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Dear Millwood City Council,

I am writing to comment on two items coming before you:

CITY COUNCIL ACTION ITEM - ZTA-2024-02 (Ordinance 544)

This proposal is to adopt Spokane County off-street parking/unloading standards where they do not conflict with Millwood Municipal Code. I don't believe we currently have any of these standards itemized and realize planning commission is working on updates. However, it appears in many cases, the parking requirements in Spokane County do not fit with the space Millwood City has available. For instance, a public assembly space requires one space for every 4 occupants based on permitted occupant load. If the Masonic Lodge were to make improvements to their building, would this requirement be applicable? If so, how would it be met? If there are changes to occupants in any of the historic buildings (for instance the former Mellow Monkey studio) and they do improvements, how would the parking requirements be met? There is also another space purchased by Kodiak Construction (former Fitness Fanatic building) that if turned into a restaurant or other business, how would it meet parking requirements?

I'm concerned that adopting Spokane County standards wholesale when Millwood City has very obvious constraints, we are setting ourselves up to prevent new businesses from being established in Millwood.

If there are specific areas of concern that are on the horizon, I would request the city council request planning commission to develop those areas until they are able to finalize their comprehensive updates.

Ordinance 545 Wholesale Water

I am surprised to see an ordinance approving wholesale water sales moved forward so quickly considering the complexity of the issue and the assurances that all due diligence would be exercised. There was to be information provided to council about water districts that have sold water and had regrettable experiences. The presentation at the last council meeting indicated the subject matter is far from settled in WA State and remains inconclusive as to exactly how it will be handled by state or federal jurisdictions.

I request further diligence be conducted before moving forward on creating an entirely new chapter in Millwood's code.

Thank you

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