

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

Supporting the City of Portland)
Application for Redesignation of the) RESOLUTION
N/NE Portland Enterprise Zone by) 96-52
the Oregon Economic Development)
Department)

WHEREAS, the Portland Development Commission as the N/NE Enterprise Zone manager for the City of Portland has requested Multnomah County adoption of a consent resolution in support of the application for redesignation of the Enterprise Zone for a second ten year period beginning July 1, 1996; and

WHEREAS, Unemployment and underemployment of Inner NE residents has continued to exist at a significantly higher level than the rest of the Metro area; and

WHEREAS, the N/NE Portland Enterprise Zone, created by Portland City Council in 1986, has provided residents of Inner NE Portland with increased job opportunities near their neighborhoods in N/NE Portland during the past decade; and

WHEREAS, the City of Portland, as Zone sponsor, intends the N/NE Portland Enterprise Zone to be a balanced and judicious investment of local property tax exemptions in expanding companies in return for company participation in a public/private partnership designed to increase (1) company hiring of Inner NE residents; (2) opportunities for small N/N E business growth through suppliers contracts and (3) increased utilization of women/minority construction workers; and

WHEREAS, ORS 285.577(4) allows the City as Zone Sponsor to include the above additional conditions for Zone pre-certification that are reasonably related to the public purpose of providing opportunities for groups of persons to obtain employment; and

WHEREAS, the City's proposed Enterprise Zone Investment Strategy includes notice of Enterprise Zone projects to Multnomah County Board of Commissioners in time to allow the County to choose the degree of desired review and make recommendation to the PDC as Zone Manager and City Council; now therefore

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that Multnomah County supports the City of Portland application for redesignation of the N/NE Portland Enterprise Zone by the Oregon Economic Development Department.

DATED this 28th day of March, 1996.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON




Beverly Stein, Chair

REVIEWED:

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