

**RESOLUTION NO. 13-1999**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MILWAUKIE, OREGON, OPPOSING LEGISLATION CREATING A NEW STATE BOARD TO REGULATE BUILDING CODE ACTIVITIES IN THE PORTLAND METROPOLITAN AREA AND SUPPORTING ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT TO ENHANCE CONSISTENCY AND SERVICES IN BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT.**

**WHEREAS**, it has been proposed that the 1999 Legislature enact a law creating a new State Board to coordinate building code activities in the Portland Metropolitan area; and

**WHEREAS**, based upon the described duties and authority of such a State Board, Milwaukie believes that the detrimental effects of this proposed legislation will outweigh its benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Milwaukie desires to go on record opposing such legislation which includes provisions detrimental to the interests of Milwaukie and its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Milwaukie supports the concept of an intergovernmental agreement among jurisdictions in Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington Counties to enhance consistency and services in building code enforcement;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Council of the City of Milwaukie, Oregon, that:

The City of Milwaukie opposes any legislation creating a new State Board to regulate building code activities within the Portland metropolitan area to the extent that such legislation:

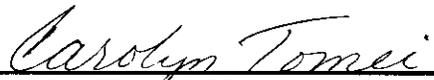
- a. Creates another layer of government related to building code regulation;
- b. Decreases local control of building code administration and erodes the ability of local governments to provide development services;
- c. Increases building permit costs to subsidize the operation of another state board;
- d. Affects the authority of local governments to set fees to meet local needs;
- e. Creates a second entity with the authority to license inspectors and plan examiners; or
- f. Creates a second code interpretation board within Oregon.

The City of Milwaukie supports the concept of an intergovernmental agreement among jurisdictions in Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington Counties, having the objective of:

- a. Developing common building permit application forms and information packets on plan submittal requirements, together with a common "job card" for on-site inspections;

- b. Developing standardized minor label forms, a standard database for tracking labels and procedures for directing labels to the appropriate jurisdiction;
- c. Establishing a tri-county plan review training program;
- d. Creating a timely, responsive dispute resolution process; and
- e. Pursuing other means of enhancing consistency and services in building code regulation.

Introduced and adopted by the City Council on February 16, 1999.

  
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Carolyn Tornei, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Pat DuVal, City Recorder

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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