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- **1.** Tom Wallace
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- 3. (o) Meridian Park
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- **6.** 8a
- The rezoning plan to accommodate light rail is way overboard. I bought my house 3.5 years ago because I loved the neighborhood and how easy it is to get where I need to go. I can walk to the bus stop in under 10 minutes, get on the 301 express bus to downtown and be at work quickly. However, I choose to bike to work these days. My house is close to Costco, Home Depot, Fred Meyer and soon Trader Joe's at 175th. It's a great neighborhood as is.

Now the city council wants to turn this into Ballard, shoehorning as many people as they can into small lots, allowing people to build 5-7 story condos and apartments right next to single family homes, casting our houses into shadow and surrounding us with low income tenants and the higher crime rate that comes along with them. Why any resident in the affected zone would support this is beyond me. It's a horrible idea.

I don't want large apartments in my neighborhood. On my commute I ride right by the apartments on Linden just south of 145th. On Shoreline Area News

(http://www.shorelineareanews.com/2014/11/crime-in-shoreline-october-at-glance.html) this area is described as "a haven for narcotics and prostitution". I've seen prostitutes and heroin needles on the ground in this area during my commute. This is what I fear the city council will turn my neighborhood into with the high density, low income housing they desire. This is already right on the border of Shoreline and the city council is rolling out the welcome mat for more of this around our houses.

I've put in a lot of time and money into my home to make it more beautiful and energy efficient as I had planned to live here for many years. I've replaced all the windows with double pane, vinyl frame windows. Planted several hundred spring flowering bulbs, along with many roses, rhododendrons, lupines, dahlias, etc. I've had many neighbors come by while I'm out gardening and tell me how much they love what I've done with the house as it looks so much better than before. Now I feel like all my work and dedication will be thrown away by the city council's plan to "Ballardize" Shoreline.

I will be watching how the council votes on this and will not support Chris Eggen, Doris McConnell or Jesse Salomon when they're up for re-election in November.

**8.** (o) Oppose

Thank you,

**City of Shoreline** 

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