

November 6, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

Ben James from Elevate Wealth Advisors is a member in good standing with the Oregon City Chamber of Commerce and has been exemplary in his support of Oregon City's businesses. OCCoC agrees that Ben's initiative to include 615 High street in the discount zone would further bolster commerce in Oregon City, and help achieve our goals of a stronger economy.

Midtown commerce and the McLoughlin historic neighborhood districts are the destination areas for the elevator coming up from Main Street. As with OC's award-winning Main Street, Midtown and the historic district have experienced a steady revitalization over the past five years, but more support and visibility are needed. Including the proposed properties in the discount, zone to offer a possible taphouse at the top of the elevator would ensure a flow of traffic into the midtown district and solidify the urban renewal that is already taking place.

By including the properties in the discount zone, Oregon City could offer opportunities to more diverse markets in this area. The inclusion of more businesses such as these would help replicate the success and persona that Downtown has been able to achieve. As advocates for all businesses in Oregon City, the Chamber believes that it is in Oregon City's best interest to grant this request and thereby potentially increase patronage into the Midtown area and the rest of Oregon City as well. The Chamber fully endorses Ben James' request for this request.

Sincerely,

Oregon City Chamber of Commerce

By: Victoria Meinig, CEO