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March 4, 2020

Mayor Wheeler Commissioner Eudaly Commissioner Fritz Commissioner Hardesty

Ref: Proposed amendment to Residential Infill Project re development on curbless streets

Dear Mayor and Commissioners:

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Our large neighborhood is home to a population widely diverse in ethnicity and income. It has provided a "landing place" for residents displaced by rising costs elsewhere in the city; however, that benefit to Portland (i.e., keeping vital work force members in the city) is diminishing as land values rise in response to demand for housing.

Why do we have this demand? The Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac) has just reported that America's housing market is undersupplied by 3.3 million units. The shortage is getting worse every year . . . and according to Freddie Mac, <u>Oregon is the most under-supplied state in the nation</u>.

We very much feel Oregon's housing shortage here in Brentwood-Darlington. The rate of parcel splitting for the purpose of building new single-unit housing is amazing . . . but still it produces additional housing slowly and gives rise to a good deal of what we do not need: overly large, expensive homes. We need more housing quickly, particularly middle housing; however, since Brentwood-Darlington is desperately short of curbed streets, we would have no hope of meeting our housing needs if construction were restricted as proposed.

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Thank you for considering our request.

Sincerely, **Chelsea** Powers

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- **SUBJECT:** Testimony on the Residential Infill Project (City Council Hearing March 12, 2020)
- **DATE:** March 2, 2020

The Northwest District Association supports provisions of the Residential Infill Project that provide incentives to retain existing houses and improve compatible building design in single-dwelling zones. However, we are concerned that some of the proposed amendments will have adverse consequences, and therefore, advocate the following positions:

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We oppose this amendment because it goes far beyond the "middle housing" types specified in House Bill 2001, and beyond the stated purpose and parameters of the Residential Infill Project to allow what are essentially small apartment buildings in single-dwelling zones.

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#103512 | March 5, 2020

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Letter from NWDA Planning Committee attached.

Terry Rathkey

#103519 | March 5, 2020

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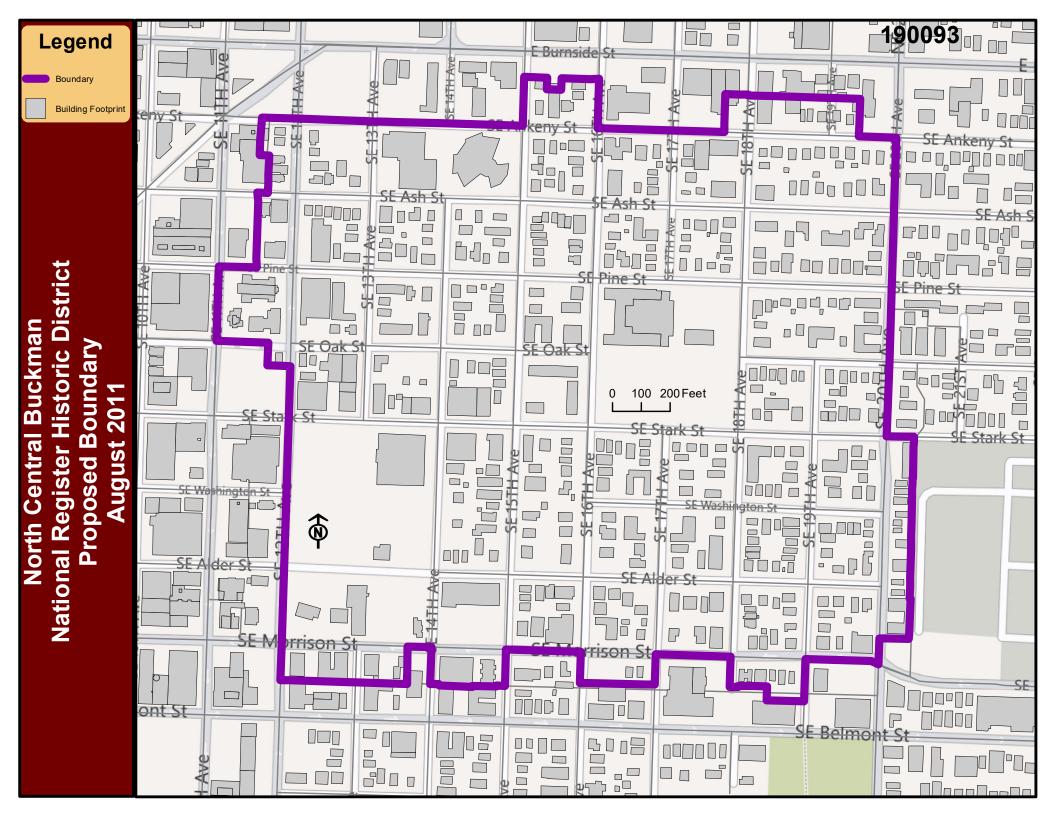
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Christine Yun

#103482 | March 6, 2020

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I oppose application of the density increases proposed in RIP to the area of the Buckman neighborhood between SE Morrison and SE Ankeny and SE 20th and SE 12th. This area was eligible to be nominated as a National Register Historic District in 2013, and the neighborhood voted against the district, confident that zoning in this area would not change. Please see the attached map. An increase in allowed density here will accelerate the demolition of historic buildings, and the construction of non-contextual buildings. See the construction at the NE corner of SE 19th and Stark.

Andrew Goodell

#103483 | March 6, 2020

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I support the RIP, and I support the position of Portland: Neighbors Welcome w.r.t. the amednments. Especially Amendment 6 the "deep affordability bonus", really great idea to make affordable housing and nonprofit developers more competitive and effective, and I also just generally support the idea of mixed-income housing.

Cherie Weintraub

#103484 | March 7, 2020

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I oppose RIP. Portland has a housing crisis to address and RIP does not address affordable housing at all and will exacerbate the problem. Housing is needed for low and middle income citizens. RIP is a land grab and giveaway to developers and speculators. It destroys neighborhood integrity and liveability and replaces reasonable homes with outsized cheaply-built many-staired structures. It encourages ADUs that are frequently used for Air B&B type income, which also does nothing to address the housing crisis. It is not infill but demolition. Since promoters of the plan admit that it does not address the affordable housing crisis, it's hard to fathom why this plan is being advanced at all. In addition, it does not address Portland's inadequate public transportation or realistically deal with parking issues.

Dyann Dukelow

#103485 | March 7, 2020

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I oppose R. I.P. I own a single family home on a corner and take care of my 91 year old mother. I am 65. In a few years I will need a single story home. ALL of the apartments that are being infilled are ridiculously expensive for a two bedroom apartment. And few are actually condos where younger people can get into the market. It is awful that the kids that grew up in my neighborhood cannot afford to live here, near their parents. They will have children that will need grandparent care and their parents will need care eventually as well. These infill projects are not allowing family units to be close. And worst of all, there is no housing for the poor and needy who are shoved to the street with addicts. There is little affordable housing for senior citizens either. You are selling Portland to developers just as San Francisco did, and will force out all the middle class. I don't mind infill if it is affordable, for the working class, poor, old and disabled. This project is a disaster. Don't let it pass. Dianne Dukelow

Diane Luck

#103486 | March 8, 2020

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I strongly oppose RIP. We do not have the infrastructure to support such density and the character of Portland will be ruined.

Keith Comess

#103487 | March 8, 2020

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Frances DeRook

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MICHAEL BEAMAN

#103489 | March 8, 2020

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Beaman Architecture Ltd. and I oppose RIP as the negative impacts on residential zones will far out weigh the positive outcomes. I am appalled by these regulations and the allowance of a duplex on my property (with an ADU), especially when the rents will not be affordable and with no off-street parking required. This RIP helps only those who stand to make money on this kind of unfettered development: developers, builders, the politicians who take campaign contributions from these kinds, the industry associations, and finally the City, which stands to make a lot more in property taxes. Yes, more urban density may be necessary but not at the expense of current residents or future residents who work in Portland but can't afford to live within the city limits. We have owned a house and lived in Portland for 35 years and originally chose the Hawthorne district because of the residential neighborhood. Now the City wants to make it so I can possibly have duplexes on either side and the same across the street? The place for density is not in existing residential neighborhoods but along arterials and other areas where true densities can be realized more easily.

James Barta

#103490 | March 8, 2020

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Mayor & City Council- I want to testify in opposition to the proposed Residential Infill Program (RIP) for the following reasons. -- RIP will lead to demolition of existing viable, affordable housing --RIP will cause displacement of existing renters. It does not address this issue --RIP will no increase housing affordability on Portland. Studies show the opposite . --City recently passed Better Housing By Design (BHD) that allows increased Middle Housing. We should allow BHD to take effect and work for a few years before considering RIP

Olivier Jullian

#103491 | March 8, 2020

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I oppose the RIP project. It doesn't offer solution to the housing crisis. the new condos/Houses built under the new zone rules won't be affordable and will result in the decrease of property values all around.

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Portland City Council 1221 SW 4th Avenue Portland, OR 97204

March 8, 2020

Mayor Wheeler and members of Portland City Council:

Portland: Neighbors Welcome is a grassroots pro-housing, pro-tenant organization. We are proud to testify as advocates for a holistic suite of policies that will address the housing crisis from multiple angles.

After nearly 5 years of work, the Residential Infill Project, including amendments 1 through 4 and amendment 6, is poised to create the incremental but important change Portland needs in order to welcome people into more abundant and less expensive homes in all of our neighborhoods.

Portland: Neighbors Welcome supports amendments 1 through 4 and amendment 6. We strongly oppose amendment 5 and amendments 7 through 17.

Amendment 6: Deeper Affordability Bonus

Portland: Neighbors Welcome enthusiastically supports the deeper affordability bonus amendment and urges its passage. The idea to add a Deeper Affordability bonus was brought forward by Habitat for Humanity, ROSE CDC, Proud Ground, Portland Community Reinvestment Initiatives, Catholic Charities, and Portland: Neighbors Welcome to reduce the amount of subsidy needed per home to create new rental and homeownership opportunities for lower-income Portlanders. While less ambitious than our initial proposal, this amendment is a strong step in the right direction and we support it wholeheartedly.

Under current zoning, affordable housing developers have been effectively locked out of most low-density residential neighborhoods. This amendment changes that reality by providing local affordable housing developers an exciting new tool to create housing for their constituents. It would:

• Legalize the creation of up to 6 homes per lot if at least half are affordable to rent at 60% area median income or to buy at 80% area median income.

• Allow a floor area ratio of 1.2 for development in which at least half of the homes are affordable.

In addition, this amendment:

- Facilitates the creation of housing for the many folks who do not qualify for Section 8 vouchers but also cannot afford typical market-rate housing.
- Allows for up to 6 much-needed family-sized affordable homes of 850 to 1,000 square feet on a typical Portland lot.
- Proposes a floor area ratio that is significantly lower than that currently allowed in low-density residential zones.

We encourage city staff to monitor the impacts of this amendment going forward to ensure that the proposed development standards allow enough affordable homes to be created, and adjust the standards if necessary.

Amendment 5: Infrastructure

We applaud Council's decision to eliminate this amendment. This amendment:

- Would have removed the ability to build smaller, less expensive homes—and regulated affordable 5- and 6-unit homes—in some of the very neighborhoods that are most vulnerable to displacement as well as in most of Southwest Portland, continuing a legacy of exclusionary zoning in an area of the city that has largely resisted less-expensive housing.
- Would have done nothing to encourage new sidewalks.
- Was opposed by Verde, NAYA, Hacienda CDC, Oregon Walks, Safe Routes Partnership, the Cully Neighborhood Association, and affordable housing providers.

We urge the city to continue working toward a long-term solution for sidewalk infill and shared-street designs. All in-lieu fees and other costs should be assessed by the lot rather than by the unit. We do not oppose higher LTIC fees in some or all parts of Portland, as long as they don't end up disproportionately incentivizing the most infrastructure-inefficient housing types: one- and two-unit structures.

Amendment 7: Conservation Districts

Portland: Neighbors Welcome opposes this amendment, which would ban triplexes and fourplexes—and regulated affordable 5- and 6-unit homes—from certain affluent neighborhoods, while doing nothing to incentivize adaptive reuse of historic resources through internal conversions. This amendment would affect about 1,700 lots. In addition, the proposed demolition review for smallplexes with 3 to 6 units is prohibitively and disproportionately expensive, which means these smaller, less expensive homes would not be built in these neighborhoods.

