

**RESOLUTION NO. 1382**

**A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE WILSONVILLE CITY STAFF PRESENTATION AT THE APRIL 26, 1997 DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS PUBLIC HEARING WHOLLY COMPELLING AND CONVINCING, AND EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR THE SAME.**

WHEREAS, on April 26, 1997 the Oregon Department of Corrections held a public hearing on the question of siting a prison on the Dammasch property; and

WHEREAS, the City of Wilsonville presented compelling testimony in opposition; and

WHEREAS, City Manager, Arlene Loble, conceived of, organized, and managed a strategy that would have put General Patton to shame; and

WHEREAS, City Attorneys, Mike Kohlhoff and Joan Kelsey, together with consulting attorney, Gail Achterman, researched and compiled legal objections which were both thorough and persuasive; and

WHEREAS, City Attorney Mike Kohlhoff, presented such legal objections in a manner uncommonly brief, direct, and powerful; and

WHEREAS, consulting attorney, Gail Achterman, carefully and methodically blew large, gaping holes in whatever may have been left of any paper water rights to the Dammasch wells; and

WHEREAS, Community Development Director, Eldon Johansen, explained patiently and thoroughly the engineering perspective on water rights, wherein his experience had shown that you cannot actually drink a piece of paper with or without holes; and

WHEREAS, City Engineer, Mike Stone, showed why, technically, you can't get there from here and why, if you tried to, it would cost precisely a King's ransom and take approximately many moons, (most likely blue ones) and an additional month of Sundays to do so; and

WHEREAS, Environmental Services Manager, Steve Starner, gave his technical analysis and conclusion of the DOC's proposed wastewater lagoons, i.e., "it stinks"; and

WHEREAS, Urban Renewal Project Manager, C.J. Sylvester, showed that one thing her experience as project manager for Hughes Aircraft had taught her was that it really does matter where you put those decimal points; and

WHEREAS, Planning Director, Stephan Lashbrook, valiantly tried to explain planning and land use issues as patiently as any University professor, even though his primary audience had clearly failed to take the necessary prerequisites; and

WHEREAS, Public Affairs Director, Dave Kanner, in spite of tearing out most of the rest of his hair, writing, organizing, re-writing, and re-organizing everyone's testimony up to and including the morning of the presentation, still managed to deliver a powerful summation; and

WHEREAS, Assistant Planner, Paul Silver, performed a convincing Vanna White impersonation and furthermore exhibited extreme self-control in the use of his pointing stick; and

WHEREAS, Engineering Technician, Susan Johnson, produced graphics and maps so clear that their message should have been obvious even without explanation; and

WHEREAS, City Recorder, Sandra King, Executive Secretary, Linda Boeckman, and Legal Secretary, Diane Pankonin, in support of this endeavor, filed compiled, reproduced, and tracked nearly as many documents as the Library of Congress; and

WHEREAS, many additional city staff too numerous to mention individually, provided research, assistance, and analysis; and

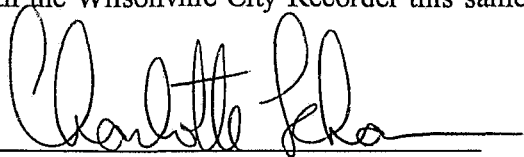
WHEREAS, all these individuals, for many weeks and months, performed tirelessly and without complaint (except in the direction of the Department of Corrections); and

WHEREAS, their Herculean efforts resulted in a display of testimony so brilliant and compelling that the fact that a few (though key) individuals were unable to comprehend such brilliance in no way diminishes its reality.

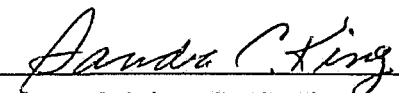
**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL, ON BEHALF OF THE CITIZENS OF WILSONVILLE, RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

1. That no city of any size could have done a better or more professional job of presenting the evidence.
2. That any reasonable person should have been persuaded by such compelling evidence.
3. That the citizens of Wilsonville are deeply appreciative of their efforts.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Wilsonville at a regular meeting thereof this 5th day of May 1997, and filed with the Wilsonville City Recorder this same date.

  
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CHARLOTTE LEHAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Sandra C. King, CMC, City Recorder

SUMMARY OF VOTES:

Mayor Lehan	Yes
Councilor MacDonald	Yes
Councilor Helser	Yes
Councilor Luper	Yes
Councilor Barton	Yes