

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

FOR THE COUNTY OF MULTNOMAH

ORDINANCE NO. 460

An ordinance codifying the previously adopted ordinance (Ordinance No. 274) establishing a policy and systems for the naming of streets and the numbering of property in the unincorporated area of Multnomah County; providing procedures for the naming of new streets and the renaming of existing streets; establishing standards for street name signs and property number identification; establishing administrative responsibilities; amending MCC Chapter 11.15 relating to the renaming of public thoroughfares.

Multnomah County ordains as follows:

SECTION I. FINDINGS.

- A. Multnomah County adopted procedures for the naming of streets and numbering of property on June 8, 1981, through the adoption of Ordinance No. 274. Ordinance No. 274 was inadvertently omitted when the County's other zoning ordinances were codified by Ordinance No. 300. Codification of these procedures is needed in order to promote administrative efficiency and to adequately inform the public concerning County regulations and procedures.
- B. It is in the public interest that a codified version of all Multnomah County zoning and land development provisions be enacted and made a part of the Multnomah County Code.
- C. In addition to codifying Ordinance No. 274, Ordinance No. 460 incorporates minor amendments reflecting changes in administrative structure and procedure between 1981 and the present. These amendments are technical in nature, and are made for the purpose of increasing efficiency in the administration of the ordinance.

SECTION II. ADOPTION OF STREET NAMING AND PROPERTY NAMING CODE.

Chapter 11.05 of the Multnomah County Code is hereby amended by the addition of new subsections 11.05.500 through 11.05.575, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and is hereby incorporated into this ordinance by reference.

SECTION III. REPEAL.

Ordinance No. 274 has been compiled in Chapter 11.05 of the Multnomah County Code and is hereby repealed.

ADOPTED this 5th day of March, 1985, upon passage following its 2nd reading.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

(SEAL)

By

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Presiding Officer

AUTHENTICATED this 6th day of March, 1985.

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STREET NAMING AND PROPERTY NUMBERING

11.05.500 Definitions.

- (A) Words and their derivations used in this ordinance shall have the meanings given in the Multnomah County Code.
- (B) "Director" means the Director of the Department of Environmental Services or the Director's authorized delegate.

11.05.505 Policy and Purpose. In order to provide a uniform street naming and property numbering system of benefit to all the citizens of the County, it is the policy of Multnomah County to extend the property numbering system established by the City of Portland to all unincorporated areas, to extend the street naming pattern established by the City of Portland to all urban unincorporated areas inside the urban growth boundary and to retain, restore and extend the historical road-naming system for all rural County areas.

11.05.510 Scope. The provisions of the ordinance shall apply to the naming of streets and the numbering of property in the unincorporated areas of Multnomah County.

11.05.515 Directional Designations; Urban Area. For the purpose of this ordinance, the urban area of Multnomah County is hereby divided into five sections having the directional designations, abbreviations and dividing lines as listed herein. The name or number of a public or private street within a section shall be preceded by the abbreviated directional designation of that section. The five sections are:

- (A) "North", abbreviated "N.", consisting of the areas between N. Williams Avenue and its northerly extension and the Willamette River Channel from the Burnside Bridge to the river mouth;
- (B) "Northeast", abbreviated "N.E.", consisting of the area east of N. Williams Avenue and its northerly extension and north of E. Burnside Street and its easterly extension;
- (C) "Northwest", abbreviated "N.W.", consisting of the area between the Willamette River Channel downstream from the Burnside Bridge and W. Burnside Road;

- (D) "Southeast", abbreviated "S.E.", consisting of the area south of E. Burnside Street and its easterly extension and east of the Willamette River Channel; and
- (E) "Southwest", abbreviated "S.W.", consisting of the area west of the Willamette River Channel and south of W. Burnside Road.