Amendments 8-17: Tabled Amendments

Portland: Neighbors Welcome opposes these amendments. In sum, these amendments would delay the adoption of the Residential Infill Project, make it less impactful, or run afoul of state law. Specifically, these amendments would have:

- Blocked new smallplexes with more than 2 units in large areas of the city.
- Created difficult or unworkable standards that would reduce new middle-housing creation.
- Excluded wealthy neighborhoods from the Residential Infill Project changes.

These amendments are unreasonable and unworkable, and they undermine the fundamental purpose of the Residential Infill Project. Council was right to table them in February, and they should remain tabled.

Amendments 1-4: Technical Amendments

Finally, Portland: Neighbors Welcome supports these amendments to ensure the code functions well, bring the proposal into compliance with HB 2001 and SB 534, and streamline property line procedures.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on the proposed Residential Infill Project amendments. Portland: Neighbors Welcome appreciates the attention of policymakers, staff, and Portlanders across the city to this important project. With the passage of amendments 1 through 4 and amendment 6, and this project as a whole, we are excited to enter a new era—one that denounces the racist pattern of exclusionary zoning that has shaped our city for decades and opens up our neighborhoods to more Portlanders with abundant and less expensive housing options.

With this, we remind you that as important as the completion of this project is, it is not adequate to meet the housing needs of all Portlanders in the future, nor is it a solution to the immediate crises many Portlanders face today. More action is needed: a citywide anti-displacement strategy, new funding to fight homelessness and build deeply affordable homes, and zoning reforms to bring larger mixed-income buildings to currently exclusive areas near transit and jobs. We look forward to working together on these fronts.

Sincerely,

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Love Jonson and Eric Lindsay

On behalf of the Portland: Neighbors Welcome Policy & Partnerships Committee

Love Jonson

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Please see the attached testimony from Portland: Neighbors Welcome on the Residential Infill Project amendments.

Kol Peterson

#103493 | March 8, 2020

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Please pass RIP without further delay. 4 years of discourse is enough. Climate change is happening. Poverty is happening. In alignment with Portland: Neighbors Welcome, I support amendments 1 through 4 and amendment 6. I oppose amendment 5 and amendments 7 through 17, which will cause RIP to be significantly delayed further. Please stop delaying and pass this bill.

Mark Uhrich

#103494 | March 9, 2020

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We are against this current round if infill. Enough is enough, there already many empty new housing units. Stop ruining our neighborhoods and residential areas, especially with infill units with little, inadequate or no parking.

Christy Uhrich

#103495 | March 9, 2020

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We are against these amendments to the infill program as the proposals are taking us further away from what was originally proposed. Please just stop adding to the height and overall extent of these developments and stick to the original plan. You are ruining our neighborhoods. Amendment #6 would also grant an additional height bonus of 5 feet in the R5 and R7 zones which means buildings could be 35 feet tall. Data from the City of Portland shows the median Portland house is 1500 square feet and 15 feet tall (to the midpoint of the roof pitch). The multi-dwelling structures allowed under Amendment #6 would be grossly out of scale in almost all Portland neighborhoods. One of the goals of the original Residential Infill Project was to modify building codes so the scale of new construction would fit in better with existing homes in a neighborhood. In the five years since this project began, each iteration of RIP has become more removed from achieving this goal. Amendment #6 takes us ever further from the goal of changing city code to create compatible infill. Furthermore there is nothing in RIP or in Amendment #6 that would require or even encourage the higher density units to be located near frequent transit.

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Are residential areas within 2 blocks or adjacent to Grant Park should be changed from R5 to R2.5, Portland should not allow such huge structures next to a wooded natural setting. BPS should at least change this designation. And please keep to the original RIP and stop increasing Floor Area Ratio and building heights. If BPS is going to destroy neighborhoods at least do it with buildings that match the existing homes.

I OPPOSE the Residential Infill Project (RIP). RIP will replace lower-priced housing with highpriced housing, displace lower-income Portlanders, and worsen our shortage of affordable housing.

Large areas of NE Portland, including King, Humboldt, and Boise, are already zoned for multiunit housing (R2.5, RM1, RM2, etc.). For example, much of King is zoned R2.5, which allows two units and two ADUs on a 5,000 square foot lot.

For several years, developers have been demolishing relatively affording houses in these areas and replacing them with expensive duplexes, triplexes, and fourplexes.

Below are several current real estate listings that clearly demonstrate how replacing singlefamily homes with multi-unit housing is accelerating gentrification in these neighborhoods. It wasn't difficult to find these examples -- there are many, many more.

In all the examples, a person would need to make more than \$100,000 year (and sometimes much more) to afford the mortgage or rent on one of these new units.

I can support RIP only if it includes amendments to retain existing housing and provide strong disincentives to demolish viable homes.

Example 1: Triplex at 4493-4485-4479 NE Rodney Avenue

Neighborhood: Humboldt

Current zoning: R2.5

What happened: A single-family home (last sold for \$210,000) was demolished and replaced by a triplex.

Two of the units in the triplex are currently listed as rentals for \$2,795/month rent each:

- https://www.zillow.com/homedetails/4493-NE-Rodney-Ave-A-Portland-OR-97211/121950756_zpid/
- https://www.zillow.com/b/4485-ne-rodney-ave-portland-or-BLVBgM/

Before and after:



Example 2: Duplex at 803-807 NE Jessup Street

Neighborhood: King

Current zoning: RM1

What happened: A single-family home (last sold for \$330,000) was demolished and replaced by a duplex. Each unit in the duplex has a built-in ADU with a separate entry.

One unit in this duplex sold for \$735,000:

https://www.zillow.com/homedetails/803-NE-Jessup-St-Portland-OR-97211/2087055387_zpid/

The 608 square foot ADU in this duplex is currently listed as a rental for \$1,600 a month rent:

https://www.zillow.com/homedetails/803-NE-Jessup-St-1-Portland-OR-97211/2081356386 zpid/

Before and after:



Example 3: Duplex at 760-762 NE Jessup Street

Neighborhood: King

Current zoning: RM1

What happened: A single-family home (last sold for \$215,000) was demolished and replaced by a duplex. Each side of the duplex has a built-in ADU with a separate entrance.

One unit in this duplex is currently for sale for \$624,900:

https://www.zillow.com/homedetails/760-NE-Jessup-St-Portland-OR-97211/53842787 zpid/

Before and after:



Example 4: Sixplex at 3563 N Gantenbein Avenue

Neighborhood: Boise

Current zoning: RM2

What happened: A single-family home (on a 10,000 square foot lot) was demolished and replaced by two sixplexes. The units that have sold so far were priced between \$344,900 and \$369,900. HOA dues are an additional \$269/month. Unit #101 is currently listed for sale at \$344,900:

https://www.estately.com/listings/info/3563-n-gantenbein-ave-101

Unit #302 is currently listed as a rental for \$2,395 a month rent:

https://www.apartments.com/3563-n-gantenbein-ave-portland-or-unit-302/ys6lj9v/?fbclid=lwAR01_aPenVqTGK77oed1QhQPj6SX9MHaJxDbhd4Utlgh0hsbiOiERIdAfgU

Unit #301 is currently listed as a rental for \$2,495 a month rent:

https://www.zillow.com/homedetails/3563-N-Gantenbein-Ave-301-Portland-OR-97227/2081549331 zpid/

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Before and after:



Jacquie Walton

#103497 | March 9, 2020

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I OPPOSE the Residential Infill Project (RIP). RIP will replace lower-priced housing with high-priced housing, displace lower-income Portlanders, and worsen our shortage of affordable housing. Large areas of NE Portland, including King, Humboldt, and Boise, are already zoned for multi-unit housing (R2.5, RM1, RM2, etc.). For example, much of King is zoned R2.5, which allows two units and two ADUs on a 5,000 square foot lot. For several years, developers have been demolishing relatively affording houses in these areas and replacing them with expensive duplexes, triplexes, and fourplexes. The attached PDF describes several current real estate listings that clearly demonstrate how replacing single-family homes with multi-unit housing is accelerating gentrification in these neighborhoods. It wasn't difficult to find these examples -- there are many, many more. In all the examples, a person would need to make more than \$100,000 year (and sometimes much more) to afford the mortgage or rent on one of these new units. I can support RIP only if it includes amendments to retain existing housing and provide strong disincentives to demolish viable homes.

Leon Porter

#103498 | March 9, 2020

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Dear Mayor and Commissioners, I support the Residential Infill Project and Amendment Packages 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6. But I strongly oppose Amendment Package 7. Its stated purpose is historic preservation, but it would mainly preserve only the historic exclusion of diversity from Portland's wealthy single-family neighborhoods. Contrary to the staff explanation, Amendment Package 7 would do nothing to encourage internal conversions or adaptive re-use of historic resources. The problem is that the Oregon Structural Specialty Code and local permitting requirements make internal conversions of existing homes into smallplexes extremely difficult and expensive--generally more so than building a new structure. Furthermore, Portland's city code largely obstructs adaptive re-use of large single-family homes for group living. And far too many old houses and entire neighborhoods are being sweepingly designated as "historic resources" without critical scrutiny of those designations' social costs and benefits, solely in order to block new residential development. Until all these exclusionary barriers have been overcome, Amendment Package 7 will ensure only that large under-occupied single-family homes remain under-occupied, and that people of lower incomes remain shut out of the wealthier single-family neighborhoods with disproportionately many large old homes. So please eliminate this misguided Amendment Package 7 before you pass the Residential Infill Project and the other Amendment Packages. Best wishes, Leon Porter

Neil Heller

#103499 | March 9, 2020

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I support the Residential Infill Project and amendments 1-4, which will create more housing at lower prices in many neighborhoods to welcome people to Portland. I strongly support Amendment 6, which enables non-profit housing providers to build truly affordable units in small projects and oppose amendment 7, which would not lead to re-use, but to more expensive homes.

Alan Kessler

#103500 | March 9, 2020

Testimony to Portland City Council on the Residential Infill Project, Recommended Draft

Please support the Residential Infill Project ("RIP") as well as amendments 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6. Increased supply as well as strong tenant protections are necessary to achieve a just outcome. This is a modest move toward the first goal, and its displacement effects are extremely limited. Now the work must continue to protect vulnerable tenants and continue to push for affordable housing in our richest neighborhoods. Please reject amendment 7. It is a poison pill which would continue to suppress supply in our toniest neighborhoods.

Iain MacKenzie

#103501 | March 9, 2020

Testimony to Portland City Council on the Residential Infill Project, Recommended Draft

Dear City Commissioners—Thank you for all your work to-date on the Residential Infill Project. I'm proud to live in a city where my city council looked at a project like this, and responded "yes, but how do we make it better?". With that spirit, I urge you to vote yes on Amendment #6, the Deeper Affordability Bonus. Adding this provision to our zoning code will let organizations like Habitat for Humanity and Proud Ground provide housing in our low density zones. Please also adopt technical amendments #1-4, and reject amendments #8-17.

Brighton West

#103502 | March 9, 2020

Testimony to Portland City Council on the Residential Infill Project, Recommended Draft

I support the RIP project, including amendments 1-7.

