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To: <u>City Council</u>

Subject:[EXTERNAL] Save Hamlin Park, please!Date:Friday, October 06, 2017 9:19:43 AM

## Dear Shoreline City Council,

My husband and I bought our home 16 years ago this month. At that time it was a tiny 1940s cinder block home that needed work... but that didn't matter because we knew we could change all of that in time. What made this little home so special was it was only 2 houses from 80 acres of forested park. AMAZING! We knew this was the place we wanted to raise our family. Having an amazing park like Hamlin right in our very own backyard was priceless and we feel so fortunate to live here every single day.

So when we first started seeing signs around our neighborhood to "Save Hamlin Park" we were confused and curious. We heard a few stories before getting the *real* story. I have to say we were more than shocked when we heard that the city was planning to destroy 4 1/2 acres of beautiful forest. My heart sunk to think that the city we love would remove all of these priceless trees just to house trucks. Not to mention that we as a community would lose 4 1/2 acres of beautiful forest to roam.

But do you know what hurt the most? That our city has not been forthcoming with the community about its plans.

I hope the feedback you have received from the community helps you understand the need to reconsider these plans and look at other locations for the facility. Shoreline loves Hamlin Park. Please listen to your constituents. Please do what's right.

Thank you for your time,

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