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Heidi -

Townhomes is now before the City Council. Can you ensure this gets into the appropriate green folder?

Thanks,
Julie

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From: Cathy Aldrich <acathy@me.com>

Sent: Monday, December 2, 2019 10:02 AM

To: Plancom <plancom@shorelinewa.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Townhouse design

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Keeping my eyes on the process, if not attending meetings in person. The new proposals sound decent in general and having more variety will make things more interesting, and landscaping requirements (some should be in the MUR 45 as well) will help with the "village" concept.

I do take issue with the opening statement about the village growing and neighborhood oriented businesses emerging ... so far I haven't seen ANY evidence of that in areas that have adopted heavy townhouse development. And as I have oft stated, there were more varied businesses on 15th (around 145th) back in the early 80's than are now existing ... and there have always been a lot of apartments in this corridor that in theory would support such businesses. It may happen, but given my experience, more likely not ... and to keep "touting" this as a given just bothers me (as always ... and I'm sure you get tired of me saying that!).

The design requirement process does seem to be moving in the right direction though, hopefully to avoid the bad design of some of the more recent projects that have gone up near my neighborhood. I still think, MORE PARKS! Yes, Shoreline is adding park space, but public pocket parks should be part of the requirement (especially for "Tree City"). Development should NOT be a giveaway for developers, anywhere.

Thank you for your time.

Cathy Aldrich
Shoreline, near the 145th St rezone area