

# CITY OF UNION RESOLUTION NO. 2011-03

## A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF UNION SUPPORTING THE BENEFITS IN THE STRATEGIC INVESTMENT PROGRAM AGREEMENT BETWEEN UNION COUNTY AND HORIZON WIND LLC. THAT BENEFIT THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF UNION AND A COMMITMENT TO WORK IN A GOOD FAITH, COLLABORATION, COMMUNICATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE PROJECT

**WHEREAS**, the City Council recognizes that, if the Antelope Ridge Wind Farm is constructed, the project will likely have negative impacts on the City of Union and its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Union has worked in good faith with Union County and Horizon Wind LLC to address and to obtain mitigation for these impacts; and

**WHEREAS**, the approval process for Antelope Ridge Wind Farm will be decided by the State of Oregon through a public proceeding before the Energy Facility Siting Council (EFSC); and

**WHEREAS**, the Union County and Horizon Wind LLC have been negotiating a Strategic Investment Program (SIP) Agreement pursuant to ORS 285C.600 through 285C.639, which among other things is intended to provide certain forms of economic mitigation for governmental entities and agencies that stand to be adversely impacted by the project; and

**WHEREAS**, the SIP Agreement between Union County and Horizon Wind LLC, as it is now amended, will provide mitigation for impacts to the City of Union and its citizens related to property value reduction, lost tourism, degraded view sheds and adverse health impacts; and

**WHEREAS**, the city recognizes that contributions committed to by Union County in the amended SIP Agreement will provide economic support to and mitigation for organizations that operate in part within the City of Union, and will therefore benefit the citizens of the City of Union.

**NOW THEREFORE**, the City of Union resolves to support and endorse the SIP Agreement between Union County and Horizon Wind LLC that includes the following mitigation for the City of Union and its citizens:

- 1) First Year Allocation of Additional Fee. During the first year of the SIP Exemption Period, Union County will distribute 50% of the Additional Fee, not to exceed \$1 million, as follows:
  - a. 50% to the City of Union

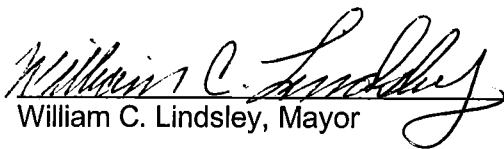
- b. 1.5% to the Union Rural Fire Department
- c. 1.5% to Union Emergency Services
- d. 10% to the Union School District
- e. 0.5% to the Union Commercial Club
- f. 2% to the Eastern Oregon Livestock Show
- g. 2% to the Union County Museum
- h. 2.5% to the South County Health District

2) City of Union Donation. For each year of the SIP Exemption Period Union County shall donate to the City of Union 4.21% of each year's Additional Fee (the "City of Union Donation") for the City to use at its discretion for the benefit of its citizens. The City of Union Donation shall not disqualify the City from eligibility for any additional or other funding sources that the County or Antelope Ridge may make available to agencies, governmental and quasi-governmental entities within the County.

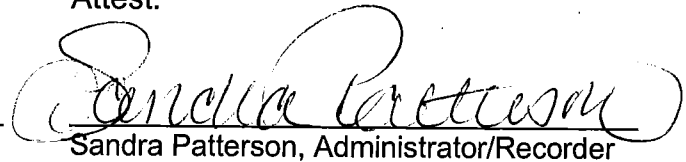
The City of Union's principal concerns will be satisfied with the above-stated mitigation funds so long as they are included in the SIP entered into between Union County and Horizon Wind LLC pursuant to ORS 285C.600 through 285C.639. Potential public service and transportation impacts will be addressed under OAR 345-022-0110 by the Energy Facility Sitting Council during the project's public hearing process. All efforts will be made to work with Horizon Wind LLC in good-faith collaboration and communication through the execution of a mitigation and cooperation agreement between Horizon Wind LLC and the City of Union.

**ADOPTED AND APPROVED** this 10<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2011 by a majority of the Common Council of the City of Union.

Approved:

  
William C. Lindsley, Mayor

Attest:

  
Sandra Patterson, Administrator/Recorder