The following residents have reached out to OSE and the Urban Forestry Commission with emails about the City's update to the tree ordinance. Emails through 11/14/19

From: Jean Murphy Ouellette <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Thursday, November 07, 2019 12:04 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Update Seattle's Tree Ordinance

CAUTION: External Email

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From: Annie Thoe <neighborhoodtreekeepers@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 07, 2019 5:56 PM
To: Bagshaw, Sally <Sally.Bagshaw@seattle.gov>; Pinto de Bader, Sandra
<Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>; DOT_SeattleTrees <Seattle.Trees@seattle.gov>; Finn Coven,
Jessica <Jessica.FinnCoven@seattle.gov>; SCI_Code_Compliance <SCI_Code_Compliance@seattle.gov>;
SCI_Code_Compliance <SCI_Code_Compliance@seattle.gov>; DOT_LA <DOT_LA@seattle.gov>
Subject: Even More tree damage--How will our mature trees survive without a stronger tree ordinance?
11347- 20th Ave NE

CAUTION: External Email

Dear Mayor and City Officials,

I am heartbroken by the rapid loss of mature trees and groves of trees we are losing to development in Seattle. Our city and region seems to be thinking only in short-term gain and developers are the only ones gaining with our current building practices.

While we may need to cut some trees down for development, there is no stopping developers other than a stronger ordinance to protect our trees and Seattle canopy for the future. This developer who

cut down 27 trees on **11347- 20th Ave NE**, **Seattle** to build 2 mini-mansions with 500 foot garages has today damaged the last remaining tree on the lot in the photos below. From what I could tell in talking with arborists, he didn't have original permits to cut that many trees in the first place. How does he get away with this? I called the office back in May to complain. The DCI person said, "Sorry, but it looks like they had permits and **these developers are allowed to make as much money as they can."** How could this be true?- a number of these trees were deemed exceptional and healthy by other arborists.

Today this developer at 11347-20th Ave NE, Gamut360-- has cut into the roots of the one remaining tree on the property— a magnolia. There's little chance this magnolia will survive. A neighbor contacted me in desperation to <u>do something.</u>

What is long-term cost of losing our mature trees to the rest of us and our city for the quick profit of private developers?

A few weeks ago at another recent clearcut project on 145th, I talked to the foreman there who told me he didn't like it either.

What can we do to save our trees? I asked him.

He said, **"The only thing you can do to save our trees is get a stronger tree ordinance in place.** That's the only way the city will stop doing this. Good luck."

This was from the foreman of one of the largest clearcuts on private property I had seen yet.

Developers are cutting down exceptional and mature trees where they could be saving them **if only we required them to design projects with preserving trees in mind.** But they make a bigger profit with clearcuts and our city is not inspecting with enough city arborists hired to protect our trees.

If a developer hires their own arborist to inspect trees for them, there is a conflict of interest the arborist will enforce tree protection. The arborist is paid to say whatever the developer needs them to say, i.e., "This tree is sick. This tree is a hazard. This tree will need to come down for whatever reason...." No wonder we are losing our trees so fast.

We need to prioritize protecting our trees before it's way too late— footprints and designs are not requiring new developments to keep trees nor are developers replanting them.

And where do we replant all these massive trees that have been clearcut? We don't have time to grow baby trees to combat our current climate crisis. How many trees will that take to clean the air and water as more and more people move here? Are we adding more parks in the city to make up for less green spaces?

Without these trees we are losing, we will be in big trouble as temperatures keep rising.

Do something now. Prioritize budget and staff to pass a stronger tree ordinance with good enforcement. Stop developers like this from damaging our mature trees and enforce stiffer fines. We can't delay and lose more precious infrastructure for the future of this city.

Thank you for your service. Sincerely,

Annie Thoe 206-271-4270

Projects referred in this email: 11347- 20th Ave NE, Seattle, WA 98125

11345 - 20th Ave NE Record Number:6621671-CN 3030 square feet 473 soft detached garage https://cosaccela.seattle.gov/Portal/Cap/CapDetail.aspx?Module=DPDPermits&capID1=17HST&capID2=00000&capID3=70 510&agencyCode=SEATTLE

11347 20th Ave. NE Record Number:6621656-CN 3261 square feet with 582 soft detached garage https://cosaccela.seattle.gov/Portal/cap/CapDetail.aspx?type=1000&fromACA=Y&agencyCode=SEATTLE&Module=DPDPe rmits&capID1=17HST&capID2=00000&capID3=70495





From: Carol Armstrong <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Thursday, November 07, 2019 10:05 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Update Seattle's Tree Ordinance

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From: Sheryl Ramstad <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Friday, November 08, 2019 7:08 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Save our Trees!

