

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Authorizing Chad Olsen)
to Sign an Extended Enterprise) Resolution No. 57-2011
Zone Agreement with ORPET LLC.)

WHEREAS, Columbia County, together with the City of St. Helens, the City of Scappoose, the Port of St. Helens, and the City of Columbia City, is a Zone Sponsor of the South Columbia County Enterprise Zone (“Enterprise Zone”); and

WHEREAS, ORPET, Inc., (the “Firm”) wishes to expand its business operations on industrial property located within the Enterprise Zone; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORS 285C.175(2)(b), property of an authorized business firm is exempt from ad valorem property taxation if (a) the property is qualified property under ORS 285C.180; (b) the firm meets the qualifications under ORS 285C.200; and the firm has entered into a first source hiring agreement under ORS 285C.215; and

WHEREAS, information provided by the City of St. Helens indicates that the Firm will be an authorized business firm pursuant to ORS 285C.200, the property will qualify under ORS 285C.180 for the initial property tax exemption, and the Firm will enter into a first source hiring agreement pursuant to ORS 285C.215; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORS 285C.175, the property may be exempt from property taxation for up to two additional tax years if authorized by a written agreement entered into by the Firm and the zone sponsors under ORS 285C.160; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORS 285C.160(3)(B), the written agreement may include any additional requirement that a sponsor may reasonably request; and

WHEREAS, the Firm has proposed making contributions to Columbia County Rider Transportation, the Columbia County Economic Team, the St. Helens Economic Development Corporation, the St. Helens Senior Center, the County’s high schools, the Columbia County Food Bank, the Toy and Joy drive, the St. Helens Community Foundation, and the Columbia County Area Agency on Aging, as additional reasonable requirements; and

WHEREAS, Chad Olsen, is the Zone Manager for the Enterprise Zone; and

WHEREAS, Chad Olsen is in the process of negotiating an agreement with the Firm to exempt the Firm from property taxes for an additional two tax years; and

WHEREAS, the County agrees that ORPET LLC., is a good addition to the job market in Columbia County, and that the purpose of the Enterprise Zone is to attract companies that provide family wage jobs for our community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED as follows:


The County authorizes Chad Olsen to negotiate and sign on behalf of Columbia County, an agreement with the Firm pursuant to ORS 285C.160, granting an additional two years of tax exemption, provided that the Firm is eligible for Enterprise Zone extended benefits pursuant to ORS Chapter 285C, and provided that the agreement includes the following as additional requirements:

The Firm shall make the following contributions each year for five (5) consecutive years:

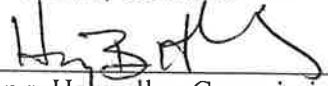
- A. \$750.00 to the Columbia Pacific Food Bank;
- B. \$500.00 to the Columbia County Area Agency;
- C. \$500.00 to the Toy and Joy drive;
- D. \$400.00 to each of the 5 high schools in Columbia County;
- E. \$750.00 to the St. Helens Senior Center;
- F. \$1000.00 to the St. Helens Community Foundation;
- G. \$500.00 to Columbia County Rider Transportation;
- H. \$5000 to the Columbia County Economic Team; and
- I. \$375.00 to the St. Helens Economic Development Corporation.

DATED this 13th of July, 2011.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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By: 
Anthony Hyde, Chair

By: 
Earl Fisher, Commissioner

By: 
Henry Helmuller, Commissioner

Approved as to form

By: 
Office of County Counsel