

October 29, 2024

Marion County Board of Commissioners 555 Court St NE Salem, OR 97301

Dear County Commissioners,

At their duly noticed October 28th meeting, the Woodburn City Council held a public hearing and voted to approve expansion of the Woodburn Urban Growth Boundary to incorporate the previously established Urban Reserve Area.

The City made findings that determined the proposal to be consistent with the Oregon Statewide Planning Goals and Guidelines, as well as our Urban Growth and Coordination Agreement with Marion County. In addition, our staff has worked closely with County Planning staff over the past several months to ensure consistency and expediency in scheduling, and we appreciate their work and support on this important project.

Ordinance No. 2633 has been prepared for enacting the UGB expansion proposal. The City Council held the first reading of Ordinance No. 2633 on October 28, 2024 but a second reading will be required for final approval. At the request of your staff, before the Woodburn City Council conducts the second reading of the ordinance, we are requesting your concurrence on the Urban Growth Boundary Amendment. No Zone Change or Annexation is proposed at this time.

The City of Woodburn kindly requests that Marion County work to place this matter on their next available hearing agenda, preferably no later than January 2025, and we look forward to working with Marion County for completion of this project.

Sincerely,

Frank Lonergan, Mayor

Frank J. Fore

Cc: Renata Wakeley, Woodburn Special Projects Director Austin Barnes, Marion County Principal Planner