

Oral testimony to 10/6/22 Planning Commission Meeting re Agenda Item 6a, 2022 Comprehensive Plan Amendments.

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My comment is about the statement appearing under Agenda Item 6a in tonight's Staff Report for 2022 Comprehensive Plan Amendments. It concerns Amendment #3, the Shoreline P&R property located at 19000 Aurora Ave N.¹ I disagree with the assumption that Shoreline P&R property "becomes less utilized, once light rail service commences." I believe the opposite will happen. With the expected increase in the City's population, a car or two per household², there will be a need for **more, instead of fewer**, parking spaces at the Shoreline P&R. Shoreline is scheduled in 2024 for the opening of two Sound Transit Light Rail stations, 185th known as Shoreline North and 148th known as Shoreline South. There will be approximately 1,000 parking stalls available (500 at each Light Rail station). Unless you live within walking distance to the Light Rail stations, you will have to drive or bus to them. The draft transit plan in the 2022 Shoreline Transportation Master Plan Update recognizes that frequent, express and local bus service must be utilized to meet the connection need. Therefore, I support Option A, the standalone transit garage with 401 dedicated transit stalls as shown in tonight's Agenda as Att. F of the KC Metro TOD Study.

Thank you.

¹ "The proposed Comprehensive Plan Land Use Map amendment addresses changing circumstances and changing community values because the King County park-and-ride lot is expected to become less utilized, once light rail service commences. In addition, the City has identified the area around the park and ride lot and along the Aurora Corridor for commercial and multifamily residential uses." (Page 18, para. 2)

² According to 2020 US Census, there are 56,608 residents in Shoreline. Provided the City meets its assigned growth target in 2044, there will be an additional 13,330 new dwellings in the City. Add that number to the 56,608 residents there would be in 2044 at least 87,270 residents in Shoreline.