Jonathan Greenwood

#103503 | March 9, 2020

Testimony to Portland City Council on the Residential Infill Project, Recommended Draft

Hello council and mayor, I am writing to express my support of the residential infill project. However, I would like to state my support and opposition to some amendments proposed. I support the technical amendments 1 through 4 and amendment 6, the crucial "deeper affordability" bonus to allow below-market family-size homes on any lot in the city. I oppose amendment 7. This amendment would ban triplexes, fourplexes, and regulated affordable 5- and 6-plexes in certain affluent neighborhoods. In addition, amendment 7 would do nothing to incentivize internal conversions or the retention of historic buildings. I oppose amendments 8-17. Collectively, these amendments would undermine the project. Unworkable standards would make it impossible to build more than two units in many wealthy neighborhoods, increasing the price of housing. Overall, the amendments I support will go a long way to address the housing crisis our city is facing. Despite this, there is more work to be done. An anti-displacement strategy needs to be enacted to ensure we are not driving people of color and low-income folks out of our neighborhoods. In addition, we need to move forward with new funding to help houseless folks in our communities. I argue a housing first initiative like is in place in Finland would be a broad approach to housing our most vulnerable community members. Finally, I believe we should fight for zoning reforms that will bring dense mixed-income and mixed-use development near jobs and transit. Please pass the residential infill project with the amendments I support, but move forward in the other ways I mention in the future. Thank you Jonathan Greenwood

Monique Gaskins

#103504 | March 9, 2020

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Hello City Council, I'm asking that you please adopt RIP and amendment 6. I ask that you please oppose amendment 5 and 7. Passing of RIP will be a great first step in addressing our housing crisis in Portland, and I'm looking forward to the next steps the city can take.

Aaron Brown

#103505 | March 9, 2020

Testimony to Portland City Council on the Residential Infill Project, Recommended Draft

I am once again submitting testimony in support of the Residential Infill Project. I encourage the city to listen to the recommendation on amendments proposed by local abundant housing advocacy organization Portland: Neighbors Welcome; I support amendments 1-4 and amendment 6, and strongly oppose amendment 5 and 7-17. Amendment 5, in particular, seems extremely backwards, especially in lieu of opposition to the amendment listed by respected and knowledgable transportation and housing advocates, and I'm grateful to see this amendment scrapped from the city's consideration. Please move forward with this important initiative to relegalize missing middle housing. Portland's overlapping climate and housing crises are depending on action.

March 9, 2020 Commissioners, good day. I reside in Woodlawn, a neighborhood that has a long history of working with the City to help plan its development. I participated in drafting some of those plans, and also in getting a portion of the neighborhood designated a historic Conservation District. I am also active with our neighborhood Land Use and Transportation committee. It is also a neighborhood with a very long history, as I documented in my book, Portland's Woodlawn Neighborhood (by Arcadia Publishing). One thing history has taught me is that a planned improvement often has unintended costs.

A representative of the city planning department met with us twice about the City proposals that would affect our Conservation District.

1. STRONGER DEMOLITION RULES



Today's regulations require a 120-day delay before historic contributing buildings in conservation districts can be demolished. This demolition delay period rarely results in buildings being saved. The proposed changes would require a new type of demolition review before contributing buildings are approved for demolition. This staff-level review would disincentivize demolition and generally require mitigation before a demolition permit is issued. Such mitigation could include rehabilitation, public history, cultural preservation, or affordability dollars that stay in the district.

Photo courtesy Scott Tice.

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4. PROCESS TO AMEND DISTRICT DETAILS



There is no clear process for changing the contributing (i.e. historic) status of properties in conservation districts. A new procedure would allow for ownerinitiated proposals to change the contributing status of their property to reflect on-the-ground reality. Code changes would also allow City Council to revise conservation district boundaries.

The Mississippi Conservation District's boundaries have not been reviewed since its establishment in 1993.

WE WANT A CLEAR PROCESS FOR PROTECTING CONTRIBUTING PROPERTIES

These two items had us most emotionally involved.

At our meetings, we decided that we want a clear process for protecting historic properties and for slowing down and **preventing the demolishing of historic or contributing properties**.

I have spoken to PSU classes in urban planning with the message that just because a house on a city map looks old, and is old, doesn't mean it needs to be cleared away for something new. Our neighbors still mourn the loss of many beautiful, well maintained Queen Ann style homes that were demolished to build our park.

My own home is 107 years old and a contributing building, but not a historic register candidate.

I strongly support the Architectural Heritage Center proposed amendment 7 to create disincentives to demolition.

A strong faction of us in Woodlawn also are concerned about increasing housing accessibility as the population ages. I think the visitability factor should be greatly emphasized. And the majority of us are concerned about building affordable projects. The RIP as it is now proposed, has removed most of the incentives for affordable construction.

Speaking for myself, I am greatly disgusted that affordable single family dwellings have been replaced by multiple unaffordable single family dwellings. While the intent was to create more dwelling units, and that, indeed happened, few people can live in them.

Concerning new buildings without parking, half of those who attend our neighborhood association meetings want new properties without parking, and the others are vehemently against new properties without parking.

Anjala Ehelebe

#103506 | March 9, 2020

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March 3, 2020

TO: Jessica Conner, Portland Housing Bureau, Morgan Tracy, Bureau of Planning and Sustainability

FR: Diane Linn, Proud Ground, Executive Director

RE: RIP Deeper Affordable Housing Bonus

Proud Ground joins Habitat for Humanity Portland Metro East in their enthusiastic support for the Deeper Affordable Housing Bonus Amendment to allow for additional FAR and six-plexes. Proud Ground partners with Habitat to provide first time homeownership opportunities to buyers earning between 35 - 100% AMI, and addition to their achievement of over 90% of the people of color, we also serve households of color. Proud Ground maintains a wait list of over 500 families, three quarters of whom are households of color. Our homeownership models rely on identifying properties zoned appropriately for family-sized units in neighborhoods across the city.

If the Deeper Affordability Bonus is approved, in addition to the units Habitat expects to be able to build on double-sized lots where allowed for family-sized units, Proud Ground hopes to partner with builders to add more units in a more cost effective way also. The 6 - unit projects on infill properties would allow Proud Ground to add to Habitat's pipeline for homes in neighborhoods around the city. The communities that have experienced displacement caused by gentrification have the amenities that families of color should have access to, allowing them to build equity in their homes as white families have in this market. Re-establishing the economic and cultural diversity that was once taken for granted in Portland is a critical goal in this housing crisis. We are hoping to contribute to the numbers of houses Habitat would build through projects annually, with an upward trajectory in the coming years as they have anticipated, adding an additional 6 or more units in the coming years, annually. When a family can move from a rental unit into a home they own, it opens up rental opportunities for others, while at the same time stabilizing the children and anchoring them in community. This improves educational, health and employment outcomes for the families in homes where they are building equity and where future families will benefit from the permanent affordability we promise.

I look forward to continued discussion about the critical need for policy change. Please support this important bonus structure within the Residential Infill Project. Thank you!

Dreams Start Here.

Diane Linn

#103521 | March 9, 2020

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Letter from Proud Ground attached.

Exhibit A RCPNA RIP Testimony (Amended 3/6/20 for typo) 3/4/2020 Rose City Park Neighborhood Association RIP Document Review

Conducted February 2020, published 3/4/2020 Participants: Gloria Gardiner & Tamara DeRidder, AICP

We reviewed the public documents available on-line(internet at <u>https://beta.portland.gov/bps</u>) regarding, or relevant to, the Residential Infill Project (the Project): the adopted 2035 Comprehensive Plan and supporting documents, the Portland Plan, Citywide Systems Plan, Growth Scenarios report, Housing Affordability report, Housing Demand and Supply Projections report, Updates on Key Housing Supply and Affordability Trends report, Household Demand and Supply Projections report, Buildable Lands Inventory and Growth Allocation GIS model, Revised, April 2016, Code Reconciliation Project amendments to Code Title 33 Housing, Zoning and Comprehensive Plan Map amendments, staff report, Potential Amendment Concepts discussed by the City Council (the Council) in January and February 2020, and new state zoning mandates for urban residential development.

The August 2019 Staff Report and Map Amendments documents include findings of compliance with the Plan's five overarching Guiding Principles *(see Staff Report, page 3)*, and housing findings *(see Staff report)*. The Staff Report mentions additional policy directions in "Appendix A: Guidance From the Comprehensive Plan." *(Staff Report, p. 3)* The only Appendix A that we found on the Project web site is a "Revised economic analysis on the proposed changes to the single-dwelling zone development standards."

The Plan requires that the proposed Project Code and Map amendments must be evaluated for compliance with <u>all</u> of the relevant Plan Goals and Policies. Based on our review, we believe that *none of the Project's proposed amendments have been evaluated according to many of the relevant Plan Goals and Policies*.

Exhibit B RCPNA RIP Testimony (Amended 3/6/20 for typo) 3/4/2020 **RIP Relevant Adopted Plan Goals, Policies, and Supportive Documents**

Recommended by: RCPNA Board, RCPNA Chairwoman and Land Use Planner Tamara DeRidder, AICP, and RCPNA Member and retired Land Use Planner Gloria Gardiner. Date: March 4, 2020

In order to assist staff and the Commission in the remand on the RIP below describes and quotes plan and supporting document text of what we believe are relevant Plan Goals and Policies for this project that have not yet been addressed.

2035	Plan	Supporting	Relevant text
Compre	Policy	document	
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Chapter	1.14		Public facility adequacy. Consider impacts on the existing
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Public	8.21	System capacity. Establish, improve, and maintain public
investm		facilities and services at levels appropriate to support land
ent		use patterns, densities, and anticipated residential and
		employment growth, as physically feasible and as
		sufficient funds are available.
Public	8.22	Equitable service. Provide public facilities and services to
investm		alleviate service deficiencies and meet level-of-service
ent		standards for all Portlanders
Public	8.23	Asset management. Improve and maintain public facilities
investm		systems using asset management principles to optimize
ent		preventative maintenance, reduce unplanned reactive
		maintenance, achieve scheduled delivery, and protect the
		quality, reliability, and adequacy of City services.
Public	8.24	Risk management . Maintain and improve Portland's
investm		public facilities to minimize or eliminate economic, social,
ent		public health and safety, and environmental risks.
Funding	8.27	Cost-effectiveness . Establish, improve, and maintain the
1 anong	0.27	public facilities necessary to serve designated land uses in
		ways that cost-effectively provide desired levels of
		service, consider facilities' lifecycle costs, and maintain
		the City's long-term financial sustainability.
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Funding	8.28	Shared costs . Ensure the costs of constructing and providing public facilities and services are equitably shared by those who benefit from the provision of those facilities and services.
Funding	8.29	System development . Require private or public entities whose prospective development or redevelopment actions contribute to the need for facility improvements, extensions, or construction to bear a proportional share of the costs.
Service provisio n and urbaniza tion	8.3	Urban service delivery. Provide the following public facilities and services at urban levels of service to urban lands within the City's boundaries of incorporation: Pubic rights-of-way, streets, and public trailsSanitary sewers and wastewater treatmentStormwater management and conveyanceFlood managementWater supplyPolice, fire, and emergency responseParks, natural areas, and recreationSolid waste regulation
Service provisio n and urbaniza tion	8.4	Supporting facilities and systems. Maintain supporting facilities and systems to enable the provision of public facilities and services.
Sanitary system	8.61	Sewer connections. Require all developments within the City limits to be connected to sanitary sewers
Sanitary system	8.62	Combined sewer overflows. Provide adequate public facilities to limit combined sewer overflows to frequencies established by regulatory permits.
Sanitary system	8.63	Sanitary sewer overflows. Provide adequate public facilities to prevent sewage releases to surface waters as consistent with regulatory permits.
Sanitary system	8.65	Sewer extensions. Prioritize sewer system extensions to areas that are already developed at urban densities
Sanitary system	8.66	Pollution prevention. Reduce the need for wastewater treatment capacity through land use programs and public facility investments
Sanitary system	8.67	Treatment. Provide adequate wastewater treatment facilities to ensure compliance with effluent standards established in regulatory permits.

