

**NEWBERG AFFORDABLE HOUSING
ACTION COMMITTEE – LEGISLATION COMMITTEE
Meeting Summary for Wednesday, December 8, 2010
4 p.m. to 6 p.m.
Newberg City Hall
Permit Center Conference Room
414 E. First Street, Newberg, OR**

I. Open meeting. Barton Brierley opened the meeting.

II. Roll Call. Subcommittee Attendees: Mike Gougler
Doug Bartlett
Denise Bacon

Absent members: None

City Staff: Barton Brierley, Planning & Building Director

III. Proposed Amendments - Boarders

Barton explained the draft as proposed.

Mike explained that it is difficult to enforce. People who don't have housing don't have other alternatives, and don't have money to pay fines.

Denise explained that the culture doesn't recognize extended families living together. This changes the culture.

Mike suggested that the regulations could trigger fire safety rules and parking rules. If a dwelling is overcrowded, it could be required to move cars, install fire alarms, and so forth.

Barton will draft a proposal for the next meeting.

VI. Proposed Amendments - Annexation

Barton presented and explained the proposed ordinance. The committee discussed the maximum size for batch annexations – 2, 3, or 5 acres. Mike suggested allowing larger properties under a variance process. Barton said that could be done “with consent of the city council.”

Doug suggested that the batch is intended to cover the small properties, with minimal development potential. Barton suggested fewer than three buildable acres, or larger with consent of the City Council.

Barton asked about the City charter amendment. The committee recommended that the City Council consider appropriate changes at some later date.

The committee recommended that for next batch annexation there be no charge; after that they recommended a fee of \$500 to be included.

VII. Retention of Manufactured Housing Parks

The committee discussed the possibility of using urban renewal as a mechanism to improve parks that are in danger. This would collect a pool of funds that could go into improving the parks. Their property taxes would fund this. The subcommittee recommended pursuing this concept.

VIII. Adjourn: 5:25 p.m.

Approved by the Affordable Housing Action Committee – City Legislation Subcommittee this 26th day January, 2011.



Legislation Subcommittee Secretary

Steve Olson