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**To:** [Planning and Sustainability Commission](#)  
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**Subject:** Composite Zoning Proposal - SE Belmont Street - Historic Block  
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To the Planning and Sustainability Commission:

I am writing to express my serious concern about the proposal to change the zoning in the Historic Block of 3300 - 3356 SE Belmont Street from CN1 (3 story maximum) to CN2 (5 story). I urge the Planning and Sustainability Commission to keep the livability of this SE Belmont Street neighborhood by zoning this Historic block CN1 (3 story maximum). I am very opposed to a CN2 designation (5 story), which will ruin this historic block and negatively impact the livability of this wonderful Portland historic neighborhood.

A change to CN2 (5 story) will most definitely make the historic buildings on this street vulnerable to demolition and will result in displacement of local small businesses and residents as well as destroy the much loved character of the Sunnyside Neighborhood. Traffic will become unbearable and the sunlight will be lost as Belmont is a narrow street and was never meant to be flanked by such tall and out of scale structures.

This area is also important as a regional destination for locals and tourists alike because it exemplifies the best of what a vintage Portland neighborhood has to offer. As a regional destination it is important now and in the future for the greater Portland metropolitan economy.

Please do not approve this up-zoning change for the Historic Block of 3300-3356 SE Belmont.

Thank you,

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Sent from my iPad