

September 5, 2017

City Central Point Planning Commission 140 S 3rd St Central Point Oregon, 97502

Re: ZC 17001 & CPA 17002 amending the Comprehensive Plan Map and Zoning Map from Medium Mix Residential Low Mix Residential for a property identified as 37S 2W 11C

Dear Commissioners:

This letter is submitted jointly by Housing Land Advocates (HLA) and the Fair Housing Council of Oregon (FHCO). Both HLA and FHCO are non-profit organizations that advocate for land use policies and practices that ensure an adequate and appropriate supply of affordable housing for all Oregonians. FHCO's interests relate to a jurisdiction's obligation to affirmatively further fair housing. Please include these comments in the record for the above-referenced proposed amendment.

As you may know, all amendments to the Comprehensive Plan Map and Zoning Map must comply with the Statewide Planning Goals. ORS 197.175(2)(a). The staff report claims that the proposed amendment will result in 12 fewer units on the property, and that this will not interfere with the City's ability to meet its Goal 10 obligations as a whole. Staff Report, 173. However, the staff report does not make Goal 10 findings for the proposed amendment to this particular property with reference to how these applications fit with the City's Goal 10 obligations.

When a decision is made affecting the residential land supply, the City must refer to its Housing Needs Analysis and Buildable Land Inventory to show that an adequate number of needed housing units (both housing type and affordability level) will be supported by the residential land supply after enactment of the proposed change—that analysis was not included in the staff report.



HLA and FHCO applaud the City's aim to increase its residential supply by annexing land. However, even when a proposal increases the residential land supply, the City must show that it is adding needed residential zones (e.g. TOD-MMR, TOD-LMR) and not giving up buildable land for multi-family development under threat of lower density development. The City must demonstrate that its actions do not leave it with less than adequate residential land supplies in the types, locations, and affordability ranges affected. *See Mulford v. Town of Lakeview*, 36 Or LUBA 715, 731 (1999) (rezoning residential land for industrial uses); *Gresham v. Fairview*, 3 Or LUBA 219 (same); see also, *Home Builders Assn. of Lane County v. City of Eugene*, 41 Or LUBA 370, 422 (2002) (subjecting Goal 10 inventories to tree and waterway protection zones of indefinite quantities and locations).

HLA and FHCO urge the Commission to defer adoption of the proposed amendment until Goal 10 findings can be made. Thank you for your consideration. Please provide written notice of your decision to, FHCO, c/o Louise Dix, at 1221 SW Yamhill Street, #305, Portland, OR 97205 and HLA, c/o Jennifer Bragar, at 121 SW Morrison Street, Suite 1850, Portland, OR 97204. Please feel free to email Louise Dix at ldix@fhco.org or reach her by phone at (541) 951-0667.

Thank you for your consideration.

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