

## RESOLUTION NO. 3224

### A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTOR TO GRANT ADDITIONAL APPROVAL EXTENSIONS

#### Findings

- A. The City of Bend Development Code Section 4.1.1310.C.2 allows the City Council to authorize planning approval extensions beyond two years in cases of city-wide need.
- B. The entire world is experiencing an unprecedented state of turmoil, volatility and downturn in economic, financing, real estate and development markets due to the COVID-19 pandemic, which has negatively affected the real estate and construction industries in the State of Oregon, and the City of Bend.
- C. The local building community is a key component of economic development and the sustaining of living wage employment and the provision of housing in the City.
- D. The City acknowledges that the development approval process is intended to protect the community at large, as well as to facilitate orderly and appropriate development.
- E. Under this unique convergence of maintaining a functioning economy within the confines of a pandemic while keeping real estate markets and the construction industry viable, there are strong public policy interests supporting a finding of City-wide need.
- F. It benefits the City's employment and housing needs to adopt policies that help enable the development community to act expeditiously when the pandemic ends.
- G. The current pandemic has hindered the ability of planning approvals to be initiated during their effective period.
- H. It is in the City's interest to allow such approved developments to occur when the pandemic ends.
- I. The inability of approved development to be exercised during normal approval period constitutes a city-wide need for additional extensions.

Based on these findings,

**THE CITY OF BEND RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

Section 1: That in accordance with Bend Development Code (BDC) Section 4.1.1310.C.2 the City Council authorizes the Development Services Director to give an additional one-year extension beyond the two-year extension provided for in BDC Section 4.1.1310.C.1.

Section 2: This Resolution takes effect immediately upon passage and is in effect until October 21, 2021.

Adopted by motion of the Bend City Council on October 21, 2020.

YES:	Sally Russell, Mayor	NO: none
	Bruce Abernethy	
	Barb Campbell	
	Bill Moseley	
	Justin Livingston	
	Gena Goodman-Campbell	
	Chris Piper	

  
Sally Russell, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Robyn Christie, City Recorder

Approved as to form:

  
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Mary A. Winters, City Attorney