



IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE OF OREGON

IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF WASCO

IN THE MATTER OF THE WASCO COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION'S REQUEST TO APPROVE PROPOSED LEGISLATIVE AMENDMENTS TO UPDATE THE WASCO COUNTY NATIONAL SCENIC AREA LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE # 21-003

NOW ON THIS DAY, the above-entitled matter having come on regularly for consideration, said day being one duly set in term for the transaction of public business and a majority of the Board of Commissioners being present; and

WHEREAS, the Columbia River Gorge Commission transmitted approved updates to the National Scenic Area Management Plan to Wasco County for adoption into the Wasco County National Scenic Area Land Use and Development Ordinance on March 16, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the revisions included many mandatory changes; and

WHEREAS, the Wasco County Board of County Commissioners held board sessions in April and May 2021 to determine whether Wasco County would continue to implement the National Scenic Area; and

WHEREAS, on May 5, 2021 the Board of County Commissioners votes unanimously to retain the Wasco County National Scenic Area and incorporate changes from the Gorge 2020 Management Plan Update; and

WHEREAS, revisions to the Wasco County National Scenic Area Land Use and Development Ordinance were to make the language consistent with the adopted National Scenic Area Management Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Wasco County Planning Department sent notification to DLCD pursuant to ORS 197.610 on August 3, 2021; and

WHEREAS, all property owners within the National Scenic Area in Wasco County were sent notice of proposed revisions on August 16, 2021 consistent with ORS 215.503; and

WHEREAS, that on September 7, 2021, at the hour of 3:00 PM via electronic methods duly posted Wasco County Planning Commission held the first legally notified public hearing to review recommendations by staff background information, and receive public testimony on the revisions and with a vote of 5 to 1 recommended approval to the Wasco County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, that on October 20, 2021 at the hour of 9:30 AM the Wasco County Board of Commissioners met to conduct the first of two legally notified public hearings on the above matter. The Board of County Commissioners reviewed recommendations by the Wasco County Planning Commission, staff's presentation, and received testimony from the public. The Board of County Commissioners tentatively approved the amendments; and

WHEREAS, that on November 3, 2021 at the hour of 9:30 AM the Wasco County Board of Commissioners met to conduct the second of two legally notified public hearings on the above matter. The Board of County Commissioners reviewed recommendations by the Wasco County Planning Commission, staff's presentation, and received testimony from the public. The Board of County Commissioners, by a vote of __ to __, approved the amendments and conducted the second reading, recommending submittal to the Columbia River Gorge Commission; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED: That the request by the Wasco County Planning Department for a legislative amendment to the Wasco County National Scenic Area Land Use and Development Ordinance are hereby approved; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the National Scenic Area Act, submission of a completed update to the National Scenic Area Land Use and Development are required to be approved by the Columbia River Gorge Commission;

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Oregon Revised Statute 197.615, submission of adopted land use regulation change is required to be sent to the Department of Land Conservation and Development for acknowledgment, and once updates are acknowledged they will be effective.

DATED this 3rd day of November 2021.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Kristen Campbell, County Counsel

WASCO COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:



Scott Hege, Commission Chair

ATTEST:



Kathy Clark, Executive Assistant



Kathleen B. Schwartz, Vice-Chair



Steven D. Kramer, County Commissioner