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Subject: [localsmartgrowth] Letter to archive for public hearing on Sept. 25, 2018 - STOP THIS PROJECT

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STOP THIS PROJECT. Aimee's note to City Council

To: Samantha Paradis, Wayne Marshall, Joe Slocum, Thomas Kittredge, Neal Harkness, Mary Mortier, Mike Hurley, Eric Sanders, John Arrison

Date: September 25, 2018

From: Aimee Moffitt-Mercer

Re: **STOP this project before it goes any further**

The City Council has not met the requirement for the public hearings:

I oppose all the amendments illegally voted on on April 17, 2018, making this process today illegitimate.

Retroactively asking the public to comment on the specifics of a project that we do not want is not the public process that you skipped; hence the pending law suit because of your lack of process

I do not support significant ground water wells I do not support zoning changes

I do not support changes to our comprehensive plan to facilitate land based aquaculture

I do not support modeling Belfast's water regulations on towns that have been sold out to bottled water factories!

I do not support Nordic or any corporate entity having priority in getting water over the citizens

I oppose any and all massive extractive industries coming into Belfast

I oppose the expansion of the industrial park

 We deserve a public process where our community can decide together over months of dialogue, what type of developments we would like in Belfast. I would like to discuss what other options and

possibilities could be supported and spawned that are: local, sustainable, small scale, organic, healthy.

This huge, experimental, monoculture, concentrated animal feed operation does not fit into the Belfast that I love.

I support the restoration of the wild fisheries.

I support actively removing dams in the Goose River, the Passy, Wescot Stream and the Little River.

This one mega development, outputting 1600 pounds of nitrogen per day, when our bay already has closures for shellfish, from toxic algae bloom is an egregious act. This amount of pollution will far exceed our bay's capacity to absorb the waste. Nordic's plume of fishy water will decrease lobster harvests and could make many of the beaches from Bayside, along the shore to Belfast's Park and on into the bay, all horrible for swimming, even possibly dangerous to a person's health and is quite likely to reduce the potential to restore the collapsed fishery in the Bay.

This project will also displace dozens of small local lobster and seafood related businesses.

The Little River Forest needs to remain forested as part of a green belt and a biological connecting corridor from the seashore into the woodlands as this is the jewel of our town. Once the greenbelt along Belfast's Southern boarder is cleared and covered in a tank farm, all the generations following will loose the chance to have a greenbelt and open space surrounding our town.

This is the time to stop this project before it goes any further.

Sincerely,
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