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Stormw	8.68	Stormwater facilities. Provide adequate stormwater
ater		facilities for conveyance, flow control, and pollution
system		reduction.
Stormw	8.69	Stormwater as a resource. Manage stormwater as a
ater		resource for watershed health and public use in ways that
system		protect and restore the natural hydrology, water quality,
		and habitat of Portland's watersheds.
Stormw	8.70	Natural systems. Protect and enhance the stormwater
ater		management capacity of natural resources such as rivers,
system		streams, creeks, drainageways, wetlands, and floodplains.
Stormw	8.72	Stormwater discharge. Avoid or minimize the impact of
ater		stormwater discharges on the water and habitat quality of
system		rivers and streams.
Stormw	8.73	On-site stormwater management. Encourage on-site
ater		stormwater management through land use decisions
system		and public facility investments.
Stormw	8.74	Pollution prevention. Coordinate policies, programs, and
ater		investments with partners to prevent pollutants from
system		entering the stormwater system
Water	8.85	Water quality. Maintain compliance with state and
systems		federal drinking water quality regulations.
Water	8.86	Storage. Provide sufficient in-city water storage capacity
systems		to serve designated land uses, meet demand fluctuations,
		maintain system pressure, and ensure supply reliability.
Water	8.87	Fire protection. Provide adequate water facilities to serve
systems		the fire protection needs of all Portlanders
Water	8.88	Water pressure. Provide adequate water facilities to
systems		maintain water pressure in order to protect water quality
,		and provide for the needs of customers.
Water	8.89	Water efficiency. Reduce the need for additional water
systems		facility capacity and maintain compliance with state water
,		resource regulations by encouraging efficient use of water
		by customers within the city.
Water	8.90	Service interruptions. Maintain and improve water
systems	_	facilities to limit interruptions in water service to
,		customers.
Public	8.105	Emergency management facilities. Provide adequate
safety		public facilities to support emergency management,
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e Public safety and emerge ncy respons e	8.106		Police facilities. Improve and maintain police facilities to allow police personnel to efficiently and effectively respond to public safety needs and serve designated areas.
Public safety and emerge ncy respons e	8.108		Fire facilities. Improve and maintain fire facilities to serve designated land uses, ensure equitable and reliable response, and provide fire and life safety protection that meets or exceeds minimum established service levels.
Public safety and emerge ncy respons e	8.110		Community preparedness. Ensure community preparedness and capacity to prevent, withstand, and recover from emergencies and natural disasters through land use decisions and public facility investments.
Public safety and emerge ncy respons e	8.111		Continuity of operations. Maintain and enhance the City's ability to withstand and recover from natural disasters and human-made disruptions in order to minimize disruptions to public services.
Supporti ng Docume nts and Maps, Public Facilitie		Citywide Systems Plan, "2035 Comprehen sive Plan Citywide Systems	 The update of the 1989 Public Facilities Plan, to address changes such as: City and metropolitan area growth Aging infrastructure Service deficiencies New growth focus on centers and corridors
s Plans		Plan, June 2016" a support document to the Comprehe	 Purposes and objectives include: Serve new residential and employment growth Meet long-term infrastructure needs Provide recommended policies and list of significant projects for the Plan

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nsive Plan, guides infrastruct ure investmen ts to meet the needs of current and future Portlander s	
	"[E]xisting water, sewer, stormwater systems will serve the majority of current and new residents and businesses' needs over the coming decades, resulting in additional demands on existing infrastructure. The City has a large infrastructure maintenance deficit due largely to the age of many systems, chronic underinvestment in preventative maintenance and capital repair, increasing maintenance costs, and the lack of revenue to allow more sustainable investment. At current funding levels, some of Portland's infrastructure will continue to deteriorate." (pp. 13-14.)
	"[T]he ability of the City's infrastructure to accommodate growth depends primarily on the City's ability to resolve current deficiencies Major development efforts can overstretch the ability of existing built and natural infrastructure to meet community demands." (p. 14)
	City infrastructure bureaus estimate that the City "needs to invest approximately \$287 million more than current funding levels per year for each of the next 10 years to replace existing aging assets, maintain existing facilities and/or meet service levels This gap will likely grow for each of the next 10 years." (p. 15.)
	As of 2016 over 80% of the com- bined and sanitary pipes are in good or very good condition. However, "projected investments are not keeping pace with the rapidly aging collection system 69% combined sewer system pipes are in good to very good condition, but approximately 10% of pipes are at high risk of failure"(p. 100-101)

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		"The pumping and treatment systems require regular and
		more frequent capital investment. While pipes have an
		estimated 100-year useful life, mechanical and elec- trical
		components have a useful life that ranges from 20 to 50
		years." (p. 101)
		The combined sewer system and the sanitary sewer
		system " have hydraulic and condition deficiencies that
		impact the ability of these systems to serve existing
		properties at designated service levels Pipe segments
		that are in poor structural condition are widely distributed
		throughout the service area with the exception of outer
		east Portland where the collection system is relatively
		new." <i>(p. 102)</i>
		In 2013, sanitary and stormwater systems had an
		estimated annual capital maintenance funding gap of
		\$12.4 million. <i>(p. 102)</i>
		"Most of the stormwater pipes and sumps in Portland
		have been in place for decades and were sized with
		assumptions about climate and land use that were
		appropriate at they time they were built." Climate change
		impacts could exacerbate stormwater runoff, in-
		crease erosion and sediment in run-off, increase
		combined sewer overflows, and increase water
		temperatures. (p. 104)
		Portland's sewer and stormwater rates "are high by
		regional and national standards Continued public
		acceptance of rate increases is essential to meeting level
		of service standards and will require open and clear dialog
		with the public and decision makers." (p. 105)
		"Per capita water use for single-family residential
		customers has gone down significantly since 1992
		while per capita water demands will continue to decline
		somewhat over time, the overall demands on the
		Portland water system will increase due to population
		growth." <i>(p. 168)</i>
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Significa	Significant	sanitary sewer, stormwater management, water, and
nt	Projects,	transportation projects necessary to support the land uses
Projects	December	designated in the Comprehensive Plan." (p. LP-1)
	2018	Adoption of Residential Infill Project plan, code and map
		amendments will require updating this part of the Plan.
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ng	nsive Plan	farther from identified Centers and Corridors, particularly

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nts and	Growth	to R7 in the Proposed Plan have slightly reduced the
Maps,	Scenarios	supply of more affordable small lot single family
Growth	Report, July	development." <i>(p. 52)</i>
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s Report		Where are the findings to justify <u>down-zoning</u> , in light of
		the Project focus on <u>up-zoning</u> existing small lot single
		family development in much of the east side of Portland?
		Where is an analysis of the trade-off? Would the Project
		proposal change if outer east neighborhood lots were not
		down-zoned? How? Are there Centers and Corridors in
		outer east Portland where higher density housing and <u>up-</u>
		zoning is desirable?
	July 2015	The Plan estimates Portland's residential capacity at
	Growth	267,000 dwelling units, <i>more than twice Metro's 2035</i>
	Scenarios	housing growth forecast of 123,000 households for
	Report	Portland "70% of this capacity is in mixed-use
		corridors and neighborhood centers Other areas with
		high growth capacity [include] the Lents Town Center and
		some parts of East Portland."
		This doesn't appear consistent with the down-zoning of
		lots in east Portland that is proposed in this Project.
		"About 11% of the development capacity is in land available for single-family dwelling residential
		development Portland's predominantly single family
		residential neighborhoods will see limited new housing
		development and will remain single-family residential
		neighborhoods." (emphasis added)(p. 17)
		How is the Project's proposal consistent with these facts?
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Chapter	5.6	"Where appropriate, apply zoning that would allow this
5		within a quarter mile of designated centers, corridors with
Housing		frequent service transit, high capacity
, Middle		transit stations, and within the Inner Ring around the
Housing		Central City."
Chapter	5.12	Evaluate plans and investments, significant new
5		infrastructure, and significant new development to
Housing		identify potential disparate impacts on housing choice,
, Impact		access, and affordability for protected
Analysis		classes and low-income households. Identify and
		implement strategies to mitigate the anticipated impacts
Chapter	5.23	Locate higher-density housing, including units that are affordable and
5		accessible, in and around centers to take advantage of the access to active
Housing		transportation, jobs, open spaces, schools, and various services and amenities
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Chapter	5.25	Preserve and produce affordable housing to meet needs that are not met by
5		the private market by coordinating plans and investments with housing
Housing		providers and organizations.
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Chapter	5.13	Coordinate plans and investments with programs that
5		prevent avoidable, involuntary evictions and foreclosures.
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Chapter		The goals and policies in this chapter convey the City's intent to:
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Chapter 10: Land Use Designa tions, Land Use designat ions, Single Dwelling Resident ial, 6. Single- Dwelling – 5,000	10.1	It is intended for areas where urban public services, generally including complete local street networ ks and access to frequent transit, are available or planned. Areas within this d esignation generally have few or very minor development constraints. Single-dwelling residential will be the primary use. The maximum density is generally 8.7 unit s per acre. (5,007 sq.ft/unit)The corresponding zone is R5.
Chapter 10: Land Use Designa tions, Land Use designat ions, Single Dwelling Resident ial, 7. Single- Dwelling - 2,500	10.1	This designation allows a mix of housing types that are single- dwelling in character. This designation is intended for areas near, in, and along centers and corridor s, near transit station areas, where urban public services, generally including complet e local street networks and access to frequent transit, are available or planned. Areas within this designation generally do not have development constraints. This designation often serves as a transition between mixed use or multi-dwelling designations and lower density single dwelling designations. The maximum d ensity is generally 17.4 units per acre. (2,489 sq.ft/unit) The corresponding zone is R2.5
Chapter 10: Land Use Designa	10.1	This designation is intended for areas near, in, and along centers and corridors where urban public services, generally including complete local street networks and access to frequent transit, are available or planned. Areas within this designation generally do not have development constraints and may include larger development sites. The maximum density is generally 14.5 units per acre(3,004 sq.

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tions,		ft./unit), but may go up to 21 units per acre(2,071 sq.ft./unit) in some
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		maximum density is generally 21.8 units per acre(1,998 sq.ft./unit), but may be as much as 32 units
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Use		t have development constraints. The maximum density is generally 43 units per acre
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Chapter	10.1	This designation is intended for the Central City, Gateway Regional Center, To wn Centers, and transit station areas where a residential focus is desired and
10: Land		urban public services including access to high-
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tions,		dwelling structures at an urban scale. Maximum density is based on a floor- area-ratio, not on a unit-per-square-foot basis. Densities will range from
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Tamara DeRidder

#103522 | March 9, 2020

Testimony to Portland City Council on the Residential Infill Project, Recommended Draft

Revised testimony attachments from RCPNA attached.

3-10-20 Doug Klotz 1908 SE 35th Pl Portland OR 97214

Re: Residential Infill Project Amendments Mayor Wheeler and Commissioners:

I am writing in <u>support of the Residential Infill Project and Amendments 1-4</u>, as well as "Deep Affordability" <u>Amendment 6</u>. I oppose Amendments 5, 7, and 8-17. This project will enable construction of smaller, less expensive units in most parts of our city, and supply much needed housing, in all neighborhoods. I agree with the testimony of Portland: Neighbors Welcome, which lays out the reasoning for supporting Amendment 6, and opposing (withdrawn) #5, and #7.

Amendment 6, with a Deeper Affordability Bonus, will allow non-profit developers like Habitat for Humanity, Proud Ground, PCRI and others to reduce the amount of subsidy needed per home by building up to 6 units on a residential lot, as long as at last half are affordable to rent at 60% of Median family income, or affordable to buy at 80% of MFI. <u>Please adopt amendment 6</u>. While these provisions will not be used widely, they will be very valuable for these non-profits, who will be able to supply housing with <u>less</u> of the subsidies from various sources that they utilize now. The 1.2:1 Floor Area Ratio ensures that units up to 1000 square feet can be built.

I am glad to see that Amendment 5 is no longer in the proposal. This was a bad idea, that would have prohibited builders from using the 3- and 4-plex models to build on less expensive land in neighborhoods without curbs. It was opposed by Verde, Hacienda CDC, Oregon Walks, the Cully Neighborhood Association and others.

We urge the city to work on a long-term solution for infill sidewalks, including alternative street designs, and a different fee structure that treats all lot sizes fairly.

<u>I oppose Amendment 7</u>. While well-intentioned, this could have the effect of removing the 3- to- 6-unit options. Structures would still be demolished, but they would be replaced by single houses or duplexes, instead of the less expensive homes that could be built. The \$15,000 fee to seek a Council Review is prohibitive for these smaller projects, and would effectively ban 3,4,5, and 6- unit buildings.

I oppose Amendments 8-17. These would have blocked 3- to 6-unit projects in large parts of the city, created unworkable standards, and excluded wealthy neighborhoods from the project. These should remain off the table. I support Technical Amendments 1-4.

