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City leaders,

**Agenda item 4b:** We appreciate and agree with many of the comments the city has received so far about the proposed development of property known as Meyer Farm. It is clear to us that this is a culturally, historically, and naturally significant property that should be protected as such for the public good, ideally under the direction of local Native Americans.

*We urge the City Council to reject this proposed development.*

**Agenda item 5c:** We appreciate the work that the Salem Human Right Commission does to make our community safer and more equitable. *We support Councilor Stapleton's motion to adopt the recommendations of the Salem Human Rights Commission.*

**Agenda item 5d:** We appreciate and agree with the overwhelming number of comments from this and prior city council meetings, letters to the editor, guest opinions, and social media posts calling for a CAHOOTS-style mobile unit to respond to local crisis situations that are better served by a non-law enforcement response team. There is ample evidence from other cities that this type of crisis support works, it keeps community members safer, and it is more cost effective than sending police to respond to situations they aren't adequately trained for or have the capacity to handle. *We support Councilor Nurdyke's motion to direct staff to bring back to council a report regarding a mobile crisis unit pilot project.*

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