

Resolution Number 28-1995

A resolution relating to the development of a neighborhood mediation program for the City of Milwaukie.

Whereas, community-based dispute resolution programs assist neighbors in resolving disputes and developing skills in conflict resolution; and

Whereas, community-based dispute resolution programs reduce the burden of civil cases to court systems; and

Whereas, mediation as a dispute resolution method allows the parties to voluntarily participate in a process whereby they retain control the outcome of their conflict; and

Whereas, the City is receiving requests for assistance in neighborhood conflicts;

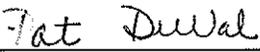
Now, therefore let it be resolved that the City of Milwaukie pursue the development of community-based neighborhood mediation services for the citizens of Milwaukie. Services can be provided directly by the city or in partnership with other agencies. The program shall be consistent with OAR 718-200-000 through 718-200-160. Minimum program elements shall include:

- a) Citizen education in conflict resolution.
- b) Use of volunteer mediators with training approved by the Oregon State Dispute Resolution Commission.
- c) Voluntary participation by parties.
- d) Confidentiality of mediation communications and program files.

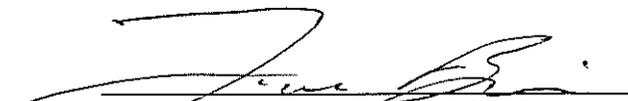
Introduced and adopted at a regular session of the City Council on July 11, 1995.

  
Craig Lomnicki, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Pat DuVal, City Recorder

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