ORDINANCE # 284

AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING THE BUILDING OFFICIAL TO DETERMINE THE BUILDING VALU-ATION UNDER THE UNIFORM BUILDING CODE, AND AMENDING ORDINANCE #264

WHEREAS Ordinance #264, Section 5 required that the assumed value of buildings to be used in calculating permit and plan check fees be \$27 per square foot; and

WHEREAS this flat charge does not consider changing costs of new construction, nor costs of different types of construction; and

WHEREAS the Uniform Building Code, Section 303(a) gives the Building Official the authority to determine building valuation; and

WHEREAS the International Conference of Building Officials "Building Standards" magazine periodically lists current building valuation data representing average costs for buildings, and is intended to be used as a guideline by Building Officials; and

WHEREAS giving the Building Official authority to determine building valuations would then provide more current base data than the present system, and would result in a fee more nearly equivalent to the costs of performing the services involved;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROUTDALE that Ordinance #264, Section 5 be amended as follows:

The phrase "assuming buildings valued at \$27 per square foot, excepting garages and basements valued at \$7.50 per square foot" shall be deleted, and replaced with the phrase "with building valuation as determined by the Building Official based on average unit costs for good quality construction. Any proposed change by the Building Official in the cost per square foot valuation shall be reviewed by the City Council at a publically advertised meeting prior to the change with notice of such change legally advertised in a newspaper of local circulation at least 10 days prior to the hearing."

PASSED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROUTDALE THIS 10th DAY OF April , 1979.

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NAYS:

R. M. Sturges, Mayor

ATTEST:

Merri L. Widner Finance Director/

City Recorder