

## EXHIBIT B

R. Damian Williams  
1403 35th Ave. NW  
Salem, OR 97304

Nov 7, 2021

To whom it may concern:

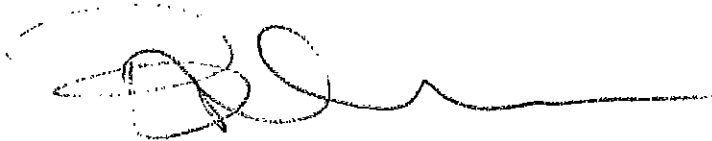
It has come to my attention that the county restricts the total number of car garage doors in the Suburban Residential Zone. I am in support of removing that restriction for properties outside of the Urban Growth Boundary, even though I reside inside the boundary..

While I understand why the provision is in place for residents inside the Urban Growth Boundary, it doesn't make much sense for homes that reside outside of the boundary. Homes outside of the boundary tend to have much more land and thus need more space for equipment to maintain their properties. Having the ability to have a third garage door gives those properties proper room to store tractors, mowers, and other tools that are needed to keep their properties upkept.

Having this restriction removed will still uphold the integrity of the original code provision, which is to inhibit unsightly lot coverage or overly dominating structures on small, high density lots that are inside the Urban Growth Boundary.

My hope is that you take my request into consideration and make needed changes to help all of our citizens in Polk County.

Thank you.



R. Damian Williams

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October 29, 2021

Polk County Board of Commissioners  
850 S. Main St.  
Dallas, OR 97338

RE: Support of Text Amendment to Chapter 127.020(G)(5) of the Polk County Municipal Code.

Commissioners,

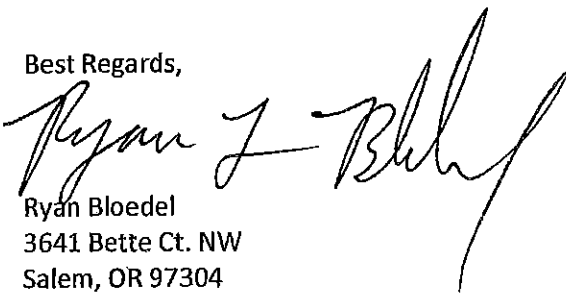
My name is Ryan Bloedel, and my family and I reside at 3641 Bette Ct. NW, Salem, OR 97304. I am writing in support of the proposed text amendment to Chapter 127.020(G)(5) of the Polk County Municipal Code, and hope it is an issue that the Board will take up, and ultimately support the proposed amendment. Our property is 2 acres in size, and is zoned SR, and we are located outside the UGB. One of the main reasons we wanted to live on 2 acres was it would allow for enough space to have an accessory structure, and still feel like we fit in with the neighbors, and still allow for plenty of yard and open space between properties. We have a boat, as well as some other equipment that will not fit into our garage, so I currently am having to store them offsite, as I don't want to be left out in the open both due to weather, as well as it being unsightly. I have plans to build a shop but have become aware that I would not be able to build the shop with additional garage doors in it, due to the current language in the code, without going through the full variance process. This code amendment would allow me to build my shop, without the added time and expense of the variance.

I have learned that many of the properties that have the SR zone are located inside the UGB and in many cases are 1 acre in size or less. In those cases, I can see where this language makes sense, and I understand the intent of the code. However, in the case of properties like mine, that are over an acre in size, and outside the UGB, it doesn't make sense. This is the perfect location for someone to be able to have an accessory structure, and store additional vehicles or equipment, out of sight.

Again, I hope that the Commissioners will be willing to take up this matter, and ultimately support the proposed change.

Thank you for your time and consideration!

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ryan Bloedel". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping "R" and "B".

Ryan Bloedel  
3641 Bette Ct. NW  
Salem, OR 97304

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Brad Reynoso  
1623 37<sup>th</sup> Ave NW  
Salem, OR 97304

I am a homeowner in Polk County, and I support the text amendment to Chapter 127.020(G)(5) of the Polk County Municipal Code. My property is zoned suburban residential located in the UGB of Salem, OR. I realize that the text amendment may not impact my property, but I am support to the amendment to allow more allowable storage and cleaner looking properties. I find that 3 car garages may not be sufficient to store vehicles, lawn mowers and tractors that are needed in order to maintain small acreage property. I believe amending this text will allow for more functional as well as more orderly properties for what the zoning intent was for.

