

ORDINANCE NO. 468-0

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A POLICY REQUIRING UNDERGROUNDING OF ALL ELECTRICAL, COMMUNICATION, TELEPHONE AND TELEVISION CABLE LINES AS SPECIFIED BY THE COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN, ZONING ORDINANCE, SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS AND PUBLIC FACILITIES PLAN FOR ALL NEW CONSTRUCTION, RECONSTRUCTION AND SUBDIVISION OR PARTITION OF LAND.

WHEREAS, in order to protect the public health, safety, welfare, economic stability of the community, and to maintain and improve substandard conditions of the City's public facilities, it is deemed necessary that all new construction, reconstruction, building, and subdivision or partition of land be served with underground utility service including, but not limited to, traffic lights and other traffic control devices, electrical service lines, communication, telephone and television cable lines to meet current City standards, and

WHEREAS, all public and private utilities serving the City of Troutdale have entered into a franchise agreement to perform work in accordance with all applicable City, State and Federal standards, and

WHEREAS, the Comprehensive Land Use Plan established policies to significantly improve the appearance of the community, facilitate the efficient use of public facilities and services, require, or at least encourage, the undergrounding of utility distribution lines and site facilities in a manner that will not adversely impact the neighborhoods, and

WHEREAS, the Subdivision Regulations require all subdivisions or major partitions to install underground utilities (including, but not limited to, electrical, and telephone wiring). The utilities shall be installed pursuant to the requirements of the utility company. Electric power transmission lines (over 50,000 volts) or primary feeder lines, and transformer vaults are exempted from these requirements except where the City Council has established by policy, resolution or ordinance a requirement for the total relocation of overhead facilities to an underground location, and

WHEREAS, when specifically required to meet the adopted Transportation Element of the Comprehensive Plan, the Director of Community Services or designated official shall require the dedication of additional right-of-way and street widening, and street lights, traffic controls, and undergrounding of all electrical, communication, telephone

and television cable prior to the issuance of a building permit, and where such street dedication is required, no Certificate of occupancy shall be issued for development prior to full improvement of the street, according to current City standards for local streets, and acceptance of the street by the Director of Community Services or designated official, and

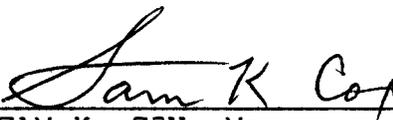
WHEREAS, there has been opportunity for citizen review and the recommended changes are in the public interest,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROUTDALE THAT:

All utilities licensed under franchise agreement with the City of Troutdale shall be required to install underground utility service lines to serve all new construction, reconstruction, building, subdivision or partition of land with public facilities including, but not limited to, traffic lights and other traffic control devices, electrical, communication, telephone and television lines except when exceptions are approved by the Director of Community Services or designated official.

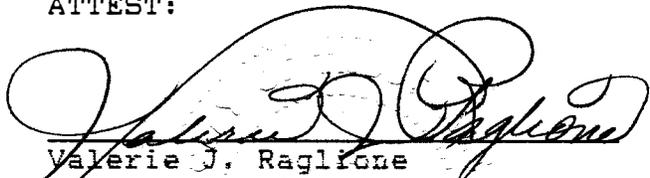
PASSED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROUTDALE THIS 10th June DAY OF 1986.

YEAS 6
NAYS 0
ABSTENTION 0



SAM K. COX, Mayor
Date Signed: June 10, 1986

ATTEST:



Valerie J. Raglione
City Recorder
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