

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-02

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING UPDATED BYLAWS FOR THE WEST LINN COMMITTEE FOR CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT

WHEREAS, citizen involvement and two-way communication with residents is a West Linn priority;

WHEREAS, State law requires the City maintain a citizen involvement program that ensures the opportunity for citizens to be actively involved in the land use process;

WHEREAS, Goal 1 of Oregon's Statewide Planning Goals & Guidelines states that governing bodies shall adopt and publicize a program for citizen involvement that clearly defines the procedures by which the general public will be involved in the on-going land-use planning process;

WHEREAS, effective citizen involvement is essential to good government and responsible land use decisions;

WHEREAS, the following guiding principles are the cornerstones to West Linn's citizen involvement program:

- We believe active citizen involvement is essential to the future of West Linn.
- We respect and consider all citizen input.
- We encourage involvement opportunities that reflect our diversity.
- We promote participation, based on citizen involvement opportunities, of individuals and of community, business, and special interest groups.
- We provide communications to encourage citizen participation in city processes that are understandable, timely and broadly distributed.
- We organize involvement activities to make the best use of citizens' time and effort.
- We assure that citizens feel valued and respected through the process.
- We strive to achieve the highest value and efficient use of taxpayer dollars.

WHEREAS, prior to 2008 there are no City records indicating that the City Council of West Linn delegated the duties of the City's Committee for Citizen Involvement ("CCI") to any body;

WHEREAS, the City Council recognized the West Linn Planning Commission as the City's CCI in September 2008 thereby delegating the duties of complying with Goal 1 to the Planning Commission;

WHEREAS, the City Council reevaluated its program for citizen involvement at the beginning of 2014;

WHEREAS, the City Council decided that the importance of citizen involvement required a broader cross-section of interests be represented on the CCI;

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Resolution 2014-17 on August 11, 2014, which established Bylaws for the Committee for Citizen Involvement;

WHEREAS, the City Council repealed Resolution 2014-17 and adopted Resolution 2016-05 on May 9, 2016, to better establish the purpose, work and representation of the CCI;

WHEREAS, the CCI as composed has experienced the inability to achieve a quorum consistently due to absenteeism which has impeded the committee's ability to move forward with its work;

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to further modify the committee's composition to reduce the frequency of meeting cancellations due to lack of quorum;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF WEST LINN RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. Resolution 2016-05 is repealed.

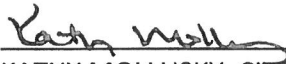
SECTION 2. The City of West Linn formally recognizes the CCI in accordance with Attachment A, the City of West Linn CCI Bylaws.

SECTION 3. The City of West Linn CCI Bylaws are adopted.

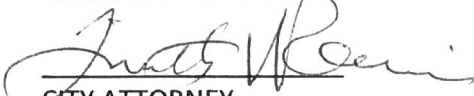
This resolution was PASSED and ADOPTED this 6th day of February 2017, and takes effect upon passage.


RUSSELL B. AXELROD, MAYOR

ATTEST:


KATHY MOLLUSKY, CITY RECORDER

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


CITY ATTORNEY

ATTACHMENT A
BYLAWS FOR THE COMMITTEE FOR CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT FOR
THE CITY OF WEST LINN, OREGON

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this organization shall be the Committee for Citizen Involvement of West Linn, Oregon; hereinafter called the CCI.

ARTICLE II - PURPOSE

The CCI is an independent body intended to function as a watchdog and advocate for citizen involvement. It is responsible for advising the City Council and other bodies on the development, implementation, and evaluation of a Citizen Involvement Plan that:

1. Promotes and enhances citizen involvement in land use planning as required by Oregon State Planning Goal 1 (OAR 660-015-000(1));
2. Evaluates the citizen involvement process; and
3. Makes recommendations to the City Council to improve the citizen involvement process.

ARTICLE III-MEMBERSHIP

The committee shall consist of:

1. Two members of the City Council
2. The chair of the Planning Commission
3. Two citizens appointed at large
4. A business community member appointed at large
5. A member of the Neighborhood Association Presidents Committee

If the chair of the Planning Commission is unable to serve for the Commission, the chair will select a member to serve in his or her place. At large members of the CCI are appointed by the City Council.

ARTICLE IV - TERM OF OFFICE

The membership term shall be for the duration of the term of service on the City Council, Planning Commission, or as the Neighborhood Association President Committee Chair for such members. The two at large citizen members and the at large business community member shall each serve a two year term.

ARTICLE V-VOTING

A quorum shall be a majority of the current CCI members. A vote shall be decided by a majority of the CCI members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present.

ARTICLE VI-MEETINGS

Meetings of the CCI shall be publicized in advance of the meeting date and conducted in accordance with applicable state and local law. The CCI shall meet at least once a month at a designated time and place.

ARTICLE VII - PRESIDING OFFICER

The Chair and the Vice Chair of the CCI shall be elected from its membership as soon as practicable each calendar year. The Chair, and when appropriate the Vice Chair or designee selected by the CCI, will preside over all CCI meetings.