

Hello,

Upzoning is more racist than anything from our collective racist past... upzoning makes properties MORE expensive, not less. And the "market rate" housing boom in Portland has done nothing but displace the poor and POC over the past 15 years..... It's sad that you are buying into a YIMBY narrative developed by Wall Street and the HBA. We see who you seem to be working for....

Even racially insensitive "New Urbanism" proponents like Richard Florida now admit they have been wrong about density and affordability. White people wanting the cities back is not good urban policy.... and that's what HB2001 advocates.

<https://www.citylab.com/life/2019/01/zoning-reform-house-costs-urban-development-gentrification/581677/>

If what you sought was a city welcoming to people of all incomes, what you'd be proposing is PUBLIC HOUSING.... and not simply hoping that the market will deliver something that you refuse to consider -- a home for every who needs one and not simply for every rich person from around the country that wants one.

Sincerely,

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