

ORDINANCE BILL NO. 26 FOR 1983

ORDINANCE NO. 909

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT OF THE SWEET HOME COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, the City of Sweet Home finds that:

1. The citizens of Sweet Home support the need for industrial land use and development adjacent to the Stock/Tomco Airport, as indicated in testimony before the Planning Commission in May, July, August, and September of 1983; and,
2. The identified need for industrial land use and development adjacent to the Stock/Tomco Airport can best be served by relaxing the Airport Overlay Zoning currently restricting such land use and development; and,
3. The Oregon Dept. of Land Conservation and Development has reviewed the proposed Comprehensive Plan and Airport Overlay Zone amendments and identified no conflicts with State land use goals; and
4. The proposed Comprehensive Plan amendment is consistent with all other portions of the Comprehensive Plan; and,
5. The continued planning and zoning of the Stock/Tomco Airport for future public use is not compatible with adjacent industrial land use and development

NOW, THEREFORE, the City of Sweet Home does ordain as follows:

Section 1. The subsection labeled "4. Air Transit" under Other Transportation Facilities and on page T-16 of the Sweet Home Comprehensive Plan is hereby amended to read as follows:

4. Air Transit

Both Langmack Airport and Stock/Tomco Airport are privately owned. Langmack Airport is a restricted public use airport while the Stock/Tomco Airport is private.

Langmack Airport has a 2,200 foot paved runway. Expansion of the airport would be difficult because of the streets and houses on both ends of the airport. The airport could not be brought up to today's public use airport standards nor could it be built at it's present site per today's zoning ordinance. However, the City should encourage the continued public use of Langmack Airport until an alternative site is developed.

The Stock/Tomco Airport has a 4000 foot graded grass runway. Numerous height encroachments are found at the adjacent veneer mill and with the adjacent trees and utility lines. Enforcement of clear zones north and south of the runway would severely inhibit the industrial development of those properties. In 1979, the airport was approved in a conditional use approval. In 1982, an Airport Overlay Zone was adopted to protect the area for a future public use airport. In 1983, a variance to the zone was issued on one property and the zone was subsequently amended to include zoning restrictions only in the approach areas. This action was taken based upon the conclusion that industrial development in the area was a higher priority public need than a public use airport. In reviewing all proposed airport zoning provisions, the City of Sweet Home shall evaluate the impact upon properties affected by such provisions.

Section 2. Emergency Clause. Whereas it is necessary and it is in the interest and benefit of the City that this ordinance become effective immediately, an emergency is hereby declared to exist and this ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage by the Council and approval by the Mayor.

PASSED by the Council and approved by the Mayor this 13th day of December, 1983.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Manager - Exofficio City Recorder