



Memorandum

Date: August 17, 2023
To: West Linn City Council
From: West Linn Planning Commission
Subject: PLN-23-01 Recommendation – HB2003 Implementation

The Planning Commission held a legislative public hearing on August 16, 2023, for the purpose of making a recommendation to the City Council on adoption of proposed amendments to the West Linn Comprehensive Plan, West Linn Comprehensive Plan Map, and West Linn Zoning Map to implement HB2003 requirements.

In 2022, the City Council directed the Planning Commission to act as the working group for HB2003 implementation and recommend necessary amendments for compliance. The Planning Commission met three times from April 2023 to July 2023 to review draft documents and make changes before bringing the amendments into the legislative adoption process.

The primary discussion points included:

- Ensuring West Linn Comprehensive Goals and Policies were aligned with the findings in the 2021 West Linn Housing Capacity Analysis (HCA)
- Need to address housing affordability in not only policy updates, but also through future actions identified in the upcoming Housing Production Strategy process
- Aligning zoning with Comprehensive Plan Map designations
- Complying with state housing rules by adopting the HCA and rezoning five-acres of low-density residential land to multi-family housing

After conducting the public hearing, the Commission deliberated and voted seven (7) to zero (0) to recommend City Council adopt the proposal as presented. No written or oral testimony was submitted by community members.

Respectfully,



John Carr
Chair, West Linn Planning Commission