transparency and trust for all.

The Manager's report in early February noted there would be three CUP's on the March 14th P&Z agenda with no clarification that this would be for two Resource Extraction CUP's and one CUP to change single family home into duplex. From final posted P&Z meeting information, it was clear the Manager had spent many hours over many months having input into the Resource Extraction CUP's, inexplicably adding "There has been no public comment."

Our quality of life requires that we do better. Let's give ourselves a few months to improve public processes and communications prior to considering any further CUPs for Resource Extraction.

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