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hi,

i have lived in portland since 1977, and was drawn to the region due to friends, old homes, and trees...

sadly, both homes and trees continue to be threatened, and portland should be ashamed to allow both to occur...

in our current environ, the effects of climate change are of the upmost importance, while old growth are removed for huge

mcmansions, while demolishing a perfectly viable house that was affordable...

portland doesn't deserve the green label with all this action....

if you are going to own green city, then prove it by strengthening the tree code...

by allowing a weak tree code, you ruin habitat, destroy the land, encourage pavement heat, and line the developer pockets...

we've seen large canopy trees be removed for poor reasons, or an oops, during housing development...

frequently, our neighbors all over portland are affected by developers who build too close to the property line, and that affects the

tree roots of our neighbor's trees, and some perish...

pls firm this code up, as time is passing by daily, and the environment in portland is sorely affected...

a large tree at ne15th/fremont is at risk of being removed due to infill of a too large duplex in irvington/sabin...

we continue to write city hall frequently about these type of examples, as we actually care about portland, and it's beautiful trees, some that have been removed for greed...

thx,

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