

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

RESOLUTION NO. 01-007

Establishing Policy Direction for the Department of Sustainable Community Development

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. The County has an opportunity to become a leader in our community's search for environmental sustainability, community livability, and wise community development.
- b. The Board has recently redefined the functions and renamed the Department of Sustainable Community Development (DSCD) and wishes to establish a new policy direction for the DSCD.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:

1. The DSCD shall pursue policies consistent with the following values:
 - Using resources with an emphasis on sustainability and environmental protection, guided by a vision of being wise stewards of our land, air and water for future generations.
 - Developing communities using approaches that emphasize affordable housing, mixed use developments, developing social capital as well as physical infrastructure, and linking workforce, housing and economic development.
 - Using our public resources in an effective, efficient manner, which emphasizes providing top quality service to our customers.
 - Preserving and protecting wildlife, streams, scenic views, the Columbia River Gorge, forestlands, and farm and nursery production in our rural areas.
 - Ensuring that County owned facilities and property be managed and maintained as community assets.
2. DSCD shall develop systematic approaches in the following areas:
 - Sustainable building and road construction standards
 - Sustainable building and road maintenance practices
 - Sustainable fleet vehicles and practices
 - Regional land use plans and policies, linked to transportation, housing plans and natural resource preservation and enhancement
 - Regional emergency management plans and policies
 - Development of tax foreclosed properties in conjunction with regional partners and priorities
 - Aggressive development of housing opportunities for County clients in need of affordable, supported housing, using the Affordable Housing Preservation trust as one vehicle.

- Innovative mixed use development projects consistent with neighborhood plans
 - Coordinating strategy on endangered species act issues with regional partners
 - Coordination with the City of Portland in the planning and implementation of urban renewal areas
 - Regional economic development planning, including the regional Investment Board and the Strategic Investment Plan
 - Coordination of animal control services to enhance neighborhood and community livability
 - Developing strategies for compliance with Federal and State environmental laws
3. DSCD shall use the tool developed in the County's RESULTS initiative to assist in implementing sustainability.
4. DSCD shall provide leadership to the entire Multnomah County organization regarding implementing strategies for achieving sustainability.
5. This resolution takes effect upon adoption.

ADOPTED this 18th day of January 2001.

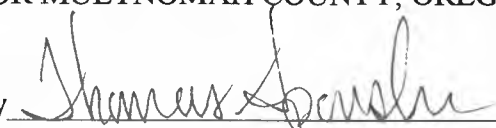


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