

RESOLUTION NO. 999

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING FUNDING FOR A POSTAL FACILITY IN THE CITY OF WILSONVILLE.

WHEREAS, a 4,500 square foot Wilsonville Post Office was constructed approximately twenty years ago to serve a rural population of 2,000 residents. The facility has never been updated or remodeled and now serves approximately 10,000 residents; and

WHEREAS, as the fastest growing community in the State of Oregon, Wilsonville has attracted major employers to the area which necessitates an efficient postal operation ; and

WHEREAS, the Post Office now requires a distant facility for the purposes of sorting mail for delivery. This facility is also inadequate as equipment and mail must be stored on the sidewalk and driveway during the day due to lack of space and the postal facility receiving dock cannot adequately handle the large outgoing mail requirements; and

WHEREAS, land was acquired for a new Post Office building, with an architect commissioned to prepare the necessary plans and specifications for a 27,000 square foot facility and plans were submitted for competitive bids. Public announcement was made through the local press that the postal officials recognized the need for a new facility and published an architectural rendering of the building; and

WHEREAS, in October, 1992, the project was summarily canceled by the Federal Government without any explanation.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF WILSONVILLE RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:


1. That the City Council recognizes the need for a larger, more efficient postal facility to serve the rapidly growing needs of the City of Wilsonville.

2. That the City Council urges its Congressional delegation in Washington, D. C.,

to encourage continued support of funding such a postal facility and to reactivate the facility at the earliest possible date.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Wilsonville at a regular meeting

thereof this 17th day of May, 1993 and filed with the Wilsonville City Recorder this date.



GERALD A. KRUMMEL, Mayor

ATTEST:



VERA A. ROJAS, CMC/AAE, City Recorder

SUMMARY of Votes:

Mayor Krummel	<u>AYE</u>
Councilor Van Eck	<u>AYE</u>
Councilor Carter	<u>AYE</u>
Councilor Hawkins	<u>AYE</u>
Councilor Lehan	<u>AYE</u>

FAX COVER SHEET

TO Linda

COMPANY Wilsonville City Hall

DATE 5/7/93

FROM Alex Pasorovoy

VOICE PHONE 694-5551

FAX NUMBER 694-5571

NUMBER OF SHEETS, INCLUDING COVER 4

MEMO Linda - I did not

prepare a resolution, only
a letter to Kapetaki. I assumed
that the city attorney would
draft the resolution in proper form.

CHARBONNEAU VILLAGE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION

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April 22, 1993

Honorable Mike Kopetski
House of Representatives
530 Center Street, N.E., Suite 340
Salem, OR 97301

Dear Mike:

In September of 1991, I wrote to you expressing my appreciation to you and your staff for providing the necessary assistance in resolving a very serious problem with the Wilsonville Post Office. A copy of that letter is enclosed.

Since that time, some interesting developments have taken place. The Post Office has acquired a large parcel of land near the Wilsonville Town Center, and has commissioned an architect to prepare the necessary plans and specifications for a new 27,000 square foot facility. In September of 1992, the plans were submitted for competitive bids. In October of 1992, the project was summarily canceled by someone in Washington.

These are the facts that make this decision to cancel so incomprehensible:

1. The existing Post Office was constructed approximately 20 years ago to serve a rural population of 2,000 residents. This facility is approximately 4,500 square feet in size, and has two windows to serve the community. This facility has never been updated or remodeled. This Post Office now requires a distant non-functional annex for the purpose of sorting the mail for delivery. The annex is also inadequate; equipment and mail must be stored on the sidewalk and driveway during the day due to a lack of space.

Because of a lack of space, this antiquated facility has serious parking problems, as well as long lines at each of the two windows. As a result, the postal employees frequently receive verbal abuse from angered patrons.

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2. Today, the population of Wilsonville has undergone a complete demographic transformation from a rural community to a suburban community. Someone in Washington should be informed of the fact that Wilsonville is the fastest growing community in Oregon, having experienced a compounded growth rate of 23% in each of the past two years. This growth has attracted such major employers as Payless Drug, Tektronics, Mentorgraphics, Milgard Manufacturing Co., and Lazerquick, to name but a few.
3. With the influx of these large employers, the present postal facility receiving dock cannot adequately handle the large outgoing mail requirements. These companies are now forced to ship their bulk mail to either Lake Oswego or Portland for expeditious handling.
4. Compounding all of this, was the public announcement through the local press that the postal officials recognized the need for a new facility, and proudly published an architectural rendering of the building. A few months later, without any explanation, the project was canceled. Nobody locally knows why.

Mike, attached to this letter are resolutions from the Wilsonville City Council and the Wilsonville Chamber of Commerce urging you, as our representative in Washington, to use your good offices to convince the postal authorities to reactivate this facility at the earliest possible date.

I, along with 10,000 other residents of Wilsonville, sincerely appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

Alexander E. Passovoy
President

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September 18, 1991

COPY

Honorable Mike Kopetski
House of Representatives
530 Center Street, N.E., Suite 340
Salem, OR 97301

Dear Mike:

Today, I received a call from Mr. Craig Clavambeau, the temporary Postmaster for the Wilsonville Post Office.

I personally met Mr. Clavambeau today, and was advised that he received a mandate from both Mr. Keonjian, Director, Portland Field Division, and Mr. Dennis Yuhl, Portland Division Manager/Postmaster, to "clean up the mess in Wilsonville within the next forty-five days."

He has been given full authority and financial support to make whatever corrective measures are necessary to bring the Wilsonville postal service up to required standards. I was also informed that a new Post Office facility, designed to meet the growth of Wilsonville, is being planned for the Wilsonville Town Center.

Mr. Clavambeau confirmed that all of the areas of concern registered by the citizens of Wilsonville were found to be valid, and all of the letter writing and petitions were ignored, until you wrote your letter of August 22nd to Mr. William Johnstone in Washington. That was the catalyst that activated the needed changes.

I wish to sincerely thank both you and your assistant, Mr Robert Hood, for your productive efforts in assisting us in this matter.

Sincerely

