TITLE 2 CHAPTER 5

URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE

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- **2-5-1:** BLIGHTED AREAS: Based upon the findings marked Exhibit "A", attached hereto and incorporated by reference as fully set forth herein, the City Council of the City of Florence, Oregon, hereinafter referred to as City of Florence, hereby finds and declares that blighted areas, as defined in ORS 457.010, exist within the City of Florence.
- **2-5-2: NEED FOR URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY**: The City Council declares and recognizes that there is a need for an Urban Renewal Agency to function within the City of Florence.
- **2-5-3: POWERS OF THE AGENCY:** The City Council further declares, Pursuant to ORS 457.045(2), that all of the rights, powers, duties, privileges and immunities granted to and vested in an Urban Renewal Agency by the laws of the State of Oregon shall be exercised by and vested in the Urban Renewal Agency Board of Directors.
- **2-5-4: NAME OF THE AGENCY:** The corporate name of the agency provided by the Ordinance shall be, and said agency shall be known as, "The Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Florence.".
- **2-5-5: BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** The Board of Directors shall be made up of nine members who shall be appointed, using the appointment process set out in FCC 2-1-4, based upon their positions as follows:
 - A. One shall be the Mayor of Florence.
 - B. Two shall be City Councilors of the City of Florence.
 - C. One shall be nominated by the Lane County Board of Commissioners.
 - D. Five shall be citizens at large. Special consideration shall be given to the potential appointment of elected members of the governing bodies of the Western Lane Ambulance District, the Port of Siuslaw, Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue, and/or the Siuslaw Library District.
- **2-5-6: TERM OF OFFICE:** The term of office of each member of the Board of Directors, with the exception of the Mayor of Florence, shall be three years. The initial appointments shall be made in such a manner so that three members are appointed for full three year terms, three shall be appointed for two years and two members shall be appointed for one year. All terms thereafter shall be three years. The term for the Mayor of Florence shall correspond with his/her term in office as Mayor.
- **2-5-7:** DISSOLUTION: Dissolution in absence of Urban Renewal Plan. The Urban Renewal Agency shall be disbanded if at any time the Florence City Council fails to approve an Urban Renewal Plan or should abandon any plan previously approved.

Exhibit A

Findings on blighting conditions

The City Council finds that there exist within the City of Florence blighting conditions as defined by ORS 457.010(1), and that the City Council is interested in improving conditions in such areas.

The City Council further finds that blighting conditions exist within an area encompassing Old Town Florence, and areas fronting on and adjacent to Highway 101, south of 12th Street. Blighting conditions in this area include:

- Vacant and underutilized property and land.
- Lack of curb, sidewalk and lighting in portions of the area.
- Traffic and safety hazards created by Highway 101, and high levels of traffic.
- Evidence of substandard building maintenance and appearance in the area
- Public facilities in need of repair or replacement.

The City Council finds that urban renewal provides a means to treat blighting conditions in Florence, and that an urban renewal agency therefore should be established.