Submitter: CR Hutchison

On Behalf Of:

Committee: House Committee On Housing

Measure: HB4118

Please note that I oppose HB4118.

I believe the original HB 4118 was well-intentioned and reasonable to provide worker housing.

However, — it unnecessarily pits two good things against one another: housing and farmland. To allow a private landowner to request that a city expand its UGB without going through the land use planning process is absurd. We have decent land use laws in Oregon! Which protect property owners and our land.

Circumventing the public process is never a good idea!! It is not democratic and does not allow for long term thinking of experts and our communities!

The -1 amendment would entirely replace HB 4118 with a new concept, which could have an even more widespread and adverse impact on UGBs.

We can do better and must! Please oppose HB 4118!