

RESOLUTION NO. 15-36

A RESOLUTION OF THE OREGON CITY COMMISSION IN SUPPORT OF A JOINT GRANT APPLICATION WITH METRO AND CLACKAMAS COUNTY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) FUNDS TO CONDUCT BROWNFIELD ASSESSMENT AND REMEDIATION IN THE MCLOUGHLIN INVESTMENT AREA.

WHEREAS, brownfields sites have contamination - or the perception of contamination – that creates barriers to productive use or redevelopment; and

WHEREAS, Oregon City, like most small and medium sized local governments, lacks the budget capacity and expertise for a brownfield program; and

WHEREAS, Metro leads a statewide Brownfields Coalition that represents diverse interests and has engaged Clackamas County and Oregon City to investigate brownfields within the McLoughlin Corridor; and

WHEREAS, Oregon City has several identified brownfield sites including the former Blue Heron Paper mill that are within the McLoughlin corridor target area; and

WHEREAS, Environmental Protection Agency funding can assist Oregon City and its neighbors in conducting assessments and remediation plans for brownfields sites, which will reduce barriers to economic development.

NOW, THEREFORE, OREGON CITY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

1. The City Commission strongly supports the joint grant application with Metro and Clackamas County for EPA funds to conduct brownfield assessment and remediation in the McLoughlin Investment Area.
2. The City intends to support the brownfield project through staff support, active participation in grant-related activities, and community outreach.

Approved and adopted at a regular meeting of the City Commission held on the 2nd day of December 2015.

DAN HOLLADAY, Mayor

Attested to this 2nd day of December, 2015:

Approved as to legal sufficiency:

Kattie Riggs, City Recorder

City Attorney