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Dear Councilmember Scully,

I am a 47 year resident of Shoreline & Shorecrest High graduate. I stayed local because I love this area and this community.

My wife and I purchased our current home in the Meridian Park neighborhood with the impression of a safe community for our child to grow up in. Good schools, parks, and close to family.

We are reasonable, kind, empathetic people who understand the need this shelter is attempting to provide. Find another, more suitable location.

What we do not accept is:

1. The haste in which this project has been initiated (and paid for with our tax dollars) with very little shared public information or input (until recently) when we are past the point of no return.

2. The proposed location of this project, in an area specifically zoned to NOT allow this type of project. Essentially in the back yard of multiple residences, a high school, across the street from parks and within a 10 min. walk to multiple elementary schools.

3. The most recent, proposed rezoning of the site to accommodate a special interest project, which to me appears borderline illegal and completely immoral. This leaves a very bad taste in my mouth.

Police will undoubtedly be called upon more frequently, leaving less capacity for taxpaying, law abiding citizens, and that's just the tip of the inevitable iceberg.

We are good neighbors, take care of our home and property, are friendly with our neighbors... the kind of folks you would want as your neighbor. We'd be sad to be forced to make a decision to leave Shoreline based on our voice and concerns being ignored. We pay significant property taxes to own a home in Shoreline and we expect better from our mayor and council members, to fight for the community's safety and cleanliness and not bow to the LOUD minority of residents in support of the shelter.

My family urges you to slow down, take a breath, pivot and consider another location for the shelter that is not smack dab in the middle of a residential area.

Thanks for listening,

Bryan & Tania Berg