

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

ORDINANCE NO. 372

An Ordinance prohibiting issuance of permits for adult entertainment uses for 45 days and declaring an emergency.

Multnomah County Ordains as follows:

SECTION 1. FINDINGS.

1. The Board of Commissioners has reviewed the provisions in the Zoning Code governing the location of so-called adult bookstores, theatres and similar adult entertainment uses and has found them to be insufficient to prevent the proliferation of these uses and to promote sound land use planning in the unincorporated portions of the County. Accordingly, a substantially revised set of zoning provisions has been drafted and has been forwarded to the Planning Commission for review and comment, as required by state and county law. The Planning Commission held a hearing on the draft ordinance in January, 1983. The Board held hearings on the provisions in January and February, 1983. However, the Board was advised that notification requirements concerning LCDC prevented ordinance adoption until April 5, 1983.

2. During the period in which the new zoning regulations are being considered, the Board has found that it would be inappropriate to allow the establishment or relocation of adult entertainment uses. Such uses should only be permitted to be sited in conformity with up-dated controls found by the Board to protect the public health, safety, and welfare. Accordingly, a moratorium of limited duration is in order.

3. A moratorium concerning the subject in questions has been in effect since July 1, 1982 (Ordinance No. 322) and expired on March 16, 1983 (Ordinance No. 355). In light of the scheduled hearing on a draft adult-use ordinance in April, 1983, the Board deems it appropriate to extend the moratorium for an additional period, not to exceed forty-five (45) days.

SECTION 2. PERMIT MORATORIUM.

Notwithstanding any provision of the Zoning Code allowing such permits, no land use, occupancy, or other permit shall be issued by Multnomah County for the establishment or relocation of any "adult entertainment use", as defined in the Multnomah County Zoning Code, for a period of 45 days from the effective date of this Ordinance.

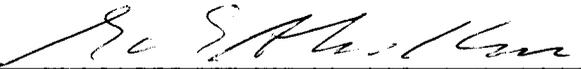
It being necessary for the protection of the health and safety of the citizens of Multnomah County, an emergency is declared and this

Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon being signed by the County Executive.

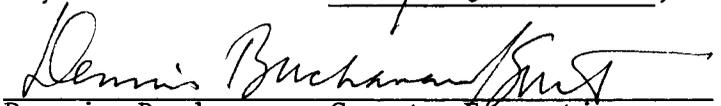
Adopted this 24th day of March, 1983.

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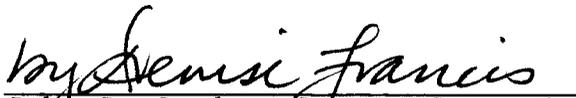
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By 
Gordon E. Shadburne
Presiding Officer

Authenticated by the County Executive on 3/28, 1983.


Dennis Buchanan, County Executive

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


John B. Leahy, County Counsel
Multnomah County, Oregon