I urge Council to adopt the Residential Infill Project, with amendments 1-4 and 6, as soon as possible, with an effect date in the coming Fall season, or earlier.

Thank you.

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Doug Klotz

#103507 | March 10, 2020

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Attached is my letter in Support of the Residential Infill Project and amendments 1-4, and 6. Thank you. Doug Klotz

Virginia Feldman

#103508 | March 10, 2020

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As a person of faith, I & our church strongly support Amendment 6 of the Residential Infill Project, which enables non-profit housing providers to build truly affordable units in small projects and oppose amendment 7, which would not lead to re-use, but only would lead to more expensive homes. Also we support the Residential Infill Project amendments 1-4, which will create more housing at lower prices in many neighborhoods to welcome people to Portland. Please, continue working to reduce displacement citywide with renter protections, And, in the future, please work to make more significant up-zones of exclusive areas near transit and jobs-- to allow mixed-income and really affordable apartments. thank you Dr Virginia





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March 10, 2020

City Council 1221 SW 4th Ave, Rm 130 Portland OR 97204

Mayor Wheeler and City Commissioners:

Oregon Environmental Council appreciates the opportunity to testify on the amendments to the Residential Infill Project. Founded in 1968, Oregon Environmental Council (OEC) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, membership-based organization. We advance innovative, collaborative and equitable solutions to Oregon's environmental challenges for today and future generations.

Oregon Environmental Council supports prompt adoption and implementation of the Residential Infill Project. The Residential Infill Project proposal is an opportunity to begin to change city policy shaping residential redevelopment over time to be more supportive of transit, biking and walking for transportation, reducing greenhouse gas emissions and air pollution. It would allow more people the option to make a home in close-in neighborhoods that are rich in access to jobs, services, schools and other opportunities.

Oregon Environmental Council strongly supports Amendment 6, because it would allow more density and support more affordability, amplifying the climate and affordability benefits of the original proposal. OEC opposes Amendment 7 and the Amendment Concepts because they would reduce density and affordability.

The Residential Infill Project proposal is a step toward a more equitable and sustainable future Portland. Oregon Environmental Council urges you to amend it with Amendments 1-4 and 6, and to adopt and implement the amended proposal as soon as possible. OEC also urges you to consider this a first step toward a future Portland where more people can live close to jobs, schools, services, stores, and community gathering places. The growing climate crisis and the housing affordability crisis demand swift, strong action, and this is the beginning, not the end.

Thank you,

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Sara Wright Program Director, Transportation

Sara Wright

#103509 | March 10, 2020

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Please find attached testimony from Oregon Environmental Council.

Steve Bozzone

#103510 | March 10, 2020

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I am writing in support of the Residential Infill Project. I support Amendments 1-4 and especially Amendment 6, the deeper affordability measure. I strongly oppose Amendments 7-17 as they would prevent multi family developments in affluent neighborhoods and add unworkable standards that would undermine the spirit and purpose of RIP. Please vote YES on RIP and Amendments 1-4 and 6. After RIP is passed, please continue to work on measure to improve housing affordability and prevent displacement in our city. Thank you. Sincerely, Steve Bozzone NE Portland

Brooke Best

#103511 | March 10, 2020

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I'm submitting the following testimony regarding two of RIP's proposed amendments: Amendment 6 (Deeper Affordability Bonus) and Amendment 7 (Historic Resource Demolition Disincentive). IN OPPOSITION of Amendment 6: This amendment would allow up to 6 units with additional height and mass building on all R2.5, R5, and R7 single family zoned lots if at least half of the units are affordable (those earnings not more than 60% of Mean Family Income). It would also grant an additional height bonus of 5 feet in the R5 and R7 zones, with a maximum building height of up to 35 feet tall. (As a comparison, the median house size in Portland is 1,500 square feet and 15 feet tall.) This is a major departure from RIP's stated purpose: "Additional housing options, when built at a scale and form compatible with single-dwelling neighborhoods, are considered the "middle" housing spectrum. Duplexes, triplexes, and fourplexes along with ADUs comprise the part of the spectrum that the Residential Infill Project aims to expand. These new units will be built at a size that complements older, existing homes that have defined Portland neighborhoods for decades." Amendment 6 fails to address major goals and policies of the 2035 Comp Plan, which serves as the guiding framework for municipal code changes, specifically Goal 4.A regarding context-sensitive design and development. According to Table 110-2 of the amendment package, multi-dwelling units (except duplexes on corner lots) are not required in R-10 and R-20 zones. Why doesn't this amendment apply to those zones? How does this meet HB 2001 requirements for duplexes everywhere on all residential properties? It should also be pointed out want that a multi-dwelling zone already exists: the new RM1 zone allowed by right under Better Housing by Design (page 18 BHBD Amended Staff Report). The new zone allows 5- to 6-unit buildings containing 6,000 square feet with a height of 35 feet, with the intent of creating a scale transition from multi-dwelling to single-dwelling zones. This is in alignment with the Comp Plan's Policy 4.30 to ensure that new high-density "incorporates design elements that soften transitions in scale and limit light and privacy impacts on adjacent residents." I support the intention of a bonus provision to increase the availability of "deeply affordable" units; however, I oppose allowing incompatible small apartment buildings in single-dwelling zones to achieve this end. As an alternative, could RIP modify the affordability bonus threshold for a triplex or fourplex FAR bonus (for one unit) from 80% to 60% of median family income? This amendment allows more "scatter-shot" development, which ignores several policies (Policies 3.12, 4.20) laid out in the 2035 Comp Plan that recommend focusing density around centers and along corridors with frequent and reliable transit. It would result in out-of-scale infill development that is inconsistent with sensible planning and incompatible with

existing neighborhoods, in conflict with policies 4.3, 4.27, 4.30, 4.48. Amendment 6 is not responsible stewardship and would result in more demolition of sound, habitable homes, in contradiction to policies 4.17 and 4.28. With each iteration, RIP has become more removed from achieving its original goal. Amendment #6 takes us ever further afield in terms of creating meaningful, compatible infill. It is also likely to result in more demolitions. I strongly oppose Amendment 6 due to its potential to dramatically and permanently alter neighborhood character – and result in increased demolition and displacement risks. IN SUPPORT of Amendment 7: I strongly support the inclusion of a Historic Resource Demolition Disincentive to single-dwelling zones, in alignment with the provision adopted under Better Housing by Design. Discouraging the demolition of historic buildings is also consistent with the 2035 Comp Plan Policy 4.17. Furthermore, it the most sustainable approach and retains naturally-occurring affordable housing. This amendment only would extend to contributing resources in local Conservation Districts the same demolition review process already afforded to those resources in Historic Districts. It does not encompass the majority of ranked resources, such as those designated as significant, in the Historic Resource Inventory.

Brad Baker

#103513 | March 10, 2020

Testimony to Portland City Council on the Residential Infill Project, Recommended Draft

Hello Council, I'm following up to again ask you to support RIP and to offer my opinion on the proposed amendments. RIP is a great first step toward addressing the problems with our current zoning that will be a first step on on the path to a more sustainable and inclusive Portland. In addition to supporting RIP, I ask that you please oppose amendment 5. We should allow missing middle housing across all Portland, including under-improved streets. I ask that you please support amendment 6, allowing of up to 6-plexes when they are affordable. This will help affordable housing developers build more affordable housing in Portland, something we desperately need. I'm particularly excited about this amendment because it will allow for affordable housing for families in our neighborhoods and not just on busy streets. This will be great for families in Portland. I ask that you please oppose amendment 7. I live in a conservation district and I feel that conservation/historic districts are often weaponized as a way to exclude others from them. Given that we're in the midst of a climate and housing crisis, I think we need to re-think our policies around historic/conservation districts and if preserving close in neighborhoods is the right path for an equitable and climate-friendly Portland. Thanks so much for listening!

Exhibit A RCPNA RIP Testimony 3/4/2020

Rose City Park Neighborhood Association RIP Document Review

Conducted February 2020, published 3/4/2020 Participants: Gloria Gardner & Tamara DeRidder, AICP

We reviewed the public documents available on-line(internet at <u>https://beta.portland.gov/bps</u>) regarding, or relevant to, the Residential Infill Project (the Project): the adopted 2035 Comprehensive Plan and supporting documents, the Portland Plan, Citywide Systems Plan, Growth Scenarios report, Housing Affordability report, Housing Demand and Supply Projections report, Updates on Key Housing Supply and Affordability Trends report, Household Demand and Supply Projections report, Buildable Lands Inventory and Growth Allocation GIS model, Revised, April 2016, Code Reconciliation Project amendments to Code Title 33 Housing, Zoning and Comprehensive Plan Map amendments, staff report, Potential Amendment Concepts discussed by the City Council (the Council) in January and February 2020, and new state zoning mandates for urban residential development.

The August 2019 Staff Report and Map Amendments documents include findings of compliance with the Plan's five overarching Guiding Principles *(see Staff Report, page 3)*, and housing findings *(see Staff report)*. The Staff Report mentions additional policy directions in "Appendix A: Guidance From the Comprehensive Plan." *(Staff Report, p. 3)* The only Appendix A that we found on the Project web site is a "Revised economic analysis on the proposed changes to the single-dwelling zone development standards."

The Plan requires that the proposed Project Code and Map amendments must be evaluated for compliance with <u>all</u> of the relevant Plan Goals and Policies. Based on our review, we believe that *none of the Project's proposed amendments have been evaluated according to many of the relevant Plan Goals and Policies*.



March 4, 2020

City of Portland Attn: Mayor Ted Wheeler & City Commissioners(cctestimony@portlandoregon.gov) 1221 SW Fourth Ave. Portland, OR 97204

Subject: RCPNA Opposes Council Residential Infill Project (RIP) Amendments and Request Remand of RIP to Planning & Sustainability Commission for failure to Comply with 2035 Comprehensive Plan

Dear Mayor and Commissioners,

On Tues. March 3, 2020, the Rose City Park Neighborhood Association held a Special Board Meeting and voted unanimously to:

- 1. Oppose the City Council proposed Amendments to the RIP that have been published as Residential Infill Project Potential Amendment Concepts dated Feb. 13, 2020.
- 2. Support the findings and conclusions contained in this letter that document the failure of the RIP to comply with the City of Portland's 2035 Comprehensive Plan (with minor edits and additions); and
- 3. Request the City Council remand the Residential Infill Project to the Planning and Sustainability Commission.

After reviewing the available information on the City of Portland's Residential Infill Project, see list in Exhibit A, we have determined that there are only a few supportive documented findings by BPS staff for the RIP that regard the goals and policies on the City of Portland's adopted 2035 Comprehensive Plan.

The 2035 Plan should serve as the foundation from which all changes to the Municipal Code are to be made or the Plan itself needs to be amended. Neither of these choices are being offered to the City Council by staff in the public hearing proceedings. Therefore, the RIP needs to be remanded to the Planning and Sustainability for failure to comply with one of these two options.

<u>Finding 1.</u> Policy 1.10 of the 2035 Comprehensive Plan (the Plan) requires that amendments to the Plan, or such Plan implementation tools as the Planning and Zoning Code (the Code) and Zoning and Comprehensive Plan Maps (the Maps), must comply with the Plan:

"Ensure that amendments to the Comprehensive Plan's elements, supporting documents, and implementation tools comply with the Comprehensive Plan. 'Comply' means that *amendments must be evaluated against the Comprehensive Plan's applicable goals and policies* and on

balance be equally or more supportive of the Comprehensive Plan as a whole than the existing language or designation." *(emphasis added)*

Appendix B of the RIP Recommended Draft provides findings on Displacement Risk and Mitigation that address Plan policies 5.15 and 5.16. Therefore, the RIP fails to satisfy with the Comprehensive Plan Policy 1.10 and its supporting documents, with the exception of policies 5.15 and 5.16.