11.05.520 Street Naming and Property Numbering Grid. A street naming and property numbering grid is hereby established.

- (A) The grid shall consist of parallel lines spaced 264 feet apart and centered as follows:
 - (1) the north-south center gridline shall be N. Williams Avenue and its north-erly and southerly extension; and
 - (2) the east-west center gridline shall be W. Burnside Road and E. Burnside Street and its easterly extension.
- (B) For urban area streets there shall be twenty names or numbers provided per mile, centered on the grid-lines.
- (C) For urban and rural area property numbering there shall be one hundred numbers provided between each two gridlines. Except as provided in MCC 11.05.560(B), the numbers shall start with the number "1" at the center gridlines described in subpart (A) of this subsection, and continue in consecutive hundreds at each gridline.

11.05.525 North-South Street Numbering System; Urban Area. A north-south street number system is hereby established for the urban area.

- (A) An urban area street having an alignment generally north and south shall be identified by a number according to the system established in the City of Portland and in practice in unincorporated Multnomah County on the effective date of this ordinance. There shall be twenty numbers per mile which shall increase in magnitude to the east and to the west of the N. Williams Avenue centerline.

- (B) A numbered street on or close to a gridline established under MCC 11.05.520 shall be designated "Avenue".
- (C) A number street located midway between two gridlines established under MCC 11.05.520 shall be designated "Place" and shall have the lesser number of the two adjacent gridlines.

11.05.530 East-West Street Naming System; Urban Area. An east-west street naming system is hereby established for the urban area.

- (A) An urban area street having an alignment generally east and west shall be identified by a name according to the pattern of names established in the City of Portland and in practice in unincorporated Multnomah County on the effective date of this ordinance.
- (B) A named street on or close to a gridline established by MCC 11.05.520 shall be designated "Street".
- (C) A named street located midway between two gridlines established under MCC 11.05.520 shall be designated "Court" and shall have the same name as that of the preceding street on the gridline nearest to the Burnside center gridline.

11.05.535 Street Naming System; Rural Area. A rural area street naming system is hereby established.

- (A) The pattern of street names shown on the January 1, 1984, Assessor's maps is hereby established as the street naming system for the rural area of Multnomah County. Said map is herein incorporated by reference to the same force and effect as if set forth fully herein.
- (B) Except as established on the Assessor's maps, or as may be established under MCC 11.05.540(D), a rural area street shall be designated as "Road".
- (C) An extension of a rural area street shall continue the name of that street.
- (D) The name for a new rural area street shall be designated under the provisions of MCC 11.05.550.

- (E) The roads described in Appendix 1, attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference, have been renamed during the time between the adoption of Ordinance No. 274 and the codification of that ordinance. The renaming of those roads, as described in Appendix 1, is hereby adopted and ratified.
- (F) To the extent feasible, the directional designation grid established in MCC 11.05.515 shall be extended throughout the rural areas of unincorporated Multnomah County.

11.05.540 Other Designations for Streets. The following additional street naming and numbering provisions are hereby established.

- (A) A named or numbered urban area street which crosses two or more gridlines of the same direction as the street shall be designated "Drive".
- (B) A named or numbered urban area street which forms a loop having two intersections with one other street shall be designated "Circle".
- (C) The designation of a street as "Boulevard", "Highway", "Lane", "Parkway", "Road", "Terrace", "Way" or similar term, established prior to the effective date of this ordinance, is hereby adopted and shall be continued for any extension of that street.
- (D) A designation listed in Subpart (C) of this subsection, or a similar term, may be included in the naming of a new street or the renaming of an existing street under MCC 11.05.350, upon a finding that another designation otherwise authorized by this ordinance is inappropriate to the circumstances or inconsistent with the policy and purpose stated in MCC 11.05.505.

11.05.545 Naming and Numbering of Private Streets. A naming and numbering system for private streets is hereby established.

- (A) The name or number of a private street having a length greater than 250 feet shall conform with the naming or numbering system established under MCC 11.05.525 through 11.05.540 as appropriate.

- (B) The name or number of a private street having a length of 250 feet or less shall be the same as the name or number of the connecting public street.

