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Bill Name	Position	Priority
HB 4001 INTRO	Support	1

Relating to housing; declaring an emergency.

Directs Housing and Community Services Department to study laws related to housing and to report to Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2020.

1/29/2020 - This bill seeks funding to review housing laws in Oregon. It does not specify any key research topics, it only specifies "housing" as a general term.

HB 4002 A Support

Relating to housing; declaring an emergency.

Requires Portland State University Homelessness Research and Action Collaborative to study long-term rent assistance and to report to interim committee of Legislative Assembly no later than December 1, 2020.

1/29/2020 - This bill provides funding to research legislative best practices in long term rental assistance. This follows the cities priority surrounding the prevention of homelessness. It provides resources to find best practices and legislative fixes. It also keys in on our most vulnerable populations.

1/29/2020 - HB 4002: Requires Housing and Community Services Department to study long-term rent assistance and to report to interim committee of Legislative Assembly no later than October 1, 2020.

HB 4003 Support 2 INTRO

Relating to addressing disparities; prescribing an effective date.

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Authorizes Housing and Community Services Department to provide grants and technical assistance to organizations increasing homeownership program access to persons of color.

1/29/2020 - HB 4003: Housing and Community Services to provide grants and technical assistance to organizations increasing homeownership program access to persons of color. Authorizes expending Home Ownership Assistance Account funds for those purposes.

1/27/2020 - Alternate Review Suggested: Jessica Blakely

HB 4010 Oppose INTRO

Relating to opportunity zones; prescribing an effective date.

Requires addition to federal taxable income of amounts excluded as gain attributable to investment in federal qualified opportunity zone.

2/3/2020 - HB 4010: Disconnects Oregon from the Federal Tax Incentives Established through the Opportunity Zone Program. The bill will not give Oregonians investing in their own communities the same benefits as those who invest elsewhere, or out-of-state investors spending the same money in our communities which would deter investment in our neediest areas.

This bill/position fit within the approved Legislative Priority Statements.

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HB 4014 A Oppose

Relating to use of land; declaring an emergency.

Exempts dog training facilities from state structural specialty codes.

1/31/2020 - HB 4104 would essentially allow legal lots to remain legal when a property line is moved through a circuit court judgement in a property line dispute. The lots would be legal even if they did not meet the City's minimum lot sizes or did not go through a City approval process. The City also could not deny a permit based solely on the relocated lines. The City does not get involved in property line disputes; however, this bill would preempt the City's local control over land use.



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HB 4015 INTRO	Support	1
Relating to ho	ousing; declaring an ei	mergency.

Directs Housing and Community Services Department to study laws related to housing and to report to Legislative Assembly no later than September 15, 2020.

1/29/2020 - Provides funding to review current housing law in Oregon.

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HB 4039 Support INTRO

Relating to homeless youth; declaring an emergency.

Appropriates moneys to Department of Human Services for services provided to unaccompanied homeless youth.

1/29/2020 - This bill provides additional funding for homeless youth. Declares Emergency.

How much would be allocated to the City of Salem, Marion and Polk County? Is there an allocation table?

Relating to materials for local water projects; prescribing an effective date.

2

Prohibits local government, local contracting agency or local contract review board from enacting, adopting or enforcing ordinance, resolution, rule or other law that prohibits, restricts or limits evaluation, comparison or use of pipe or piping materials for water project if pipe or piping materials meet current standards or performance specifications of specified organizations and moneys appropriated from State Treasury directly or indirectly provided funding for water project.

1/29/2020 - Prohibits the City from enacting rules that specify the type of pipe (material) to be used in water and wastewater projects that receive state funding components. The City specifies pipe type in its design standards which are promulgated under Administrative Rule 109-001 to 109-007. The bill would remove local control for design of certain aspects of water and wastewater infrastructure projects.

HB 4071 Support INTRO

Relating to harmful algal blooms; declaring an emergency.

Directs Department of Environmental Quality to purchase cyanotoxin autoanalyzer system and associated supplies and services.

2/3/2020 - Appropriates money to DEQ to enhance their cyanotoxin monitoring program and provides funding to OHA to establish an outreach coordinator on cyanotxins for small systems. The funding request came out of the HABs workgroup that convened after the 2019 session.

HB 4082	Support	2
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Relating to behavioral health; declaring an emergency.

