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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF LEWIS

INDUSTRIAL ZONING PRESERVATION ASSOCIATION, a Washington non-profit corporation; JOHN PERANZI, an individual; VALLIE JO FRY, an individual; and TONY and ISOBEL CAIRONE, husband and wife,

Petitioners.

VS.

CITY OF OLYMPIA, a municipal corporation; THURSTON COUNTY, a Washington county; and PANZA, a Washington non-profit corporation,

Respondents.

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LAND USE PETITION (RCW 36.70C)

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COME NOW Petitioners, the Industrial Zoning Preservation Association ("IZPA"), a Washington non-profit corporation, John Peranzi, an individual, Vallie Jo Fry, an individual and Tony and Isobel Cairone, husband and wife, by and through their undersigned counsel, and petition the court under the Land Use Petition Act ("LUPA"), RCW 36.70C, as follows:

I. NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF PETITIONERS:

Industrial Zoning Preservation Association ATTN: Mr. Carl R. Peterson, Registered Agent Eisenhower & Carlson PLLC 1201 Pacific Avenue, Suite 1200 Tacoma, Washington 98402

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1 Tony and Isobel Cairone Post Office Box 12975 2 Olympia, Washington 98508 3 Vallie Jo Fry Post Office Box 8426 4 Lacey, Washington 98509 5 John Peranzi 6 117 Tacoma Avenue North, Suite #201 Tacoma, Washington 98403 7 II. 8 NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF PETITIONERS' ATTORNEYS: 9 Heather L. Burgess Matthew R. Kernutt 10 Phillips Wesch Burgess PLLC 724 Columbia Street NW, Suite 140 11 Olympia, Washington 98501 12 III. NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF THE LOCAL JURISDICTION 13 WHOSE LAND USE DECISION IS AT ISSUE: 14 City of Olympia 601 - 4th Avenue E 15 Post Office Box 1967 16 Olympia, Washington 98507 IV. IDENTIFICATION OF THE DECISION-MAKING BODY OR OFFICER 17 18 The decision-making officer of the decision being appealed is City of Olympia Hearing Examiner Pro Tempore (hereafter, "Hearing Examiner"), Wick Dufford. 19 20 The Hearing Examiner issued two decisions resulting in the final decision subject to this 21 Land Use Petition, as follows: 22 (1) Findings, Conclusions and Decision of the Hearing Examiner for the City of 23 Olympia, Case No. 11-0139, issued on May 2, 2011, a true and correct copy of which is attached 24 hereto as Exhibit A. 25 26 PHILLIPS WESCH BURGESS PLLC LAND USE PETITION (RCW 36.70C) - 2

PHILLIPS WESCH BURGESS PLLC 724 Columbia Street NW, Suite 140 Olympia, Washington 98501 Telephone: (360) 742-3500 Facsimile: (360) 742-3519 (2) Order Denying Motion for Reconsideration and Motion to Supplement Record, Case No. 11-0139, issued on May 29, 2012, a true and correct copy of which is attached hereto as **Exhibit B**.

V. PERSONS TO BE MADE PARTIES UNDER RCW 36.70C.040(2)(b)-(d)

The following persons, not the Petitioners, are to be made parties:

Project Applicant and Property Owner (RCW 36.70C.040(b)):

Thurston County Donald Krupp, Chief Administrative Officer 2000 Lakeridge Drive SW Olympia, Washington 98502-2933

Project Applicant's Representative (RCW 36.70C.040(b):

Panza Ms. Jill Severn Post Office Box 2274 Olympia, Washington 98507-2274

All of the above are identified by name in the written decision for which review is sought.

VI. FACTS DEMONSTRATING THAT THE PETITIONERS HAVE STANDING TO SEEK JUDICIAL REVIEW UNDER RCW 36.70C.060:

- 1. Petitioners have standing pursuant to RCW 36.70C.060(2) as persons aggrieved and/or adversely affected by the land use decision. With respect to standing, Petitioners Peranzi, Cairone, and Fry collectively seek review solely of the Hearing Examiner's decision approving the CUP for Quixote Village and not the Hearing Examiner's decision denying the associated SEPA appeal, to which only the IZPA was a party below.
- 2. The decision of the City of Olympia Hearing Examiner for which Petitioners seek review pursuant to LUPA denied Petitioner IZPA's appeal pursuant to the State Environmental Policy Act ("SEPA") (RCW 43.21C) and approved a Conditional Use Permit ("CUP") for a project known as "Quixote Village" within the Mottman Industrial Park in Thurston County, Washington. Quixote Village is a proposed Thurston County owned and sponsored permanent homeless encampment to be located on County-owned property in the midst of the existing

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Mottman Industrial Park, in the City of Olympia's Light Industrial ("LI") zoning district. Upon completion, Quixote Village would provide a permanent encampment comprised of 30 small cabin-type dwellings, a 4,000 square-foot community building, an 800 square-foot restroom and shop building, and a 350 square-foot picnic shelter for homeless residents.

