

BEFORE THE METRO COUNCIL

FOR THE PURPOSE OF REQUESTING) RESOLUTION NO. 96-2373
THAT THE LAND CONSERVATION AND)
DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION ADJUST) Introduced by Council Growth
THE 1992 URBAN RESERVE RULE) Management Committee

WHEREAS, Metro's 1991 Regional Urban Growth Goals and Objectives, developed in 1989-1990, included the first adopted policy for urban reserves for the Portland Metropolitan Region; and

WHEREAS, Metro's policy was the basis for the urban reserve provisions in several 1991 bills, each adopted in the state Senate or House of Representatives, but not both; and

WHEREAS, the Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) adopted the statewide Urban Reserve Rule in 1992 to improve implementation of Goal 14; and

WHEREAS, changes to the Urban Reserve Rule required by statute make Metro's regional urban growth boundary the primary mandatory application of the Urban Reserve Rule; and

WHEREAS, Metro's 1995 Regional Urban Growth Goals and Objectives (RUGGO), the regional goals and objectives, retain a regional urban reserve policy developed before the Urban Reserve Rule; and

WHEREAS, LCDC has acted to acknowledge these regional goals and objectives with the Final Order awaiting a resolution of the urban reserve policy issue; and

WHEREAS, Metro's urban reserve area designation action under LCDC's Urban Reserve Rule is scheduled for December 1996 after extensive study and public involvement; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED,

That the Metro Council hereby request that LCDC make the following adjustments and clarifications to the Urban Reserve Rule:

1. Allow Metro to utilize detailed Region 2040 project data developed through 1994 for a 50 year period by amending the Metro portion of OAR 660-21-030(1) to read:

". . . except for the Portland Metropolitan area urban growth boundary, where the urban reserve area shall include an amount of land estimated to be a 30 to 50 year total land supply."

2. Allow Metro's acknowledged RUGGO policy to encourage separation of communities to apply to two areas where communities would lose some separation by application of the Urban Reserve Rule priorities by amending OAR 660-21-030(4) to add subsection (4)(d):

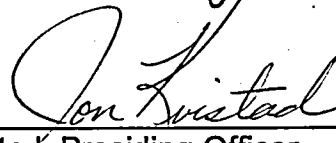
"Land of lower priority under section (3) of this rule may be included if land of higher priority is found to be inadequate to accommodate the amount of land estimated in subsection (1) for one or more of the following reasons:

"(d) In the Metro region, separation of the urban areas of Tualatin-Wilsonville and Cornelius-Hillsboro to preserve community identity."

3. Clarify the Department's interpretation that the "specific land need" provision of the Urban Reserve Rule includes the acknowledged RUGGO policy of balancing jobs and housing by amending OAR 660-21-030(4)(a):

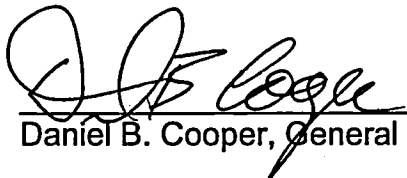
"Land of lower priority . . . may be included . . . (if) specific types of identified land needs, including the need to balance projected jobs and housing for the subarea of each regional center and each urban town center separated from the urban growth boundary by rural land, cannot be reasonably accommodated on higher priority land."

ADOPTED by Metro Council this 25th day of July, 1996.



Jon Kvistad, Presiding Officer

Approved as to Form:



Daniel B. Cooper, General Counsel