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To: <u>City Council</u>

Subject: Rezone for the light rail

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I live in Shoreline, and I support the previously proposed rezone of the Echo lake area next to the freeway to 195th, for multi family and shops. All of King County is growing- and fast! We would be stupid to let the opportunity pass us by, to take on our share of new residents in a thoughtful way.

The area near the freeway is perfect for high density projects, it is otherwise loud, and if we do not offer housing there, more people will need to drive cars to get on the rail, meaning more traffic and more parking needed.

Not all development is bad- there WILL be development, let's make sure we are controlling it by zoning for the best use, in the area where it makes most sense.

We need the city council to be careful planners and stewards of the city. Please educate the public, rather than make poor policy decisions because a few - very loud- people drive important policy decisions. If the same people opposed to this project had been allowed to make public policy about Aurora Avenue, Aurora Avenue would still be a death trap!

Please zone the area next to the freeway and around the light rail stations as aggressively as possible to take the multi family housing load we need to absorb in the coming years.

Thank you, CaraLee Cook, 121 NW 177th lane, Shoreline