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1. Kevin Atkinson
2. Shoreline
3. (o) North City
4. wasabikev@gmail.com
5. 10/19/2020
6. Adopting Ordinance No. 901
7. Dear Council,

Thank you for taking the time and effort to address the issue of Shoreline's missed opportunities by not requiring ground floor commercial in commercial zones. Ordinance 901 looks like a well thought out approach that can scale up as Shoreline gains two light rail stations and continues to redevelop.

While Ordinance 901 is a promising development for the North City and Ridgecrest, I'm concerned about the amendment that would modify the Planning Commission's recommendation regarding the restriction of certain uses. Payday lending and pawn shops are not the "placemaking" that the community is seeking here. The Planning Commission's recommendation to restrict these uses is consistent with the community consensus. A laissez-faire approach to urban planning is how we ended up with a neighborhood business district that doesn't require businesses in the first place. If we're going to make a change on this, let's make a change that reflects and facilitates what we want our neighborhood to become.

Please do not go against the Planning Commission with this amendment. They have done good work here and their recommendation to restrict certain uses reflects the values of the community.
Thank you for your attention and service.

Sincerely,
Kevin Atkinson

8. (o) Support

Thank you,
City of Shoreline

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