Submitter: Don Weber

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Rules

Measure: HB4026

Dear State Legislators,

I am writing to give my support for Amenment 1 to HB4026. I am a resident of North Plains and participated in several UGB meetings. I knew about these through the excellent city newsletter that came every month with my utility bill. The majority of the initial complainers about the UGB process did not live in the city and of course would not have been included in the announcements. All those that attended the meetings I was at were North Plains folks who want responsible growth that will improve the livability of our city. What is the motivation of non North Plains residents to slow our growth and what is the benefit to them of this tactic?

I think our UGB plan was thoughtfully and responsibly done and there will still be many steps after its approval to make sure the growth happens in a responsible way. There are many advantages that come with growth and an excellent example is the new Alfalati Elementary school that was built connected to the new Sunset Ridge development. Without that new neighborhood we would not have this beautiful new school, and great playground and artificial turf playing field that the whole city has access to after school and on weekends.

I realize uncontrolled growth makes people nervous but I do have confidence in the city staff and all the city volunteers than are members of the many city boards that they are allowing our city to grow in a responsible way. As I stated above please pass Amendment 1 and HB4026

Thank you

Don Weber