

January 9, 2019

City of Eugene Hearings Official 99 West 10th Avenue Eugene, OR 97401

Re: Comments on Marquis Care Facility: File Numbers Z18-3 / CU18-2 / SR18-6 / ARA18-23

Dear Hearings Official:

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 the proposal "is consistent with applicable provisions of the Metro Plan," but does not include City-specific Goal 10 findings. 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 and may track the City's progress in meeting its HNA and BLI.

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. This proposal appears to move towards more dense housing suggesting that housing needs will be met and we request the metrics to support the decision.

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 or reach her by phone at (541) 951-0667.

Thank you for your consideration.

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