Good morning Nick,

I own the .1 acre at the corner of Trowbridge and Dayton. To the north of me there are several homes. To the east across a vacant lot there are several homes. To the west across Dayton are several homes. To the south is Trowbridge. We have a buyer who might like to build a home there and of course your zoning code of "Downtown" denies any residential dwelling in that zone. There was a residential dwelling on that lot some time before I purchased the lot and I am sure there is evidence of that in the Assessor's office. I never heard what happened to the home. It was a bare lot when I purchased it.

It seems a little confusing to me the city's goal in this particular zoning in this obviously residential area. The city has worked hard to come up with incentives to lure new home builders. You and I have talked about the issues of the small lots in John Day that are an appropriate size for tiny homes or just small homes in general.

It seems inappropriate to me to place commercial activity on that lot that sits in the midst of a clearly residential area regardless of what your code says. As we know private homes are the life blood of any community. We have Realtors who have home buyers who can't find a home to purchase.

Is it the intention of the city to turn that entire block of homes between Trowbridge and First and Dayton and Elm into a hub of commercial activity? Can you clarify that for me? Cheers, Eva



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