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Planning Administrator,

Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency (MWVCAA) submits this information for your consideration to illustrate how the recent passing of HB2006 applies to our operations and provides allowance in using the facility at 1185 22nd Street Salem, OR to increase regional low-barrier shelter bed capacity.

As outlined in HB2006 proposed shelters need to meet the requirements listed in Section 3.1 (a – f), 3.3 (a & b). Upon opening, the 22nd street shelter will provide sleeping and restroom facilities for clients, will comply with building codes by way of obtaining a building permit for remodel, is located inside an urban growth boundary, is not a new building, and is located in a city with transportation access to medical services, and will not pose risk to public health safety.

Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency currently operates as a public benefit corporation and has been recognized as exempt from income tax under section 501 (a) of the Internal Revenue Code. Meeting Section 3.2 item C's requirement of HB2006.

As outlined by Section 3.2, MWVCAA maintains more than two years' experience operating an emergency shelter. Whereby providing over 16,000 bed nights during the emergency warming season of 2020-2021. MWVCAA has been operating the Salem Warming Network since 2017, as well as additional shelters for medically fragile and veterans.

Subject to Section 3.3 (A & B), upon opening onsite services by MWVCAA may also include: daily access to showering/bathing, storage of personal property, laundry facilities, food services two times per day, recreational areas for pets and service animals, case management and behavioral health services, as well as winter warming shelter opportunities. Plans for remodeling the facility will secure the ability to support up to 75 unsheltered individuals.

It is MWVCAA's belief that the points listed above meet the terms of HB2006. Warranting an immediate approval of the 22nd street shelter, not subject to a land use decision. Plans to move forward with building remodel pending appropriate building permits and providing services will begin immediately pending this decision. We look forward to your review and approval in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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