BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Authorizing the Public Works)	
Director to Approve a Certificate of Occupancy	ý	ORDER NO. 72-2005
Prior to Completion of an Access Approach and to	Ś	
Extend the Forfeiture Deadline for Access	Ś	
Approach Permits)	

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Columbia County Access Approach Ordinance, Ordinance No. 91-4, as amended by Ordinance No. 98-01 and Ordinance No. 2003-02, to ensure that accesses are constructed promptly, and in accord with County Standards, all applicants for permanent access permits must post a \$500.00 cash deposit prior to obtaining a building permit; and

WHEREAS, said deposits are not allowed to be returned unless a permanent access approach is constructed in accordance with the rules and regulations within 2 years from the date said deposit is posted; and

WHEREAS, the Columbia County Building Official may not approve a final inspection or issue a Certificate of Occupancy until the Public Works Director, or designee, has approved the completed access approach and has filed written approval with the County Land Development Services Department; and

WHEREAS, according to the Public Works Director, the Road Department has granted extensions of the 2 year forfeiture requirement upon deposit of an additional \$500.00 deposit; and

WHEREAS, according to the Public Works Director, the Road Department has authorized the County Building Official to approve final inspections or issue Certificates of Occupancy prior to his approval of the completed access approach; and

WHEREAS, it is impracticable to require completion of access approaches prior to approval of a final inspection or issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy and within 2 years in all circumstances;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED as follows:

1. For extensions of the 2 year forfeiture period granted prior to the date of this Order, the extension shall be for 6 months after the date of this Order or the extension date given to the Applicant in writing by the Road Department, whichever is sooner. If the access approach is not constructed within the forfeiture period, as extended, the Applicant shall forfeit all deposits, and must reapply for a new Access Approach Permit. Deposits shall be forfeited in accordance with Section 8 of the Columbia County Access Approach Ordinance.

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- 2. No extension of the 2 year forfeiture period shall be granted after the date of this Order unless the Applicant first deposits an additional \$1500.00 with the Columbia County Treasurer and provides proof of such deposit to the Public Works Director. No extension shall be granted for a period of more than 6 months. If the access approach is not constructed within the forfeiture period, as extended, the Applicant shall forfeit all deposits and must reapply for a new Access Approach Permit. Deposits shall be forfeited in accordance with Section 8 of the Columbia County Access Approach Ordinance.
- 3. For approval of a final inspection or Certificate of Occupancy prior to approval of a completed access approach before the date of this Order, the access approach must be completed and approved within 6 months from the date of this Order, or the date given to the Applicant in writing by the Public Works Director, whichever is sooner. If the access approach is not constructed within the allowed period, the Applicant shall forfeit all deposits according to the process set forth in Section 8 of the Columbia County Access Approach Ordinance.
- 4. No approval of a final inspection or Certificate of Occupancy prior to approval of a completed access approach shall be granted after the date of this Order unless the Applicant first deposits an additional \$1500.00 with the Columbia County Treasurer and provides proof of such deposit to the Public Works Director. The Access Approach must be constructed and approved within 6 months after the Public Works Director gives approval of a final inspection or Certificate of Occupancy. If the access approach is not constructed within the 6 month period, the Applicant shall forfeit all deposits according to the process set forth in Section 8 of the Columbia County Access Approach Ordinance.
- 5. Notwithstanding the foregoing, all access approach deposits shall be forfeited within 30 months of the date that the access approach deposit was posted regardless of when the Public Works Director approves a final inspection or Certificate of Occupancy.

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6. When the date required for the completion of an access approach has been extended as set forth in this Order the Public Works Director shall notify the Applicant in writing of the new date by which the access approach must be completed.

Dated this _____ day of October, 2005.

Approved as to Form

By: Sarah Hungon

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON By:_ Chair By: ommissioner AAI B Commissioner

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