

Submitter: Erin Stephenson

On Behalf  
Of: Atticus Hotel

Committee: Joint Committee On Ways and Means Subcommittee On Capital  
Construction

Measure: HB5030

I am writing to share my strong support for the City of McMinnville's request for \$4,000,000 in funding for our Third Street Improvement plans--a project our community has been working to bring to fruition for over 20 years. These infrastructure improvements are key to the long term economic viability of our city and deserve support from the State of Oregon as an important strategy to help buoy economic development in McMinnville and beyond.

The Third Street Improvement project will help fund essential infrastructure needs in one of Oregon's top tourist destinations. Visitors drawn to Oregon for our pinot noir embrace downtown McMinnville as a home base from which to experience the rest of the region, helping to spread the spend across the state. Funds will help ensure that McMinnville remains an economic powerhouse by ensuring our downtown's infrastructure can meet the needs of the existing community and facilitate long term growth.

I sincerely hope that you will invest in McMinnville's future. A stronger McMinnville helps create a stronger Oregon.

Sincerely,

Erin Stephenson  
Co-Owner  
Atticus Hotel, 3rd Street Flats, Mack Theater, Cypress

Chair of the Board of Directors  
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