

**ORDINANCE NO. 1589  
WEST LINN, OREGON**

**AN ORDINANCE CREATING A PROCEDURE TO ALLOW TWO-YEAR EXTENSIONS TO APPROVED LAND USE DECISIONS**

**WHEREAS**, applicants must complete the improvements required by the original land use approval within three years of the approval date or the approval is voided; and

**WHEREAS**, the past 18 months have seen the collapse of the housing market, the unwillingness of lending institutions to provide loans to construct improvements such as roads and utilities necessary for final platting land divisions; and

**WHEREAS**, most cities in the Metro area allow extensions for land use approvals under specific circumstances; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of West Linn provided legislative notice pursuant to Community Development Code Chapter 98; and

**WHEREAS**, the West Linn Planning Commission held a public hearing on May 20, 2009 and a meeting on October 7, 2009 and recommended approval of the amendments to allow a two-year extension subject to specific criterion; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council held a public hearing on October 26, 2009 and subsequently adopted findings of fact and conclusions justifying its decision; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF WEST LINN ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1: The West Linn Community Development Code is hereby amended to read as identified in Exhibit A (attached hereto).

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 26th DAY OF OCTOBER 2009.

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PATTY GALLE, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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TINA LYNCH, CITY RECORDER

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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CITY ATTORNEY

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