



Memorandum

TO: Planning Commission & Historic Resources Advisory Board

FROM: Sara Javoronok, Associate Planner

DATE: July 9, 2010

SUBJECT: Establishment of a Historic Review Board

The Clackamas County Historic Review Board (CCHRB) currently reviews design review projects and other historic resources matters for the City of West Linn through an intergovernmental agreement. Clackamas County terminated this agreement in 2009 and will cease to serve as the review body for the City of West Linn as of September 30, 2010.

As a result, the City is working to establish a Historic Review Board. Staff held preliminary discussions regarding the establishment of a Historic Review Board with the Historic Resources Advisory Board, Planning Commission, and City Council earlier this year.

Staff prepared draft code amendments that the Historic Resources Advisory Board reviewed on May 19, 2010. Staff incorporated comments from the Historic Resources Advisory Board into a draft that the Planning Commission reviewed at public hearing on June 16, 2010.

At the June 16, 2010 meeting the Planning Commission requested several changes that were incorporated into the draft for the work session on July 7, 2010. Since these were significant changes from the June 16, 2010 draft, staff discussed these changes with the Historic Resources Advisory Board at their July 6, 2010 meeting. The Historic Resources Advisory Board had several concerns with the proposed changes. These were discussed at the July 7, 2010 work session. The Planning Commission recommended this joint meeting between the two bodies to discuss these amendments.

Staff has incorporated the changes discussed at the July 7, 2010 work session into the attached draft.