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Dear Shoreline City Council,

I have lived in Richmond Beach since 2012 and my family and I have often accessed the beach from 27<sup>th</sup> Ave NW, it is a gem unique to our neighborhood

I definitely support the City buying the beach parcel to nail down our rights. To my neighbors who live on 27th Ave NW, I'd like to say that no one should be worried that there will be some huge increase in the number of walkers just because the City acquires the beach parcel. I expect that foot traffic will stay pretty much the same as it is now. But if the City ever again closes parking lots at Saltwater Park like it did in 2020 due to Covid, foot traffic will likely increase as it did in 2020. But that has nothing to do with the City acquiring the beach parcel. It's only human nature that if residents are blocked from using their the primary beach access point (Saltwater Park), they will find other places to access the beach.

Best regards,

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