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Public Comment at the Planning Commission, Public Hearing, Oct. 6, 2022

Kathleen Russell Resident of Shoreline On behalf of Save Shoreline Trees

Maintain and Increase Shoreline's Urban Tree Canopy
My comment pertains to Amendment 4. This amendment reads:

"Develop regulations to maintain and increase Shoreline's urban tree canopy with the goal of encouraging tree retention and protection while also increasing housing opportunities and choice".

This Planning Commission has expressed concern about the tree canopy given the increased development in Shoreline. Tree retention is important to all of us for the many benefits trees provide. We all have a responsibility to protect our environment and preserve and protect the trees that surround us. Save Shoreline Trees hopes at least *one* MUR-70' zone developer agrees that the retention of trees is important now to the residents of Shoreline and for the future residents who will live in their building. If there is one MUR-70' zone developer in Shoreline who will retain even peripheral trees then this amendment will be successful. We ask this one developer to contact Save Shoreline Trees so we can publicly acknowledge their effort. We ask the Planning Commissioners to confirm the importance of Shoreline's established trees by recommending this amendment to Council. Thank you.