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To: City Council

Subject: Comment for 2/23/15 public hearing on 185th Station Area

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Dear Shoreline Council,

We are looking forward to the arrival of light rail in the area, with a dream that our children will be able to take the train down to the university. We enjoy the walking opportunities we currently have, walking to Cromwell Park and to Baskins & Robbins for ice cream.

That's counter-balanced by the plans for rezoning and suggestions that the immediate area we live in used to be a pond, and is unlikely to be of interest to developers.

Given this, we'd like to indicate our favour for either of Council Member Robert's suggested options:

- * http://shorelinewa.gov/home/showdocument?id=19591
- * http://shorelinewa.gov/home/showdocument?id=19593

Specifically because they don't rezone the area, selfishly including our property, that have been highlighted as low interest to developers.

Speaking more generally, and to items that affect us less directly, more walking opportunity is attractive in the long run, and placing Shoreline to handle more of the Seattle area's expected increase in population is sound thinking. Until the Light Rail opens however, it seems unlikely that anyone in the expected Seattle public transport demographic will have a great urge to move into the area, meaning this all seems years too early. Perhaps a smaller rezone area, with plans to extend when that rezoning is sufficiently successful, would improve the likelihood of these plans being deemed a successful legacy of the Council's foresight.

Thank you for reading,

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