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October 27, 2014

City of Portland
Zoning at 6801 SE 60th
Portland, Oregon

Re: zone to "Open Space"

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I am a firm believer that exposing children to things natural, is one ingredient to healthier individuals, instead of artificial intelligence devices now appearing in the hands of any student.

As one of the original educators of inmates at CRCI, NE Sunderland Blvd in Portland, working with the Lettuce Grow Garden Foundation, I discovered that interested inmates exceeded my expectations in learning how to grow their own produce organically. That program began there and followed the

examples of inmates from Coffee Creek, and now are held at all 14
Correctional Institutions throughout Oregon.

Reinstating the Green Thumb program and retaining that site as Open Space
will benefit many neighborhood citizens and students that succeed this
meeting.

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Notes: As a retired landscape contractor
I bought plants and materials - supplies
from PORTLAND Nursery since 1973
and PORTLAND Nursery donated &
discounted products for us at
CRCI through LGGF.

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