## **RESOLUTION 665**

## A RESOLUTION SPONSORING AN ENTERPRISE ZONE FOR THE CITY OF AURORA

WHEREAS, The City of Aurora, Oregon is sponsoring an application for designation of an enterprise zone with the City of Donald, Oregon and City of Hubbard, Oregon.

WHEREAS, The City is interested in an enterprise zone to encourage new business investments, job creation, higher incomes for local residents, and greater diversity of economic activity for the North Marion County region.

WHEREAS, the proposed enterprise zone has a total area of approximately 1.8 square miles, and it meets other statutory limitations on size and configuration; it is depicted on the drawn-to-scale map, included under Exhibit A and described in Exhibit B, and is based upon the urban growth boundaries of the three sponsoring jurisdictions.

WHEREAS, the proposed enterprise zone contains significant land that is reserved for industrial use, as indicate by land use zoning map(s) with the application; is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan(s) of all three sponsoring jurisdictions, as acknowledged by the Land Conservation and Development Commission; and such industrial sites are accessible, serviced or serviceable, and otherwise ready for use and further development.

WHEREAS, the designation of an enterprise zone does not grant or imply permission to develop land within the Zone without complying with prevailing zoning, regulatory and permitting processes and restrictions for applicable jurisdictions: nor does it indicate any intent to modify those processes or restrictions, except as otherwise in accordance with Comprehensive Plans.

WHEREAS, the City of Aurora appreciates the impacts that a designated enterprise zone would have on the property tax exemptions that eligible business firms might receive therein, as governed by Oregon Revised Statues (ORS) Chapter 285C and other provisions of Oregon Law.

WHEREAS, all of the other municipal corporations, school districts, special service districts, etc., 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 were sent notice and invited to a public meeting regarding this proposal, in order for these sponsoring governments to effectively consult with these other local taxing districts. Follow-up arrangements as agreed to with these consultations will be completed with affected districts within six months of the proposed enterprise zone's designation.

WHEREAS, the availability of enterprise zones exemptions to business firms that operate hotels, motels or destination resorts would help diversify local economic activity, provide useful employment for some segments of the labor force, and facilitate the expansion of accommodations for visitors which in turn will spend time and money in the area of business, recreation or other purposes.

## NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Aurora:

The City of Aurora proposes and applies for an Oregon enterprise zone to be named: The North Marion County Enterprise Zone, and requests that the director of Business Oregon order the designation of this enterprise zone.

Heidi Blaine, Donald City Manager, is authorized to submit the enterprise zone application on behalf of the three sponsoring jurisdictions and to make any substantive or technical change to the application materials, as necessary, after adoption of this resolution.

The City of Aurora 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, consistent with ORS 285C.065(3)(d).

The City of Aurora commits, upon designation, to jointly appoint with the other sponsoring jurisdictions a local enterprise zone manager within 90 days.

The City of Aurora will jointly comply with the requirements and provisions of ORS 285C.105 and otherwise fulfill its duties under ORS 285C.050 to 285C.250.

The City of Aurora commits, within six months of designation, to implement and to confirm for the department its fulfillment of such duties, as specified in OAR 123-668, including but not limited to preparation of 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 efforts for making such real property available for lease or purchase by authorized business firms under ORS 285C.110.

The City of Aurora, in partnership with the Cities of Donald and Hubbard, as a sponsor of the proposed North Marion County Enterprise Zone exercises its option herewith under ORS 285C.070 that qualified property of and operated by a qualified business 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 authorization upon the effective designation of the Zone.

PASSED and ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Aurora this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2013 by the vote of 3 ayes and 0 nays.

**DATE:** April 9, 2013

ATTEST by the City Recorder this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 2013.

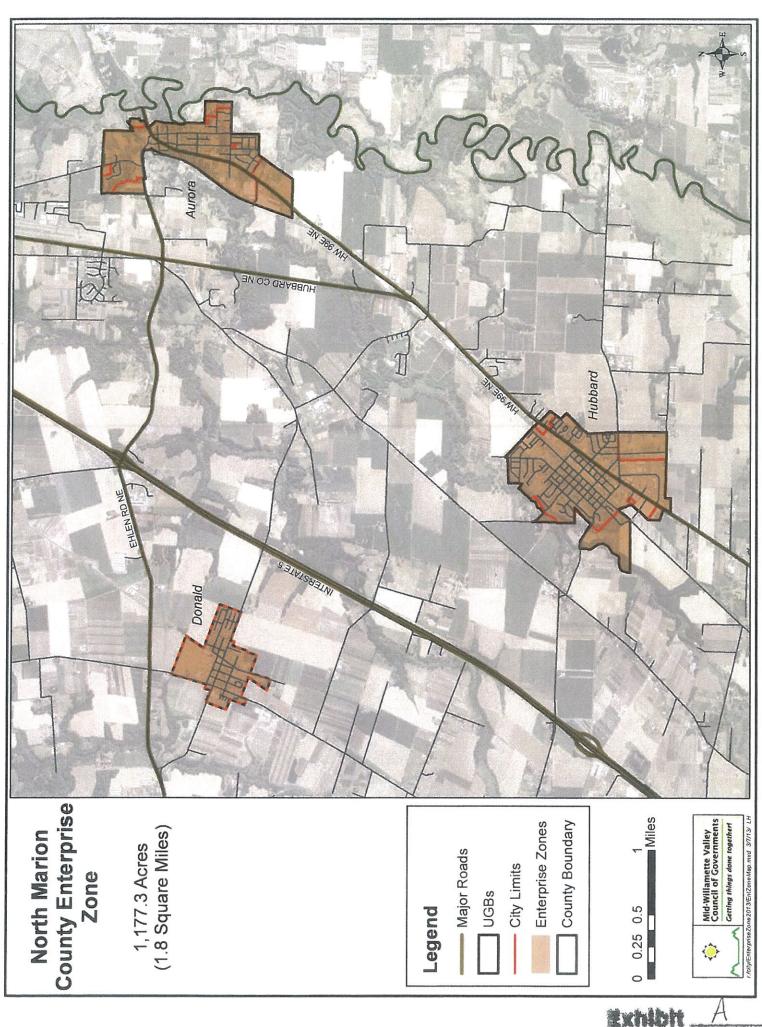
Kelly Richardson

City Recorder

List of Exhibits:

Exhibit A- Proposed Boundary Map

Exhibit B- Legal Description



## **EXHIBIT B**

The boundary of the North Marion County Enterprise Zone shall encompass the Urban Growth Boundary of the City of Aurora, as last amended via Ordinance #418 on January 9, 2002; the Urban Growth Boundary of the City of Donald, as expanded on via Ordinance # 138-08 on April 8, 2008; and the Urban Growth Boundary of the City of Hubbard, as last amended on August 12, 2008 via Ordinance #300-2008 and on January 12, 2010 via Ordinance #309-2010.