TO: DSG Staff  
FROM: Richard Hart, Development Services Director  
DATE: December 4, 2000  
RE: Interpretation of Ancillary Uses Allowed by Right or by Conditional Use

The Code Official under Section 19.15.010 C. 5. (a.) of the Unified Land Development Code makes this administrative policy determination and interpretation of the Unified land Development Code of Mercer Island. This administrative policy covers ancillary uses allowed under the Mercer Island Unified Land Development Code for uses allowed by right or by conditional use within Chapter 19.

**Ancillary Uses Allowed When Directly Related To The Primary Use**

General rule – When a particular use is allowed either by right or by conditional use permit within any zoning district classification, then a use that is ancillary or directly associated with the primary use will also be allowed within that district, subject to all other requirements of the specific primary use.

Authorization for allowing ancillary uses will be given by the Code Official after deeming such uses are, in fact, ancillary to the primary use and meet all requirements of the primary use. For purposes of this code interpretation “Ancillary Use” is defined as: “Any use that is clearly subordinate and incidental to the primary use allowed on the subject property within the zoning district.”