

Submitter: Shelley Briggs Loosley
On Behalf Of: Roseburg City Councilor Ward 2
Committee: Senate Committee On Housing and Development
Measure, Appointment or Topic: HB3921

Dear Members of the Senate Committee on Housing and Development,

I urge you to pass HB 3921, which authorizes the City of Roseburg's Urban Growth Boundary (UGB) exchange.

As a Roseburg City Councilor for Ward 2 and Chair of the Homeless Commission, I have seen how our lack of buildable land has stalled housing construction and worsened homelessness. Since 2020, expanding our housing supply has been the Council's top priority, guiding work from the 2019 Housing Needs Analysis to this UGB proposal.

Roseburg is not asking for more acreage; we simply need to trade steep, undevelopable hillsides for flat, serviceable land. Without it, residential building has effectively stopped, leaving working families with few options and driving many into homelessness—an issue we confront every month in Commission meetings.

HB 3921 is the only practical path to meeting the Governor's and Legislature's housing goals in our region. Approving it will immediately unlock new sites for workforce housing and relieve the pressure on our most vulnerable residents.

I respectfully ask for your "yes" vote.

Thank you for considering Roseburg's urgent need.

Sincerely,
Shelley Briggs Loosley
Roseburg City Council, Ward 2