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Sheryl Ramstad sramstad@gmail.com 10739 Fremont Ave N Seattle, Washington 98133 From: Leslie Martin <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Friday, November 08, 2019 9:12 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Update Seattle's Tree Ordinance Now!

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Leslie Martin <u>lemmartin@yahoo.com</u> 6553 36th Ave NE Seattle, Washington 98115

From: Nick Gregoric <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Friday, November 08, 2019 11:26 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Save Our Trees!

CAUTION: External Email

Sandra Pinto de Bader,

Christmas, Bah Humbug. Large trees have defined this place -- it's one of the reasons I deigned to buy property here. Replacing mature growth with "designer trees" (and BOXES) is not creating an utopia, it's turning Seattle into a visual Sh%%hole town.

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nickgregoric035@gmail.com

1105 S Hudson St Seattle, Washington 98108 From: Bailey York <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Friday, November 08, 2019 7:56 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Protect Seattle's Trees

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baileyayork@gmail.com 905 West Emerson Street Seattle, Washington 98119

From: Fletcher Chapin <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Friday, November 08, 2019 8:01 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Protect Seattle's Trees

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Fletcher Chapin fletchapin@yahoo.com 905 W Emerson St Seattle, Washington 98119 From: Chisako Tsujino-Wells <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Friday, November 08, 2019 10:21 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Save Our Trees!

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From: Judith Leconte <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Saturday, November 09, 2019 11:45 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Update Seattle's Tree Ordinance

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Judith Leconte tbacgster@gmail.com P O Box 15505 Seattle, Washington 98115 From: Amber Gregory <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Saturday, November 09, 2019 12:35 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Protect Seattle's Trees

CAUTION: External Email

Sandra Pinto de Bader,

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Amber Gregory gregory.amber.e@gmail.com 1047 Bell St Edmonds, Washington 98020

From: David Walfish <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Saturday, November 09, 2019 2:39 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Strengthen Seattle's Tree Ordinance

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David Walfish

dafishsea@hotmail.com

1501 17th St, Apt 902 Seattle , Washington 98122 From: Kelly Johnson <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 10, 2019 3:22 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Keep Seattle Livable!

CAUTION: External Email

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Kelly Johnson soundkj@hotmail.com 8903 20th Ave NE Seattle , Washington 98115

From: serakh@baymoon.com <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 10, 2019 6:53 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Save our Trees!

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serakh@baymoon.com 6323 21st Ave NE Seattle, Washington 98115 From: Marianne Tatom <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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Marianne Tatom <u>marianne.tatom@gmail.com</u> 11535 Greenwood Ave N #303, Seattle, WA Seattle, Washington 98133

From: Dana Behar <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 10, 2019 7:40 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Keep Seattle Livable!

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Dana Behar <u>ddbehar@gmail.com</u> 907 11th Avenue East Seattle , Washington 98102 From: Deirdre Gabbay <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 10, 2019 7:50 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Protect Seattle's Trees

CAUTION: External Email

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From: Laurie Becker <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 10, 2019 7:53 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Update Seattle's Tree Ordinance

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Laurie Becker <u>shirabatmitz@gmail.com</u> S Findlay Seattle , Washington 98118 From: Jack Fackerell <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 10, 2019 8:04 PM
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Jack Fackerell jack219@frontier.com 2287 cranes landing Greenbank, Washington 98253

From: Tracey French <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 10, 2019 8:31 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Save our Trees!

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Tracey French <u>tufrench@gmail.com</u> 749 south Sullivan Seattle, Washington 98108 From: Melanie Moor <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 10, 2019 8:55 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
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Melanie Moor <u>mmoor@earthlink.net</u> N. 8th Tacoma, Washington 99403

From: Alii Bek <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 10, 2019 9:29 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
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Alii Bek <u>aliimbek1@gmail.com</u> PO Box 634 South Bend, Washington 98586

From: Rand Hunt <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
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Rand Hunt <u>barukh@gmail.com</u> 3532 meadow street Oakland, California 95601

From: Adrienne Papermaster <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 10, 2019 10:28 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Save Our Trees!

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Adrienne Papermaster adriennepaper@gmail.com 6914 30th Ave S Seattle , Washington 98108

From: Lucy Bowers-Wildblood <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 10, 2019 10:42 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please save the emerald city!

CAUTION: External Email

The trees in and around Seattle are the best thing about the city, they allow us to live in a green space and this in turn keeps the city from turning into another American strip mall. You already know that they are workers too, they filter pollution, help us with storm water run off and keep the temperature temperate. Not only this but they are the reason I live here! The fact that the city is so green is such a huge help to my mental health, knowing that we are also protecting habitats - VITAL habitats for all kinds of wildlife that is such a huge part of the pacific northwest.