Establishes Behavioral Health Road Map Commission in Legislative Assembly.

2/5/2020 - HB 4082 establishes a Behavioral Health Road Map Commission to define an ideal behavioral health care system for Oregon, assess current behavioral health care system and expenses, and analyze and identify the components of the behavioral health care system that must be added or changed during the next decade to move closer to the ideal behavioral health care system. Their work will be informed needs of Oregon residents who need care.

The Commission will make recommendations each biennium for State budgeting purposes. HB 4082 will provide a much-needed focus on behavioral health and may lead to additional support and funding for local government to reduce hardships that lead to homelessness and chronic homelessness, a policy priority for City Council.



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HB 4095 INTRO	Oppose	1	

Relating to expansion of urban growth boundaries to accommodate affordable housing.

Authorizes Department of Land Conservation and Development to approve local governments' plans for urban growth boundary expansion areas that will accommodate affordable housing.

1/31/2020 - HB 4095 would make it easier for the City to expand its urban growth boundary (UGB) by up to 50 acres to provide affordable housing under certain circumstances (e.g., at least 30 percent of added land is dedicated to affordable housing for at least 50 years). The City, however, recently conducted a housing needs analysis, which found that there is no need to expand the UGB for housing in the next 20 years.

HJR 201 Support 2 INTRO

Proposing amendment to Oregon Constitution relating to a property tax relief program for owner-occupied principal dwellings of certain seniors.

Proposes amendment to Oregon Constitution directing Legislative Assembly to enact property tax relief program for owner-occupied principal dwellings of certain seniors.

2/7/2020 - Legislative Committee determined support if needed.

HJR 203Support withINTROamendments

Proposing amendment to Oregon Constitution relating to funding affordable housing.

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Proposes amendment to Oregon Constitution authorizing new state real property transfer charge or increase in rate of existing state real property transfer charge if state law imposing charge or increase provides for exemption of first \$500,000 of taxable value of real property and revenue is used exclusively to fund or finance affordable housing in this state.

1/29/2020 - This bill would impose a real estate transfer charge on the transfer of real estate. It would offer an exemption for the first \$500,000 of taxable value.

I would suggest additional language in the bill which offers an exemption for any transaction that seeks to use the funds for the current or future preservation of existing / future affordable housing. Any barriers to the development or preservation of affordable housing would present as an unintended consequence.

SB 1532 A Support 2

Relating to supporting homeownership for low income individuals; declaring an emergency.

Authorizes Housing and Community Services Department to provide grants to eligible entities for providing financial assistance to persons in low income households for repair and rehabilitation of residences.

1/29/2020 - SB 1532: Establishes Homeownership Repair and Rehabilitation Pilot Program to provide grants to entities for providing financial assistance to persons in low income households for repair and rehabilitation of residences.

1/29/2020 - This bill provides grant funding for low income individuals to repair their existing residence. With the cost of construction so high, the average low income family may not be able to repair their existing home without financial assistance.

SB 1533Support with2INTROamendments

Relating to residential tenancies.

Authorizes Housing and Community Services Department to provide grants and technical assistance to organizations assisting tenants in eviction proceedings.

1/29/2020 - This bill seeks to provide tenants facing eviction with grant funding to acquire an attorney. An unintended consequence resulting from this bill could be an increased cost to low income housing providers. The cost to fight evictions is high. By providing the tenants an attorney through grant funding, it may force the low income housing providers to keep tenants that potentially cause issue for surrounding neighbors. Low income housing providers cannot evict without cause, in most cases. The funding through low income housing tax credits, HUD funding, Section 8 participants, etc does not allow for termination without cause. The average cost of eviction for low income housing providers is currently \$400-\$1500. The cost



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after SB 1533 could potentially reach in upwards of \$1000+ each case. While the idea on the bill is positive and may help tenants living in conventional housing, the impact to low income housing providers would be disproportionate.

SB 1558 Support INTRO

Relating to CourtCare programs; declaring an emergency.

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Extends sunset on CourtCare pilot programs in Marion and Polk Counties to January 2, 2022.

1/30/2020 - The City of Salem is supportive of Marion and Polk Counties CourtCare program and Senate Bill 1558, which would provide continued funding to this critical service in our community. As prescribed in the current bill, both Marion and Polk Counties are committed to providing a 10% financial match to the support provided by the State of Oregon.