

Good evening. My name is Yoshiko Saheki and I live in Shoreline. I am here to express my very strong opposition to Amendment #3 of the Draft 2019 Comprehensive Plan Docket.

To recap a bit of zoning history, YOU upzoned my neighborhood in Parkwood saying it was for the "future" of Shoreline. YOU and the Council paid little or no attention to the compromises I proposed to the MUR 45 zones so that I could keep my forever home. In the end, in order to live in a more traditional neighborhood, I was forced to purchase another home because YOU upzoned my neighborhood. I studied the zoning map prior to purchasing a house in North City. It is about two blocks away from the subject parcels of Amendment #3.

My concern is that this could be the start of upzoning creep. That is, once you upzone these two parcels, adjacent parcels would ask for the same, nearby blocks would do the same and before you know it, there goes the neighborhood.

The current R8 zoning serves as a transition between the businesses along 15th NE and the R6 homes to the east. That is how zoning should work.

I vehemently disagree with the staff report that states that the proposed rezone will not be materially detrimental. To the contrary, reducing the transition is most detrimental and the rezone has absolutely no merit or value to the surrounding R6 neighborhood.

If the Irons are such good neighbors, they would not ignore city code and run a business in a residential neighborhood. In fact, if the Irons can ignore city code, I'm wondering if I should have just ignored the MUR 45 rezone and done as I pleased with my home in Parkwood.

If the amendment goes through, the best I can hope for is that I can sell what was to be my new forever home for what it cost me to move and remodel. In that case, I will never buy another home in Shoreline because your zoning maps can't be trusted.

If you're going to change zoning willy nilly like this, why don't you do that to where YOU live. Please don't do it to where I live. For you to do this to me a second time is downright mean.