RESOLUTION NO. 974

A RESOLUTION COMMITTING SUPPORT FOR FRIENDS OF OLD TOWN STAYTON

WHEREAS, Friends of Old Town Stayton ("FOTS") is applying to the "Transforming Downtown" tier of the Oregon Main Street ("OMS") Program;

WHEREAS, the Downtown Stayton Transportation and Revitalization Plan, adopted by the City Council in September 2007, establishes a vision statement: "A unified thriving downtown district serves as the community's focal point with a mix of retail, professional offices, government, cultural, social and recreational opportunities, innovative housing and parks and supply of adequate parking";

WHEREAS, FOTS has a mission statement of: "Building on Stayton's rich history to foster a quality downtown core that is economically strong; accessible and safe for pedestrians and cyclists, with beautiful spaces for people to gather" and a vision statement of: "A downtown Stayton that is a thriving destination location due to its unique offerings and beautiful setting";

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes the mission and vision of FOTS is in accordance with the city's vision for downtown development;

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes that FOTS has hosted events, created promotions, supported amendments to the Municipal Code, and made design changes in the downtown area which have benefited businesses, brought residents and tourists downtown, and made steps in achieving the aforementioned mission and vision;

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes that previous financial commitments to FOTS, including \$5,000 earmarked from the Planning budget for downtown improvements, and \$8,000 to support the hiring of a Resource Assistance to Rural Environments ("RARE") participant, have allowed FOTS to achieve City goals and benefit the City government; and

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes that moving into the "Transforming Downtown" tier of the OMS system will allow FOTS to increase its capacity and continue to improve downtown and work towards the previous stated goals.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council supports the efforts of FOTS to improve downtown Stayton.

This Resolution shall become effective upon the adoption by the Stayton City Council.

ADOPTED BY THE STAYTON CITY COUNCIL this 19th day of March, 2018.

Date: 3 \ 4 , 2018

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