

Here are suggestions for ideas you might wish to use in a letter to your city officials. **Note:** If your city already supports the ILA, you might not want to use the first two bullet points in your letter. These same points can be used for letters to the council.

Dear Mayor _____ (or) Council member _____,

I am writing today as a concerned citizen and taxpayer of _____. The strong movement underway by Everett developers and some of our elected representatives at the County level, determined to bring commercial service to Paine Field deeply concerns me.

- The Mayors and City Councils of Brier, Edmonds, Lynnwood, Mountlake Terrace, Mukilteo, and Woodway already oppose expansion at Paine Field.
- They support the MRD document that has been reviewed six times since 1978 and agree to seek a permanent solution that is legally binding, and support the document known as an Inter Local Agreement. This document would protect the quality of life of the communities while supporting a general aviation status and preserving the exclusive use for the Boeing Company.
- The consequences of scheduled service at Paine Field would insure a degradation of property values, thereby lowering the tax revenues for our cities and changing the quality of life for our citizens.
- Please consider documented negative health and learning issues that will affect tens of thousands of school children and help engage our school district in this public discussion.
- While the proponents of scheduled flights state that a few flights a day will not be disruptive, the reality is that once commercial service is allowed, **NO ONE** will be able to restrict the type of aircraft, commercial or cargo, the time of day, or the number of flights. Airport noise will be heard county wide, not just in the neighborhoods surrounding the airport.
- Commercial service will have ramifications throughout the County. If revenue decreases from the six surrounding cities due to property value degradation, taxes will increase throughout the County.
- The county Executive and council members must hear from you - often. As representatives of your city, you have the ability and the influence to remind them; as elected officials they need to balance business interests while retaining the quality of life in our communities. County officials must not be allowed to sacrifice one for the other.
- I urge you to continue pressuring our County Council to negotiate in good faith and in the light of day. Currently, they have been listening to insinuations made by a low level FAA representative, Airport Director Waggoner, and developers and business interests. Protect our quality of life in your city

I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,