

RESOLUTION 2008-012

A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE DESCHUTES COUNTY GREENPRINT.

WHEREAS, the City of La Pine ("City") is committed to maintaining and enhancing quality of life for its citizens; and

WHEREAS, open spaces, natural areas, parks, and trails are freely accessible community assets offering opportunities for recreation and exercise to everyone, including children, youth, and families, and provide places for people to experience a sense of community and create stronger social and family ties; and

WHEREAS, open spaces, parks, and trails provide key amenities to communities and areas for our citizens and children to travel, exercise, play and connect with nature; and

WHEREAS, open spaces, parks, and trails have significant impact on the economic viability of the region through increased levels of tourism, enhanced property values, as well as enhanced ability to attract and retain businesses to the region due to improved quality of life; and

WHEREAS, many agencies in our region have taken a lead in planning and/or building local parks, trails, and protecting open space, and those efforts can be greatly enhanced by being connected to a larger regional network of open space, natural areas, parks, trails; and

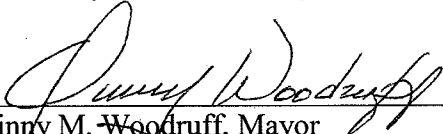
WHEREAS, City recognizes that the Deschutes County Greenprint will contribute to quality of life by identifying lands that meet the open space, natural resource, parks, trails, and recreation needs of the rapidly growing populations in Deschutes County, identify ways to use investments in parks, trails, and open space as a proactive strategy to guide future growth and ensure the quality of life that is essential to the health of community members; and

WHEREAS, partial funding is available for the Greenprint for planning and prioritizing lands for open space, natural areas, parks, and regional trails, and this funding will leverage public funding from federal, state, and other various sources;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by and through the La Pine City Council meeting in regular session, that City supports the Deschutes County Greenprint and is committed to working with The Trust for Public Land and partners to allocate staff time and to be involved with prioritizing land for open space, natural areas, parks, and trails, and supports involvement in a dialogue about future funding strategies to implement the Greenprint priorities.

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APPROVED, ADOPTED, AND MADE EFFECTIVE by the La Pine City Council
on this 12th day of November, 2008.


Ginny M. Woodruff, Mayor

ATTEST:


Luana K. Damerval, City Recorder