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Mayor & Council,

After reviewing Ordinance No. 2025-014, I was struck by the complexity of the system being proposed. To understand how an ERU is defined, a resident must first read Ordinance 2025-12, then reference the International Building Code's Water Supply Fixture Unit Values for various plumbing fixtures and fixture groups, and finally total all fixtures in their existing or planned home. As someone who is not a plumber, I was surprised to learn that the ratios are not intuitive—for example, a single hose bib is equivalent to 2.2 fixtures.

From there, a homeowner must also account for meter size and multiply it by the calculated ERUs in order to determine the final fee per residential unit. This layering of steps feels unnecessarily complicated for residents, developers, and landowners.

I encourage the Mayor & Council to consider adopting a simpler and more accessible system for both current and future residents.

Thank you,

Mariah Underhill