

RESOLUTION NO. 587-R

**A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE PORTLAND METROPOLITAN AREA SOLAR ACCESS PROGRAM.**

WHEREAS, energy is important to our economic well-being;

WHEREAS, renewable resources and the efficient use of energy has a role to play in our energy future;

WHEREAS, solar energy is a local resource that can be used by homes and businesses to help meet local energy needs;

WHEREAS, solar access is a necessary condition to the use of solar energy;

WHEREAS, solar access is affected by shading from trees and buildings on neighboring lots;

WHEREAS, solar access is a land use issue that most effectively and equitably can be provided and protected by land development standards;

WHEREAS, surveys consistently show that over 70 percent of the public wants and supports solar access;

WHEREAS, the economic benefits of solar access can significantly exceed the costs;

WHEREAS, solar access sends a signal to homeowners and can encourage as well as protect use of the solar resource;

WHEREAS, solar access is enabled by State statute and helps implement Statewide Planning Goal 13;

WHEREAS, the Northwest Power Planning Council supports local government efforts to provide and protect solar access;

WHEREAS, a joint project of local governments in the Portland-Vancouver metropolitan area offers economy of scale and other benefits to local governments and private sector developers; and

WHEREAS, the Oregon Department of Energy has offered assistance in coordinating efforts of local governments toward a joint project.


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

The City of Troutdale will participate in and support efforts by the Oregon Department of Energy, Washington State Energy Office and local governments in the Portland-Vancouver metropolitan area to secure funding to undertake a joint project to provide and protect solar access to the extent feasible given local conditions.

PASSED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROUTDALE THIS  
23RD DAY OF APRIL, 1985.

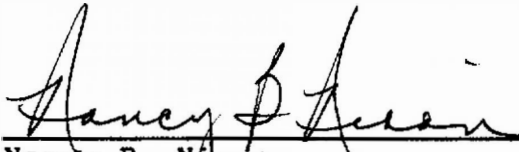
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Sam K. Cox, MAYOR

DATE SIGNED: 4-23-85

ATTEST:

  
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Nancy B. Nixon  
FINANCE DIRECTOR