

Submitter: Don Maltase
On Behalf Of: HB 4026
Committee: House Committee On Rules
Measure: HB4026

As a property owner within the proposed expansion area, I was shocked to see an eleventh-hour referendum filed to overturn years of planning, state funded grants, and approved legislation to ensure smart growth. Washington County and North Plains city attorneys testified in open meetings verifying the City of NP's checked every box correctly qualifying for growth. The expansion area will ensure the city can provide jobs, parks, and much needed housing. Lack of housing has resulted in scarcity, leading to a lack of affordable housing. Lack of jobs has forced our citizens into their cars adding to the Region's gridlock. Proposed parks and a trail system will ensure a safe environment for our children.

Please don't let outside forces who have not been involved to derail a state certified process. **YOUR YES VOTE VALIDATES THE STATE'S PLANNING PROCESS.**

Vote in favor, it's the right thing to do.