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As a shoreline resident, I want to implore the city council to do what they can to protect the trees in residential zones. The Master Builders in the area deem trees to be unnecessary costs and barriers to development. Our mature, native trees are not just a luxury - particularly those greater than 24" DBH. These trees increase the quality of life of the residents, and push us as a society to be more creative in how we approach development. The environment and density do not need to be diametrically opposed, as real estate developers often claim. Let's be a model of how to grow, and also grow our natural environment at the same time.

-Ben