11.05.550 Naming of a New Rural Area Street; Re-naming of an Existing Urban or Rural Area Street; Procedure.
Action to name a new rural area street or to rename an existing urban or rural area street shall be subject to the following:

- (A) A proposed naming or renaming shall be initiated by:
 - (1) resolution of the Board of County Commissioners,
 - (2) resolution of the Planning Commission,
 - (3) a petition filed with the Director, signed by 20% or more of the owners of property abutting an existing street to be renamed,
 - (4) a petition filed with the Director, signed by the owners of 51% or more of the property abutting a new street to be named, and including a name proposed in a land division under MCC 11.45, or
 - (5) administrative order of the Director, Department of Environmental Services.
- (B) A copy of the resolution, petition or order shall be filed with the Clerk of the Board.
- (C) The Hearings Officer shall conduct a public hearing and make a decision on the proposed naming or renaming.
- (D) In addition to the provisions of this section, the provisions of MCC 11.15.8220 through 11.15.8285, excepting MCC 11.15.8220(C), 11.15.8220(D), and 11.15.8240(F), shall apply in the consideration and action on a naming or renaming proposal.
- (E) First class mailed notice of the proposal shall be given at least ten days prior to the hearing to:
 - (1) the owners of all property abutting on the street,
 - (2) the Rural Fire Protection District,

- (3) the Postmaster having jurisdiction,
 - [(4) the Director, Department of Justice Services,]
 - [(5) the Director, Department of Administrative Services,]
 - [(6)]
 - (4) the Office of City-County Emergency Communication Service.
- (F) Action by the Board of County Commissioners to name or rename a street shall be in the form of an order.
- (1) First class mailed notice of the action shall be given to the parties of the hearing and those listed in subpart (E) of this subsection.
- (G) Criteria for the selection of a rural area street name are:
- (1) factors of historical significance related to persons, circumstances or events,
 - (2) factors of geographical significance,
 - (3) factors of street location, function or direction,
 - (4) common usage of a name for the street or in the area,
 - (5) prior use of the name for the street,
 - (6) name consistency for a continuous route, and
 - (7) non-duplication of another rural area street name.

11.05.555 Street Name Signs. Standards and requirements for street name signs are hereby established.

- (A) A street name sign shall have the name of the street as designated under the provisions of this ordinance.
- (B) A name sign for a public street shall be designed, installed and maintained in accord with requirements established by the Oregon Department of Transportation.

- (C) A private street name sign to be located in the connecting public street right-of-way shall be installed by the County at the expense of the property owner or land division applicant and thereafter shall be maintained by the County.
- (D) Exception: Approval of a Planned Development or other land development program may include alternate provisions for the installation and maintenance of a private street sign.
- (E) A private street sign shall[:]
 - [(1)] be designed and located according to standards approved by the Director[,].
 - [(2)] include the lowest and highest property address numbers which are served by the private street, and]
 - [(3)] shall include the words "Private Road".]

11.05.560 Numbering of Property; Rural and Urban Areas.

The Director shall assign address numbers for buildings or property and shall maintain records thereof according to the following:

- (A) One hundred numbers shall be provided between each two gridlines established under MCC 11.05.520. The numbers shall start with the number "1" at the center gridlines described in Subparts (A) and (B) of that section. The numbers shall continue in consecutive hundreds at each gridline.
- (B) Address numbers on east-west streets between the extended alignment of S.W. Viewpoint Terrace and the Willamette River shall be preceded by "0".
- (C) Odd numbers shall apply to properties or buildings on the northerly or westerly sides of a public street or a private street greater than 250 feet in length.
- (D) Even numbers shall apply to properties or buildings on the southerly or easterly sides of a public street or a private street greater than 250 feet in length.

- (E) Numbering of properties or buildings served by a private street having a length of 250 feet or less shall be by consecutive odd or even numbers consistent with those on the same side of the connecting public street.
- (F) An address number shall be assigned for each property or building in separate ownership, possession or occupancy.
- (G) In the event the building address number sequence exceeds the available numbers, a suffix "A", "B", "C", etc. may be assigned by the Director.
- (H) An address number or numbers shall be assigned by the Director in conjunction with the application for a building or land use permit, a land division or upon the written request of the property owner.

