

July 9, 2025

Alex Baruch Senior Planner City of Tumwater

In future correspondence please refer to: Project Tracking Code: 2025-07-04322

Property: Tumwater Blvd Condominiums (TUM-25-0683)

Re: SEPA – Survey Requested

Dear Alex Baruch:

Thank you for contacting the Washington State Historic Preservation Officer and Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation (DAHP), and for providing documentation regarding the above-referenced project. As a result of our review, our professional opinion is that the project area has the potential to contain archaeological resources. The project is in an area determined to be at "Very High" risk of containing archaeology according to the DAHP Archaeological Risk Assessment Model, and is in proximity to archaeological site 45TN0118 along with other high-probability landscape features. The scale of the proposed ground disturbing actions would destroy any archaeological resources present. Therefore, we recommend a professional archaeological survey of the project area be conducted prior to ground disturbing activities. We also recommend continued consultation with the concerned Tribes' cultural committees and staff regarding cultural resource issues.

These comments are based on the information available at the time of this review and on behalf of the State Historic Preservation Officer in conformance with Washington State law. Should additional information become available, our assessment may be revised.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this project and we look forward to receiving the survey report. The survey report should be uploaded directly into the DAHP Online WISAARD system by the cultural resource consultant to expedite DAHP review. Please ensure that the DAHP Project Number (a.k.a. Project Tracking Code) is shared with any hired cultural resource consultants and is attached to any communications or submitted reports. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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