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RE: Tacoma, WA Height Restrictions S-8 Development on Thea Foss Waterway

The New Tacoma Neighborhood Council listened to a recent presentation on the proposed changes in height restrictions. This was brought to our attention after the City Council had given approval for 180-foot towers to be built on the Thea Foss Waterway.

Although urban density is good for the downtown area, there is concern that approval would set a precedent, allowing further development of taller buildings, which could effectively block views from a major portion of the downtown.

We urge you to maintain the current 100-foot height allowance.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Bill Garl, Diele

New Tacoma Neighborhood Council