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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Please reconsider Chip-seal near Richmond Beach Saltwater Park

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I would like to ask the Shoreline City Council to reconsider their decision to use chip seal (tar and gravel) on 21st and 22nd Avenue NW, the roads adjacent to the Richmond Beach Saltwater Park. These are roads used by elderly, strollers, scooters and the entire community. It is not a long-term solution to fixing roads, but rather a band-aid fix. Chip seal (BST) will destroy our roads and our community.

I live in Richmond Beach and walk these roads frequently. The article in the Richmond Beach news by community member Whitney Murray perfectly describes this situation.

http://www.richmondbeachwa.org/newspaper/issues/RichmondBeachCommunityNews_2021Jun.pdf

Given the rising costs of home ownership, my property taxes are extraordinarily high. It's frustrating that the city would be looking for ways to cut corners and save money with road maintenance, while at the same time spending millions on programs for the homeless. I am all for supporting those in need, but the taxpaying property owners in Shoreline need to come first. Keeping our community beautiful and well maintained needs to be a high priority in our budget planning.

Thank you for your consideration.

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