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Dear Council member:

I have read the City Staff response to Councilmember Mork's question re: tree-related code amendments on your agenda tonight. I understand it will take months, possibly years, for all of these studies that Staff proposes.

Further delay means more loss of irreplaceable trees.

This evening, please approve the amendments for 6" dbh significant tree measurement and the requirement of a permit to remove trees 24" dbh and larger.

If you have concerns regarding these amendments, **please approve these tree amendments on an interim basis of one year** while Staff studies and returns to Council with a recommendation by March 31, 2023.

These tree codes apply to residential, MUR-35', MUR-45' and Town Center zones only. These proposed codes *do not apply* to the 7 zones in Shoreline where all of the trees can be removed and no replacement trees are required including CB, NB, MB, MUR-70', TC 1-2-3.

We need to protect trees in Shoreline NOW to balance the hundreds of trees being cut down for housing and transportation projects and to respond to the immediate climate emergency.

Thank you for your attention to this urgent matter.

Ramona Gault

Shoreline resident