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To Our Fellow Portlanders:

The 2035 Comprehensive Plan and our accompanying letter tell you HOW we are planning for Portland’s growth in the next 20 years. As a Commission, we spent many hours considering “the how of it.”

We also want to tell you WHY we are doing this. What makes Portland such a special place?

C.E.S. Wood, an early Portland pioneer, wrote: “Good citizens are the riches of a city.”

That is it. The secret sauce of Portland... what makes our city so unique. It is you. It is us. It is WHY we are doing this at this time.

Yes, we have wide and diversified art and culture here. Yes, we have genuine concerns for our livability, affordability and accessibility here. And yes, we show up for events large and small that support our community and give us our reputation for doing things differently and successfully. We are admired for what we do and how we do it.

And activities and entrepreneurs have created neighborhoods throughout the city that spring up, take hold and flower, creating their own versions of community.

All in the spirit of making this place safe and secure.

Showing up and being unique is a value we must never lose as a city as we grow. It’s an asset that is priceless.

BUILDING BRIDGES FOR THE COMMON GOOD

We’re proud to say that we’re from Portland. Working together for the Common Good.

There is no place like Portland. With the 2035 Comp Plan, we aim to keep it that way.

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