

RESOLUTION 09 725

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF BENTON COUNTY, WASHINGTON
IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY PLANNING: RELATING TO INTERIM GROWTH MANAGEMENT
REGULATIONS; EXTENDING THE EFFECTIVE DATE TO DECEMBER 21, 2010; AMENDING ORDINANCE
466, SECTION 1 AND BCC 16.10.080.

WHEREAS, implementation of the Benton County Comprehensive Plan is essential to direct the future growth and development of the County in a manner consistent with the Plan's goals, objectives, policies, mapping criteria and policy plan land use map categories; and,

WHEREAS, the Benton County Planning Department has recommended that, while new development regulations and inter-local agreements are prepared, substantial weight for land development proposals be given to the Plan goals, objectives, policies, mapping criteria and plan map designations within unincorporated areas, and to city comprehensive plan land use maps as well as the Plan within unincorporated portions of Urban Growth Areas; and,

WHEREAS, absent the adoption of development regulations, certain property uses and land divisions may occur under existing regulations without regard to, and in some instances, undermine the adopted plan; and,

WHEREAS, the Board desires to enable land development proposals which are consistent with the Plan to move through the application review process, and to authorize County departments to base decisions on the Plan goals, objectives, policies, mapping criteria and land use map designations while final development regulations are developed by the Planning Commission and adopted by this Board; and,

WHEREAS, the County has made substantial progress in the preparation and review of new development regulations and zoning ordinances that are consistent with the County's Comprehensive Plan for future adoption by the County, and,

WHEREAS, the Benton County Planning Commission conducted a public hearing on the proposed ordinance amendment on October 13, 2009, and after review of the testimony presented and discussion by the Planning Commission, they recommended that the Board of County Commissioners adopt the proposed ordinance amendment in order to carry out the intent of the Comprehensive Plan; and,

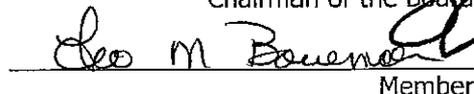
WHEREAS, a public meeting was conducted by the Board of County Commissioners on November 2, 2009 at 9:10 a.m. in the Commissioners meeting room, Third Floor, Courthouse, Prosser WA 99350, to consider the Planning Commission and staff recommendations of the above ordinance amendment; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners is satisfied that said ordinance amendment appears to be in the best interest of the public; AND THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, that Ordinance No. 472, an ordinance amending Ordinance 458, Section 1 and BCC 16.10.080 shall take effect upon the date of approval and signature until December 21, 2010, unless permanently adopted after public hearing or renewed for an additional period by action of the Board of County Commissioners.

Dated this 2 day of November 2009.


Chairman of the Board


Member


Member

Constituting the Board of County
Commissioners of Benton County
Washington.

Attest


Clerk of the Board

Michael Shuttleworth/smw

ORDINANCE NO. 472

AN ORDINANCE relating to interim growth management regulations, amending Ordinance 466, Section 1 and BCC 16.10.080.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF BENTON COUNTY, WASHINGTON:

SECTION 1. Ordinance 466, Section 1 and BCC 16.10.080 are hereby amended to read as follows:

SUNSET CLAUSE. This ordinance shall be effective until December 21, ((2009)) 2010 unless permanently adopted after public hearing or renewed for an additional period by action of the Benton County Board of Commissioners.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional, or the applicability thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the constitutionality of the remainder of the ordinance and the applicability thereof to other persons and circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force upon its passage and adoption.

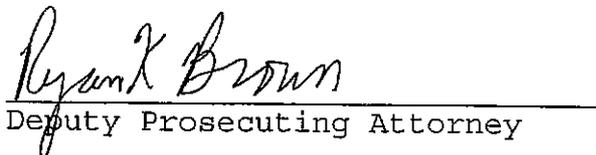
ADOPTED AND PASSED this 2 day of November, 2009.


Chairman of the Board.


Chairman Pro-Tem.


Member.

Approved as to Form:


Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Constituting the Board of
County Commissioners of
Benton County, Washington

Attest: 
Clerk of the Board