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Dear Mr. Hallyburton
Appeal of City of Portland Periodic Review Tasks 4 and 5 Approval (Order 001892) 1-Objection
4.1 – James Harries

We appreciate the response that our properties on SW 25th in Portland would meet the Planning goals if the zoning were returned to the previous R-10 designation. However, our objection is that the City has not done its homework. I attended several workshops, and made both written and oral appeal at two City Council Comprehensive Plan meetings.

When our appeal came up at the video recorded Council working session, staff showed a high level aerial picture and stated that since there were trees in a nearby natural area as well as trees on our properties, zoning requests were not to be answered. No one has bothered to visit or even set foot in the area. Had the city planners and commissioners come to the properties or even zoomed in on the aerial, they would have quickly discovered the properties were developed in an old holly orchard, and that the trees in question are invasive species. Further development would eliminate the invasive species as well a further city and state environmental goal.

Please consider that the City has not followed reasonable procedure, and sustain our objection requesting the R-10 zoning we previously had.

Sincerely,

James R Harries