



IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE OF OREGON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASCO

IN THE MATTER OF THE WASCO COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION'S REQUEST TO APPROVE PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE AMENDMENTS TO UPDATE THE WASCO COUNTY LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE AND THE WASCO COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.

ORDINANCE # 25-001

NOW ON THIS DAY, the above-entitled matter having come on regularly for consideration, said day being one duly set in term for the transaction of public business and a majority of the Board of Commissioners being present; and

WHEREAS, the Wasco County Planning Commission and the Wasco County Board of Commissioners directed the Wasco County Planning Department to pursue Voluntary Periodic Review to update the Wasco County Comprehensive Plan on 5 October 2016; and

WHEREAS, Wasco County entered Periodic Review on 20 February 2018 with approval from the Department of Land Conservation and Development's (DLCD) approval of a work plan; and

WHEREAS, the revisions included many changes that impact the Wasco County Land Use and Development Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Wasco County Comprehensive Plan was approved by DLCD and the Wasco County Planning Department initiated the Land Use and Development Ordinance (LUDO); and

WHEREAS, in 2024 the Planning Department initiated public outreach about LUDO Updates including state law related updates, procedural revisions and amendments based on the Comprehensive Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, the Wasco County Planning Department sent notification to DLCD pursuant to ORS 197.610 on February 21, 2025; and

WHEREAS, all property owners within unincorporated Wasco County were sent notice of proposed revisions in March 2025 consistent with ORS 215.503; and

WHEREAS, that on April 1, 2025, at the hour of 3:00 PM via in person and electronic methods duly posted Wasco County Planning Commission held the first legally notified public hearing to review recommendations by staff background information, and receive public testimony on the revisions and with unanimous vote recommended approval to the Wasco County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, that on May 7, 2025 at the hour of 9:30 AM the Wasco County Board of Commissioners met to conduct the first of two legally notified public hearings on the above matter. The Board of County Commissioners reviewed

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recommendations by the Wasco County Planning Commission, staff's presentation, and received testimony from the public. The Board of County Commissioners tentatively approved the amendments; and

WHEREAS, that on May 21, 2025 at the hour of 9:30 AM the Wasco County Board of Commissioners met to conduct the second of two legally notified public hearings on the above matter. The Board of County Commissioners reviewed recommendations by the Wasco County Planning Commission, staff's presentation, and received testimony from the public. The Board of County Commissioners, by a vote of 3 to 0, approved the amendments and conducted the second reading, recommending submittal to DLCD; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: That the request by the Wasco County Planning Department for a legislative amendment to the Wasco County Land Use and Development Ordinance are hereby approved; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Oregon Revised Statute 197.615, submission of adopted land use regulation change is required to be sent to the Department of Land Conservation and Development for acknowledgment. The Board of Commissioners finds that the enactment of this Ordinance is necessary for the public health, safety, and general welfare, and **that an emergency exists, and this ordinance shall take effect immediately once updates are acknowledged by the Department of Land Conservation and Development.**

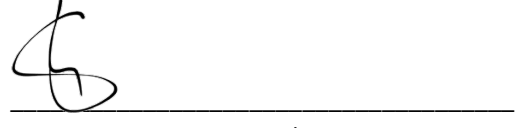
DATED this 21st day of May 2025.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Kristen Campbell, County Counsel

WASCO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:



Scott Hege, Commission Chair

ATTEST:



Phil Brady, County Commissioner

Christine McNamara
Executive Assistant



Jeffrey L. Justesen, County Commissioner