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*How embarrassing – I forgot the NOT*

Last night an equal number of those supporting passing the SMP and those who think the SMP is not ready for passage packed the City Council Chamber.

But the similarities ended with the number of attendees.

The majority of those supporting the passage of the SMP had not read it and were not directly affected by the SMP. They were instead expressing support for restoring Puget Sound and protecting the environment. Everyone is for restoring Puget Sound and protecting the environment. Aren't we?

Those expressing concerns with the SMP spoke of specific provisions that affected their homes and property but would have no affect on improving the environment. They spoke of the SMP making legally constructed homes and yards Nonconforming and of the SMP's banning of water-dependent uses, like docks. I spoke to the City's responsibility to clean up the stormwater.

Protecting the the environment and protecting our homes and water–dependent uses are **NOT** in conflict, but complimentary to each other. Let's hope the City Council will make some major changes to protect our homes and water-dependent uses.

**PS: To those who spoke eleqantly about tress uptaking lots of storwwater: They should be reminded that trees transpire water in the summer, not in the winter and in the northwest, it rains predominantly in the winter.**

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