Thank you

Brad Reynoso

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brad Reynoso', with a stylized flourish at the end.

**Donnelly Family**

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October 22, 2021

**Polk County Board of Commissioners**

850 Main Street  
Dallas, OR 97338

RE: Support for a proposed code text amendment

To Whom It May Concern,

The Donnelly family, like many others in the vicinity with no known objection, fully support the text amendment that would allow for more than 3 car garage doors on my property without the need to apply for a costly and cumbersome major variance.

We are looking for:

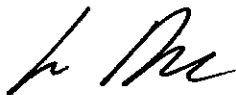
- A place to store our yard maintenance equipment, materials, and vehicles that are currently outside because our garage is overwhelmed. This will make our property look much nicer and out of the public eye.
- A secure place for our personal items. Polk county records will show we have a man on our property, with Meth, claiming he owned it all and we need our items safe.
- A secondary building to better our overall property.

We believe:

- We have the acreage to support more structures and it will look really nice, better than the present.
- That it will increase our property values benefiting not only us but Polk County.
- That we should not have restrictions meant for low acreage properties.

We think this is a common-sense approach and believe this will benefit all.  
Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



**Lance Donnelly**

To: Polk County Board of Commissioners  
850 S Main St.  
Dallas, OR 97338

Date: 10-21-21

From: William S. Ness  
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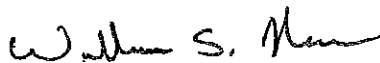
Dear Board of Commissioners,

I live in West Salem on Fernwood CT which is in the SR zone and inside of the UGB. I am about 1900 feet from a nice new gated community with two acre lots above us and to the west of 35<sup>th</sup> Ave NW. These new homes and large lots enhance our neighborhood that is aging. I would even say these new homes have motivated families on my street to reinvest in their own homes, myself included.

I know some of the families up in this new gated community and some of them want to build shops on their excess land which makes sense to me. With two acres to care for and large growing families I would want to do the same thing. Apparently, they are up against a zoning issue in Polk County that limits the number of garage doors to three. As I understand it, they can build a shop but cannot put a garage door on it because they already have three garage doors which does not make sense to me. If they were to build shops without a garage door on it that would seem odd and less desirable to me.

I am writing you in support of allowing a text amendment to allow them to add extra garage doors because an extra garage door on a shop in a gated community above me outside of the UGB certainly will not negatively impact me. I also do not feel it is unreasonable for larger properties like these to utilize more than three garage doors. I believe allowing a text amendment will maintain the integrity of the original code provision that was in place to inhibit unsightly lot coverage or overly dominating structures on small, high density lots. So, for the record, I am in complete support of allowing for more than three garage doors and a text amendment that facilitates as much in the SR Zone and outside of the UGB. Please feel free to reach me by phone or email if you have any questions regarding this letter of support.

Respectfully



William S. Ness

**Webster Family**

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October 24, 2021

**Polk County Board of Commissioners**

850 Main Street  
Dallas, OR 97338

RE: Support for a proposed code text amendment

To Whom It May Concern,

The Webster family, like many others in the vicinity with no known objection, fully support the text amendment that would allow for more than 3 car garage doors on our property without the need to apply for a costly and cumbersome major variance to allow for additional structures with garage doors.

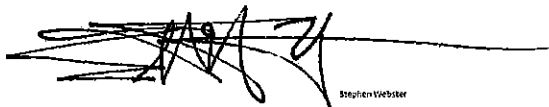
We are looking for:

- A place to store our yard maintenance equipment, materials, and vehicles; some of which are currently overwhelming our garage. Some of these materials are being stored outside in the weather. This will make our property look much nicer and out of the public eye.
- A secure place for our personal items. Polk county records will show we have had an individual trespassing on ours and our neighbors property stealing items that were being stored outside.
- A secondary building to improve our overall property and keep our items safe and out of the elements. This building would allow for a hobby room with a large enough door to move equipment in and out.

We believe:

- We possess the acreage to support more structures which would increase the aesthetic appeal of the property and neighborhood.
- This would increase our property values thus benefiting not only us but Polk County.
- That we should not have restrictions intended for low acreage properties.

We think this is a common-sense approach and believe this will benefit all. Thank you for your time and consideration.



Stephen Webster

Sincerely,

**Steve Webster Jennifer Webster**