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Dear Council members,

It has been brought to my attention that the city council will be considering items for the 20 18 budget including park space along Firlands Way. You already have heard many good reasons to do this.

I want to add that I think a beautiful walking area along this street would be a boon to many. It would be a vast improvement for the Hillwood neighborhood which is short on park space, plus be a boon to the Town Center, and the Shoreline Historical museum. Better walking access benefits all and provides a safety factor because when pedestrians are present, less crime occurs. This is also a chance to establish a historic area, with landmark historic sites marked and reuse of the brick from the old highway, which I believe is entombed under the pavement.

A new building is going in on the corner of Firlands and Linen and they will be reconfiguring that intersection and adding a small plaza. It would seem to be the perfect time to connect that with new park space on a garden lined street. I hope that you have the vision to make this wonderful improvement to our city.

Sincerely yours,  
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