11.05.565 Renumbering of Property; Notice. When [T]the Director [shall] reassigns a property or building address number, under the provisions of MCC 11.05.560, to a property or building, [which is not so numbered on the effective date of this ordinance, according to] the following[:] notification is required.

[(A) The address number assignments in the rural area shall be made within one year of the ordinance effective date;]

[(B)]

(A) First class mailed notice of an address number reassignment shall be given to the property owner by the Director;

[(1) the records of the Department of Administrative Services shall be used to determine the name and address of those persons entitled to notice;]
and]

[(C)]

(B) Notice of an address number reassignment shall also be given to:

(1) the Rural Fire Protection District,

(2) the Postmaster having jurisdiction,

[(3) [the Director, Department of Justice Services,]

[(4)]

(3) the Director, Department of Administrative Services,

[(5)]

(4) the Office of City-County Emergency Communication Service.

11.05.570 Placement of Address Numbers.

- (A) The property owner or owner's agent shall place the address number assigned by the Director on the building or property at the earliest practical time in one or more of the following locations:
 - (1) on the building,
 - (2) on a sign on the property,
 - (3) on a mail box adjacent to the street, or
 - (4) in such other location as to legible from the street or access drive.
- (B) Address numbers shall be permanently affixed, of a size, design and placement as to be legible from the street or access drive serving the property, and shall comply with zoning or other ordinance standards for signs.
- (C) Failure to place an assigned address number or the placement of an address number other than one consistent with the provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed a violation.

11.05.575 Administration; Powers of the Director.

- (A) The Director shall be responsible for the administration and enforcement of this ordinance.
- (B) The Director shall have the authority to do the following:
 - (1) assign urban area street names according to the provisions of this ordinance,
 - (2) determine standards of design and location for private street signs,

- (3) place and maintain street name signs in public street rights-of-way, as described in this ordinance,
- (4) assign property and building address numbers, give notice thereof and keep a record of the number assignment,
- (5) Initiate a new street name or the renaming of an existing street under the provisions of MCC 11.05.550 and
- (6) exercise such other powers as are necessary to carry out the provisions of this ordinance.

APPENDIX A
EAST COUNTY ROAD NAME CHANGES

1. Remove the name Dressel or Dressler Road, east of the south end of SE Henkle Road, the new name is SE Stevens Road. (Section 4 and 9, T1S, R4E, WM)
2. NE Ogden Road, south of NE Marok Road, to E. Woodard Road, is to remain NE Ogden Road, but that portion east of NE Seidl Road is to be renamed NE Lampert Road. (Section 29, 31 and 32, T1N, R4E, WM)
3. A loop north of E. Crown Point Hwy., between NE 366th Ave. and NE Littlepage Road, (signed but not shown on 600 maps), is to be named NE Benfield Road. (Section 35, T1N, R4E, WM)
4. A 20 ft. wide dedicated road, 1800+ ft. north of NE Benfield Road is to be named NE Meyers Lane. Section 26 and 35, T1N, R4E, WM)
5. SE Oxbow Parkway, from SE Division Drive to SE Hosner Road, is to be renamed SE Oxbow Drive. (Section 8, 16 and 17, T1S, R4E, WM)
6. NE Littlepage Road, from E. Crown Point Hwy. east to NE Littlepage Road #111, a distance of 1000+ ft. is to be renamed NE Grange Hall Road. (Section 35, T1N, R4E, WM)
7. A 30 ft. wide easement, extending 1800+ ft. south of E. Crown Point Hwy., between NE 366th Ave. and NE Littlepage Road, is to be named NE Rohrbach Road. (Section 35, T1N, R4E, WM)
8. A dedicated road extending 2150+ ft. east of NE Littlepage Road, and between E. Crown Point Hwy. and E. Knieriem Road, is to be named NE Houston Road. (Section 35, T1N, R4E, WM)
9. A loop south of SE Hurlburt Road, between SE Henkle Road and SE Evans Road, is to be named SE Kimbley Road. (Section 3, T1S, R4E, WM)
10. A loop north of SE Hurlburt Road, between SE Henkle Road and SE Evans Road, is to be named SE Ellis Road. (Section 3, T1S, R4E, WM)
11. An easement extending 2600+ ft. east of NE Salzman Road, and situated south of E. Larch Mountain Road, is to be named NE Aldermeadows Drive. (Section 36, T1N, R4E, WM; Section 31, T1N, R5E, WM)
12. The western portion of SE Red Elder Drive, from the fork of SE Red Elder Drive, approximately 200 ft. south of E. Larch Mountain Road, a distance of 1500+ ft/southerly to Hemlock Road, is to be named SE Hemlock Road. (All contained in the plat of Foothills Ranch, Section 35, T1N, R5E, WM)
13. That portion of road extending east of the west line of Block 3, in the plat of Latourelle Falls, to E. Crown Point Hwy., is to be named NE Latourelle Road. (Section 29, T1N, R5E, WM)

