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Attached please find a comment letter from MBAKS regarding Ordinance 21-106, before you at public hearing February 23. Thank you for your consideration.

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February 16, 2022

Snohomish County Council 3000 Rockefeller Avenue Everett, WA 98201

Re: Roads and Access Ordinance 21-106

Dear Councilmembers,

On behalf of the Master Builders Association of King and Snohomish Counties (MBAKS) I write to encourage your support of Ordinance 21-106 related to roads and access.

The ordinance before you will help contain costs related to development while providing for less environmental impact. In addition, the taxpayer and general public get relief from future maintenance costs of public roads where the developer can provide for private roads.

Housing attainability is one or our community's most pressing issues. Keeping costs down at the development stage is crucial to creating more affordable units. Ordinance 21-106 lowers infrastructure costs where it can be applied.

Environmental benefits come in the form of less pavement and related materials being required. Because of this there is less stormwater runoff and improved water quality. Where that is the case there then is an additional benefit of smaller, less intrusive stormwater facility necessity.

The ordinance also better allows the use of drive aisles which is a development tool MBAKS has long sought. Drive aisles offer a more efficient and cost-effective means of access to homes.

We thank PDS and DPW staff for their time and effort in crafting this important ordinance. The benefits extend to housing affordability, the taxpayer and the environment.

Please vote "yes" on Ordinance 21-106.

Sincerely

Mike Pattison

**Snohomish County Manager**