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Karen Wolf, Chair Catherine Hennings, Vice Chair Children's Citizen Advisory Committee c/o Steve Sheppard Department of Neighborhoods P.O. Box 94649 Seattle, Washington 98124-4649

RE: September 26th CAC Meeting

Dear Karen and Catherine,

The Laurelhurst Community Club (LCC) Board of Trustees would like to thank you for allowing time on the agenda at your upcoming September 26th Citizens Advisory Committee to present the alternatives that our land use consultant Carol Eychaner has developed for Children's Hospital expansion. Although we requested more time than listed on the agenda, we understand that there are other agenda items. We are appreciative of the time you have allotted to us.

We have attached an electronic copy of the LCC scoping comments that includes a description of the alternatives that we have proposed that we will discuss at the September 26th meeting. This will give committee members the opportunity to review our comments prior to the meeting and come prepared with any questions they may have.

LCC has retained well-known and respected land use consultant Carol Eychaner to prepare scoping comments and to develop reasonable alternatives for study in the EIS. LCC has proposed three alternatives. One would retain existing building heights as Children's has not developed fully under the current height limits. The other two would limit building heights to 90 feet. Square footage expansion would be limited to 250,000 square feet, but exploring greater square footage within the height limit would be allowed. There would be no expansion of institution boundaries across Sand Point Way and no new entrances/exits to the hospital on Laurelhurst residential streets.

A decade ago, LCC presented its detailed alternative for Children's expansion to the City and the Children's Citizens Advisory Committee. That alternative was included for study in the EIS. We hope that the current Committee will agree that the alternatives we have proposed merit study in the EIS.

Sincerely,

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