

# Better Housing by Design

## AN UPDATE TO PORTLAND'S MULTI-DWELLING ZONING CODE

### What will the Better Housing by Design project do?

Over the past decade, multiple City of Portland project teams have worked with the community to identify issues related to the design of multi-dwelling development and the topic of healthy, connected neighborhoods. Building on this diversity of public input, Better Housing by Design (BHD) will focus on creating new tools, such as Zoning Code regulations and street connectivity approaches, to address issues that are important to the community, including:

#### Site design and healthy active living communities

- ▶ Include open space and green elements that support healthy living for residents.



#### Building design and scale

- ▶ Design and scale new buildings to fit in with neighborhood characteristics in multi-dwelling zones.



#### Street connectivity

- ▶ Use new approaches to create street and pedestrian connections in areas where they don't exist or are insufficient.



#### Amenity bonuses

- ▶ Help meet Portland's diverse housing needs; that is housing that is affordable to lower income households and units design for people of all ages and abilities.