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Better Housing by Design Project

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## Better Housing by Design Recommended Draft

Portland City Council Hearing

October 2, 2019, at 3 p.m.

Council Chambers, City Hall

1221 SW 4th Avenue, Portland, Oregon.

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# City Council Hearing on: Better Housing by Design Recommended Draft

## Why am I receiving this notice?

You are receiving this notice because you responded in writing to the matter, testified at a previous related hearing, or have requested notice of this hearing.

## What is this project about?

The Better Housing by Design Recommended Draft includes proposals for Portland's multi-dwelling zones (primarily R3, R2, R1 and RH) that:

- Provide a new set of zones (RM1-RM4) that regulate development intensity by building size instead of unit density, providing more flexibility for the numbers and types of units.
- Expand development bonuses for projects that include affordable units.
- Allow limited amounts of ground-floor commercial uses along major corridors.
- Address needs for residential outdoor space and make parking optional in more situations.
- Limit front garages and front parking.
- Provide standards specific to East Portland to promote better site design and new street connections.
- Change Zoning Map and zoning regulations for higher density zones in historic districts to address development scale issues, while providing incentives for affordable housing units.

## How can I review this proposal?

The Better Housing by Design Recommended Draft includes the following:

- **Volume 1: Staff Report** - Summary and analysis of draft multi-dwelling zoning code and map amendments
- **Volume 2: Zoning Code Amendments** - Draft Zoning Code and Comprehensive Plan text and commentary
- **Volume 3: Additional Zoning Amendments** - Additional code amendments updating other regulations
- **Appendices**

The Recommended Draft is available at [www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/betterhousing](http://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/betterhousing). Hard copies of Volumes 1-3 are available at our office at 1900 SW 4th Avenue, 7th floor. The bureau receptionist will mail you a copy if you call 503-823-7700.

To view proposed zoning for individual properties, use the Map App: [www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/mapapp](http://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/mapapp). Select "Better Housing by Design" and type in the property address to view proposed zoning information.

## How can I comment on this proposal?

**Testify at the City Council hearing.** The hearing, on **October 2, 2019, at 3 p.m.**, will be in Council Chambers at City Hall, 1221 SW 4th Avenue. MAX and many buses serve this building. Call Tri-Met at 503-238-7433 or go to their web site at <http://www.trimet.org> for routes and times.

**Submit written testimony to City Council.** Written testimony can be provided by the following options and must be received by the time of the hearing and include your name and address.

Use the Map App	Use U.S. Mail:
<a href="http://www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/mapapp">www.portlandoregon.gov/bps/mapapp</a> Select <b>Better Housing by Design</b> and click on the "Testify" button. Testifying in the Map App is as easy as sending an email.	City Council Better Housing by Design Testimony 1221 SW Fourth Avenue, Room 130 Portland, OR 97204

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