I know that city of Seattle is growing fast, much faster than the tree ordinance we currently have now ever planned for, trees are being taken out of the city and not being replanted. It is so important, not just to me, but to us all, to put a stop to this and save our trees, and plant more trees! Larger older trees and copses work much harder than younger trees, this needs to be kept in mind when updating the ordinance.

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Thank you! You know what they say... The best time to plant a tree is yesterday, and the next best time is today.

Lucy Bowers-Wildblood <u>mz.beatdizzy@gmail.com</u> 1425 Broadway #20090 Seattle, Washington 98122

From: Del Lausa <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 10, 2019 11:04 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Update Seattle's Tree Ordinance

CAUTION: External Email

Sandra Pinto de Bader,

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Del Lausa <u>lausadel@gmail.com</u> 501 Roy St #335 Seattle, Washington 98109 From: Michal Cook <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Sunday, November 10, 2019 11:49 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Save Our Trees!

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From: Nigel Lott <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, November 11, 2019 1:07 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
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Nigel Lott <u>nbl@usa.com</u> 4701 SW Admiral Way Seattle, Tennessee 98116

From: Joey Merrifield <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, November 11, 2019 7:36 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Keep Seattle Livable!

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From: David Moehring <dmoehring@consultant.com> Sent: Monday, November 11, 2019 8:03 AM To: PRC <PRC@seattle.gov>; DOT_LA <DOT_LA@seattle.gov> Cc: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov> Subject: Floor plans of Magnolia house

CAUTION: External Email

It appears all the trees and plants within the property and right-of-way on this corner lot have been removed without a tree professional assessment.

2552 25th Ave W Seattle, WA 98199

We're any of these trees Exceptional? Why was the neighbor's tree on the adjacent property ripped apart by the backhoe?

The only sure plan available to the public shows about 50 percent lot coverage where the maximum that should be allowed is 35 percent within this zone. Please post a floor plan with lot coverage and tree replacement included. Will the neighbor be required to replace their tree?

David Moehring Magnolia Tree Keepers



From: Kelly Hollowood <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, November 11, 2019 9:14 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Strengthen Seattle's Tree Ordinance

CAUTION: External Email

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Kelly Hollowood <u>khollowood@yahoo.com</u> 5570 22nd ave s Seattle, Washington 98108

From: Caterina Decarlo <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, November 11, 2019 9:47 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Update Seattle's Tree Ordinance

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Caterina Decarlo <u>caterina.decarlo@gmail.com</u> 411 Bellevue Ave E Seattle , Washington 98102 From: Kristi Klofstad <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, November 11, 2019 10:02 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Keep Seattle Livable!

CAUTION: External Email

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Kristi Klofstad <u>kklof@yahoo.com</u> 22850 NE 8th St # 415 Sammamish, Washington 98074

From: Deb Rosof <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, November 11, 2019 10:28 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Keep Seattle Livable!

CAUTION: External Email

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From: Erin Sheldon <info@sg.actionnetwork.org> Sent: Monday, November 11, 2019 10:45 AM To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov> Subject: Please Update Seattle's Tree Ordinance

CAUTION: External Email

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Erin Sheldon <u>Eebandwagon@gmail.com</u> 16407 19th Ave SW Burien, Washington 98166

From: Shaylon Stolk <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, November 11, 2019 10:58 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Keep Seattle Livable!

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From: Vanessa Skantze <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, November 11, 2019 11:44 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Protect Seattle's Trees

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Vanessa Skantze psychomachia.arts@gmail.com 1534 1st Ave S Ste A Seattle, Washington 98134

From: Keenan Peery <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, November 11, 2019 1:15 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Save our Trees!

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From: Madeleine Sosin <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, November 11, 2019 1:52 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Keep Seattle Livable!

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From: Kader Hastings <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, November 11, 2019 2:47 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Save Our Trees!

CAUTION: External Email

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Kelley Beld kelleybeld@icloud.com 611 NW 44th Street Seattle, Washington 98107

From: Danielle Gehl <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Monday, November 11, 2019 4:51 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Strengthen Seattle's Tree Ordinance

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Danielle Gehl <u>daniellekgehl@icloud.com</u> 7712 37th Ave South Seattle, Washington 98118

From: Tara Wefers <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2019 5:52 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Protect Seattle's Trees

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From: Susan Moffitt <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2019 6:20 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Keep Seattle Livable!

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Susan Moffitt <u>susanmoffitt@comcast.net</u> 2806 Northeast 117th Street Seattle, Washington 98125

From: lizodonoghue68@gmail.com <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2019 8:54 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Save Our Trees!

