

Exhibit "14"

From: [Craig Cherryholmes](#)
To: [Kim Ohara](#)
Subject: FW: Complaint 1724 East Rio Vista
Date: Monday, December 4, 2023 1:46:33 PM

Kim,

This is an email thread that I had with Scott Rutherford in regard to 1724 E Rio Vista Ave.

Thanks,

Craig Cherryholmes
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From: Scott Rutherford <scottwsrutherford@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 12, 2023 6:44 AM
To: Craig Cherryholmes <craigc@burlingtonwa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Complaint 1724 East Rio Vista

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Good morning, Craig. I don't know what I need to do anymore. You have told me to call the police, I have done that. They don't do anything, tell me that they can't do anything about it. The renters on the property are not following codes for the property and nothing is getting done about it. I have been more than patient with this and the process. I am getting tired of being awoken at 6 am with a minimum of 3 vehicles rolling in and picking up work vans that are parked right up against the fence outside our bedroom window then moving them to load them up. I have sent you several emails regarding this issue. There needs to be a solution to resolve this issue.

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From: **Scott Rutherford** <scottwsrutherford@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, Dec 14, 2022 at 8:18 AM
Subject: Re: Complaint 1724 East Rio Vista
To: Craig Cherryholmes <craigc@burlingtonwa.gov>

Good morning Craig, it is starting again with them showing up at 6 am to start loading vans. Also I would like to get the dumpsters moved, I am tired of picking up trash in my yard when it gets emptied on Fridays. There should be at least a 10 foot noise barrier / buffer, they park their vans

right up next to the fence, they have even damaged my fence. I have been more than patient with this situation, it's been over a year with this issue and almost a year asking for help. I am tired of calling the police, they either don't show up or they are gone by the time they do. We need to find a solution to this property and the owner for not following the zoning codes.

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On Sat, Nov 26, 2022 at 8:03 PM Scott Rutherford <scottwsrutherford@gmail.com> wrote:

Good evening Craig and thank you for getting back to me. I appreciate the update. Is there anything we can do to get the dumpsters moved off of your fence? They are right up against our fence and we have to listen one of the renter dumping stuff all afternoon today with a fork lift. 7 hours non stop. I have called waste management about and their response was if the party who is renting the dumpsters wants it there, there is nothing they can do.

On Wed, Nov 16, 2022, 15:14 Craig Cherryholmes <craigc@burlingtonwa.gov> wrote:

Hi Scott,

I apologize I haven't got back to you sooner. I have trying to get in touch with property owner to discuss what their plans are moving forward with this property. I have emailed the owner about the noise happening before 7:00 AM and told him he needs to get his tenants to stop. I am reaching out to our legal department to see what we can do to get compliance. I understand your frustration. I will keep you informed on what I find out within the next couple of days.

Thanks,

Craig Cherryholmes

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From: Scott Rutherford [mailto:scottwsrutherford@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, November 14, 2022 7:36 AM

To: Craig Cherryholmes <craigc@burlingtonwa.gov>

Subject: Re: Complaint 1724 East Rio Vista

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Good morning Craig, sorry to be a pain but this is just getting really frustrating. Trucks and

work vans start rolling in at 6:15 am loading, unloading, slamming doors and idling vehicles with loud exhausts. By 6:45 there had been a total of 6 trucks and vans in and out of the property. We are tired of getting woken up every morning by the electrical company that is renting a space on the property. I have done what you requested by reporting to the police and nothing ever gets done. By the time I call and the police if they ever show up (have not seen any) the vans are gone. We need a solution to this issue with the property, renters and the owner.

On Tue, Oct 18, 2022 at 9:09 AM Scott Rutherford <scottwsrutherford@gmail.com> wrote:

Good morning Craig, I have not heard back from you from the last few email regarding the issue with 1724 rio vista. This is getting beyond frustrating as they are impeding me from enjoying my property. This weekend was 16 hour of fork lifts and grape processing machine running non stop and the police don nothing about it. Now this morning they get a giant dumpster place right up against our fence which the lid is going to end up hitting out fence. Why is there not a 10 or 20 foot buffer? This is just ridiculous.

