

CITY OF WEST LINN
PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING
CDC-10-01/MISC-10-01

- **ESTABLISHMENT OF A HISTORIC REVIEW BOARD**
- **CODE AMENDMENTS PERTAINING TO THE HISTORIC DISTRICT, HISTORIC LANDMARKS, DESIGN REVIEW, AND PROCEDURES FOR QUASI-JUDICIAL DECISION MAKING AND ADVISORY BOARDS**

On July 21, 2010, at 7:00 PM, in the West Linn City Hall Council Chambers, (22500 Salamo Road, West Linn) the West Linn Planning Commission will hold a public hearing regarding proposed amendments to chapters 25, 26, 55, 58, and 99 of the Community Development Code. The Planning Commission will also review amendments to Chapter 2 of the Municipal Code.

The primary purpose of the amendments to the Community Development Code is to accomplish the following:

1. Give the West Linn Historic Review Board the authority to approve, deny, or approve with conditions development applications relating to alteration, demolition, or construction of a historic landmark property, a property within a historic district, or a property with in the Willamette Falls Drive Commercial District.
2. Give the West Linn Historic Review Board the authority to review and make recommendations regarding applications for new historic landmarks and historic districts; partitioning and subdivision of property containing a historic landmark and property within a historic district; conditional use of property containing a historic landmark and property within a historic district; and zone changes for property containing a historic landmark and property within a historic district.

The primary purpose of the amendments to the Municipal Code is to accomplish the following:

1. Establish a West Linn Historic Review Board.
2. Provide that the terms of office for an advisory board, committee, or commission shall not expire until the position is replaced or reappointed.

The City previously had an agreement with the Clackamas County Historic Review Board for review of alterations, construction, demolition, and designation of a historic landmark or historic district; and construction in the Willamette Falls Drive Commercial District. This agreement terminates on September 30, 2010 and the City must establish its own Historic Review Board for these proceedings.

The hearing will be conducted in accordance with the rules of Section 98.120 of the Community Development Code (CDC). Anyone wishing to present written testimony on this proposed action may do so in writing prior to, or at the public hearing. Oral

testimony may be presented at the public hearing. At the public hearing, the Planning Commission will receive a staff report presentation from the City Planner, and invite both oral and written testimony. The Planning Commission may continue the public hearing to another meeting to obtain additional information, or close the public hearing and take action on the application. Failure to raise an issue in person or by letter at some point prior to the close of the hearing, or failure to provide sufficient specificity to afford the decision maker an opportunity to respond to the issue, precludes an appeal to the Land Use Board of Appeals based on that issue. At least 10 days prior to the hearing, a copy of the staff report will be available for inspection and also on the City's web site at <http://westlinnoregon.gov/planning/historic-review-board-creation>.

Following the hearing, the Planning Commission will make a recommendation to the City Council. The Council will make a final decision regarding the proposed amendments following its own public hearing.

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