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Dear council members,

I am writing today to express my concerns regarding the significant loss of trees that has occurred over the past few years in Shoreline. As our city continues to grow, and as the light rail stations get closer to their completion, environmental concerns, community, financial sustainability, and beauty considerations are all important factors.

I encourage you to identify means of protecting as many of our mature trees as possible. There are creative options for all the other factors to work within increased protections for trees. Once they are gone, and with a mindset of trees as low priority, dispensable, and replaceable, they become the low priority.

Additionally, our city does not need to rely solely on large scale developers to increase our density, property owners could be given financial support and flexibility with permitting to provide more incremental growth for housing and small businesses. These practices can all contribute to a sense of community and desire to further invest in our own city.

For some interesting reading regarding resilience in community, please explore some of the articles at https://www.strongtowns.org/ Thank you for your time and consideration.

Christy Adams

24 year Shoreline resident

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