

My name is Hannah Bryant.

I am here today to thank Commissioner Molinar for her years of incredible service to the City of Portland.

The City is exceptionally lucky to have benefitted from your many years and uncountable hours on the Design Commission. Our Central City, main street corridors and community centers – everywhere the ‘d’ overlay has been applied - are more resilient, more vibrant and more attractive because of your steadfast commitment to ensuring the guidelines are applied reasonably, equitably and for the benefit of all.

Your compassion, humor and patience through contentious hearings, grueling legislative processes and the incredible workload that this position can entail were notable. You have been a role model, a partner and a trusted advisor to staff. I always knew that even if – especially when – you disagreed with an aspect of staff’s recommendation, your thoughtful, articulate explanation would enrich the Commission’s discussion and the quality of the final project.

Thank you, Commissioner Molinar, for modeling the integrity, commitment to public service and unwavering belief in this City. We are all better for it.