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I support funding for affordable housing. I oppose expanding urban growth boundaries to increase buildable residential lands. Communities need to build up vertically, and not out horizontally. Expanding the urban growth boundaries puts housing further from commercial areas and increases reliance on individually operate autos, which in turn uses up more land for roads. Increasing transit within existing urban growth boundaries, while building vertically increases the use of transit without increasing acreage used for roads. There is plenty of room to go vertical, and there are plenty of cars already. Don't expand UGBs to increase affordable housing. It won't work, and more sprawl destroys communities.