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To the Planning Commission:

As a Shoreline resident, I was first attracted to this beautiful city by its abundance of trees, which are lacking in Magnolia and much of Seattle. Since I moved here though, I'm saddened every day to see magnificent, mature evergreen trees falling to new construction. We are losing our tree cover!

It's so important for this commission to see the big picture of what is happening in Shoreline.

Today the Tree Code Protection Team and its supporters will be commenting on protective tree code amendments. Climate change is upon us. Who can forget the "heat dome" of last summer? It was terrifying! With every tree lost, we are inviting more "heat domes" to hit us.

It's known science that mature tree canopy protects the environment, cools urban areas, provides oxygen, and enhances mental health.

Please recommend these protective tree code amendments to the Council today; we don't have time for more studies and delay. With delay, more trees are lost. These trees take generations to be replaced!

Thank you for your consideration.

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