City of Bend Affordable Housing Fund

(Construction Excise Tax)

Adopted by Council in 2006, the City of Bend assesses a fee 1/3 of 1% of the total Building Permit Valuation for residential, industrial, and commercial developments. 100% of the revenue is used to address the need for affordable housing in Bend.

• To date, The City of Bend has loaned out over \$11 million since inception which has funded 615 units including:

539 multi-family units – Over two-thirds of which are at or below 60% AMI, with the remainder below 80% AMI.

76 single-family homes – one quarter of which are at or below 50% AMI; one-half of which are at or below 80% AMI, and three-quarters of which are below 100% AMI.

Per direct testimony from developers, the majority of these units would not have been funded without the City of Bend's housing fund's assistance.

 To date, the Affordable Housing Fee has leveraged over \$62.6 million in State and Federal funding and over \$14.2 million in private equity.

Federal and State Housing Financing Programs, along with most private financing sources typically have a requirement for match funding. Bend's affordable housing fee has helped ensure access to numerous opportunities.

- This year, another 67 multi-family units and 16 single-family units are coming online, with the 16 single-family units targeted to families at around 40% AMI.
- Another round of funding (\$1 million) will begin at the end of the month.
- Bend's Affordable Housing Fund is utilized by both non-profit and for-profit developers.
- During the recession and up until around three years ago, the Central Oregon Builders Association estimated that the City of Bend was the largest housing construction lender in Central Oregon.