On Mon, Oct 3, 2022, 07:10 Scott Rutherford <scottwsrutherford@gmail.com> wrote:

Good morning Craig, I have been calling the Burlington Police about the issues with the property at 1724 Rio Vista as you requested at the beginning. I just got off the phone with office Espinosa and they said this is all on the code enforcement and that they cannot do anything about it. I have sent several emails regarding the continued noise, parking and over growth of vegetation that are not getting addressed. I have the codes you have sent me for the property located at 1724 Rio Vista and there are several that are not being followed. You stated you were going to be having a meeting with the property owner over the codes, if you have nothing has changed. It is getting really frustrating getting woken up everyday Monday thru Friday with one of the rents starting their work vans parked 6 inches off my fence, loading and slamming van doors, rolling in with their vehicles with radios blaring, load exhausts, headlights shining in our windows, and letting the vehicles idle for 20 minutes waiting for someone to show up. I don't know what to do anymore, everyone keeps pointing fingers at each other as to who is the correct department to deal with all the code infractions that occur on a daily basis on the property located at 1724 Rio Vista. I look forward to hearing from you on how this situation can be resolved.

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From: **Scott Rutherford** <scottwsrutherford@gmail.com>
Date: Tue, Sep 27, 2022 at 5:56 PM
Subject: Re: Complaint 1724 East Rio Vista
To: Craig Cherryholmes <craigc@burlingtonwa.gov>

Good evening Craig, I am at my wits end with this property at 1724 Rio Vista. I dont know how this is aloud. There should be a 10 food noise buffer from the fence line. Both these vehicles are 6 inches from the fence which is by our bedroom.

On Tue, Aug 30, 2022, 06:21 Scott Rutherford <scottwsrutherford@gmail.com> wrote:

Good morning Craig, I hope all is well. Just wanted to follow up on how the meeting went with the property owner of 1724 Rio Vista. I had mentioned vegetation maintenance in my last email and it is still an issue, with ivy growing through fences and blackberries growing over the fence as well, Property owner has not maintained the vegetation. Also the renters (an electrical company) are back at it loading the vans before 7 - now it's 5:30 am, they are out before the police can get here, how can we address these issues? I have not called the police yet as I have called them over 21 times in the past and nothing ever gets done. Looking for some help.

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On Mon, Jun 6, 2022 at 8:35 AM Craig Cherryholmes <craigc@burlingtonwa.gov> wrote:

Hi Scott,

The city will be meeting with the property owner at some point within the next two weeks to discuss some of the zoning violations happening on his property. Unfortunately some of these codes are hard to enforce such as the parking being fully screened just because this code was adopted after this site was already here. It is hard to enforce these code changes after the fact. As far as the landscaping maintenance is something they will need to take care of. I will reach out to the police chief and get his response on the noise coming from the loading of trucks/ vans.

Thanks,

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From: Scott Rutherford [mailto:scottwsrutherford@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, June 6, 2022 7:57 AM

To: Craig Cherryholmes <craigc@burlingtonwa.gov>

Subject: Re: Complaint 1724 East Rio Vista

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Good morning Craig. I have a couple of questions regarding the zoning for 1724 Rio Vista. First is vegetation growth and maintenance? The grass has grown halfway up the fence and the blackberry bushes are starting to grow over the fence line as well. There is a smashed car that is completely covered by the grass. I have gone over that weeded along my fence as it was growing under and through my fence. Second is under code 17.40.080 C Parking area shall be fully screened from view and shall be landscaped in accordance with requirements identified in Chapter 17.80 BMC. What does this mean? We have work vans and employee cars parked along our fence line that are not full screen from view. And last thing, I don't know what else I need to do, but the noise and the loading of the van at 6:15 am continues. I have called the police 12 times now. They have told me that can't stop them from really doing their job and have asked them to try to keep the noise down. This is getting beyond frustrating.

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On Fri, May 13, 2022 at 11:13 AM Craig Cherryholmes <craigc@burlingtonwa.gov> wrote:

Scott,

We are in the code enforcement process with the owner over zoning codes.

Thanks,

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From: Scott Rutherford [mailto:scottwsrutherford@gmail.com]

Sent: Friday, May 13, 2022 11:04 AM

To: Craig Cherryholmes <craigc@burlingtonwa.gov>

Subject: Re: Complaint 1724 East Rio Vista

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Thank you sir so very much. Have you sent another letter to the property owner?

17.40.080 -1 is the one they is broke. Everyday- they were there at 6 am again this morning. Also under the permitted uses is dont see auto motive repair shops or wine producing/storage.