<u>Finding 2.</u> The PSC proposes the following density changes to Single Dwelling Zone of the City of Portland Municipal Code as Table 110-4 in Volume 2, Residential Infill Project – Recommended Draft, Zoning Code Amendments:

Summary	Table 110- <u>4</u> 3 Summary of Development Standards In Single-Dwelling Zones						
Standard	RF	R20	R10	R7	RS	detached	2.5 -attached 110.240.C
Maximum FAB -1 total dwelling units -2 total dwelling units [1] -3 or more total dwelling units [1] (See 33.110.210 and 33.110.265)	<u>no limit</u>	<u>no limit</u>	no limit	0.4 to 1 0.5 to 1 0.6 to 1	0.5 to 1 0.6 to 1 0.7 to 1		0.7 to 1 0.8 to 1 0.9 to 1
Maximum FAR with Bonus - 1 total dwelling unit - 2 total dwelling units [1] - 3 or more total dwelling units [1] (See 33.110.210 and 3.110.265)	NA	NA	NA	0.4 to 1 0.6 to 1 0.7 to 1	0.5 to 1 0.7 to 1 0.8 to 1		0.7 to 1 0.9 to 1 1 to 1
Maximum Height (See 33.110.215)	30 ft.	30 ft.	30 ft.	30 ft.	30 ft.	35 ft.	35 ft.
Minimum Setbacks - Front building setback	20 ft.	20 ft.	20 ft.	15 ft.	10 ft.	10 ft.	10 ft.
 Side building setback 	10 ft.	10 ft.	10 ft.	5 ft.	5 ft.	5-ft.	0/5 ft.
 Rear building setback Garage entrance setback (See 33.110.220) 	10 ft. 18 ft.	10 ft. 18 ft.	10 ft. 18 ft.	5 ft. 18 ft.	5 ft. 18 ft.	5-ft: 18-ft.	5 ft. 18 ft.
(see 33.110.226) Maximum Building Coverage (See 33.110.225) Required Outdoor Area	See Table 110-6	See Table 110-6	See Table 110-6	See Table 110-6	See Table 110-6		See Table 110-6
- Minimum area	250 sq. ft.	250 sq. ft.	250 sq. ft.	250 sq. ft.	250 sq. ft.	250-sq. ft:	200 sq. ft.
Minimum dimension (See 33.110.240235) 1] Including accessory dwelli	12 ft. x 12 ft.	12 ft. x 12 ft.	12 ft. x 12 ft.	12 ft. x 12 ft.	12 ft. x 12 ft.	12 ft. x 12 ft.	10 ft. x 10 ft.

This Table promulgates the use of Floor Area Ratio (FAR) in the Single-Dwelling zones and adds 2 or 3 or more residential units allowed per parcel by zone. The use of FAR for Single-Dwelling Zones together with more than 1 residential unit density per lot conflicts with the 2035 Comprehensive Plan Buildable Lands Inventory and Growth Allocation GIS Model¹, Appendix 1 - BLIModel Assumptions, Table 1 - Comprehensive Plan and Capacity Assumptions. Included in this table are N/A (not applicable) entered for the FAR for the Comp Zone R20, R10, R7, R5 and R2.5, allocation of only one residential unit calculated by lot size of each zone (20,000, 10,000, 7,000, 5,000, and 2,500 square ft, respectively) and identified as Single-Family Residential under Gen Zone.

The Buildable Lands Inventory and Growth Allocation GIS Model document establishes its importance as a basis for the Comprehensive Plan documentation in its Overview by stating:

"Maximum land use intensities in Portland are controlled in three ways:

1. establishing floor area ratio (FAR) limit and maximum height limits. FAR is the ratio of a building's total square footage to the square footage of the underlying development parcel; or

2. limiting the total number of multi-family residential units; or

3. assigning minimum lot sizes for new single-family residential development.

These limits govern building size and bulk, and – among other objectives – create reasonable certainty for utility and transportation providers regarding the intensities of use for which they must provide infrastructure. FAR and building height limits are the primary limiting factor on development in employment, commercial, and high-density residential areas."

The use of Floor Area Ratio and the inclusion of up to more than 3 residential units per lot in Single-Dwelling zones with the proposed RIP were considered in the development of the Buildable Lands and Inventory and Growth Allocation GIS Model that served as a basis for the utility and transportation assumptions in the 2035 Comprehensive Plan. Therefore, the PSC Recommended Draft RIP fails to comply with the 2035 Comprehensive Plan and Buildable Lands Inventory and Growth Allocation GIS model, Revised, April 2016, adopted by Ord. 187831, Vol. 1.1.J., pages 132 through 163.

<u>Finding 3.</u> On page iii under Map Changes in Volume 1 of the Residential Infill Project – Recommended Draft, Aug. 2019, it states:

"The Revised Proposed Draft adds increased housing options to the (Single-Dwelling)base zone and proposes a new Constrained Sites ('z') overlay zone for properties that are not eligible for these housing options. Consequently, over 90 percent of lots in the R7, R5 and R2.5 zones will be eligible to use these additional housing options." This means that 90 % of the 132, 554 total acres zoned R7, R5 or R2.5, or 119,299 acres, will be impacted by this the Base Zone amendment allowing up to 4 residential units per lot. City staff has failed to document that proper public notification was sent prior to the Planning and Sustainability RIP public hearings identifying this proposed Base Code change as required by City of Portland Municipal Code 33.740.020(B) Commission Review. Therefore, the RIP Recommended Draft forwarded by the Planning and Sustainability Commission fails to satisfy City of Portland Municipal Code 33.740.020(B) Commission Review.

Finding 4. The 2035 Comprehensive Plan, Chapter 10: Land Use Designations states,

"The goals and policies in this chapter convey the City's intent to:

 $\hfill\square$ Provide a clear definition of each land use designation.

 \Box Provide guidance for how to update the Zoning Map and Zoning Code."

Under Policy 10.1 in this same Plan chapter identifies Land Use designations, Single Dwelling Residential with the following information:

3. Single- Dwelling- 20,000	The maximum density is generally 2.2 units per acre. The corresponding zone is R20
4. Single- Dwelling- 10,000	The maximum density is generally 4.4 units per acre. (9,900 sq.ft/unit). The corresponding zone is R10.

5. Single- Dwelling- 7,000	This designation may also be applied in areas where urban public services are available or planned, but the development pattern is already predominantly built-out at 5 to 6 units per acre.(7,920 sq.ft/unit) Single-dwelling residential will be the primary use. The maximum density is generally 6.2 units per acre. The cor responding zone is R7.
6. Single- Dwelling – 5,000	It is intended for areas where urban public services, generally including complete local street networks and access to frequent transit, are available or planned. Areas within this designation generally have few or very minor development constraints. Single-dwelling residential will be the primary use. The maximum density is generally 8.7 units per acre. (5,007 sq.ft/unit)The corresponding zone is R5.
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The PSC proposed Table 110-4 Summary of Development Standards in Single-Dwelling zones in Volume 2, Residential Infill Project – Recommended Draft, Zoning Code Amendments allows 3 or more total dwelling units for property zoned R-20, R-10, R-7, R-5, and R2.5. Therefore, Table 110-4 Summary of Development Standards in Single-Dwelling Zones in Volume 2, Residential Infill Project-Recommended Draft, Zoning Code Amendments fails to satisfy the 2035 Comprehensive Plan, Chapter 10, Policy 10.1 and subsections 3-7.

<u>Finding 5</u>. Policy 1.14 of the 2035 Comprehensive Plan requires consideration of impacts on the existing and future availability and adequate capacity of urban public facilities when amending Plan implementation tools, such as the zoning code:

"Public facility adequacy. Consider impacts on the existing and future availability and capacity of urban public facilities and services when amending Comprehensive Plan elements and implementation tools."

The RIP proposes up to 2-times the number of residential units per lot in the Single-Dwelling zone not covered by the "z" overlay than is supported by the adopted Plan. No public facility adequacy study has been published by the city supporting this added density. Therefore, the recommended RIP fails to satisfy the 2035 Comprehensive Plan Policy 1.14.

<u>Finding 6.</u> Chapter 8 of the 2035 Comprehensive Plan, Public Facilities and Services, establish the foundation of public investment and funding through meticulous inventories of the city's public facilities. Capacity analyses are then conducted based on the proposed planned residential density of the of the area to be serviced. This establishes some predictability for system upgrades as city investments. Policy 8.21 under Public Investment states:

"System capacity. Establish, improve, and maintain public facilities and services at levels appropriate to support land use patterns, <u>densities</u>, and <u>anticipated residential and employment</u> growth, as physically feasible and as sufficient funds are available."(*emphasis added*)

The PSC Recommended Draft RIP proposes 4 and up to 6 residential units on properties that are designated as Single Dwelling in the City of Portland Municipal Code based on Residential Infill

Project, Volume 2: Zoning Code and Comprehensive Plan Amendments, Recommended Draft August 2019, and Residential Infill Project Potential Amendment Concepts, dated February 13, 2020. This recommendation doubles and even triples the land use densities established Policy 10.1 of the Comprehensive Plan. No city-wide System Capacity Analysis supporting the Residential Infill Project densities in the Single Dwelling zones has been published by the City of Portland. Therefore, the PSC Recommended Draft RIP fails to satisfy the 2035 Comprehensive Plan Policy 8.21 – System Capacity.

<u>Finding 7.</u> The 2035 Comprehensive Plan Chapter 5 – Housing, Middle Housing states Policy 5.6(part) "...Where appropriate, apply zoning that would allow this within a quarter mile of designated centers, corridors with frequent service transit, high capacity

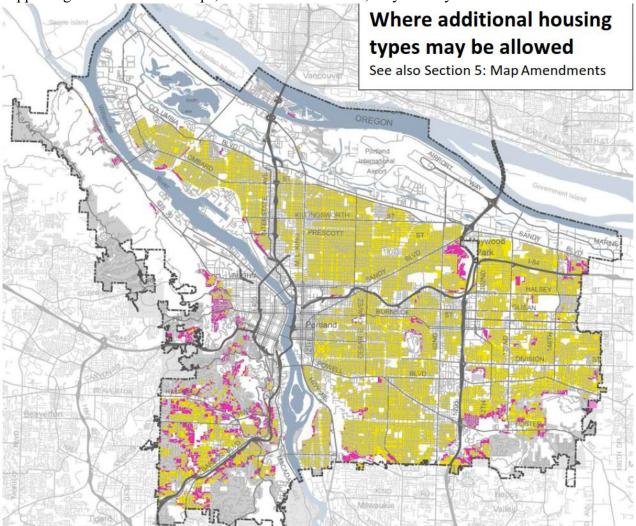
transit stations, and within the Inner Ring around the Central City.". Instead, the PSC recommends a city-wide implementation of Middle Housing in the Single Dwelling district through RIP in their Recommended Draft. Therefore, the PSC recommended draft fails to satisfy Policy 5.6 – Middle Housing.

Finding 8. The 2035 Comprehensive Plan Chapter 5 – Housing, Higher Density Housing Policy 5.23 states, "Locate higher-density housing, including units that are affordable and accessible, in and around centers to take advantage of the access to active transportation, jobs, open spaces, schools, and various services and amenities." The PSC recommended RIP allows 4 residential units on Single Dwelling parcels zoned R5 that contain 5,000 square feet. This equates to 1,250 square feet/unit in the R5 zone. Chapter 10 of the 2035 Comprehensive Plan establishes the Land Use Designations and densities. The proposed 1,250 sq.ft/ unit level of density correlates with the Multi-Dwelling Residential R2 zone at 21.8 units per acre up to as much as 32 units per acre. Chapter 10: Land Use Designations, Land Use Designations, Multi-Dwelling Residential, 9. Multi-Family-2,000 further states about the R2 zone, "This designation is intended for areas near, in, and along centers and corridors and transit station areas, where urban public services, generally including complete local street networks and access to frequent transit, are available or planned. Areas within this designation generally do not have development constraints". The proposed RIP density is proposed to apply city-wide in the Single Dwelling zones with no consideration these attributes with the exception of the properties being rezoned from R5 to R2.5. Therefore, the PSC Recommended Draft RIP fails to support the Policy 5.23 of the 2035 Comprehensive Plan. Further, the PSC Recommended Draft RIP subverts the Single Dwelling designation by inserting Multi-Family level densities.

