

## Memo

**To:** Marla Powers, City of Poulsbo Planning & Economic Development  
**From:** Kevin M. McFarland, City of Poulsbo Contracted Arborist  
**Date:** 1/20/2021  
**Re:** Oslo Bay Apartments Tree Inventory/Retention Plan Peer Review

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Upon the request of the City of Poulsbo, I have conducted a review of the submitted tree retention materials associated with the proposed 55.2-acre Oslo Bay apartments project at the northwest corner of SR 305 & 307. I was provided the Significant Tree Inventory, Tree Retention Narrative and Tree Retention Plans on 12/6/2020. I visited the site on January 15, 2021.

### *Findings and Comments*

Overall, the submitted inventories appear to be accurate in presenting the total number of significant trees within the property and to be retained. The identified forest cover types correctly describe what is found on the site and the sample plots were comprehensive and detailed. Based on this information, I have concluded that this project exceeds the City's required 25% significant tree retention.

Due to the newly exposed forest edge created along the northern property line (Sheet TP-103) I am requesting that the retained trees be assessed by an ISA Certified and Tree Risk Assessment Qualified Arborist once the adjacent clearing has taken place to determine whether they are windfirm. Any trees deemed hazardous should be removed upon notification to the City.

There is a note on the lower righthand corner of sheets TP 100-104 which states that tree protection fencing cannot be relocated at any time without written approval from the owner. I recommend this be reworded to state by written approval of the City.

Under the Tree Retention Notes on sheets TP 100-104, number 5 references a construction sequencing plan. This was not included in the materials and I would like a chance to review prior to approval.

The tree protection details are acceptable with the exception that the fencing shall be secured in place with a 5' 'T' bar driven into the ground through the concrete block or steel base stand.

If you should have questions, please feel free to contact me at 360-870-2511 or suf1234@comcast.net