- 3. Petitioner IZPA is a non-profit association comprised of individual property owners in the Mottman Industrial Park and its members include at least one member who owns property immediately adjacent to the proposed Quixote Village project. The IZPA entity was specifically formed for the purpose of preserving industrial zoning and continued industrial uses and development of LI zoned property with the Mottman Industrial Park.
- 4. Petitioners Cairone, Fry and Peranzi are individual property owners in the Mottman Industrial Park and members of Petitioner IZPA who participated in the CUP hearing below through providing written and/or oral testimony. Petitioners Cairone own industrial property directly across Mottman Road SW from the proposed Quixote Village. Petitioner Peranzi owns industrial property immediately adjacent to the proposed Quixote Village. Petitioner Fry owns property on R.W. Johnson Road SW, also within the Mottman Industrial Park.
- 5. The decision for which review is sought would allow Quixote Village, a high-density residential use, to be constructed in the midst of the Mottman Industrial Park, resulting in prejudice or likely prejudice to Petitioner IZPA member interests as well as those of individual Petitioners Peranzi, Cairone, and Fry. With respect to the IZPA, corporations and associations are "persons" under LUPA. RCW 36.70C.020(4).
- 6. The City of Olympia was required to consider the interests of the IZPA's Mottman Industrial Park property-owner members in issuing the SEPA Mitigated Determination of Non-Significance for Quixote Village as well as in making the challenged land use decision approving the CUP for the project.

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- A judgment in favor of Petitioners would substantially eliminate or redress the 7. prejudice caused or likely to be caused to Petitioners' interests by the introduction of Quixote Village, a high-density residential use, into the midst of the existing Mottman Industrial Park.
- 8. Petitioners have exhausted their administrative remedies to the extent required by law.

VII. STATEMENT OF ERRORS

Petitioners allege the following errors:

- 1. The land use decision is not supported by substantial evidence and/or is a clearly erroneous application of law to the facts pursuant to RCW 36.70C.130(1)(c) and (d) as follows:
- The Hearing Examiner erred in finding that "it is highly improbable that any of the users of the industrial property would be subject to a noise enforcement action flowing from a complaint from Quixote Village" and that "such possibility is remote and speculative at best." (Finding of Fact No. 24).
- b. The Hearing Examiner erred in finding that the "collective experience of staff' with respect to temporary homeless encampments already permitted in the City, which testimony at the hearing established had been previously sited mostly in residential districts or downtown locations, was adequate, without further expert study, to serve as a basis for the City to issue the challenged DNS. (Finding of Fact No. 18).
- The Hearing Examiner erred in denying the Petitioner IZPA's SEPA c. appeal of the City of Olympia's Determination of Nonsignificance ("DNS") for Quixote Village. (Decision at p. 11).
- d. The Hearing Examiner erred in relying upon the equitable "coming to a nuisance" doctrine with respect to introduction of Quixote Village, a high-density residential use, into the midst of Mottman Industrial Park, a Light Industrial district, as a basis for denying the Petitioner IZPA's SEPA appeal and approving the Conditional Use Permit for Quixote Village, as (1) Washington law does not apply this doctrine to provide immunity to industrial property

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owners from nuisance claims and, (2) Washington law does not allow application of the doctrine to otherwise relieve Petitioners from complying with state and federal laws governing noise generation and air quality for residential uses which will result from introduction of Quixote Village into the Mottman Industrial Park. Therefore, the Hearing Examiner erred in concluding on the basis of the "coming to a nuisance" doctrine that operation of a homeless village in the middle of an industrial park "is not likely to interfere with present and future uses of the industrial park." (Conclusion of Law No. 4).