<u>Finding 9</u>. The impacted land area of the proposed RIP is identified by the map, below, is from page 15 of Residential Infill Project, an update to Portland's Single-Dwelling Zoning Rules, Recommended Draft August 2019, Volume 1, Staff Report and Map Amendments. No supportive findings have been published by the City of Portland that address the following 2035 Comprehensive Plan Policies relating to this impacted area relating to Public Facilities and Services: 8.22 – Equitable Service; 8.23 – Asset Management; 8.24 – Risk Management; 8.27-Cost- effectiveness; 8.28- Shared Costs; 8.3 Urban Service delivery; 8.4 Supporting facilities and systems;8.62 Combined sewer overflows; 8.63 Sanitary sewer overflows; 8.65- Sewer extensions; 8.66 – Pollution prevention; 8.67-Treatment; 8.86 – Water systems, Storage; 8.87 – Water Systems, Fire Protection; 8.88 – Water Systems, Water Pressure; 8.89 – Water Systems, Water efficiency; 8.105 Public Safety and emergency, Emergency management facilities;

8.106 – Public safety and emergency response, Police Facilities; 8.208 Public Safety and emergency response, Fire facilities; and under Supporting Documents and Maps, Public Facilities Plans, Citywide Systems Plan, "2035 Comprehensive Plan Citywide Systems Plan, June 2016"

Therefore, the proposed RIP fails to satisfy the 2035 Comprehensive Plan policies 822, 8.23, 8.24, 8.27, 8.28, 8.3, 8.4, 8.62, 8.63. 8.66, 8.67, 8.86, 8.87, 8.88, 8.89, 8.105, 8.106, 8.208, and the "2035 Comprehensive Plan Citywide Systems Plan, June 2016" identified in the 2035 Comprehensive Plan, Supporting Documents and Maps, Public Facilities Plans, Citywide Systems Plan.



Areas in yellow indicate the R2.5, R5 and R7 zones that are proposed to allow the additional housing types. The magenta areas indicate natural hazard or resource constraints, and the gray areas indicate low-density RF, R20 and R10 zones. Note that minimum lot size and street condition requirements which could limit additional housing types are not reflected in this map.

Therefore, based on the finding of fact stated above, the Planning and Sustainability Commission Recommended Residential Infill Project Draft of August 2019 fails to satisfy numerous elements of the

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City of Portland 2035 Comprehensive Plan. This proposal must be remanded to the Planning and Sustainability Commission for completion prior to final review by the City Council.

In the attached exhibits you will find the resources accessed from which these conclusions were drawn and a list of RIP related 2035 Comprehensive Plan Goals, Policies, and supportive documents that should be considered in the Commission's review.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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Exhibits:A. RCPNA RIP Document ReviewB. RIP Relevant Plan, Goals, and Supportive Documents

CC: Alison Stoll, Executive Director Central NE Neighbors Coalition The Oregonian The Tribune The Willamette Week Hollywood Star

Exhibit B RCPNA RIP Testimony 3/4/2020

RIP Relevant Adopted Plan Goals, Policies, and Supportive Documents

Recommended by: RCPNA Board, RCPNA Chairwoman and Land Use Planner Tamara DeRidder, AICP, and RCPNA Member and retired Land Use Planner Gloria Gardner. Date: March 4, 2020

In order to assist staff and the Commission in the remand on the RIP below describes and quotes plan and supporting document text of what we believe are relevant Plan Goals and Policies for this project that have not yet been addressed.

2035	Plan	Supporting	Relevant text
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ent			use patterns, densities, and anticipated residential and
			employment growth, as physically feasible and as
			sufficient funds are available.
Public	8.22		Equitable service. Provide public facilities and services to
investm			alleviate service deficiencies and meet level-of-service
ent			standards for all Portlanders
Public	8.23		Asset management. Improve and maintain public facilities
investm			systems using asset management principles to optimize
ent			preventative maintenance, reduce unplanned reactive
			maintenance, achieve scheduled delivery, and protect the
			quality, reliability, and adequacy of City services.
Public	8.24		Risk management . Maintain and improve Portland's
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ent			public health and safety, and environmental risks.
Funding	8.27		Cost-effectiveness . Establish, improve, and maintain the
			public facilities necessary to serve designated land uses in
			ways that cost-effectively provide desired levels of
			service, consider facilities' lifecycle costs, and maintain
			the City's long-term financial sustainability.
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Funding	8.28	Shared costs. Ensure the costs of constructing and providing public facilities and services are equitably shared by those who benefit from the provision of those facilities and services.
Funding	8.29	System development . Require private or public entities whose prospective development or redevelopment actions contribute to the need for facility improvements, extensions, or construction to bear a proportional share of the costs.
Service provisio n and urbaniza tion	8.3	 Urban service delivery. Provide the following public facilities and services at urban levels of service to urban lands within the City's boundaries of incorporation: Pubic rights-of-way, streets, and public trails Sanitary sewers and wastewater treatment Stormwater management and conveyance Flood management Water supply Police, fire, and emergency response Parks, natural areas, and recreation Solid waste regulation
Service provisio n and urbaniza tion	8.4	Supporting facilities and systems. Maintain supporting facilities and systems to enable the provision of public facilities and services.
Sanitary system	8.61	Sewer connections. Require all developments within the City limits to be connected to sanitary sewers
Sanitary system	8.62	Combined sewer overflows. Provide adequate public facilities to limit combined sewer overflows to frequencies established by regulatory permits.
Sanitary system	8.63	Sanitary sewer overflows. Provide adequate public facilities to prevent sewage releases to surface waters as consistent with regulatory permits.
Sanitary system	8.65	Sewer extensions. Prioritize sewer system extensions to areas that are already developed at urban densities
Sanitary system	8.66	Pollution prevention. Reduce the need for wastewater treatment capacity through land use programs and public facility investments
Sanitary system	8.67	Treatment. Provide adequate wastewater treatment facilities to ensure compliance with effluent standards established in regulatory permits.

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Stormw	8.68	Stormwater facilities. Provide adequate stormwater
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Stormw	8.69	Stormwater as a resource. Manage stormwater as a
ater		resource for watershed health and public use in ways that
system		protect and restore the natural hydrology, water quality,
		and habitat of Portland's watersheds.
Stormw	8.70	Natural systems. Protect and enhance the stormwater
ater		management capacity of natural resources such as rivers,
system		streams, creeks, drainageways, wetlands, and floodplains.
Stormw	8.72	Stormwater discharge. Avoid or minimize the impact of
ater		stormwater discharges on the water and habitat quality of
system		rivers and streams.
Stormw	8.73	On-site stormwater management. Encourage on-site
ater		stormwater management through land use decisions
system		and public facility investments.
Stormw	8.74	Pollution prevention. Coordinate policies, programs, and
ater		investments with partners to prevent pollutants from
system		entering the stormwater system
Water	8.85	Water quality. Maintain compliance with state and
systems		federal drinking water quality regulations.
Water	8.86	Storage. Provide sufficient in-city water storage capacity
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-,		maintain system pressure, and ensure supply reliability.
Water	8.87	Fire protection. Provide adequate water facilities to serve
systems		the fire protection needs of all Portlanders
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Water	8.88	Water pressure. Provide adequate water facilities to
systems	0.00	maintain water pressure in order to protect water quality
Systems		and provide for the needs of customers.
Water	8.89	Water efficiency. Reduce the need for additional water
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Systems		resource regulations by encouraging efficient use of water
		by customers within the city.
Water	8.90	Service interruptions. Maintain and improve water
	0.90	facilities to limit interruptions in water service to
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Public safety and emerge ncy respons e Public	8.106		Police facilities. Improve and maintain police facilities to allow police personnel to efficiently and effectively respond to public safety needs and serve designated areas.
Public safety and emerge ncy respons e	0.108		Fire facilities. Improve and maintain fire facilities to serve designated land uses, ensure equitable and reliable response, and provide fire and life safety protection that meets or exceeds minimum established service levels.
Public safety and emerge ncy respons e	8.110		Community preparedness. Ensure community preparedness and capacity to prevent, withstand, and recover from emergencies and natural disasters through land use decisions and public facility investments.
Public safety and emerge ncy respons e	8.111		Continuity of operations. Maintain and enhance the City's ability to withstand and recover from natural disasters and human-made disruptions in order to minimize disruptions to public services.
Supporti ng Docume nts and Maps, Public Facilitie		Citywide Systems Plan, "2035 Comprehen sive Plan Citywide Systems	 The update of the 1989 Public Facilities Plan, to address changes such as: City and metropolitan area growth Aging infrastructure Service deficiencies New growth focus on centers and corridors
s Plans		Plan, June 2016" a support document to the Comprehe	 Purposes and objectives include: Serve new residential and employment growth Meet long-term infrastructure needs Provide recommended policies and list of significant projects for the Plan

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	"[E]xisting water, sewer, stormwater systems will serve the majority of current and new residents and businesses' needs over the coming decades, resulting in additional demands on existing infrastructure. The City has a large infrastructure maintenance deficit due largely to the age of many systems, chronic underinvestment in preventative maintenance and capital repair, increasing maintenance costs, and the lack of revenue to allow more sustainable investment. At current funding levels, some of Portland's infrastructure will continue to deteriorate." (pp. 13-14.)
	 "[T]he ability of the City's infrastructure to accommodate growth depends primarily on the City's ability to resolve current deficiencies Major development efforts can overstretch the ability of existing built and natural infrastructure to meet community demands." (p. 14) City infrastructure bureaus estimate that the City "needs
	to invest approximately \$287 million more than current funding levels per year for each of the next 10 years to replace existing aging assets, maintain existing facilities and/or meet service levels This gap will likely grow for each of the next 10 years." (<i>p. 15.</i>) As of 2016 over 80% of the com-
	bined and sanitary pipes are in good or very good condition. However, "projected investments are not keeping pace with the rapidly aging collection system 69% combined sewer system pipes are in good to very good condition, but approximately 10% of pipes are at high risk of failure"(p. 100-101)

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		"The pumping and treatment systems require regular and more frequent capital investment. While pipes have an estimated 100-year useful life, mechanical and elec- trical components have a useful life that ranges from 20 to 50 years." (<i>p. 101</i>)
		The combined sewer system and the sanitary sewer system " have hydraulic and condition deficiencies that impact the ability of these systems to serve existing properties at designated service levels Pipe segments that are in poor structural condition are widely distributed throughout the service area with the exception of outer east Portland where the collection system is relatively new." (<i>p. 102</i>)
		In 2013, sanitary and stormwater systems had an estimated annual capital maintenance funding gap of \$12.4 million. (<i>p. 102</i>)
		"Most of the stormwater pipes and sumps in Portland have been in place for decades and were sized with assumptions about climate and land use that were appropriate at they time they were built." Climate change impacts could exacerbate stormwater runoff, in- crease erosion and sediment in run-off, increase combined sewer overflows, and increase water temperatures. (p. 104)
		Portland's sewer and stormwater rates "are high by regional and national standards Continued public acceptance of rate increases is essential to meeting level of service standards and will require open and clear dialog with the public and decision makers." (<i>p. 105</i>)
		"Per capita water use for single-family residential customers has gone down significantly since 1992 while per capita water demands will continue to decline somewhat over time, the overall demands on the Portland water system will increase due to population growth." (p. 168)
List of Significa nt Projects	List of Significant Projects, December 2018	"The List of Significant Projects includes significant sanitary sewer, stormwater management, water, and transportation projects necessary to support the land uses designated in the Comprehensive Plan." (p. LP-1) Adoption of Residential Infill Project plan, code and map amendments will require updating this part of the Plan.
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Docume nts and Maps, Growth Scenario s Report	Update, Growth Scenarios Report, July 2015" July 2015 Growth Scenarios Report	in outer East Portland." (<i>p. 6</i>) Down-designations from R5 to R7 in the Proposed Plan have slightly reduced the supply of more affordable small lot single family development." (<i>p. 52</i>) Where are the findings to justify <u>down-zoning</u> , in light of the Project focus on <u>up-zoning</u> existing small lot single family development in much of the east side of Portland? Where is an analysis of the trade-off? Would the Project proposal change if outer east neighborhood lots were not down-zoned? How? Are there Centers and Corridors in outer east Portland where higher density housing and <u>up- zoning</u> is desirable? The Plan estimates Portland's residential capacity at 267,000 dwelling units, <i>more than twice Metro's 2035</i> <i>housing growth forecast</i> of 123,000 households for Portland "70% of this capacity is in mixed-use corridors and neighborhood centersOther areas with high growth capacity [include] the Lents Town Center and <i>some parts of East Portland</i> ." This doesn't appear consistent with the down-zoning of lots in east Portland that is proposed in this Project. " <i>About 11% of the development capacity is in land available for single-family dwelling residential</i>
Supporti ng Docume nts and Maps, Buildabl e Lands Inventor y, Buildabl	Buildable Lands Inventory and GIS Model Document	development Portland's predominantly single family residential neighborhoods will see limited new housing development and will remain single-family residential neighborhoods." (emphasis added)(p. 17) How is the Project's proposal consistent with these facts? Appendix 1: BLI Model Assumptions, Table 1: Comprehensive Plan and Capacity Assumptions Single Dwelling Zone FAR(Floor Area Ratio) N/A (not applicable)

