

ORDINANCE NO. 492-1

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TROUTDALE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN INVENTORY AND UPGRADING EDGEFIELD MANOR TO 1-C.

WHEREAS, Two hearings were held, on July 16 and December 18, 1986, at which the Troutdale Planning Commission made the following findings and recommended that Edgfield Manor be declared historically significant:

1. Edgfield Manor and six other satellite buildings on 9.8 acres (as per Exhibit 2, Edgfield Manor Site, "LCDC Goal 5 Analysis of the Edgfield Manor Site", February 11, 1987) of what is known as the Multnomah County Farm was built and operated from 1911 until 1982 as a poor farm, tuberculosis sanitarium and nursing home by the Board of County Commissioners;
2. The Multnomah County Poor Farm was the largest locally sponsored social welfare institution in the State from 1911 to 1947, and the structure served as a home and provided services to thousands of destitute, elderly and infirm County residents during 71 years of operation;
3. The main building is a brick structure, constructed in the Georgian style and is the only building of this type within the City;
 - a. Fine workmanship and artistic merit are evident in the brick masonry; the building trim consists of ornamental bands, clinker brick, frieze and cornice dentils; and there is a bell cupola and a cast-iron entrance fountain;
 - b. The integrity of the original design has been retained on the outside, but the interior has been greatly altered throughout the past seventy years;
 - c. The structure is visible to the general public traveling on Halsey Street and the property is proposed for marketing as an industrial site/high technology park by the owner (Multnomah County);
 - d. The Troutdale Historical Society proposes that the main building has potential for use as corporate offices, museum, government center, incubator business offices or other uses;
 - e. An architect's review indicates that the main building presents no unusual architectural problems for preservation, restoration and rehabilitation;

- f. The main building has been neglected since its vacation in 1982, no preventive maintenance has been done in a timely manner, and is not protected from trespassers and/or vandalism;
 - g. The main building has been scheduled for demolition by Multnomah County three times in the past, but demolition has been postponed because of protests by the Troutdale Historical Society;
 - h. The interior of the main building does not have architectural elements warranting preservation, but the outer shell could remain intact;
- 4. The use of the site for over seventy years as a social experiment does warrant consideration and the site can be adapted to a new use without harm to its architectural features;
 - 5. Edgfield Manor and associated buildings and grounds meet the historical considerations and criteria established in the Troutdale Zoning Ordinance;
 - 6. Because the main structure is the only building of this size and type within the City and the extensive use of fine brick detailing on the exterior, Edgfield Manor meets the architectural consideration criteria; and
 - 7. The main structure and associated buildings meet the site location and potential use considerations of the Historic Resource section of the Troutdale Zoning Ordinance;

WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of Troutdale accepted these findings following a hearing on this matter January 13, 1987, as made by the Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of Troutdale adopted the Planning Commission's recommendation to declare Edgfield Manor historically significant and to upgrade it to 1-C;

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

The Comprehensive Plan Inventory be amended to include the above findings, and to declare Edgefield Manor to be historically significant by upgrading it to 1-C.

PASSED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROUTDALE THIS
10TH DAY OF MARCH, 1987.

YEAS: 4

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ABSTAINED: 1-BUI



Sam K. Cox, Mayor

Dated: AUGUST 22, 1988

ATTEST:



Valerie Raglione
City Recorder

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