On Fri, May 13, 2022, 10:36 Craig Cherryholmes <craigc@burlingtonwa.gov> wrote:

Hi Scott,

I will reach out to PD. I have sent a link to a section of the Burlington Municipal codes for this MR-NB zone.

<https://www.codepublishing.com/WA/Burlington/#!/Burlington17/Burlington1740.html#17.40>

Thanks,

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From: Scott Rutherford [mailto:scottwsrutherford@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, May 11, 2022 10:01 AM

To: Craig Cherryholmes <craigc@burlingtonwa.gov>

Subject: Re: Complaint 1724 East Rio Vista

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Good morning Craig, it did quite down a little bit but I did not want to keep bothering you about it, so I was doing what you requested as to report it to the Burlington police. I have made several calls (5 or 6)only 1 did do anything and that was office Espanoza (spelling) He even came to the house called the owner of one of the employee trucks with the super loud exhaust that shakes our windows. And even commented on why there is no noise buffer from the fence line. The other office I keep getting and dont remember his name, keeps saying that since there is no code enforcement person anymore that your department do not really know the codes. And that I need to talk to the rents and contact the property owner. I have told him that I have have letters sent to the owner

via your department 3 times, and he just was like so you have never talked to the owner. He's like I will document the call but there's really nothing I can do. He keeps using a neighbor as an example but it's not the same. So I guess I need to know all the codes for business residential. As I recall that they are not to be working before 7 am correct? Really am struggling with that fact that a property that is renting out spaces to business up against a residential neighborhood would be able to just have 24 access and we have no rights to be able to enjoy our homes.

I mean that even the other night a guy was running a fork lift until 9:30 pm. I dont know why the hours for that property could not be set to 7am to 7pm. Sorry for the rant sir just frustrated and tired of being woken up every morning by that electric company at 6-6:30 everyday

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On Wed, May 11, 2022, 09:34 Craig Cherryholmes <craigc@burlingtonwa.gov> wrote:

Hi Scott,

I am sorry to hear about the noise happening around 6:00 AM. Did it stop for a while? What can I help with as far as clarification of the codes?

Thanks,

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From: Scott Rutherford [mailto:scottwsrutherford@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 10, 2022 4:26 PM
To: Craig Cherryholmes <craigc@burlingtonwa.gov>
Subject: Re: Complaint 1724 East Rio Vista

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Good afternoon Craig, I am in need of some clarification on the codes for BR. I have called the Burlington Police department to document everything but they have done to look into it. Now the electrical company (Intergrity Electic)

that rents out one of the spaces is now starting to roll in and load their vans at 6 am. It's starting to become an issue. What are my options? Need some help.

On Wed, Mar 23, 2022 at 7:19 AM Craig Cherryholmes <craigc@burlingtonwa.gov> wrote:

Hi Scott,

Yes I can send another. I would still advise calling Burlington P.D. when it happens so this can get documented.

Thanks,

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From: scottwsrutherford [mailto:scottwsrutherford@gmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 6:54 AM
To: Craig Cherryholmes <craigc@burlingtonwa.gov>
Subject: RE: Complaint 1724 East Rio Vista

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Good morning Craig, is it possible to send the property owner another letter? One of the renters (the electric guys) are starting to work at 6 am again. It's been going on now for 2 weeks.

Thank you
Scott Rutherford
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Sent from my Galaxy

----- Original message -----

From: Craig Cherryholmes <craigc@burlingtonwa.gov>
Date: 2/28/22 10:26 AM (GMT-08:00)

To: 'Scott Rutherford' <scottwsrutherford@gmail.com>

Subject: RE: Complaint 1724 East Rio Vista

Hi Scott,

Sorry to hear about the noise, I have sent a letter to property owner and he should be aware of code violations. I will send another letter about the noise. I would say if it keeps happening call Burlington Police Department.

Thanks,

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From: Scott Rutherford [<mailto:scottwsrutherford@gmail.com>]

Sent: Monday, February 28, 2022 6:33 AM

To: Craig Cherryholmes <craigc@burlingtonwa.gov>

Subject: Complaint 1724 East Rio Vista

Good morning Craig, I stopped by the Burlington office a few weeks ago with several complaints about the property located at 1724 East Rio Vista. As you stated they are not supposed to start working before 7 am. Well I would like to file another complaint as one of the company's that is renting a space continues to start working before 7 am loading work vans, tossing stuff in the dumpster, etc. This was going on most of last week and it started all over again this morning at 6:01 am. This is just getting out of hand.

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