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Dear Mayor and Council,

I am **STRONGLY** against the lobird amendment to transition the land from urban to country housing.

It's evident that such developments will significantly cater to the affluent, and I am concerned about housing affordability for the wider community. Considering the staggering average selling price of country residential lots in Whitehorse, which nears a million dollars, it's imperative to question the efficacy of adding 16 million-dollar homes at the expense of hundreds of homes in tackling the pressing housing crisis in our city.

Moreover, it's disheartening to witness a pattern of resistance from council towards planned development within Whitehorse. Recent decisions, such as voting **AGAINST** development in Porter Creek, have already erased hundreds of potential housing units. Now, with the potential approval of this amendment, hundreds more housing units stand to be lost. This raises serious concerns about how the city plans to compensate for these losses amidst an already strained housing supply.

Furthermore, approving such low-density developments **PERPETUATES** urban sprawl, contradicting the principles outlined in the city's Official Community Plan regarding compact and resource-efficient development. The implications of such low-density development on transit in the area cannot be overlooked, as a certain density is crucial to support sustainable transit systems. How will approval of this impact the city's climate and transportation commitments?

I trust that you will carefully consider these concerns before making any decisions regarding the lobird amendment. Your commitment to responsible and sustainable planning is essential for the well-being and prosperity of the community.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.