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**To:** [City Council](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Preserve the Shoreline Tree canopy comment  
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Dear Shoreline City Council:

I concur with the following comment by Shoreline citizen advocate, Janet Way:

"The MUR 70 properties should not be exempted from a requirement to get a permit to cut big trees. Any significant tree of 30" DBH is too dangerous to be cut without a permit anyway. Also, obviously the loss of this significant canopy will be a serious negative impact to the environment. These large conifers provide oxygen, fight climate change, clean pollutants, provide shade, beauty and habitat and so much more. Every effort should be made to retain as many as possible in the permitting process. Incentives for keeping trees in the ROW could be included. Even adding an extra floor to the development would be preferable if some of these big trees could be retained."

Please consider the above comment in your discussions tonight, February 26, 2018.

References:

pg 8b-7, SMC 20.50.310 Exemptions from Permit, Amendment #25.

<http://cosweb.ci.shoreline.wa.us/uploads/attachments/cck/council/staffreports/2018/staffreport022618-8b.pdf>

Regards,

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