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RESOLUTION NO.

Recommend opposition to legislation creating additional oversight and regulation of code enforcement procedures in the Portland metropolitan area, and support for the establishment of intergovernmental agreements when necessary to enhance consistency in building code enforcement services (Resolution)

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

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

WHEREAS, the City Council questions the need for an additional layer of State or public oversight to the building code enforcement process in the Portland metropolitan area and

WHEREAS, adequate procedures are already in place to resolve code disputes and interpretations in the Portland metropolitan area, and

WHEREAS, such legislation would be detrimental to the interests of the City and the public it serves,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Portland

Opposes any legislation which

- 1 Creates any additional layer of State or public oversight or regulation of building code enforcement within the metropolitan area,
- 2 Decreases local control of building code administration and erodes the ability of local jurisdictions to provide development services,
- 3 Increases permit costs to subsidize the operations of another State or public oversight board,
- 4 Affects the authority of local jurisdictions to set fees to meet local needs, and

Supports the concept of intergovernmental agreements among jurisdictions in Clackamas, Multnomah, and Washington Counties where necessary, having the objective of

- 1 Developing common building permit application forms and information packets on requirements for submitting plan, together with common onsite inspection record documents,

- 2 Developing standardized minor label forms, a standard database for tracking such labels and procedures for directing labels to the appropriate jurisdictions for follow up inspections,
- 3 Establishing a tri-county plan review training program,
- 4 Creating a timely, responsive dispute resolution process, and
- 5 Pursuing other means of enhancing consistency and services in building code regulation

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council directs the Commissioner of Public Safety to return to the City Council with ordinances to implement the recommendations accepted by Council and to provide for on-going involvement of stakeholders in the implementation of those recommendations, and

Passed by the Council **FEB 24 1999**
Commissioner Charlie Hales
Ray Kerridge
February 17, 1999

By

GARY BLACKMER
Auditor of the City of Portland

Britta Olson

Deputy

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	Gary Blackmer Auditor of the City of Portland
NOTED BY COMMISSIONER	
Affairs	By <u>Cory Kershner</u> Deputy
Finance and Administration	
Safety <u>Chris Hales</u>	For Meeting of _____
Utilities	
Works	
BUREAU APPROVAL	ACTION TAKEN
Bureau Bureau of Buildings	
Prepared by Date	
Jackie Phillips February 17, 1999	
Budget Impact Review	
Completed X Not Required	
<u>Margaret M Mahoney</u> Bureau Head Margaret M Mahoney	

AGENDA		FOUR-FIFTHS AGENDA	COMMISSIONERS VOTED AS FOLLOWS	
Consent	Regular		YEAS	NAYS
X		Francesconi	S	
NOTED BY		Hales		
City Attorney		Saltzman		
City Auditor		Sten		
City Engineer		Katz		