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5		infrastructure, and significant new development to
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tions, Land Use designat ions, Multi- Dwelling Resident ial, 8. Multi- Dwelling -3,000		ft./unit), but may go up to 21 units per acre(2,071 sq.ft./unit) in some situations. The corresponding zone is R3.
Chapter 10: Land Use Designa tions, Land Use designat ions, Multi- Dwelling Resident ial, 9. Multi- Dwelling	10.1	This designation is intended for areas near, in, and along centers and corridor s and transit station areas, where urban public services, generally including complet e local street networks and access to frequent transit, are available or planned. Areas within this designation generally do not have development constraints. The maximum density is generally 21.8 units per acre(1,998 sq.ft./unit), but may be as much as 32 units per acre (1,361 sq.ft./unit) in some situations. The corresponding zone is R2.
-2,000 Chapter 10: Land Use Designa tions, Land Use designat ions, Multi- Dwelling Resident ial, 10. Multi-	10.1	The scale of development is intended to reflect the allowed densities while be ing compatible with nearby single- dwelling residential. The designation is intended for areas near, in, and along centers and corridors, and transit station areas, where urban pu blic services, generally including complete local street networks and access to fre quent transit, are available or planned. Areas within this designation generally do no t have development constraints. The maximum density is generally 43 units per acre (1,013 sq.ft./unit), but may be as much as 65 units per acre (670 sq.ft./unit) in some situations. The corresponding zone is R1

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hi, this sellwood home included in this attachment is a perfect example of rip, proposals that will further erode portland's affordability... the 19 unit loophole re - affordability is blatant, and is wrong... the threshold for affordability is 20 units, so what gives?? why continue to embrace rip like development, that counteracts portland's green goal? the photo shows 8002 se 13th sellwood, or from the post, but we think it's actually 8012 se 13th... the developers frequently receive sweetheart deals that go against the affordability crisis we have today, and for decades in the past... rip will only make it worse.... why should we be ashamed to have a yard, or a place for children to play, with pets? please rip up the rip plan, put it to a vote, or enact a demolition moratorium.... if developers really wanted to help portland, they would have been enthused to build real affordable housing all these decades... didn't razing ne neighborhoods in the 1950's/1960's/1970's thru urban renewal teach city hall anything? 30% mfi is real affordable housing... portland can do better... for yrs, demolitions have allowed lead/asbestos into the landfill... that is a total waste! the loss of green spaces, trees, and foliage counteracts our green principals... thx for your time, and remove rip, as portland's history is at stake...

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I oppose RIP. I have been a low to lower-mid level income renter in Portland for the last over a decade. I have two college degrees. I was caught several times as a single mom with my daughter during massive rent hikes and no-fault evictions only just a few years back. One of those times I was forced to leave my apartment, I had no home with my daughter, and were it not for the help of friends, we would've been living in my car. I relied on some key advocacy during that time from Chloe and others, to prevent further my own displacement by greedy landlords and developers.I fought for renters rights, rent control, and nearly everything else in this city which protects the citizens who live here. Living in inner Southeast since 2009 I have seen almost every small business go out of business as Division street and other areas have been demolished and over-developed to welcome higher income, generally white individuals to move in. It's the diversity in fact of this neighborhood which has made it such a great neighborhood and it's sad to see that disappearing on a daily basis. I am now a homeowner here, and while grateful for the security that that offers, it hurts my heart to see my brothers and sisters struggling on the streets every day, and barely making their rents or without homes to live in. Kids are living in cars. THIS IS NOT COOL. Homelessness has risen in our neighborhood significantly, most heavily affecting elderly, disabled, and many other people without the benefits of any kind of safety net. I really wonder when the city is going to start creating infrastructure for the 20,000 homeless people here, and stop focusing on further development which will make that situation worse. Does Portland want to rise to be the great city we hope it to be? Or continue on the path of so many other huge cities which have turned their backs on their communities??? Seems we have a solid 2035 plan already initiated for infill and density of specific areas. I see no reason to put through yet ANOTHER INITIATIVE which will open the door wider for big development to come in and teardown single-family homes. This is happening on nearly every block around me currently. While I do see some duplexes and smaller apartment complexes going up that aren't as horrible as what is happening on Division, I still don't see that these are affordable rents for most individuals still living in these neighborhoods. Frankly I'm getting tired of seeing my city demolished, when we have the funding and capabilities to do so much more careful infill. In the Netherlands for instance, you never see people living on the streets. Are we looking to be the next San Francisco? Where only the wealthy can live and work here? I believe you have the budget and intelligence to make different choices. I want to see my house taxes used more effectively for instance. Start working on affordable housing for all and creating greener, community homes and apartments which support the diversity of our city rather than divide it. I

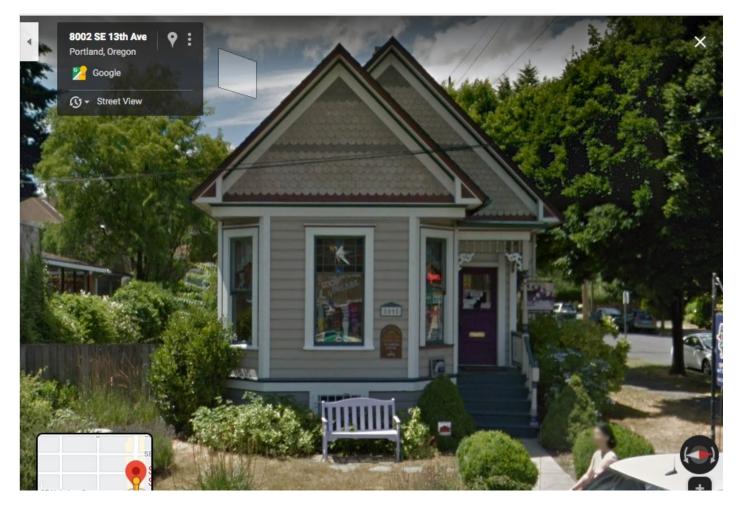
voted for you Chloie and JoAnn....and am relying on you and other city officials to do the right thing, and fight for the rights of the people of this city, rather than serve the interests of the developers

teresa mcgrath

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OPPOSE RIP- sent in other testimony and forgot to put oppose rip...we oppose rip for numerous reasons, but mostly it displaces hard working people struggling with 2 jobs just to survive...why tear down a house for \$300,000 and build a replacement house that costs \$800,000?...the lack of logic here is appalling....portland used to be green, loved its trees, enjoyed yards for children and pets......the reality is urban renewal, aka displacing folks who have lived here for decades.....why?...it's the '60's all over again....many speculators and investors have bought up west coast cities including portland....also portland allows apts to be built without parking, while at least 16, 000 units sit empty via the data....why? ...it's to the istorical aspect in our city, and now they don't even recognize it....bulldozing lead and asbestos is wrong, then depositing it in the landfill...isn't our air compromised enough?...why don't you offer programs that allow folks to stay in their homes, with the earmarked \$ for homelsessness ?...it beats erecting soulless and cheap buildings with materials that won't last very long....we see many remodels of new buildings just a few yrs later with materials that leaked, or have other problems....how efficient is that? we could go on and on....thx for your time



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this sellwood home is a perfect example of rip, proposals that will further erode portland's affordability... the 19 unit loophole re affordability is blatant, and is wrong... the threshold for affordability is 20 units, so what gives?? why continue to embrace rip like development, that counteracts portland's green goal? "The former Sock Dreams building, currently the oldest on 13th Ave in Sellwood, will be demolished (deconstructed) for a 19-unit apartment building with ground-floor retail."

Doug Brazil

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As a resident of Portland for over 70 years, I am opposed to this RIP proposal. I have lived in inner Northeast and Southeast Portland neighborhoods for decades and have seen the growth of Portland as mostly a good thing, since the neighborhoods have retained their architecture and density which is much of the "livability" of the city. The proposal of allowing multifamily units within neighborhoods flies in the face of keeping the personality and scale of Portland. This would most likely force folks out of older less desirable homes to allow developers to drop in higher density, higher priced structures. These folks are generally the ones that need affordable homes and this proposal does not seem to address that issue. Portland is unique in it's variety of single family dwellings. Let's keep it that way. Good planning has allowed multifamily structures on major arterials and there is plenty of room left for that kind of development to handle the projected growth. As was said, "Build it and they will come." That is what will happen with streets already crowded with on-street parking and traffic squeezing into little neighborhoods. We do not need more density in the neighborhoods, we need to retain livability and Portland's unique neighborhood character. Please let this proposal die and RIP.

815 Washington Street Oregon City, Oregon 97045

March 9, 2020

Mayor Ted Wheeler Commissioner Amanda Fritz Commissioner Chloe Eudaly Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty City Hall 1221 SW 4th Avenue Portland, Oregon 97204

RE: Historic Resource Demolition Disincentive amendment

Dear Mayor and Commissioners,

On February 28, 2020, I testified, on behalf of the National Trust for Historic Preservation, in support of the approval of the Portland African American Resources Multiple Property Documentation (MPD) by the Oregon State Advisory Committee on Historic Preservation. The MPD form was approved by the Portland Historic Landmarks Commission in January 2020, and was been approved by the State Advisory Committee on Historic Preservation, before final submission to the National Park Service.

The proposed listing of the Portland African American resources is long overdue. It is a first step in correcting the much needed recognition of the city's African American historic resources. The many proposals of the RIP are the biggest threat to recognition of these neglected resources. These resources are the first ones to be torn down. This amendment would help prevent any additional contributing resources in these conservation districts from being demolished before the completion of this collective MPD effort.

You <u>do not need</u> to seek further advice and input from developers, but really need to seek input from the vulnerable neighborhood residents who are primarily people of color (in North/Northeast Portland) and would be adversely affected physically, and emotionally. The proposal strengthens protections for resources in conservation districts which are not subject to demolition review.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input on this issue, which is critical to the African American community in Portland.

Sincerely,

Denyse C. McGriff

Denyse C. McGriff, Advisor- State of Oregon National Trust for Historic Preservation

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Denyse McGriff first person of color on Oregon City Commission

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Elected officials vote 3-1 to appoint former city employee, Planning Commission chair

Denyse McGriff will become the first person of color to serve on the Oregon City Commission with her appointment March 6.

McGriff, who will be sworn into office March 20, was among nine applicants for the position that Nancy Ide vacated Jan. 18. Retired in 2013, McGriff spent the final 17 years of her career as a senior project manager for the Portland Development Commission.

McGriff may have also been the first person of color to serve as an employee of the city when she took a job as an Oregon City principal planner in 1988, which was the



Denyse McGriff

same year that she and her husband moved to the first city incorporated west of the Rockies in 1844.

"Because of my employment with the city we broke a little ground there, and this is another step in getting our community to be seen how it should be seen," McGriff said. "Becoming a city commissioner is an honor, and I take the responsibility very seriously. It's about communicating, being honest with people and hiding nothing."

Oregon City Commissioner Rachel Lyles Smith encouraged more women to run for City Commission in 2020 and apply to the city's advisory boards and commissions. She said McGriff stood out from the other applicants as having lived in the city the longest, all the while serving on various key city advisory committees.

"I voted for the person most qualified, experienced, professional and ready to step into the position," Lyles Smith said.

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Letter attached.