From: Susie Cunningham [mailto:susiepdx@gmail.com]
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Subject: PSC Mixed Use Zones Testimony

Honorable Commissioners:

I am sending this testimony in support of adding the design overlay zone to the proposed Mixed Use Neighborhood Centers and specifically the Sellwood and Westmoreland areas in Proposed Draft Map IV-2 and IV-1.

After attending many neighborhood meetings discussing the Comprehensive Plan and reading the final draft letter that was sent to you by the Sellwood Moreland Improvement League (SMILE) on May 9, 2016, I am in complete agreement with their assessment and support their recommendations in its entirety.

My neighborhood will become more densely populated - but this must be accomplished in a collaborative, thoughtful way. To retain the neighborhood feel and charm so cherished and enjoyed by residents like me, and visitors alike, I encourage – no I <u>implore</u> you - to follow SMILE's recommendation and vote to include a design overlay zone into our Mixed Use Neighborhood Centers. It's the only defense our community/neighborhood would have to allow public discourse about design, scale, and site location BEFORE a building is permitted by the City and erected.

PLEASE – support the SMILE testimony and recommendations in its entirety for the neighborhood it represents. Your agreement will insure the continued vitality and livability of Portland's long-established neighborhoods and particularly the Sellwood Westmoreland neighborhood.

Sincerely,

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