

ORDINANCE NO. 15-1014

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING OREGON CITY MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 3.04 –
TRANSIENT ROOM TAX**

WHEREAS, Oregon Revised Statutes 320.345 through 320.350 provide the authority for a unit of local government to impose a transient lodging tax; and

WHEREAS, Oregon City Municipal Code (OCMC) Chapter 3.04 establishes a transient room tax within the boundaries of Oregon City; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to maintain an environment for successful economic development including support for opportunities to enhance tourism. Adjusting the transient room tax rate to market within the region of surrounding jurisdictions will provide funding for programs; and

WHEREAS, Oregon Revised Statutes 320.300 through 320.350 were revised during the 2013 regular session of the Oregon Legislative Assembly to draw a distinction between a transient lodging provider and a transient lodging intermediary, which clarified how lodging taxes should be collected. The City desires to amend OCMC Chapter 3.04 to be consistent with the Statutes.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF OREGON CITY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City hereby amends Oregon City Municipal Code Chapter 3.04 entitled Transient Room Tax, attached hereto as “Exhibit A,” with additions shown in underline and deletions shown in ~~strikethrough~~.

Section 2. Severability. If any provision of this Ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are severable.

Section 3. Effectiveness. This Ordinance shall take effect January 1, 2016.

Read for the first time at a regular meeting of the City Commission held on the 16th day of September, 2015, and the City Commission finally enacted the foregoing ordinance this 7th day of October, 2015.

DAN HOLLADAY, Mayor

Attested to this 7th day of October, 2015,

Approved as to legal sufficiency:

Kattie Riggs, City Recorder

City Attorney

