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Memorandum Date: January 28, 2008
Board Date: February 6, 2008

TO: Board of County Commissioners
DEPARTMENT: Public Works Parks
PRESENTED BY: Todd Winter, Division Manager
AGENDA ITEM TITLE: ORDER/IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING THE BOARD CHAIR TO SIGN LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE RIDGELINE AREA OPEN SPACE VISION AND ACTION PLAN

I. MOTION

Authorizing the Board chair to sign letter of support for the Ridgeline Area Open Space Vision and Action Plan

II. DISCUSSION

A. Background / Analysis

During the Wednesday January 23rd, 2008 Board of Commissioners regular meeting, the Board voted unanimously to sign a letter of support for the Ridgeline Area Open Space Vision and Action Plan. The Board directed staff to prepare a support letter and submit through the consent agenda for signature by the Board Chair.

B. Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of the item after review of the attached letter of support.

III. ATTACHMENTS

Letter of support from the Board regarding the Ridgeline Area Open Space Vision and Action Plan.
Order

January 23, 2008

To all concerned:

With pleasure, the Lane County Board of Commissioners is providing this letter of endorsement and support for the Ridgeline Area Open Space Vision and Action Plan and the regional and inclusive planning effort it represents. This, with the understanding that the vision and strategies provide a general framework for future park and open space planning and protection in our region and will be refined based on future study and close coordination with private property owners.

As the vision is implemented in the years to come, the Board of Commissioners supports the approach of relying on voluntary participation of property owners and partnering with state and federal agencies and land trusts to help implement the vision as a way to lessen the financial burden of local governments. It is also the Board of Commissioners understanding that much of the resource land (e.g. farm and forest) identified for protection will likely remain in private ownership, with open space goals being achieved through the purchase of conservation or visual easements and voluntary management by property owners. Public ownership of parks and open spaces will rely on willing seller approaches whenever possible.

Sincerely,

Faye Stewart, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners

**IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY
STATE OF OREGON**

) **ORDER/IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING**
) **THE BOARD CHAIR TO SIGN LETTER OF**
ORDER NO.) **SUPPORT FOR THE RIDGELINE AREA OPEN**
) **SPACE VISION AND ACTION PLAN**

WHEREAS, On January 23, 2008 during the Board of County Commissioners regular meeting, an update on the Ridgeline Area Open Space Vision and Action Plan was presented by LCOG and the Lane County Parks Division; and

WHEREAS, a request for a letter of support was made for the Ridgeline Area Open Space Vision and Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Board voted unanimously to have the Board Chair sign a letter of support for the Ridgeline Area Open Space Vision and Action Plan; and

WHEREAS, directed staff to prepare a support letter and submit through the consent calendar for signature by the Board Chair;

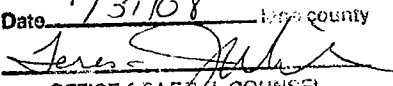
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY

ORDERED, that the Board Chair is authorized to sign a letter of support for the Ridgeline Area Open Space Vision and Action Plan on the behalf the Board of County Commissioners.

DATED this 6th day of February 2008.

Chair, Lane County Board of Commissioners

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Ridgeline Area Open Space Vision and Action Plan.**

APPROVED AS TO FORM
Date 1/31/08 Lane County

OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL