RESOLUTION NO. 903

A RESOLUTION IN THE MATTER OF THE CITY OF PRINEVILLE SPONSORSHIP OF A JOINT CITY-COUNTY APPLICATION FOR ENTERPRISE ZONE DESIGNATION

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE PRINEVILLE CITY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

The City Council specifically finds that:

WHEREAS, The City of Prineville, jointly with Crook County, is sponsoring an application to the Oregon Economic and Development Department for the designation of an Enterprise Zone as provided for under ORS 285B.653 and OAR Chapter 123, Division 065; and

WHEREAS, The City of Prineville is interested in an Enterprise Zone to encourage new business investment, job creation, higher incomes for local residents, and greater diversity of economic activity in the community; and

WHEREAS, The proposed Enterprise Zone has a total area of approximately 12 square miles, and it meets other statutory limitation on size and configuration; It is depicted on the drawn-to-scale map set forth on Exhibit "A" and described in Exhibit "B" of this Resolution; and

WHEREAS, The proposed Enterprise Zone contains significant land that is designated for industrial, commercial and other appropriate land uses as indicated by the comprehensive plan maps of the City of Prineville and Crook County as acknowledged by the Land Conservation and Development Commission and included in the application, and that is sufficiently accessible, serviced or serviceable, and ready for use and further development; and

WHEREAS, The City of Prineville appreciates the impacts that a designated Enterprise Zone would have and the property tax exemptions that eligible business firms might receive therein, as governed by Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS) 285B.650 to 285B.728; and

WHEREAS, All of the municipal corporations, special service districts and so forth, other than the sponsoring governments, that receive operating revenue through the levying of ad valorem taxes on real and personal property in any area of the proposed Enterprise Zone have been informed and asked to comment on the proposal, with sufficient time prior to the consideration of this resolution; and

WHEREAS, The City of Prineville has also informed existing major employers in the community of the proposal, provided public notice of the proposal, and conducted a public informational meeting on the proposal; and

WHEREAS, A number of individuals, community organizations and existing businesses and industries in the community have provided input and letters of support for the proposal; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the primary beneficiaries of enterprise zone benefits which are manufacturers, processors, shippers and other operations that serve businesses and some types of headquarters and call centers, the proposed Enterprise Zone will also provide the availability of enterprise zone exemptions to business firms that operate hotels, motels or destination resorts which would further help diversify local economic activity, provide useful employment for certain segments of the labor force, and facilitate the expansion of accommodations for visitors which in turn will spend time and money in the area for business, recreation or other purposes; The proposed Enterprise Zone may also benefit firms identified as Electronic Commerce.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PRINEVILLE CITY COUNCIL THAT:

The City of Prineville proposes and applies for designation of an Oregon enterprise zone to be named: The Prineville-Crook County Enterprise Zone.

That Mr. Henry Hartley, City Manager, is authorized to submit the proposed Enterprise Zone application for the City of Prineville, and to make any and all substantive or technical changes to the application materials, as necessary, after adoption of this Resolution.

The City of Prineville will give priority to the use in the proposed Enterprise Zone, if designated, of any economic development or job training funds received from the federal government.

The City of Prineville commits, upon designation, jointly with Crook County, to appoint a local enterprise zone manager or co-managers.

The City of Prineville will, jointly with Crook County, comply with the requirements and provisions of ORS 285B.671.

The City of Prineville, jointly with Crook County, commits to prepare, within six months of designation, a list or map of local lands and buildings owned by the state or by municipal corporations within the enterprise zone that are not being used or designated for a public purpose and that have appropriate land use zoning, and to strive in making such real property made available for lease or purchase by precertified or qualified business firms pursuant to ORS 285B.674.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:

The City of Prineville makes a binding commitment to undertake any and all actions necessary to implement the specific enhancements in the level, efficiency or availability of local public services within the proposed zone, as described in the application.

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Steve Uffelman, Mayor

The City of Prineville proposes irrevocably to provide the local incentives, as described in the application, such as tax relief and regulatory flexibility to any precertified and qualified business firm in the proposed Enterprise Zone for the length of the enterprise zone exemption, insofar as the firm's qualifying investments are also located inside of the City's jurisdiction.

The City of Prineville, as a sponsor of the proposed Prineville-Crook County Enterprise Zone jointly exercises its option herewith pursuant to ORS 285B.656(9) that qualified property owned or leased and operated by a qualified business firm as a hotel, motel or destination resort may receive a property tax exemption in the Zone, and that such business firms are eligible for purposes of precertification upon the effective designation of the Zone.

APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON THE 23rd DAY OF OCTOBER, 2001.

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR ON THE 23th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2001.

ATTEST:

1-23-01

City Manager

Date