

January 12, 2021

To: Kittitas County
Community Development services

Atten: Jeremy Johnston

Re: Westdale LLC CU-20-00001
Conditional use Application
Farm Labor Shelter

From: Tom Chini
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I will make every attempt to attend the virtual meeting Thursday evening, but since this will be my 1st ever and the limitations on my computer and cell phone; Please consider the following comments from me during the hearing.

Please address the question as to the number of beds needed. The code says “clearly demonstrates”. The previous owners operated the facility as it is currently configured for 10 or more years. The current owners have operated the facility as presently configured for the last 4 years.

What has changed:

- What was the staffing, compared to future staffing?
- Inventory existing living quarters please and who lives in them and their duties. (Remember there are 19 mail boxes)
- What will the duties of the migrant labors be?

Since each unit is composed of 4 bedrooms, will there be 4 workers per unit or a family per unit.

4 workers per unit means they need 16 seasonal workers.

A family per unit could easily mean 32 people or more

If these units are approved then I ask for the following consideration

- 1) Establish a specific season of use. Not more or less. The code compliance officer needs specifics, not generalities.
- 2) Require that the penalties for non compliance established 17.04.050 be for each individual unit.
- 3) Require that the units be relocated or removed when no longer needed for migrant housing.

If that can be accomplished then perhaps the units will not become a non conforming use.

