

RESOLUTION NO. 13-1999

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MILWAUKIE, OREGON, OPPOSING LEGISLATION CREATING A NEW STATE BOARD TO REGULATE BUILDING CODE ACTIVITIES IN THE PORTLAND METROPOLITAN AREA AND SUPPORTING ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT TO ENHANCE CONSISTENCY AND SERVICES IN BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT.

WHEREAS, it has been proposed that the 1999 Legislature enact a law creating a new State Board to coordinate building code activities in the Portland Metropolitan area; and

WHEREAS, based upon the described duties and authority of such a State Board, Milwaukie believes that the detrimental effects of this proposed legislation will outweigh its benefits; and

WHEREAS, the City of Milwaukie desires to go on record opposing such legislation which includes provisions detrimental to the interests of Milwaukie and its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the City of Milwaukie supports the concept of an intergovernmental agreement among jurisdictions in Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington Counties to enhance consistency and services in building code enforcement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Milwaukie, Oregon, that:

The City of Milwaukie opposes any legislation creating a new State Board to regulate building code activities within the Portland metropolitan area to the extent that such legislation:

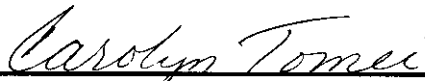
- a. Creates another layer of government related to building code regulation;
- b. Decreases local control of building code administration and erodes the ability of local governments to provide development services;
- c. Increases building permit costs to subsidize the operation of another state board;
- d. Affects the authority of local governments to set fees to meet local needs;
- e. Creates a second entity with the authority to license inspectors and plan examiners; or
- f. Creates a second code interpretation board within Oregon.

The City of Milwaukie supports the concept of an intergovernmental agreement among jurisdictions in Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington Counties, having the objective of:

- a. Developing common building permit application forms and information packets on plan submittal requirements, together with a common "job card" for on-site inspections;

- b. Developing standardized minor label forms, a standard database for tracking labels and procedures for directing labels to the appropriate jurisdiction;
- c. Establishing a tri-county plan review training program;
- d. Creating a timely, responsive dispute resolution process; and
- e. Pursuing other means of enhancing consistency and services in building code regulation.

Introduced and adopted by the City Council on February 16, 1999.




Carolyn Tomei, Mayor

ATTEST:



Pat DuVal, City Recorder

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



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