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1 Joy Place

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I'm writing to express my strong opposition to the 1 Joy Place project off Brackett Street as it is currently proposed. I am disappointed that it has only the one requisite affordable unit at a time when Portland is in such dire need of affordable housing, but my main opposition is due to its lack of parking. As you likely know, parking in this part of Portland is already a nightmare, in part because of daytime Reicke school traffic and in part because this section of Brackett Street is at the corner of Parking District 2. That means that none of us can park to the north of Brackett Street and State Street to our East has metered parking all day. The problem is, of course, compounded on street cleaning days.

It seems unconscionable to allow erection of a 12 unit project of high-end housing for people who will almost certainly have one or more cars when there are only four parking spaces provided.

I strongly hope that you will vote against the current proposal.

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