

Greater Bandon Association_____

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City of Bandon Planning Commission

P.O. Box 67

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Dear Commissioners,

The Greater Bandon Association would like to add its support to the Commission granting a Conditional Use Permit to construct the proposed 48-unit apartment building being heard on June 24, 2021.

As I am sure the Planning Commissioners are aware, finding any housing at all in Bandon, let alone housing that is affordable for the workforce coming to Bandon, is extremely hard to do. For the nurse or the teacher serving in our area, the alternative often is commuting 30 miles or more to do their work.

Our Economic Development Committee consisting of a city councilor, city and port administrators, bankers, realtors, merchants, Chamber director, funding organizations and regional development centers has been working tirelessly to address this shortage. But we have little to show for all our effort.

Forty-eight units will not make much of a dent in addressing Bandon's shortage. But assuming the planned building adheres to the requirements of the Bandon Municipal Code, it is a crucial step in the right direction for our community. We urge your approval.

Sincerely,

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Executive Director

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