

RESOLUTION NO. 5648

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PARTICIPATION IN THE OREGON MAIN STREET PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, the Oregon Main Street Program has been established to assist cities and towns in developing a public/private effort to revitalize urban neighborhoods and traditional central business district areas; and

WHEREAS, the Oregon Main Street Program will accept new cities or towns to participate in its ongoing program and receive intensive technical assistance from the Oregon Main Street Program; and

WHEREAS, Albany participated in the Oregon's first Main Street Program; and

WHEREAS, Albany has a non-profit downtown organization, the Albany Downtown Association (ADA), with a paid full-time executive director; and

WHEREAS, the City of Albany recently renewed an Economic Improvement District for downtown for five years that supports the ADA; and

WHEREAS, Albany endorses the goal of economic development of the designated Main Street district within the context of the preservation and rehabilitation of its historic commercial buildings, recognizing that the Main Street Program is one of many economic and community development tools available and that it is location specific; and

WHEREAS, Albany recognizes that a commitment to commercial district revitalization is an ongoing process requiring long-term attention, community support and involvement, and a full public/private partnership that is expected to last indefinitely; and

WHEREAS, there is support from the Albany Downtown Association, Chamber of Commerce, Albany Millersburg Economic Development Corporation, Albany Visitors Association, and numerous business leaders in the community to participate in the Oregon Main Street Program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Albany endorses the submission of this application, and agrees to participate in the development and support of the local Main Street Program for the duration of its existence.

DATED AND EFFECTIVE THIS 27TH DAY OF AUGUST 2008.

ATTEST:



Mayor



City Clerk

