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On Behalf Of: Roseburg
Committee: House Committee On Housing and Homelessness
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3921

I oppose HB 3921 primarily for the following reasons:

1. The city, to appease developers, has chosen this area despite other areas being more logical for development. The DLCD agrees with the people of the neighborhood and has asked the city to reconsider other options.
2. There is only one narrow, winding road into the Charter Oaks neighborhood. This road is already dangerous to walkers and bicyclists, a buildout of 600 homes will be a disaster.
3. According to the last Housing Needs Analysis, the city of Rosebug has plenty of land for low density housing, about the right amount for medium density, and a great need for high density housing.
This Charter Oaks buildout proposal is being designated as a low density area, calling into question how this buildout proposal makes any sense, let alone qualify as the emergency the city is claiming.
4. House Bill 3921 is calling this an emergency, so much so residents need to usurp the authority of the DLCD. The claim that it will preserve peace, health, and safety is exactly the opposite of what it will do for those who call Charter Oaks home.

Please reject HB 3921 once and for all.

Sincerely,
Maria Scheleen