- e. The Hearing Examiner erred in concluding that Petitioners would not be subject to noise limitations on their business operations, either pursuant to City code or state law, by the placement of Quixote Village, a high-density residential use, in the middle of the Mottman Industrial Park. (Conclusion of Law No. 5).
- f. The Hearing Examiner erred in concluding that "no noise limits will apply" to industrial operations surrounding Quixote Village and that noise enforcement against industrial or commercial uses in Mottman Industrial Park was not a "reasonable likelihood" and therefore cannot give rise to a finding of "significant." (Conclusions of Law Nos. 5 and 6).
- g. The Hearing Examiner erred in giving the City deference to administrative interpretation of its own noise standards where such standards are in direct conflict with state law (WAC 173-60) and concluding that the Hearing Examiner was without authority to adjudicate the conflict between the City's noise regulation and state law. (Conclusions of Law Nos. 6 and 7).
- h. The Hearing Examiner erred in concluding that, as to the noise issue, there was sufficient information in the record to support the City's SEPA threshold determination and that Petitioner IZPA failed to prove that there is a reasonable likelihood for significant adverse impacts resulting from noise. (Conclusion of Law No. 8).
- i. The Hearing Examiner erred in finding and/or concluding that the City's proposed condition of approval, which the Hearing Examiner adopted and imposed (Condition No. 3), requiring the Applicant to install a widened asphalt shoulder separated from the main LAND USE PETITION (RCW 36.70C) 6

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roadway by rumble strips along Mottman Road between R.W. Johnson and Quixote Village would "effectively meet the intent of the improvements suggested by appellant" and was adequate to provide for safe travel of Quixote Village residents to public transportation given undisputed existence of substantial truck traffic in the Mottman Industrial Park, which lacks sidewalks or other pedestrian/bicycle facilities. (Finding of Fact No. 27; Conclusion of Law No. 9).

- j. The Hearing Examiner erred in finding that the 11 proposed parking stalls on site were adequate to serve Quixote Village. (Finding of Fact No. 29).
- k. The Hearing Examiner erred in adopting the City Staff Report in whole and incorporating it by reference as to the proposal's consistency with the permanent homeless encampment ordinance. (Finding of Fact No. 31).
- l. The Hearing Examiner erred in concluding as a matter of law that the City did not have to establish prima facie compliance with SEPA, that is, that it had sufficient information to evaluate the environmental impacts of Quixote Village, prior to issuing the challenged DNS, and that the City could instead acquire additional information regarding the project's environmental impacts during the permit review process following issuance of the DNS, and still satisfy SEPA requirements. (Conclusions of Law No. 10-12).
- m. The Hearing Examiner erroneously concluded that, as to traffic impacts, there was sufficient information in the record to support the City threshold determination and that Petitioner IZPA failed to prove the likelihood of significant adverse impacts from traffic. (Conclusion of Law No. 14).
- n. The Hearing Examiner erred in concluding that the Applicant met its burden of proof to show that the Quixote Village proposal is in compliance with the applicable provisions of the City's Municipal Code. (Conclusion of Law No. 15).
- o. The Hearing Examiner erred in approving the Conditional Use Permit because the plain language of Olympia Municipal Code ("OMC") 18.02.100 precludes approval

of any project application that conflicts with the City's Comprehensive Plan. (Conclusions of Law 15 and 17).

- p. The Quixote Village project went forward for hearing during the pendency of a timely petition for review of the underlying City ordinance authorizing the County permanent homeless encampment in the City's Light Industrial zoning district to the Western Washington Region Growth Management Hearings Board ("WWGMHB") in *Peranzi v. City of Olympia*, Case No. 11-2-0011. The grounds for the petition for review to the WWGMHB included that the inconsistency of the proposed homeless encampment use with the City's Comprehensive Plan for the Light Industrial zoning district violated the Growth Management Act, RCW 36.70A. On May 4, 2012, two days after the Hearing Examiner issued the decision challenged herein (Exhibit A) the WWGMHB issued a Final Decision and Order granting the petition for review and finding that the permanent homeless encampment was in fact inconsistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan. The Hearing Examiner erred in denying Petitioner IZPA's Motion to Supplement the Record and Motion for Reconsideration based on the newly issued decision not available prior to issuance of the Hearing Examiner's decision.
- q. The Hearing Examiner erred in concluding that the facility met the requirements of the permanent homeless encampment ordinance as to adequacy of on-site parking, adequacy of pedestrian/bicycle facilities, appropriate proximity to regular weekday and weekend public transit, and sufficiency of the County's intent to submit, without actual submission, of an operations and security plan for the completed facility. (Conclusion of Law No. 18).
- r. The Hearing Examiner erred in concluding that a condition requiring notice to residents that the "encampment is within an industrially zoned property" provides adequate mitigation for the impacts on surrounding industrial uses of introducing Quixote Village, a high-density residential use, into the Mottman Industrial Park. (Conclusion of Law No. 18).

