## Resolution No. 2505

## Introduced by All Commissioners

A Resolution Establishing the Use of Consultants in the Review of Development Applications and Authorizing Assigning the Consultant's Costs to the Applicant

WHEREAS, the City of Warrenton has the need for professional expertise and services beyond the capacity of city staff in the review of applications for development permits; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the applicant to pay the costs of processing land use and development applications; and

WHEREAS, the current application fees do not cover the full costs of processing such applications.

NOW, THEREFORE, the City Commission of the City of Warrenton Resolves as follows:

<u>Section 1.</u> This resolution shall supplement Resolution 2311 updating Land Use Application Fees as it may be amended or replaced.

In addition to any other application fee, whenever the City Community Section 2. Development Director determines that review of a land use application including, but not limited to, comprehensive plan map/text amendment, zoning map/text amendment, annexation, development proposal, or building permit application requires the retention by the city of professional consulting services, the applicant shall reimburse the City for the cost of such professional consulting services. Such costs are a debt due and payable to the City prior to issuance of final plan or land use approval. The Director may require the applicant to deposit an amount with the City estimated in the discretion of the Director, to be sufficient to cover anticipated costs of retaining professional consultant services and to ensure reimbursement for such costs. Unless waived or postponed by the Director, execution of a reimbursement agreement and payment of the deposit shall be considered a component of a complete application and application fee. This does not preclude the Director from later requiring execution of a reimbursement agreement and additional deposit if the Director later determines that there is a need for consulting services or additional services. Any amount not expended by City will be returned to the applicant, without interest.

<u>Section 3.</u> This Resolution shall take effect immediately on adoption.

Adopted by the City Commission of the City of Warrenton, Oregon, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.

APPROVED:

Henry Balensifer, Mayor

ATTEST:

Dawne Shaw, Deputy City Recorder