Written Testimony - Agenda Item 56/30

Agenda Item	Name or Organization	Position	Comments	Attachment	Created
30	Dave Peticolas	Support	I support this modest tax waiver for mid-price homes already in development. This is a reasonable change that will encourage housing production by mitigating the effects of higher interest rates. Please also consider a temporary suspension of park SDCs for the same reason. The city has \$180M of collected fees already.		01/07/24 4:49 PM
30	Portland Neighbors Welcome	Support	I am affiliated with Portland Neighbors Welcome and I am writing to support Commissioner Rubio's pro-housing reform. Waiving taxes and fees for mid-price for-sale homes already being developed will help businesses put in a tight spot by rising interest rates, but does nothing to help startup businesses that don't exist yet. I suggest that the council should consider temporarily suspending SDCs for Portland Parks and Rec. The city is already sitting on \$180 million in previously collected parks fees with no plans to spend any of it, and these funds could go to supporting the development of housing, which we desperately need in Portland, especially for low and moderate-income families.		01/08/24 10:09 AM
30	Elie	Support	Waiving taxes and fees for mid-price for-sale homes already being developed will help businesses put in a tight spot by rising interest rates, but does nothing to help startup businesses that don't exist yet. The council should come back in a few months to consider temporarily suspending parks SDCs. The city is already sitting on \$180 million in previously collected parks fees with no plans to spend any of it.		01/10/24 12:03 PM

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30-1	Justin	Wood
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