## AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF OREGON CITY TEMPORARILY SUSPENDING A PORTION OF OREGON CITY MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 12.16.040.A REGULATING CAMPING IN PUBLIC PARKS AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

**WHEREAS,** Title 12, Chapter 12.16 of the Oregon City Municipal Code is comprised of standards regulating the use of public parks;

**WHEREAS**, the City has identified particular special events and circumstances where the City of Oregon City ("City") may desire to permit people to camp in public parks;

WHEREAS, the City identified one such special event is scheduled to occur in the month of July;

**WHEREAS**, a 30-day suspension of the portion of Oregon City Municipal Code Section 12.16.040.A that prohibits camping in public parks is necessary to allow people to camp in public parks for this special event;

WHEREAS, the remaining prohibitions on camping in or upon any sidewalk, street, alley, land, public right-of-way, or any other place to which the general public has access under Oregon City Municipal Code Section 12.16.040.A will remain in full force and effect; and

**WHEREAS**, adopting this temporary suspension of the portion of Oregon City Municipal Code Section 12.16.040.A that prohibits camping in public parks is in the best interest of Oregon City to ensure that the goals and policies of the City can be realized.

## NOW, THEREFORE, OREGON CITY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The portion of Oregon City Municipal Code Section 12.16.040.A,

"12.16.040.A It is unlawful to camp in or upon any sidewalk, street, alley, lane, public right-of-way, public park or any other place to which the general public has access."

that prohibits camping in public parks is hereby suspended for thirty (30) days.

**Section 2.** Because this Code suspension is necessary for the summer operations of the public parks beginning in July 2013, this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from the time of passage by the City Commission.

Read for the first time at a regular meeting of the City Commission held on the 17<sup>h</sup> day of July 2013, and the City Commission finally enacted the foregoing ordinance this 17<sup>th</sup> day of July 2013.

DOUG NEELEY, Mayor

Attested to this 17th day of July 2013:

Approved as to legal sufficiency:

Manay Ide Nancy Ide, City Recorder

City Attorney