

# **Better Housing by Design Project**

## **Decisions from April 30<sup>th</sup> PSC Work Session/Recommendation**

**1. Vote on previously-discussed and technical amendments to the Revised Proposed Draft (amendments 5-12).**

6 Yes / 0 No

**2. Votes on new potential amendments (raised by commissioners)**

**Amendment 1:** Allow daycares as a limited use in multi-dwelling zones, regardless of location.

6 Yes / 0 No

**Amendment 2:** Exempt required bicycle parking from FAR calculations. Also – direct staff to track the Bicycle Parking Code Update refinements to this code language (Mixed Use Zones) and make corresponding changes to the Multi-Dwelling regulations (when go to City Council) to provide consistency.

6 Yes / 0 No

**Amendment 3:** Modify the pedestrian standards to allow a pathway to an entrance to up to 4 units to be as narrow as 3-feet wide.

6 Yes / 0 No

**Amendment 4:** Set a maximum width of 15 feet for required pedestrian connections for large sites. Proposed amendment withdrawn by Commissioner Spevak.

**3. Vote on the entire Better Housing by Design package, as amended.**

6 Yes / 0 No

Comments: Regarding changes related to BHD going first to City Council, concerned about pulling items from RIP that are part of the total RIP package, such as amendments to height measurement (Spevak). BPS staff will bring listing of BHD/RIP changes to PSC officers (Zehnder).

**4. Comments on letter to City Council:**

- Should present BHD to City Council as being part of a package with RIP (Spevak).
- Letter should indicate support for anti-displacement measures (Spevak).
- BHD project is doing much to expand housing options (Smith).
- Not for letter, but there is much we don't know about displacement, such how often renters move anyway and whether people being displaced by development will or will not be able to afford the new housing (Bachrach).
- Like the idea of presenting RIP and BHD as a package – both projects are about regulating building form while providing more flexibility for density – should highlight commonalities between the projects (Bortolazzo).
- Should highlight benefits for East Portland, such as creating livable outdoor spaces (Larsell).