

ORDINANCE NO. 566-A

Introduced by Commissioner James D. Caspell

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A CITY PLANNING COMMISSION AND  
PRESCRIBING ITS POWERS AND DUTIES.

THE CITY OF WARRENTON DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. There is created a City Planning Commission (hereinafter referred to as the commission) for the city of Warrenton, Oregon.

Section 2. The commission shall consist of nine members, to be appointed by the mayor, not more than two of whom may be non-residents of the city. Commission members shall receive no compensation but shall be reimbursed for duly authorized expenses. Not more than two members of the commission may be city officers who, appointed by the mayor, shall serve as ex-officio non-voting members.

Section 3. At the first meeting of the commission, the seven appointed members who are not city officers shall choose their term of office by lot as follows: One for one year, two for two years, two for three years and two for four years. Immediately thereafter, the members shall notify the mayor and council in writing of such allotment. Their successors shall hold office for four years. Any vacancy shall be filled by the mayor for the unexpired portion of the term. If any appointed member of the commission shall be absent from three consecutive meetings without an excuse as approved by the commission, and so recorded in the minutes, the secretary shall certify the fact to the mayor and the mayor shall declare the position vacant.

Section 4. The commission, at its first meeting, shall elect a president and vice president who shall be voting members and who shall hold office during the pleasure of the commission.

Section 5. The commission shall elect a secretary who need not be a member of the commission. The secretary shall keep an accurate record of all commission proceedings. The commission shall on the first day of October of each year make and file a report of all its transactions with the city council.

Section 6. Five members of the commission shall constitute a quorum. The commission may make and alter rules and regulations for its government and procedure consistent with the laws of this state and with the city charter and ordinances. It shall meet at least once a month, and the City Council shall assign to the commission an office or headquarters in the city hall, if possible, in which to hold its meetings, transact its business and keep its records. Special meetings may be called at any time by the president or by three members by written notice served upon each member of the commission at least three hours before the time specified for the proposed meeting.

Section 7. The commission may employ consulting advice on municipal problems, a secretary and such clerks as may be necessary; and pay for their services, and for such other expenses as the commission may lawfully incur, including the necessary disbursements incurred by its members in the performance of their duties as members of the commission, out of the funds at the disposal of the commission, as authorized by the city council.

Section 8. The commission shall have all the powers which are now or hereafter granted to it by ordinances of this city or by general laws of the state of Oregon. The commission shall control the subdivision of land and make recommendations to the city council, to public officials and to individuals regarding land use; location of thoroughfares, public buildings, parks and other public

facilities; and, regarding any other matter relating to the planning and development of the city and the surrounding area. The commission may make studies, hold hearings and prepare reports and recommendations on its own initiative or at the request of the city council.

Section 9. All recommendations and suggestions made to the city council by the commission shall be in writing.

Section 10. The commission shall have no authority to make expenditures on behalf of the city, or to obligate the city for the payment of any sums of money, except as herein provided, and then only after the city council shall have first authorized the expenditures by appropriate ordinance (or resolution), which ordinance (or resolution) shall provide the administrative method by which the funds shall be drawn and expended.

Section 11. An emergency is hereby declared to exist for the reason that the city of Warrenton and its citizens are without a planning commission and that pursuant to ORS 215.505 the city shall have a comprehensive land use plan and zoning ordinances adopted prior to December 31, 1971 or shall have shown satisfactory progress toward the enactment of such a plan or ordinance to the office of the Governor of the State of Oregon or the Governor is empowered to undertake planning and zoning for the city of Warrenton and charge the same to the city and said planning commission is further necessary to protect the public peace, health, safety, morals and general welfare with regard to the orderly development of the community which is faced with considerable building development at the present time and it is anticipated that the same will increase.

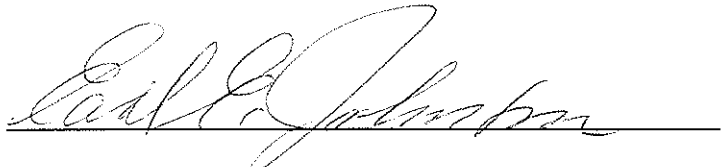
Section 12. The provisions of this ordinance are severable if any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is

adjudged by court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid and such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this ordinance.

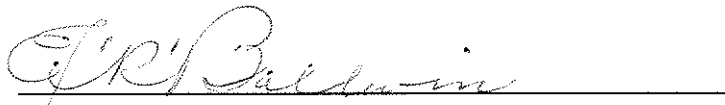
Section 13. All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Passed by the City Commission of the City of Warrenton this 15th day of November, 1971.

Approved by the Mayor of the City of Warrenton this 15th day of November, 1971.

  
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Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Auditor and Police Judge