14. That portion of County Road extending east of E. Crown Point Hwy. 6800+ ft. to NE Alex Barr Road, #648, is to be named NE Alex Barr Road. (Section 28 and 29, T1N, R5E, WM)
15. That portion of NE Toll Road extending southeasterly from NE George Smith Road to NE Brower Road is to be renamed NE Brower Road. (Section 26 and 27, T1N, R5E, WM)
16. That portion of NE Brower Road east of NE Toll Road #566, will no longer be named NE Brower Road, but is to remain unnamed. (Section 25, 26, 35 and 36, T1N, R5E, WM)
17. NE George Smith Road #647, between NE Toll Road and NE Palmer Mill Road, is to be renamed NE Brower Road. (Section 26 and 27, T1N, R5E, WM)
18. SE Strebin Road from SE Division Drive 3800+ ft. north to SE Strebin Road, running east and west, is to be renamed SE 287th Ave. (Section 7, T1S, R4E, WM)
19. SE STrebin Road from SE Sweetbriar Road south 2300+ ft., to SE Strebin Road east, is to be renamed SE 282nd Drive. (SEction 1, T1S, R3E, WM, and Section 6, T1S, R4E, WM)
20. SE Powell Valley Road, from SE Roork Road south to SE Orient Drive, is to be renamed SE Short Road. (Section 19, T1S, R4E, WM)
21. SE Grace Street from Grace Road south 1000+ ft. to Proctor Street is to be renamed SE 322nd Ave. (Section 20, T1S, R4E, WM)
22. SE Mally Court, from SE Mally Road to Proctor Street, is to be renamed SE 319th Place. (Section 20, T1S, R4E, WM)
23. SE Victory Road, from SE Division Drive 1300+ ft. south, is to be renamed SE 317th Ave. (SEction 8, T1S, R4E, WM)
24. SE Victory Road, from SE Oxbow Drive 2200+ ft. north, is to be renamed SE 322nd Ave. (Section 8, 9, 16 and 17, T1S, R4E, WM)
25. SE Carpenter Road, from SE Bluff Road north 550+ ft. to SE Miller Road, is to be renamed SE 322nd Place. (Section 21, T1S, R4E, WM)
26. SE Anderson Road should not appear on 600 sheet #48, or Section 24, T1S, R3E, WM, except as a former road. The correct designation is SE 267th Ave.
27. Show NE Clara Smith Road (east of NE Corbett Hill Road to dead end) on 600 maps. (Section 26, T1N, R4E, WM)
28. Show SE Wilson Road, south of SE Kerslake Road, on 600 maps and section maps. (Section 6, T1S, R4E, WM)
29. Blue Lake Road from NE Sandy Blvd. northerly to NE 223rd Avenue County Road No. 3404 to be named NE 223rd Ave. (Section 22 and 27, T1N, R3E, WM)

