

## RESOLUTION NO. 16-19

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SCAPPOOSE APPROVING LOCAL CRITERIA FOR COMPANIES APPLYING FOR SOUTH COLUMBIA COUNTY ENTERPRISE ZONE AND LOWER COLUMBIA MARITIME ENTERPRISE ZONE EXTENDED PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS.**

**WHEREAS**, Oregon Enterprise Zones are authorized by the State of Oregon to provide economic incentives through short term property tax relief to businesses and industries providing capital investments resulting in job growth primarily for local residents; and

**WHEREAS**, there are two separate and distinct Enterprise Zones created within Columbia County, one of which also includes a portion of Clatsop County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lower Columbia Maritime Enterprise Zone has five (5) co-sponsors comprised of the City of Rainier, the City of Clatskanie, the Port of St. Helens, Columbia County and Clatsop County; and

**WHEREAS**, the South Columbia County Enterprise Zone has six (6) co-sponsors, comprised of the City of Scappoose, the City of St. Helens, the City of Columbia City, the City of Vernonia, the Port of St. Helens and Columbia County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Executive Director of the Columbia County Economic Team is designated as the Enterprise Zone Manager for both Enterprise Zones; and

**WHEREAS**, that the Board of the Columbia County Economic Team (CCET) approves and recommends that the Enterprise Zone co-sponsors approve the criteria for extended benefits in both the Lower Columbia Maritime Enterprise Zone and the South Columbia County Enterprise Zone.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that Scappoose City Council authorizes that the following criteria be applied to applications from companies seeking extended enterprise zone benefits:

- During the period of Enterprise Zone Benefits applicant companies agree to pay average wage rate of one-hundred and fifty percent (150%) of the County's most current average wage rate as approved by the State of Oregon; and
- Companies agree to remit to CCET ten percent (10%) of the total abatement in betterment for economic development within Columbia County; and
- **Fifty percent (50%) of the betterment will be retained by CCET for CCET operations, including administration and marketing of local enterprise zones. The local City sub-area sponsor in which the applicant company is investing will receive the remaining Fifty percent (50%) of the betterment remitted to the local City sub-area sponsor, to be used for local economic development**

**expenditures. If the applicant company investment is outside the geographic boundaries of any local City sub-area sponsor, the election of the disposition of the remainder of the betterment shall pass to the County in which the applicant company investment occurs; and**

- Companies agree to enter into First Source Hiring Agreement with local employment agencies to hire qualified Columbia County residents.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the City Council this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2016 and signed by the Mayor and City Recorder in authentication of its passage.

**CITY OF SCAPPOOSE, OREGON**

  
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Scott Burge, Mayor

Attest:

  
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Susan M Reeves, MMC

City Recorder