

October 1, 2018

City of Mt. Angel Planning Commission 290 E. Charles St. Mt. Angel, OR 97362

Re: File Number ANX 2018-03

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). When a decision is made affecting the residential land supply, the City must refer to its Housing Needs Analysis (HNA) and Buildable Land Inventory (BLI) 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.

The staff report for the proposed amendment concludes that "[t]he proposal will provide for the availability of adequate numbers of needed housing units at a variety of price ranges and will allow for flexibility of housing location, type, and density," without reference to specific findings as support. The report, however, must include reference to the City's HNA and BLI so the City may be sure this report's assertion is accurate. Goal 10 findings must demonstrate that the amendment's effects do not leave the City 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 Cty. 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). Only with a complete analysis showing the net amount of needed housing as compared to the HNA and BLI can housing advocates and planners understand whether the City is achieving its goals through code amendments.

As such, HLA and FHCO urge the Commission to defer adoption of the proposed amendment until Goal 10 findings have been included. 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.

Thank you for your consideration.

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