

ORDINANCE NUMBER 2008 - 05

Being an Ordinance of Columbia County Washington Repealing any Columbia County Ordinance Relating to the Establishment of a Board of Adjustment.

WHEREAS, Columbia County Board of Commissioners have agreed, in an effort to improve the timeliness and quality of land use application reviews, to establish the position of Zoning Administrator (Hearings Examiner) to act on Quasi-Judicial land use applications, and;

WHEREAS, Columbia County Commissioners Established a Planning Agency and Commission on June 2, 1958 and affirmed its operation under the State of Washington "Planning Enabling Act" on October 5, 1959, and;

WHEREAS, the "Planning Enabling Act" is codified in the Revised Code of Washington (RCW) in Chapter 36.70, and:

WHEREAS, the Planing Enabling Act allows a County to establish A Board of Adjustment or a Zoning Adjuster (Hearings Examiner), and defines the duties and authority of same, and;

WHEREAS, a Date, Time and Place has been set and published by the Commissioners for a Hearing on the adoption of this Ordinance;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Board of Columbia County Commissioners that:

SECTION 1: Dissolving the Board of Adjustment: The Ordinance establishing the Board of Adjustment is hereby repealed.

SECTION 2: Interim Land Use Application Review: In the interim until such time as a person, persons or Firm is contracted to provided the services of a Zoning Administrator (Hearings Examiner) the Board of County Commissioners shall act on all Land Use Applications and Appeals previously heard by the Board of Adjustment.

SECTION 3: Severability: If any section, sub-section, or other portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such section, sub-section, or portion shall be deemed a separate portion of this Ordinance and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.


SECTION 4: Effective Date: The effective date of this Ordinance shall be Five Days after the date of publication of adoption. All land use applications that have been determined to be complete, consistent with the requirements of County Ordinances and RCW Chapter 36.70B (the Regulatory Reform Act ESHB 1724) prior to that date shall be exempt from the provisions of this Ordinance. All applications determined to be complete, consistent with the requirements of RCW Chapter 36.70B subsequent to that date shall be subject to this Ordinance.

SECTION 5: Adoption: Adopted by the Columbia County Board of Commissioners this 18th day of August, 2008.

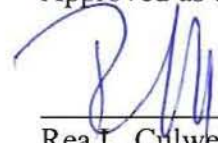

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