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To: <u>Plancom</u>; <u>City Council</u>

Subject: 185 Street public Comment for 02-23-2015

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My name is Lorn Richey, I am a Shoreline resident, and request this statement be put in the public record. I have a Masters Degree in Public Administration with a concentration in urban development. I been a part of this planning process for over a year I am here to ask for a delay for final decisions by the Shoreline City Council until December 2015.

As a planning participant, none of my reasonable concerns were addressed.

The process has been rushed considering the scale and impact of this plan. This is an extreme and life changing rezoning that severely impacts the heart and values of a great deal, if not all, of Shoreline residents. All the information to make a defensible decision has not arrived yet, such as a major Sound Transit study. Assumptions used in the Bae Urban Economics Market Overview have changed –most importantly the assessment that our public School populations are declining, when in fact they are rising to the point of overflow.

## The Radical Rezone plans are not fully supported by the results of the Market Overview.

Concerning The Council's Time line and outreach: There were to be three stages. Visioning, Planning and Adoption. Adoption has been rushed and the visioning and planning involved a few lucky people –some of them non-residents.

Here is a quick summary of my in person observations:

Summer and Fall 2013- visioning and Community Workshops: There were only two advertised—one for 185<sup>th</sup> and one for 145<sup>th</sup> street. There was confusion on these because Sound Transit was also advertising Light Rail change meetings and several of us attended these thinking they would be the planning meetings. The 185<sup>th</sup> street Tour Map, posted on the I-5 overpass, showed the Subarea ending no further West than 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue. This led my neighbors to believe they would not be threatened, so they did not participate.

Winter 2013- 2014- was to be Analysis and Planning- These were sparsely attended, and did not fairly represent the most affected members of the neighborhood. Again there was confusion whether residents should attend the council meetings or the "Community meetings". At these meetings I pointed out many of the concerns and criticisms you have heard lately, but no one took any action to address them.

The third Stage- Spring of 2014 was almost a year ago and the maps and zoning continue to change, the heights of building and the footprints in most of the proposed plans are growing in ways that will not support the health of our neighborhood.

A major study by the sound transit has not been completed and we need to see it first.

Please delay the final vote at least until December 2015 so residents can read the forthcoming studies, and understand the effects. Please do not allow rezoning West of  $1^{st}$  Avenue.

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