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Request to pause the code enforcement investigation regarding Lam Research

Dear Mayor Bubenik, Tualatin City Councilors, and City Manager,

I would like to request a one-month pause in the City's Code Enforcement investigation regarding Noise Ordinance violations at Lam Research, for the following reasons:

First, in Lam's TUX findings, the qualifications, expertise, and methodology of our acoustical engineer were disputed and challenged. We believe that, in the event that the City's code enforcement investigation finds Lam in violation of the Tualatin Noise Ordinance, it is highly likely that Lam will challenge and dispute the City's findings on similar grounds. In order for the code enforcement investigation to withstand challenge, the methods and equipment used must be of the highest quality. We do not believe that the City is in possession of the necessary equipment or experience to prevail in Municipal Court against Lam's experts.

Second, we want to ensure that Code Enforcement is not under any real or perceived time pressure to produce a finding prior to the TUX land use appeal window closing. In theory, the code enforcement process is totally separate from the land use process, but we are concerned that the TUX decision still has the potential to influence this investigation.

Third, Code Enforcement continues to request that we schedule, in advance, a date in the future on which to take noise readings. Unfortunately, the noise impacts are highly dependent on weather conditions, and attempting to schedule a date in advance is not practical. You can not make an appointment with the wind. We will need to find a way to take the readings when the noise impacts are occurring. Also, because the 50 decibel limit takes effect at 10pm, the readings will need to be taken late at night, which makes this even harder, especially during the holidays. We would like to resume work on this process in early 2026.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

Brett Hamilton