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- **5.** 02/26/2018
- **6.** 8) Action Items (B) Adopting Ordinance 789
- **7.** With regard to proposed changes to: the Municipal Code:

Amendment #27

20.50.360(C) Tree replacement and site restoration.

C. Replacement Required. Trees removed under the partial exemption in SMC 20.50.310(B)(1) may be removed per parcel with no replacement of trees required. Any significant tree proposed for removal beyond this limit should be replaced as follows:

- 1. One existing significant tree of eight inches in diameter at breast height for conifers or 12 inches in diameter at breast height for all others equals one new tree.
- 2. Each additional three inches in diameter at breast height equals one additional new tree, up to three trees per significant tree removed.

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3. Minimum size requirements for replacement trees under this provision:

Deciduous trees shall be at least 1.5 inches in caliper and evergreens six feet* in height.

It is this last provision* I wish the council to reconsider.

Abortists would agree that requiring 6 foot evergreen replacements is not only excessively expensive but also geometrically increases the likelihood that the tree will not survive the

transplant. Therefore, this provision is, I believe, counterproductive for the purpose it is designed—the health and longevity of the replacement trees.

On my property, 8-10 replacement conifers were planted in 2010. Each was about 3-4 feet tall (with the requisite Inch and a half diameter trunk). Each easily grew to 6 feet or more in the first year or two and they now stand 15-20 feet tall in only 7 years. Only ONE of the original 3-footers failed.

If 6-foot trees were required, the failure rate would have likely increased significantly.

My arborists and I believe this proposal is certainly well-meaning, but misguided.

Please strike the 6-foot requirement for replacement conifers and return to the 1.5 inch requirement for all replacement trees—deciduous and conifers.

Thanks for your consideration, Domenick J. Dellino, phd 905 NW Richmond Beach Rd. Shoreline, WA 98177

8. (o) Oppose

Thank you,

City of Shoreline

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