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To: <u>City Council</u>

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This is intended for public comment on this issue. Please consider the following as you make your very important decisions about our city's future:

- 1) Do a zoning overlay instead of a Planned Action. This would allow the city and developers to work together for the best solutions possible. The citizenry of Shoreline have many talents and expertise that could be used to great benefit in a cooperative effort. That is much better than fighting and disagreements!
- 2) Retain R-6 zoning around all Parks in the rezone. This would help protect the threatened wetlands and would increase open space as recommended by King County wetlands report of 1997. Wetlands are extremely important to the health of our environment and once lost cannot be recovered. I cannot emphasize enough how strongly I feel about this and how important it is to the future of Shoreline. You want people to be attracted to a green, healthy landscape and wetlands are key! No one wants to live in a sterile, dead metropolis with no wildlife or plants. We, as people, need wetlands to be healthy for us to thrive.
- 3) Analyze costs of future infrastructure improvements and phase in development to better manage the financial obligation. Impose impact fees on developers to cover these costs rather than expecting citizens to foot the bill.

In closing, my hope is that you will listen to your citizens who desire a community with sensible growth. Bear in mind that development is recognized as necessary especially close to the light rail stations. However, that does not mean 45 to 85 feet tall apartment buildings more than one half mile (walking distance) from the station. And it certainly does not mean those tall buildings right NEXT to single story houses!

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