- s. The Hearing Examiner erred in approving the CUP because the conditions of approval for Quixote Village fail to adequately protect the surrounding industrial properties and failed to ensure the compatibility of the proposed residential use with existing and potential surrounding industrial uses. (Conclusion of Law No. 19 and Decision at 11).
- 2. The Hearing Examiner engaged in unlawful procedure or failed to follow a prescribed process pursuant to RCW 36.70C.130(a) in erroneously elevating the non-expert opinions of City Staff over the only qualified expert opinions on noise and traffic, which were admitted in the record. (Conclusion of Law No. 3).
- 3. The Hearing Examiner acted outside his authority or jurisdiction pursuant to RCW 36.70.130(1)(e) in effectively converting the challenged City DNS to an MDNS by adding a SEPA-based condition as part of the CUP approval process. (Conclusions of Law Nos. 10 and 11).
- 4. The Hearing Examiner's decision to approve the CUP violates the constitutional rights of Petitioners Peranzi, Cairone, and Fry pursuant to RCW 36.70C.130(1)(f) under both federal and state Constitutions, in that as approved, the CUP facially limits said Petitioners' industrial operations due to the proximity of a newly introduced residential use and therefore deprives them of due process, equal protection of laws, and effects a taking of property rights without just compensation.
- 5. The Hearing Examiner's refusal to consider the decision of the WWGMHB finding the development regulations authorizing the permanent County homeless encampment to be out of compliance of the Growth Management Act, RCW 36.70A, deprives Petitioners Peranzi, Cairone, and Fry of due process pursuant to RCW 36.70C.130(1)(f) because the Hearing Examiner's decision allows the non-compliant permanent homeless encampment use, which is the only one permitted pursuant to the City ordinance, to be built and remain in perpetuity notwithstanding the fact that said Petitioners timely challenged the ordinance via the only legal means available to them to do so.

VIII. STATEMENT OF FACTS

- 1. Petitioner IZPA is a Washington non-profit corporation whose members are property owners in the Mottman Industrial Park.
- 2. Petitioners Cairone, Fry and Peranzi are individual property owners in the Mottman Industrial Park and members of Petitioner IZPA. Petitioners Cairone own industrial property directly across Mottman Road SW from the proposed Quixote Village. Petitioner Peranzi owns industrial property immediately adjacent to the proposed Quixote Village. Petitioner Fry owns property on R.W. Johnson Road SW, also within the Mottman Industrial Park.
- 3. In 2011, the City of Olympia adopted text amendments to the Olympia Municipal Code authorizing, as a conditional use, a single permanent homeless encampment on real property owned by Thurston County within the City's LI districts. Although cast as a district-wide text amendment to City regulations, the intent and effect of the City's text amendments was to allow for a single permanent homeless encampment on a parcel of County-owned property within the Mottman Industrial Park.
- 4. In November 2011, Petitioners Cairone, Fry, and Peranzi petitioned the Western Washington Region Growth Management Hearings Board ("WWGMHB") for review of the ordinance adopting the text amendments in *Peranzi et al. v. City of Olympia*, Case No. 11-2-0011. The grounds for the petition for review to the WWGMHB included that the inconsistency of the proposed homeless encampment use with the City's Comprehensive Plan for the LI zoning district violated the Growth Management Act, RCW 36.70A.
- 5. While the petition for review to the WWGMHB of the underlying ordinance was pending, Thurston County submitted a Conditional Use Permit application for the permanent homeless encampment allowed under the text amendments, called "Quixote Village."

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- 6. As proposed, Quixote Village consists of 30 individual 140 square-foot sleeping units, a 4,000 square-foot central community building, an 800 square-foot restroom and shop building, and a 350 square-foot picnic shelter.
- 7. Industrial properties surrounding the Quixote Village site and in the Mottman Industrial Park as a whole are already developed with a variety of light industrial uses which generate noise, dust, and truck traffic expected of such uses.
- 8. Industrial uses abutting the Quixote Village site are located within the jurisdictional limits of both the City of Olympia and the City of Tumwater, with the centerline of Mottman Road SW serving as the jurisdictional boundary between the two cities.
- 9. Thurston County submitted a SEPA Checklist to the City in support of its CUP Application. The SEPA Checklist provided no tangible information or data regarding noise impacts, traffic impacts, or other environmental impacts relating to the introduction of the proposed residential land use into the midst of the existing Mottman Industrial Park, which includes no other residential uses.
- 10. On October 7, 2011, the City issued a Public Notice of Land Use Application for the Quixote Village project. Petitioner IZPA timely provided comments to the City in response to the Notice of Land Use Application. Petitioner IZPA's comments included comments identifying the absence of information in the SEPA Checklist on issues including but not limited to, noise and traffic impacts.
 - 11. On December 27, 2011, the City issued a SEPA DNS for the project.
- 12. On January 10, 2012, Petitioner IZPA submitted timely comments in response to the DNS. Petitioner IZPA's comment on the DNS once again identified the complete absence of sufficient information regarding traffic and noise impacts and associated mitigation for the project and specifically requested that the DNS be withdrawn until such time as the City received and considered such information for the project. By letter dated January 13, 2012, the City SEPA Responsible Official informed counsel for Petitioner IZPA that the City had reviewed the IZPA comments with project staff but had decided not to withdraw the DNS.

