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Dear Shoreline City Council Members,

My name is Brittany Harsila ([brittany.harsila@gmail.com](mailto:brittany.harsila@gmail.com)) and I am a resident of the Richmond Beach neighborhood of Shoreline. My comments are regarding Agenda Item 9(c), Discussion of Ordinance No. 967.

I am writing to you today to express my support of the City acquiring the vacant beach property located between the Richmond Beach Saltwater Park and the bulkhead at the southern end of 27th Avenue. Northwest. My family, friends and neighbors love to walk the loop from the Saltwater Park to 27th - then making our way back into the neighborhood via the bridge. This is one of our favorite reasons for living in this neighborhood and was truly essential to our happiness and recreation during the past couple of years. We would be so grateful if the city purchased the vacant beach property so that we know we are not walking on private property. This would also ensure that there is SAFE beach access available for our kids, friends and neighbors. I support the City buying the beach property and I also support the city prohibiting public parking on 27th Avenue NW (to support those who live there and may not want people parking along their narrow road).

We are so glad that the Proposition 1 Parks Bond passed recently. The \$38,000,000 is supposed to be used not only for improving the parks/facilities specifically named but also for "acquiring and improving other park and recreational facilities in the City park system." The City should purchase the vacant beach property (accessed at \$107,000) with the bond funds, if appropriate. This is a small expense for ensuring future safe beach access for the community.

Thank you so much for your time. I truly hope the City chooses to move forward with the purchase of this beach property.

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