

“I would love to see the City explore other kinds of [housing] options”

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Although she's lived in Bethlehem for almost 20 years, Carol Burns' new career as a freelance marketer is giving her an opportunity to “discover” her hometown. She volunteers for several arts-related organizations, and her newest adventure is dipping her toe into local politics and community organizations.

Gadfly:

I'm a renter (and have been in the same location for 12 years, so not a “transient”), but I understand Dana's concerns — and I'm right with the Gadfly's concerns about “what's too much?” Especially if they are market rate, and not affordable. For myself, I'm in “too much” of a rental unit but cannot afford to move to something smaller because the rent would be much higher. As one person, I'm taking up space where a family could be. I would love to see the City explore other kinds of options, like tiny homes allowed in residential neighborhoods, and more small, affordable multi-unit townhouse/apt units — also sprinkled into neighborhood pockets.

Carol