

City of
Bellevue



East Bellevue Community Council

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Mr. Scott P. Jacobs
Vice President & National Site Acquisition Manager
Real Estate Solutions, Key Bank
100 Public Square, Suite 600
Cleveland, OH 44113

Dear Mr. Jacobs,

We are writing to you regarding your property at the corner on 148th Avenue NE and Main Street in the East Bellevue Community Municipal Corporation, Bellevue, Washington. This is the NE corner lot of our newly redeveloped Kelsey Creek Shopping Center. This shopping center has become the jewel of our community with new amenities and restaurants. The parking lot is busy all day and we are proud that it is part of our neighborhood.

Until our monthly public meeting last Tuesday, we were excited that you were to build a new Key Bank on that corner in 2013. But at that meeting we were told by the City of Bellevue that you had 'pulled the permits' and were not going forward at this time and perhaps never. This is certainly disappointing to us on many levels. We are now left with an ugly vacant lot surrounded by a cyclone fence, spoiling the appearance of our community.

During the past year, residents have complained to the City about the appearance of this vacant lot and more than once have had to call the City when the fence had blown down or been pushed over. As a compliment to you, you have had rubble removed and the fence repaired in response to those complaints. But, it is still an eyesore that you would not want in your neighborhood.

So we are asking that you be a good neighbor, as Key Bank has always been, and make improving this property's appearance a high priority. It would be a good first step to send a representative of the Bank to attend one of our monthly East Bellevue Community Council meetings, held on the first Tuesday of every month at the Lake Hills Boys and Girls Club (15228 Lake Hills Boulevard, Bellevue) at 6:30pm to let the Council and our constituents know your plans.

We have been patient over the past couple of years while the shopping center was being completed because we had been informed that the last step would be a new Key Bank. Now that this is not happening, it is imperative that an alternative approach be found that fits within the vision for our community.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Steve Kasner".

Steve Kasner
Chair, East Bellevue Community Council

cc: Thomas Campbell, Code Compliance