

RESOLUTION 15-03

A RESOLUTION REGARDING COLUMBIA HOSPITAL DISTRICT PROCEEDS DISBURSEMENT

Whereas, the Citizens of Scappoose are taxpayers who contributed to the Columbia Hospital District (“CHD” or the “District”); and

Whereas, In 2011, the citizens of the CHD voted to disband the District; and

Whereas, CHD possessed property and other assets when the Board voted to disband; and

Whereas, these assets were paid for by all taxpayers in the District; and

Whereas, the disposition of these assets should benefit all taxpayers equally and fairly; and

Whereas, the City of St. Helens stands to become heir to property owned and paid for by all CHD taxpayers; and

Whereas, the City of Scappoose has a high respect for the leaders of Columbia County and the City of St. Helens, and values its relationship with them.


Now, therefore, be it resolved:

The City of Scappoose would formally request that the City of St. Helens sell the property acquired by the District and share the proceeds with all taxpayers who contributed to the CHD,


Be it further resolved, absent a decision by the City of St. Helens to dispose of the property in an equitable manner, the City of Scappoose has a duty, as the representative of the citizens of Scappoose, to adopt a resolution that reflects support of any remedies including legal actions that ensure the fair distribution of tax revenues from the Hospital District dissolution to the Scappoose citizens and all citizens of Columbia County who contributed to the Hospital District. We resolve and ask that the Supreme Court of Oregon review the merits of this matter along with proportional, fair, and representative taxation principals.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Scappoose City Council and signed by me, and the City Recorder, in authentication of its passage on this 20th day of April, 2015.

CITY OF SCAPPOOSE, OREGON


Scott Burge, Mayor

Attest:


Susan M. Reeves, MMC, City Recorder