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Members of the Council,

This comment is in respect to Agenda item 9c of this evening's council meeting agenda; Ordinance 967 authorizing the City use eminent domain to acquire real property in the Richmond Beach Neighborhood.

I live in the Richmond beach neighborhood and my understanding is that the property in question had been used as a usual and accustomed pedestrian route to access Richmond Beach Saltwater Park from the North by via Richmond Beach itself from the southern terminus of 27th Avenue Northwest. It is also my understanding that the intent of Ordinance 967 is to acquire this land from private ownership, and formalize the long standing public pedestrian route.

It is my opinion that this is a good and judicious use of eminent domain to acquire property for public purpose. I encourage the council to authorize this ordinance and begin the process of negotiating a fair mark price and right-of-way agreement with the property owner.

I appreciate the council's consideration of my comment.

Thank You,

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