30. Correct spelling of Hogue Mill Road to SE Hogg Mill Road. Recorded spelling letter to Board, January 6, 1950. (Section 20, T1S, R5E, WM)
31. Correct spelling of Johannssen Rd. to SE Johannesen Rd. (Section 19, T1S, R5E, WM)
32. The roads listed below should be identified as follows:
 - a. E. Bell Road
 - b. E. Crown Point Hwy.
 - c. E. Knieriem Road
 - d. E. Larch Mountain Road
 - e. E. Woodard Road
 - f. E. Haines Road
33. A road as shown in the original plat of Corbett, running south approximately 1680+ ft. from the junction with NE Corbett Hill Road, is to be named NE Rasmussen Road. (Section 27, T1N, R4E, WM)
34. A road from E. Crown Point Highway beginning in Section 22, T1N, R5E, WM and running southwesterly approximately 8000 feet to NE Alex Barr Road in Section 28, T1N, R5E, WM is to be named N.E Henderson Rd. (includes Section 21, T1N, R5E, WM)
35. All other roads situated north of the easterly projection of E. Burnside and east of N. Williams Ave. shall have the road name or number designation preceded by N.E.
36. All other roads situated south of the easterly projection of E. Burnside and east of the Willamette River shall have the road name or number designation preceded by S.E.
37. All other roads north of E. Burnside and between the Willamette River and N. Williams Ave. shall have the road name or number designation preceded by N.
38. All other roads west of the Willamette River and south of W. Burnside St. shall have the road name or number designation preceded by S.W.
39. All other roads west of the Willamette River and north of W. Burnside St. shall have the road name or number designation preceded by N.W.

WEST COUNTY ROAD NAME CHANGES

1. A dedicated road, west from N.W. St. Helens Rd., located some 1700 ft. south of N.W. Logie Trail Rd., is to be named N.W. Chestnut Lane. (Section 18, T2N, R1W, WM)
2. A dedicated road, proceeding south from N.W. Chestnut Lane, approximately 400 ft., is to be named N.W. Vista Lane. (Section 18, T2N, R1W, WM)
3. A dedicated road, proceeding south 1800 ft. +, from N.W. Cornelius Pass Road, at a point 400 ft. + south of N.W. Skyline Blvd., is to be named N.W. Plainview Road. (Section 31, T2S, R1W, WM)
4. A dedicated road joining N.W. Morgan Rd. and N.W. King Rd., is to be named N.W. Clark Road. (Section 12, T2N, R2W, WM)

5. A dedicated road extending east from N.W. St. Helens Rd., situated approximately 2000 ft. north of the Sauvie Island Bridge, is to be named N.W. Mill Road. (Section 28, T2N, R1W, WM)
6. A dedicated road, extending east from N.W. St. Helens Rd., situated approximately 500 ft. south of the Sauvie Island Bridge, is to be named N.W. Larson Road. (Section 28, T2N, R1W, WM)
7. The designation of Lower Columbia River Highway should be discontinued on all County maps and the legal designation N.W. St. Helens Road should be used.
8. A dedicated loop road south of N.W. Laidlaw Road extending from Lots 6 and 46 Bonny Slope Plat to Lots 18 and 49 Bonny Slope Plat is to be named N.W. Old Laidlaw Road. (Section 22, T1N, R1W, WM)
9. A dedicated road, situated in Section 22, 1N, 1W, WM, and proceeding north from N.W. Thompson Rd., to the east end of N.W. Hiller Lane, is to be named N.W. 120th Avenue. (Section 22, T1N, R1W, WM)
10. A separate road, located within the right of way of N.W. St. Helens Road, along and parallel to the southwesterly side of N.W. St. Helens Road, from N.W. Harborton Drive northwesterly, approximately 550 ft., is to be named N.W. Alderview Drive. (Section 33 & 34, T2N, R1W, WM)
11. A County Road, situated in Secs. 5 & 6, 1N, 1W, running approx. 1200 ft. south from N.W. Skyline Blvd. as signed and is to be named N.W. Quarry Road. (Section 5 & 6, T1N, R1W, WM)
12. That portion of County Road #88, not vacated under order #4426 running south approximately 1000 ft. from the junction with N.W. Cornelius Pass Road, to be renamed N.W. 185th Place. (In conjunction with designation by Washington County) (Section 6, T1N, R1W, WM)
13. A road located 2450 + feet north of the south line of Section 21, T2N, R1W, WM and proceeding eastward from Sauvie Island Road approximately 2500 feet is to be named N.W. Howell Park Road.