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Please remove Section 22 (1)(f)

As a city planner with 50 years experience in public and private practice, AND as a former City of Portland housing planner I can testify that this provision does nothing to solving the housing/affordability issue. What is needed is to require zoning codes to be standardized on a regional basis; they need to be less complicated. Currently, I make a pretty good income explaining the City of Portland zoning code to first/only-time developers. It's really code confusion and permit delays, not history preservation.

Regards, and feel free to contact me.

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