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Regarding: LU12-0032

Dear Gentlepersons:

You are being asked to provide recommendation on a plan which will have significant impacts for both the Foothills District and our entire community-a plan whose implementation will bring re-zoning of tens of acres of land. Your role as Planning Commissioners is critical for objective, sound decision-making for our Council, our City and our citizenry.

As addressed in a separate message, the Applicant has failed to address all the issues raised by the proposal; such as the identification/protection of historic and archaeological resources. Equally, if not more important, is the "evidence" they ask you to rely upon in rendering your decision. One readily acknowledges the significant number of Plan pages, photos and charts; however, as one begins close examination, one questions that which is contained within those pages. One questions the apparent responses to some very fundamental "burden of proof" questions; the responses upon which one relies when seeking to make the "right" decision for our city.

As an example, the Applicant asks you to rely upon census data from 1980 & 1990's, as well as, faulty Metro 2010 population projections. Seemingly these are provided in an attempt to justify need in seeking re-zoning of Foothills properties. However, if our current population numbers, and reliable projections, do not support such a significant expansion of housing, is it appropriate to support the proposed plan?

As others have commented, the process for adoption of the revised Foothills Framework Plan has not met the traditional level of citizen involvement standard in our community. Although, sometimes viewed as burdensome, earnest compliance with Goal 1 is essential if good decision-making is to be secured. It is often through such involvement that the "right" questions are asked, and the "right" answers secured, ensuring, we trust, the "right" future for our beloved city.

Therefore, it is respectfully requested your recommendation to the City Council withhold approval of the proposed plan; and, suggest reliance on accurate, reliable data, as well as, broader citizen involvement in a deliberative, collaborative, inclusive process in the preparation of an updated plan for the Foothills district.

Most sincerely,

Erin O'Rourke-Meadors.

PS: Via separate email 2010 Census data has been forwarded to you.

## Lake Oswego (city), Oregon

People QuickFacts	Lake	
	Oswego	Oregon
Population, 2011 estimate	37,046	3,871,859
Population, 2010 (April 1) estimates base	36,619	3,831,074
Population, percent change, April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2011	1.2%	1.1%
Population, 2010	36,619	3,831,074
Persons under 5 years, percent, 2010	4.1%	6.2%
Persons under 18 years, percent, 2010	22.1%	22.6%
Persons 65 years and over, percent, 2010	16.2%	13.9%
Female persons, percent, 2010	52.7%	50.5%
White persons, percent, 2010 (a)	89.3%	83.6%
Black persons, percent, 2010 (a)	0.7%	1.8%
American Indian and Alaska Native persons, percent, 2010 (a)	0.4%	1.4%
Asian persons, percent, 2010 (a)	5.6%	3.7%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, percent, 2010 (a)	0.2%	0.3%
Persons reporting two or more races, percent, 2010	3.0%	3.8%
Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin, percent, 2010 (b)	3.7%	11.7%
White persons not Hispanic, percent, 2010	86.9%	78.5%
Living in same house 1 year & over, 2006-2010	84.3%	81.5%
Foreign born persons, percent, 2006-2010	10.1%	9.7%
Language other than English spoken at home, pct age 5+, 2006-2010	12.3%	14.3%
High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2006-2010	97.9%	88.6%
Bachelor's degree or higher, pct of persons age 25+, 2006-2010	66.1%	28.6%
Mean travel time to work (minutes), workers age 16+, 2006-2010	21.5	22.1
Homeownership rate, 2006-2010	71.7%	63.8%
Housing units in multi-unit structures, percent, 2006-2010	29.3%	23.3%
Median value of owner-occupied housing units, 2006-2010	\$535,300	\$252,600
Households, 2006-2010	15,311	1,499,267
Persons per household, 2006-2010	2.39	2.45
Per capita money income in past 12 months (2010 dollars) 2006-2010	\$47,704	\$26,171
Median household income 2006-2010	\$81,097	\$49,260
Persons below poverty level, percent, 2006-2010	6.0%	14.0%
Business QuickFacts	Lake	
	Oswego	Oregon
Total number of firms, 2007	5,750	348,154
Black-owned firms, percent, 2007	S	1.2%
American Indian- and Alaska Native-owned firms, percent, 2007	0.5%	1.2%
Asian-owned firms, percent, 2007	4.0%	3.6%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander-owned firms, percent, 2007	F	0.2%
Hispanic-owned firms, percent, 2007	S	3.3%
Women-owned firms, percent, 2007	33.1%	29.8%
Manufacturers shipments, 2007 (\$1000)	D	66,880,653
Merchant wholesaler sales, 2007 (\$1000)	764,040	51,910,777
Retail sales, 2007 (\$1000)	322,431	50,370,919
Retail sales per capita, 2007	\$8,749	\$13,494
Accommodation and food services sales, 2007 (\$1000)	85,735	7,555,764
Geography QuickFacts	Lake	
	Oswego	Oregon
Land area in square miles, 2010	10.68	95,988.01
Persons per square mile, 2010	3,429.4	39.9
FIPS Code	40550	41