

Lisa Clausen

From: Public Council Inbox
Sent: Monday, April 12, 2010 3:11 PM
To: 'Ryan, Andrew F'
Subject: RE: SMP Vegetation information

Thank you for cc'ing the Burien City Council on your message. It will be included in the Correspondence for the Record for an upcoming Council meeting.

Lisa Clausen
City Manager's Office

-----Original Message-----

From: Ryan, Andrew F [mailto:andrew.f.ryan@boeing.com]
Sent: Monday, April 12, 2010 9:58 AM
To: David Johanson
Cc: Mike Martin; Scott Greenberg; Public Council Inbox
Subject: RE: SMP Vegetation information

David,

Thank you for your timely and detailed response to my questions regarding proposed vegetation regulations in the draft SMP. I appreciate the difficulty in trying to combine rules, flexibility, and clarification in a written document but it does seem odd to me to write regulations and then have to create informational handouts after the fact to translate them into "common terms". It also bothers me that the City's overwhelming assumption here seems to be that I want to somehow degrade all the vegetation on my property and therefore feel compelled to regulate my actions. This is far from the truth. One of the reasons I purchased my lot, and maintain it as I do, was for all the greenery and vegetation, and privacy it provides. As stated before, I find it unbelievable that I need to talk w/ vegetation management experts (at my private expense) or city planners to trim a few branches (or noxious weeds) that over the course of time block passageway or view. Hopefully we will be able to dialogue and resolve these and other SMP issues in future City Council SMP meetings.

Again, thank you for your time and effort on this

Sincerely
Andrew Ryan

CFTR: 04/26/10

