

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER AND RESOLUTION  
NO: 15-10-27-01

IN THE MATTER OF CO-SPONSORING  
AND ADOPTING A RESOLUTION TO  
DESIGNATE THE OAKRIDGE / WESTFIR  
ENTERPRISE ZONE

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Commissioners, the Oakridge City Council and the City of Westfir City Council are sponsoring an enterprise zone designation jointly with the City of Oakridge, City of Westfir and Lane County, pursuant to Oregon Laws 2015 (B-Engrossed House Bill 2643) and ORS Chapter 285 C; and

**WHEREAS**, the enterprise zone has a total area of 10.5 square miles, it meets other statutory limitations on size and configuration, and it is depicted here on a drawn-to-scale map (Exhibit A), and its boundary is here described (Exhibit B); and

**WHEREAS**, the municipal corporations, school districts and special service districts other than the sponsoring governments, that receive operating revenue through the levying of *ad valorem* taxes on real and personal property in any area of the enterprise zone were sent notice and invited to a public meeting regarding its designation in order for the sponsoring governments to effectively consult with these other local taxing districts; and

**WHEREAS**, documentation of this enterprise zone designation has been submitted to the Oregon Business Development Department (OBDD) for purposes of a positive determination under section 10, chapter 285C, Oregon Laws 2015 (Enrolled House Bill 2643); and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Oakridge, the City of Westfir and Lane County intend to fulfill their duties and implement provisions jointly with other cosponsors under ORS 285C.105 or elsewhere in ORS Chapter 285C and related parts of Oregon Law, including but not limited to having appointed a local enterprise zone manager, and to preparing a list or map of local, publicly owned lands and buildings for purposes of ORS 285C.110; and

**WHEREAS**, the availability of enterprise zone exemptions to business firms that operate hotels, motels or destination resorts would help diversify local economic activity, provide useful employment for some segments of the labor force, and facilitate the expansion of accommodations for visitors, who in turn will spend time and money in the area for business, recreation or other purposes; and

**WHEREAS**, other findings such as:

The City of Oakridge, the City of Westfir and Lane County are interested in encouraging new business investment, job creation, higher incomes for local residents, greater diversity of economic activity and ...

The designation of this enterprise zone does not grant or imply permission to develop land within the Zone without complying with prevailing zoning, regulatory and permitting processes and restrictions for applicable jurisdictions; nor does it indicate any intent to modify those processes or restrictions, except as otherwise in accordance with

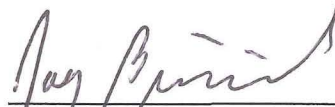
comprehensive plans as acknowledged by the State of Oregon Land Conservation and Development Commission.

The City of Oakridge, the City of Westfir and Lane County appreciates the impacts that the designated enterprise zone would have and the property tax exemptions that eligible business firms might receive therein.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Board of County Commissioners of Lane County, **ORDERS and RESOLVES**,

- 1) Under ORS 285C.065, the City of Oakridge, Westfir and Lane County, hereby designate an Oregon enterprise zone to be named: The Oakridge/Westfir Enterprise Zone, jointly co-sponsored with the City of Westfir, the City of Oakridge and Lane County.
- 2) Designation of the Oakridge/Westfir Enterprise Zone takes effect on the date that the latest resolution of a sponsoring government is adopted, or the 91st day after the date on which the 2015 regular session of the Seventy-eighth Oregon Legislative Assembly adjourns *sine die*, whichever occurs later.
- 3) The City of Oakridge and the City of Westfir as co-sponsors of the Oakridge/Westfir Enterprise Zone exercise their options under ORS 285C.070 that qualified property of and operated by a qualified business as a hotel, motel or destination resort receive a property tax exemption in the Zone, and that such business firms are eligible for purposes of authorization in the Zone.
- 4) This option does not apply within unincorporated Lane County. Hotels, motels or destination resorts are not eligible business firms in the Zone within Lane County's jurisdiction, notwithstanding such eligibility within the corporate limits of the cities of Oakridge and Westfir.

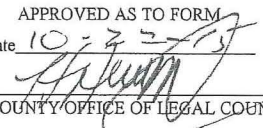
ADOPTED this 27th day of October, 2015.



Jay Boziewich, Chair  
Lane County Board of Commissioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Date 10-27-15



LANE COUNTY OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL