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**From:** dean frey <deanfrey@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, March 16, 2018 12:04 PM  
**To:** Lopez Village Subarea Planning Comments  
**Subject:** Lopez Village Plan to Reduce the Commercial Footprint

March 16, 2018  
Lopez Island Coffee Roasters/26 Kingfisher Way, Lopez Village  
Dean Frey

To the Lopez Village Planning Council,

I would like to acknowledge and thank you for the tremendous amount of thought, dedication, and time that it has taken to come up with the New Lopez Village Plan.

I am in my thirteenth year of roasting organic coffee here on Lopez Island. It is a small business that has been fortunate enough to have developed a strong local following throughout the three islands.

For three and a half years, I roasted coffee in The Joinery building next to the thrift shop in the village. Over eighteen Open Mike nights, a Wedding, a 40th Anniversary, and Winter Markets were some of the events enjoyed by the community there.

Fall of 2017, I purchased a commercial lot with the old Orpheus Chocolates Espresso stand, located on the corner of Fisherman Bay rd and Kingfisher Way.

The lot was purchased as a future site for Lopez Island Coffee Roasters, seemingly in a good location for the future as the side walk ends there.

The lot upward of mine is a possible new location for Barn Owl Bakery as a site of future business.

I did attend the 2015 Lopez Village Comprehensive Plan meeting in the village, three or four local meetings at the library(where I made voiced my opinion), and the recent March 7th presentation.

Barn Owl Bakery and Lopez Island Coffee Roasters are two small local business that would like to expand in the village with our own operations. We both are not able to afford the cost of buying a lot down in the village.

We both have ideas of expansions that will enhance the community, we believe.

Please give some thought to how the council can help to support small businesses like ours in the village.

I would like to see Kingfisher Way remain in commercial status as a viable place for smaller local businesses to operate.

Reducing the size of the commercial footprint in the village will only make it more expensive to do business there. There are only 10 to 15 lots undeveloped in the village, and none of them are for sale at this time.

Please reconsider your decision to not allow commercial activity on Kingfisher Way.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dean Frey  
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