



September 4, 2025

Dear Tualatin Architectural Review Board,

Westside Economic Alliance (WEA) once again expresses strong support for Lam Research and its proposed expansion in Tualatin.

WEA represents a coalition of local governments, private employers, and community organizations working to advance balanced economic development throughout the Tualatin Valley and the broader Westside of the Portland Metro Region.

Lam's story is well known; they have spent over four decades at the forefront of semiconductor innovation. Today, nearly every computer chip in the world is made with the use of Lam equipment.

Here in Oregon, Lam Research has been an anchor employer in Tualatin since 2002, growing into the city's largest employer with more than 3,800 full-time employees and contractors. Beyond jobs, Lam has invested deeply in the community, supporting STEM education, advancing opportunities for underserved youth, and helping families access affordable housing.

Lam Research has been an engaged and willing partner to the City of Tualatin and Washington County throughout the planning and public hearing process. Should this project fail to move forward, our region will be sending a clear message. We will be telling job creators that want to invest into our state that we put the concerns of unfounded local opposition ahead of the very investments that create career pathways and roads to home ownership.

In a time of economic uncertainty, a vote to advance this project prioritizes the needs of the local community and unlocks the transformative potential of a \$1 billion investment in our region. This initiative will deliver widespread benefits — driving hundreds of millions in new economic activity, creating approximately 600 high-paying jobs, and reinforcing Oregon's economic resilience.

The multiplier effects cannot be overstated. These new employees will purchase homes, pay income and property taxes, shop in local stores, participate in community events, send their kids to local schools, and volunteer in their neighborhoods. Lam's presence will have cascading benefits in creating positive economic impact throughout the region.

The Westside Economic Alliance respectfully urges your support and approval of Lam Research's Industrial Master Plan application.

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This project is more than an expansion of a facility, it is an investment in the future of Tualatin, Washington County, and Oregon.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "elizabethmazzaramyers". The signature is written in a cursive, lowercase style.

Elizabeth Mazzara Myers
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