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For Green Folder on Monday night.

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**Subject:** **Vote no to Res. 376**

Council Members:

For the reasons expressed in the below excerpt, I respectfully request that at tomorrow's Council meeting you vote against Res. No. 376, which would provide Notification of the City of Shoreline's Intent to Conduct a Public Hearing for the Purpose of the Potential Assumption of the Shoreline Transportation Benefit District (TBD).

There is no compelling reason to assume and thereby eliminate the City's TBD this year. The TBD may have future usefulness, as described in the below excerpt. The City should not waste the time and resources to hold a public hearing on the assumption and elimination of the TBD, given the TBD's potential future usefulness.

Recognizing that assumption of the TBD is just a housekeeping matter, the Staff Report says that the "City's assumption of the TBD ... has no resource or financial impact," but would "promote efficiency in government operation and administration and ... eliminate potential public confusion." This is insufficient justification to assume and thereby eliminate the City's TBD this year, given the TBD's potential future usefulness. And it is insufficient justification to hold a public hearing.

There is no compelling reason to eliminate the City's TBD now—or to waste time and resources to hold a public hearing on the matter.

I request that this email be entered into the record for tomorrow's meeting.

Thank you.

Tom McCormick

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Below is an excerpt from my 8-25-2015 email to Debbie Tarry (all Council Members were copied).

**"Possible Elimination of City's Transportation Benefit District:** [A]s reported at the July 27, 2015, Council meeting, recently enacted State law allows a city with the same boundaries of a TBD to assume the rights, powers, functions, and obligations of the TBD and eliminate the TBD as a separate legal entity. The City and its TBD currently have the same boundaries. As revealed on the Agenda Planner for the Sept. 14, 2015, Council meeting, the City is taking steps to eliminate its TBD as a separate legal entity (the Agenda Planner entry reads: "Adoption of Res. No. 376 for Notification of the City of Shoreline's Intent to Conduct a Public Hearing for the Purpose of the Potential Assumption of the Shoreline Transportation Benefit District").

Until an Analysis of Tolling Alternatives on Richmond Beach Drive is completed (one alternative might expand the boundary of the City's TBD), it is premature to consider eliminating the City's TBD. I request that the Agenda Planner be revised to remove the entry for Adoption of Res. No. 376. A new tolling option could be available if the City expanded the boundary of its TBD to include the portion of Richmond Beach Drive that is located in the Town of Woodway and the homes in Woodway that exit onto Richmond Beach Drive. This expansion, coupled with a decision to impose tolls only on those who reside outside of the TBD boundary, would not only remove a minor objection that some may have about tolling ("we shouldn't do tolling if it means that the five Woodway residences that exit onto Richmond Beach Drive will have to pay a toll" — an objection that in my view should not stop the City from imposing a toll), but it would also open the door to locating a toll booth north of the County line. (Note that those residing outside of the TBD do not pay a vehicle license fee to the City, but those [residing] in the District do pay a vehicle license fee, which is used to for maintenance and improvements of Shoreline's roads.) To expand the TBD boundary, the City would need to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Woodway that, among other things, would give Woodway a small slice of the tolling revenue.

Let's keep this possible option on the table. Doing so requires that the City delay any consideration of eliminating its TBD; the City should remove from the Agenda Planner the entry for Adoption of Res. No. 376. The City should not waste the time and resources to hold a public hearing on the elimination of the TBD until such time that an Analysis of Tolling Alternatives on Richmond Beach Drive is completed, including an analysis of expanding the TBD boundary as discussed above. There is no compelling reason to eliminate the City's TBD at this time."