



HOSFORD-ABERNETHY
NEIGHBORHOOD DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

Land Use Services
Portland Permitting & Development

Dear Land Use Services staff,

On behalf of the Hosford-Abernethy Neighborhood District Association (HAND), we write regarding Amazon's proposed Prime Air drone delivery center at 1001 N Schmeer Road. We ask that this letter be included in the record for the proposal.

While the facility would be located on an industrial site, its operations would extend into many city neighborhoods, including our own. Amazon states that its MK30 drone can deliver up to 7.5 miles from a facility and descends to 13 feet above a delivery point. Residents deserve a clear understanding of how frequent flights, noise, and low-altitude activity could affect their homes and streets.

In August, a City planner concluded that the proposed takeoff and landing area is a helicopter landing facility under Portland's zoning code. We urge the City to maintain that interpretation. The resulting Type III conditional use review would allow the proposal's impacts to be examined against the applicable approval criteria and give residents a meaningful opportunity to comment before a decision is made.

If the City departs from the August analysis, we ask that it explain the basis for that decision publicly and in writing. We also ask to be notified of any further decisions, hearings, or comment opportunities.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

HAND Neighborhood Association