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Dear Shoreline City Council,

I just heard about the Discussion of Ordinance No. 967 – Authorizing the Use of Eminent Domain for Acquisition of Certain Real Property identified as King County Tax Parcel No. 727810-0905 for Public Park Land.

I have been walking that loop (Saltwater Park to Apple Tree Lane) for decades and did it a LOT, nearly twice a day, during COVID. It never occurred to me that it was anything but public property. That access is a sanity saver for me and other folks who visit that section of beach or walk that loop.

Beach access is why we live here and that piece of property is huge. I'm not really sure why anyone would want to lock it up, making it private access only. When I walk by those homes and someone is outside, I always say hi. I don't see anyone damaging their homes or being mean.

I mean, it does seem to align with this new trend of "I am rich, I bought this space, I want it and I don't want anyone else to have it" which I personally don't support. I suspect the City of Shoreline doesn't support that lack of generosity either.

Not everyone can live ON THE BEACH, but that doesn't mean we shouldn't have access. There is plenty of beach to go around, don't you think? Our mental health depends on it.

Thank you for taking my comment.

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