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lizodonoghue68@gmail.com 104 E NEWTON STREET SEATTLE, Washington 98102

From: Tanya Hanson <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2019 9:15 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Seattle's trees are important

CAUTION: External Email

Sandra Pinto de Bader,

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From: Carol Figura <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2019 10:15 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Save our Trees!

CAUTION: External Email
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Carol Figura carolfigura1951@hotmail.com 19309 65th pl NE Kenmore , Washington 98028

From: Felicia Dale <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2019 10:32 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Update Seattle's Tree Ordinance

CAUTION: External Email

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Unless trees pose a clear and immediate danger they should be left standing!

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From: Michelle McKinney <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2019 12:54 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Strengthen Seattle's Tree Ordinance

CAUTION: External Email

Sandra Pinto de Bader,

I counted 14 mature trees that are dead or dying from drought, or birch bronze boring beetle disease, in a 5 block radius in my neighborhood. Within a year our canopy will be drastically reduced by climate change and infestations.

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From: Anne Beaverson <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
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To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
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Anne Beaverson acbeave@me.com 303 13th Ave E Seattle , Washington 98102

From: Glenna Wilson <info@sg.actionnetwork.org> Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2019 4:35 PM **To:** Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov> **Subject:** Please Strengthen Seattle's Tree Ordinance

CAUTION: External Email

Sandra Pinto de Bader,

Our city council has promised us to be a "green" city. But every new building that goes in is taking out every living thing on the lot and building right to every corner. Then plant worthless ornamentals (for wildlife) that the owner lets die because they worry having an outdoor water supply will attract the homeless. Are we forced to live without bird song?! The city needs to apply science and regulation to replant wildlife dense landscape design. Look at Singapor creating built trees the size of skyscrapers. Why aren't we!?!

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Sent: Tuesday, November 12, 2019 5:11 PM
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CAUTION: External Email

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From: Matthew Black <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2019 8:20 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
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To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
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From: Ramona Gault <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2019 11:25 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Protect Seattle's Trees

CAUTION: External Email

Sandra Pinto de Bader,

I lived in Seattle for nearly 30 years and just recently moved to Shoreline. While in Seattle, I kept tabs on tree cutting in my Magnolia neighborhood and wrote the city about a neighbor's application to cut a large pin oak. Since Seattle and Shoreline abut each other, certainly their ecosystems aren't separate, so loss of trees in Seattle affects Shoreline too. I encourage you to think "big picture" and "long term" when you make decisions and enforce--or not enforce--ordinances affecting Seattle's shrinking tree cover.

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From: Denise Gaal <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2019 11:39 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
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Denise Gaal <u>ddgaalm@gmail.com</u> 812 E Syringa Road Spokane , Washington 99203

From: Vincent DeLuca <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2019 11:48 AM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Keep Seattle Livable!

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Vincent DeLuca vince.deluca13@comcast.net 3715 sw Hanford st Seattle, Washington 98126

From: Ellesa Hunter <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2019 1:33 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
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From: Cheryl Richmond <info@sg.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2019 2:14 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Please Update Seattle's Tree Ordinance!!!!

CAUTION: External Email

Sandra Pinto de Bader,

I currently live on the north end of Vashon Island, but I work in Downtown Seattle (at Indeed, Inc.) and I also lived in West Seattle for 6 years (Fauntlee Hills). Protecting our trees (especially old-growth trees) is CRITICAL to the health of our city, and also to preserve the very thing that makes our landscape so beautiful. Do the right thing and protect our trees, NO MATTER WHAT!

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Cheryl Richmond Vashon Island, WA

Cheryl Richmond hello@cherylrichmond.com 11538 104th PI SW Vashon, Washington 98070

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From: Judith Leconte <tbacgster@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2019 11:59 PM
To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov>
Subject: Re: Please Update Seattle's Tree Ordinance

CAUTION: External Email

Greetings

I received responses from Jessica Finn-Coven and Lisa Herbold to my letter. Both reassured me that they are "working with" UFC and SDCI to strengthen the Tree Ordinance.

Both indicated that the UFC recommendation was "not feasible" for the SDCI to implement. I thought Johnson's proposal...assumed by Bagshaw...provided too much latitude for developers....and seemed very weak. Hiring a couple of arborists and defining a legacy tree is not tree protection.

Their responses left me confused and angry...not sure how to respond....can you help me figure out my response to Finn-Coven and Herbold?

I can send copies 9f their letters...but they look boilerplate...so I am sure you have your own copy.

All the Best Judith From: Carla DeCrona <info@sg.actionnetwork.org> Sent: Thursday, November 14, 2019 8:03 AM To: Pinto de Bader, Sandra <Sandra.Pinto_de_Bader@Seattle.gov> Subject: Keep Seattle Livable!

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Sandra Pinto de Bader,

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