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Tacoma, WA - Sunday, November 1, 2009

< [Back to Regular](#)**TACOMA: Community group hasn't endorsed for mayor****GARY HUFF; Seattle**

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Re: "Political paths: Candidates for Tacoma mayor" (TNT, 10-18).

The reporter states that Jim Merritt "won the endorsement from a neighborhood opposition group now fighting the building project – a group whose mission Merritt believes melds well with his own."

Save NE Tacoma is the citizen's group seeking to enforce the original approval condition of the North Shore planned residential development that the golf course remain as open space in perpetuity. While Save NE Tacoma appreciates the support of any candidate willing to enforce the original approval conditions and honor the city's historic commitment to the surrounding property owners, the group has not formally endorsed any candidate in the upcoming general election. Both mayoral candidates have significant support within our organization.

We recognize that candidates for elective office may talk more freely on these issues than those currently on the council. When the time for decision comes, we trust that each council member will review the original approval conditions for the North Shore development, the applicable law and the city's prior commitments to those who made the decision to live in North Shore based on those approval conditions.

We trust that the council, regardless of the outcome of this election, will follow the law and take appropriate action. (Huff is the attorney for Save NE Tacoma.)

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