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**To:** [Shari Winstead](#)  
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Mayor Winstead and Councilmembers,

Please find attached my comment regarding the 185th Street Light Rail Station and rezoning.

Sincerely,  
Laura Mork

February 20, 2015

Honorable Shari Winstead  
Mayor, City of Shoreline  
17500 Midvale Avenue N  
Shoreline, WA 98133-4905

RE: 185<sup>th</sup> Light Rail Rezoning plan

Dear Mayor Winstead and Councilmembers,

There is a key component of the 185<sup>th</sup> Light Rail Substation Plan that is critical to the livability of Shoreline: **Shoreline must "placemake" an East/West corridor to connect the city.**  
*The 185<sup>th</sup> corridor from Aurora to 10 Ave NE must remain in phase 1 of the plan.*

The cycle track, and pedestrian corridor are key to connecting the citizens with each other, the major transportation hubs of buses on Aurora and the light rail station, and commercial enterprises. This is a key component to fertilizing the *community* of Shoreline and will greatly enhance its livability. The city must fund the 185<sup>th</sup> Corridor study in 2016 in order to properly build this place.

Having a Light Rail Station without a cycle track and pedestrian corridor providing safe and pleasant way to access it without the use of a vehicle, is not in the best interest of the City, the environment, or the citizens. By including the 185<sup>th</sup> corridor, in the first phase, funding for this critical improvement can be more readily obtained.

I also believe that *if* the City wants to allow developer agreements in the 185<sup>th</sup> subarea, that it is reasonable to expect the developers to do more than regular zoning requires. They should be required to do LEED Platinum, provide more affordable housing, etc in return for getting exceptions to regular zoning requirements.

I passionately believe that having an East/West corridor with a pedestrian walkway and cycle track included in the 185<sup>th</sup> Light Rail subarea plan is crucial both to the livability in Shoreline and to the success of the 185<sup>th</sup> Light Rail station.

Sincerely,

Laura Mork

Shoreline resident west of Aurora