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Dear Councilmembers,

Please support Council Meeting Agenda Item 9b - Amendment 3 and add it to the 2020 Comprehensive Plan docket to study and approve it.

This amendment is consistent with our desires to keep businesses and commercial uses in commercial zones, and keep neighborhoods residential. If approved, this will require commercial uses actually to be required in commercial zones instead of letting developers make huge profits on converting commercial zones to residential uses and eliminating commercial potential in these areas for decades to come.

For example, in North City alone, over the last couple of years one ~2-acre commercial lot has been converted from a commercial use (post office) to a multi-story residential development with no requirement to use it for commercial use... And, another ~1-acre commercial lot is being converted from a gas station to a multi-story residential property with no requirement to use it for commercial use.

Over the last ten years numerous large commercial lots in North City have been converted into multi-story residential properties with no requirement that any of it be used for commercial use. Commercial zoned properties, or more specifically, availability, have been disappearing as they get developed and converted to residential uses, and this practice is speeding up exponentially as the economy grows and link light rail expands north.

Shoreline must close this loop hole before it's too late and there is no commercial properties left for commercial use. If this happens Shoreline we'll be even more of a bedroom community needing to transit to Seattle for work, groceries, and to frequent other businesses.

Add a commercial use requirement to commercial zones to keep businesses in Shoreline and in commercial zones, and to keep neighborhoods residential!

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