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Planning Commission meeting – Public Comment

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Speaking on behalf of the Tree Preservation Code Team

**Amendment 6** ensures trees on new development sites will be protected during clearing and grading. This amendment, already present in Shoreline critical area code, provides stop work orders, remedy, and penalties for injury or destruction of trees. It is stated in the Comprehensive Plan, Element 6: trees on development sites are "... at the greatest risk of being lost".

On page 11, Attachment C, language has been added for clarification. This code applies to new development in R-8, R-12, R-24, R-48, TC-4, MUR-35 and MUR-45 zones. This code does not apply to residential R-4 or R-6 and does not apply to major development on zones CB, NB, MB, TC 1-2-3 or MUR-70 where none of the trees have to be retained.

The costs in L-1 apply to MUR-35 and MUR-45 zones and the penalties in L-2 are already in code. The financial guarantee clause "M" applies to MUR-35 and MUR-45 zones, not to a "typical single family home".

This code was submitted to the City in Nov. 2020, more than a year ago, not a "short turn-around time". If necessary, this proposed code should be studied prior to review by Council, 60 days in the future. If clauses L and M have to be re-submitted, this process could take until 2024. We ask the Planning Commission to direct Staff to study within the 60 days and submit their study to the Council at the end of February of this year. Thank you.