

Dear Chair Jama, Vice-Chair Anderson, and Members of the Committee,

This letter is in support of HB 4035 without modification. I urge you not to modify HB 4035.

A 100 acre cap is insufficient to address the current lack of affordable housing. Allowing small cities to bring in 150 acres will allow them to bring in land that is most likely to be developed. This will also allow cities the flexibility to grow in a manner that will best serve the cities.

Cities need to be allowed to use land adjacent to the UGB for expansion. The large tracts adjacent to the UGB are often the parcels that are most likely to be developed. They also typically will provide the best land for affordable housing.

I urge you to adopt HB 4035 as written.

Sincerely,

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