## Correspondence received since March 8, 2010

An unavoidable event will prevent me from attending the March 22 work session. I believe you will have a quorum and encourage you to have the meeting in order to process Chapter 25 in a timely manner.

I am submitting my concerns regarding the code.

- 1) I support putting back the language on Aluminum windows but ask for language stating it must only be used when Aluminum windows are original to the house.
- 2) I support putting back the language that allows cedar milled roof shingles.
- 3) In general, I support strong code that requires residents of the historic district to adhere to design that conforms with the character of the district.
- 4) I am looking to staff with specific historic district planning experience and knowledge to review changes made by Councilor Carson that were specifically made for her property to see that they are of benefit for the entire district. Specifically, language that previously said the ADU's needed to be in the rear of the property. The increase in square footage of ADU's, the lot size and shape of the property.
- 5) I am in support of having the planning commission review these changes.

Thank you,

Patti Galle

Mayor

Comments of S. Burgess Ordinance 1594 – Willamette March 10, 2010

General – I would like a clean draft as the Planning Commission approved it. All suggested changes, e.g. from March 1 work session or from these comments and others, recommended by councilors or staff should be shown on separate documents as proposed amendments.

Page 6 – Add to "purpose" language that the intent of the special provisions will not conflict with other code language, i.e. the special district provisions will provide for good pedestrian access (sidewalks), not create parking conflicts, allow good traffic flow, support improved sustainability and carbon footprint reductions, e.g. access to solar.

Page 8 - The map is unreadable.

Page 10 - Under "terms of service" add West Linn appointees, while serving 3 years, shall serve until replaced.

Page 15 – "Parking" – clarify language that alleys are not <u>for</u> parking but for access to parking, e.g. garages.

Page 20 - Windows -

- 1. We should not disallow replacing windows with more energyefficient, double pane windows even if we require original materials (e.g. wood) and sizes.
- 2. Mill aluminum only "shiny" not dull prohibited?

Page 22 – Shingles – We should not disallow architectural comp shingles. They look good and disallowing them my drive residents to more expensive or lower quality (shorter lifecycle) shingles because that is what is being manufactured and selling.

Page 24 – ADU – I do not understand what is being proposed, e.g. Is there a difference between attached or attached ADU's?; one story is 600 sq. ft. total but a 2-story is 500 sq ft total?; existing v. new?

Page 29 – Do NOT allow City Engineer to waive sidewalk requirement for in lieu. Get the sidewalk now or it will never happen.

Page 33 – I do not support prohibiting flag lots. Discouraging may be ok but not prohibiting. Flag lot may be the only way to subdivide a larger than zone (R-5) lot. We have to build up if we don't want to build out a la Stafford.

## Spir, Peter

From: Cummings, Teri

Sent: Wednesday, March 10, 2010 3:39 PM

To: Spir, Peter Sonnen, John

Subject: FW:

Peter and John, here are my suggestions, Teri

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From: Cummings, Teri

Sent: Wednesday, March 10, 2010 3:38 PM

To: Lynch, Tina; Galle, Patti; Carson, Jody; Kovash, John; Burgess, Scott

Cc: Jordan, Chris

Subject: RE:

In addition to Patti's suggestions, I would like to review (pg 26) language restricting windows facing sideyards on upper levels of ADUs.

It appears that the main purpose was preservation of privacy. Placing windows higher may not accomplish that as well as opaque glass could. Windows on upper floors provide natural light and ventilation thereby decreasing energy usage. That is how we have addressed side-facing windows elsewhere in the code I will be available March 22 to explore alternatives. Teri

From: Lynch, Tina

Sent: Tuesday, March 09, 2010 4:24 PM

To: Galle, Patti; Carson, Jody; Kovash, John; Burgess, Scott; Cummings, Teri

Cc: Jordan, Chris

Subject:

Good afternoon,

Attached is Mayor Galle's notes on the Chapter 25 agenda topics, as you'll note in her note, she will be unable to attend on the 22nd of March, and is submitting her thoughts and comments via the attached note.

Sincerely, Tina

Tina Lynch, City Recorder

Administration, #1430

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## Spir, Peter

From: Kovash, John

Sent: Thursday, March 11, 2010 11:30 AM

To: Spir, Peter; City Council

Cc: Jordan, Chris; Sonnen, John Subject: RE: Historic district issues

Chapter 25 Code.

Page 22: Paragraph K. 2.

I suggest that Milled cedar shingles were used and are permitted be stricken for the following reasons.

- 1. A common roofing material of the period was composition and is allowed. Therefore wood is not essential for authenticity.
- 2. Cedar is scarce and expensive because old growth cedar trees scarce to the point they are commonly the target of thieves.
- 3. Sustainability of cedar in the forest is an issue.
- 4. Wood roofs are a fire hazard and they are commonly treated with toxic preservative chemicals which may not be good for our neighbors or the environment.

John



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From: Spir, Peter

Sent: Wednesday, March 10, 2010 2:47 PM

To: City Council

**Cc:** Jordan, Chris; Sonnen, John **Subject:** Historic district issues

## Mayor and Councilors

If one thing is clear from recent code amendments, it is that fast turnarounds between meetings produce less than perfect results.

With that in mind and the worksession for the Historic District coming up on Monday, March 15, 2010, I would respectfully

ask that any members of City Council who have issues or questions to be addressed please e-mail them to me as soon as possible.