

RESOLUTION 2004-065

A RESOLUTION CALLING ELECTION TO ASK CITY VOTERS TO ALLOW CITY COUNCIL FOR 5 YEARS TO APPROVE ANNEXATIONS OF AREAS ZONED INDUSTRIAL NORTHWEAST OF TONQUIN ROAD WITHOUT CITY VOTE ON EACH ANNEXATION

The City Council of the City of Sherwood finds:

a. Washington County has a policy that unincorporated areas of the County should be annexed to cities so that urban services for those areas can be provided by cities as opposed to the County.

b. The City Council agrees with County annexation policy and believes that areas outside the current City boundaries and within the City Urban Growth Boundary should ultimately be annexed to the City.

c. Section 1.3 of the City Charter requires City voter approval for annexations.

d. One method of annexation to cities authorized by state law is approval by city voters.

e. The City Council has used an evaluation, zoning and infrastructure planning process for areas within the City Urban Growth Boundary.

f. The City Council believes it appropriate and prudent to obtain City voter approval in advance of possible annexations for a period of years so if there are opportunities to annex areas the City Council believes beneficial to the development of the City. The City Council believes that the industrially zoned land NE of Tonquin Road is such an area that should be annexed. Voter approval will give the City Council the ability and authority to annex areas without the delay and cost of a separate vote on each annexation.

g. A vote of the City electorate is necessary to grant the City Council this authority.

THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF SHERWOOD RESOLVES:

Section 1. An election is called in the City of Sherwood, Washington County, Oregon to submit the follow question to City voters:

Shall City Council have authority for five years to annex areas without a City vote for each annexation?

Section 2. Tuesday November 2, 2004 is the date set for holding the election for voting on this measure.

Section 3. The Washington County Elections Department will conduct the election.

Section 4. The precincts for the election are all those that include territory included within the corporate limits of the City of Sherwood.

Section 5. The ballot title will read as follows:

CAPTION: AUTHORITY TO ANNEX WITHOUT CITY VOTE FOR EACH ANNEXATION

QUESTION: Shall City Council have authority for five years to annex industrial areas without City vote for each annexation?

SUMMARY: If adopted this measure authorizes the City Council to approve annexations of areas zoned industrial NE of Tonquin Road for about 5 years (December 31, 2009) without a separate City vote on each annexation. A city vote is required by Section 1.3 of the City Charter.

Over the next five years, it is anticipated that areas within the City Urban Growth Boundary and subject to annexation will urbanize into commercial or industrial uses. The first such area is the industrially zoned land NE of Tonquin Road. The City Council believes such uses benefit the City and its taxpayers by generating revenues to help to pay for services in residential areas. The City Council seeks authority to annex quickly and without election expenses for each individual annexation.

The City must still comply with state statute and Metro Code annexation requirements.

Section 6. The City Recorder is authorized to submit an impartial explanatory statement for the Washington County voters' pamphlet on behalf of the City.

Section 7. A copy of the ballot title will be published in the Oregonian within 10 days after Council adoption of this Resolution.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 10th day of August 2004.

Cottle, Mayo

ATTEST:

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