- 13. On January 17, 2012, Petitioner IZPA timely filed a SEPA appeal of the DNS for the project. The errors alleged in the SEPA appeal were based on precisely the same absence of information and associated mitigation measures for noise and traffic impacts of the project as Petitioner IZPA had described in detail to the City in its earlier comment letters. The City Staff Report reveals that the City sought out noise and traffic information in support of its DNS only after Petitioner IZPA filed its SEPA appeal.
- 14. A single open-record public hearing on the CUP and Petitioners' SEPA appeal was held before City of Olympia Hearing Examiner Pro Tempore Wick Dufford on April 2 and April 3, 2012. Petitioners Cairone, Fry, and Peranzi participated in the public hearing on the CUP through presentation of oral and written testimony. Through counsel, Petitioner IZPA presented witnesses and evidence on the SEPA appeal and participated in the public hearing on the CUP.
- 15. On May 2, 2012, the City issued the Hearing Examiner's decision challenged herein denying Petitioner IZPA's SEPA appeal and approving the CUP for Quixote Village (Exhibit A).
- 16. On May 4, 2012, two days after the Hearing Examiner issued this decision, the WWGMHB issued its Final Decision and Order on the separately filed Petition for Review of the underlying text amendments allowing the single county homeless encampment. The WWGMHB found that the text amendments to the Olympia Municipal Code authorizing a permanent homeless encampment in a light industrial zone in fact failed to comply with the Growth Management Act. The WWGMHB further ordered the City to bring its development regulations (the challenged text amendments) into compliance with the GMA.
- 17. On May 14, 2012, counsel for Petitioner IZPA timely filed a Motion for Reconsideration and a Motion to Supplement the Record seeking to include the May 4, 2012 WWGMHB decision in the record and requesting reconsideration of the Hearing Examiner's decision in part on the basis of the decision's specific findings that the permanent homeless encampment was not consistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan for the LI zoning district, as required by OMC 18.02.100 for approval of development in the City of Olympia.

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- 18. On May 29, 2012, the Hearing Examiner denied Petitioner IZPA's Motions for Reconsideration and to Supplement the Record in their entirety.
- 19. Olympia Municipal Code provides Petitioner IZPA no further administrative appeal or remedy for the Hearing Examiner's decision denying its SEPA Appeal and provides Petitioners collectively with no further administrative appeal of the Hearing Examiner's decision to approve the CUP.
- 20. Because the City code allows for only one homeless encampment to be located in the City at any one time (OMC 18.50.060(C)(2)), the Hearing Examiner's erroneous decisions would allow this incompatible high-density residential use to be constructed and remain in the midst of the Mottman Industrial Park for decades to come, despite the project's non-compliance with the Growth Management Act and inconsistency with the City's Comprehensive Plan established through timely petition for review of the underlying text amendments to the WWGMHB. Such a result will adversely impact and cause permanent and lasting harm to the industrial properties and associated industrial uses of Petitioner IZPA's members and Petitioners Peranzi, Fry, and Cairone.

IX. REQUEST FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Petitioners pray for relief in the form of an Order as follows:

- 1. Reversing the decision of the Hearing Examiner denying Petitioners' SEPA appeal of the City DNS for Quixote Village;
- 2. Reversing the decision of the Hearing Examiner approving the Conditional Use Permit for Quixote Village; and
 - 3. Such other relief as the Court deems just and proper. DATED this 15th day of June, 2012.

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DECLARATION OF SERVICE

I, Deanna L. Gonzalez, declare as follows:

I am a resident of the State of Washington. I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to the within entitled cause. I am employed by the law firm of Phillips Wesch Burgess, PLLC, whose address is 724 Columbia Street NW, Suite 140, Olympia, Washington 98501.

On June 15, 2012, I sent out for service upon the below-listed parties at the addresses and in the manners described below, the following documents:

- Summons:
- Land Use Petition (RCW 36.70C);
- Case Information Coversheet

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I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that the forgoing is true and correct. DATED at Olympia, Washington this day of June, 2012.

Exhibit A