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Subject: Code Reconciliation - Tree requirements

To: Planning and Sustainability Commission
Chair Schultz and Commissioners

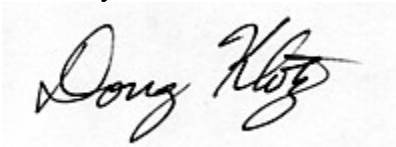
Please rewrite the Title 11 sections 11.50.040.B.1 and 11.50.050.B.1.d. to include the Commercial / Mixed Use zones CM-2 and CM-3 in those exempted from tree preservation and tree density requirements. And please do not add tree requirements to any more zones, such as CX or EX.

These zones, and especially CX, are where we need the most density to achieve so many of the Comp Plan's goals for sustainability, mode shift, Climate Action, and walkability. Trees in the Right-of-way are the proper and necessary location to do the most good for reducing urban heat and providing oxygen (right where the cars producing CO are) In most locations in these zones, no point is more than 100' from a Right-of-way, and that is where we should be locating as large and as many trees as we can.

Requiring trees onsite in these, our densest zones, will reduce the number of residents in these "high-opportunity areas", and raise the cost per unit, with the result being a small cut-out square for trees in the corner of a tall building, which will not be useful for trees or humans.

The Council agreed to host a Work Session looking at the coordination of PBOT and Urban Forestry and other departments to remove barriers to maximum street tree planting with new buildings, to be convened on November 14. This is where the focus for trees should be in the more dense, urban zones.

Thank you.

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Doug Klotz