

Greetings:

I support the proposed mixed use designation for SE 13th Ave. from Sherrett Street south to Linn Street. I live around the corner, on SE 11th Ave. at Sherrett Street. I support the mixed use designation (v. residential) for the following reasons:

1. The area involved has a history of mixed use. A "Divorce Shop" is giving way to an art and framing store on 13th Ave. between Clatsop and Marion. There is an industrial building (metal shop?) at 13th and Marion. On 13th Ave. between Sherrett St. and Clatsop St. (west side), there have been a fishing shop and a hair salon (in one location) and a large house converted to multiple shops and offices. In the more distant past (10 years), there was a large industrial building where the Trolley Barn townhouses now sit (between 11th and 13th at Linn).
2. Future plan designations should not just be about what is there now but about what would lead to a more attractive city and neighborhood in the future. In my view, mixed use on 13th would create a better neighborhood than limiting development to residential uses.
3. There is no compelling reason to distinguish the area of 13th Ave. north or Harney from the area south of Sherrett.

Thank you for considering my comments.

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