



**FIRST READING AND SCHEDULING OF A
SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING
OF AN ORDINANCE**

**Amending Chapter 216, County Administrator, of the
Codified Ordinances of Jackson County, Oregon**

Item No. 40.02

Board Letter No. 12932

Agenda: June 9, 2021

Honorable Members of the Board of Commissioners:

As an item for the agenda for the Board meeting of June 9, 2021, is the first reading and scheduling of the second reading and public hearing of an Ordinance amending Chapter 216, County Administrator, of the Codified Ordinances of Jackson County, Oregon. The Ordinance has been approved by County Counsel as to legal sufficiency.

Synopsis and Benefit to Jackson County

Chapter 216 of the Codified Ordinances of Jackson County establishes the position of County Administrator who is responsible to the Board of County Commissioners for the administration and management of the County, except as otherwise provided by the County Charter. It has been determined that it is necessary to amend Chapter 216 to add Section 216.24 to set forth the County's policy related to proposed State or Federal legislation which violates the rights guaranteed by the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution and Article 1, Section 27, of the Oregon Constitution.

The Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States provides that "the right of the people to keep and bear arms shall not be infringed." Article 1, Section 27 of the Oregon Constitution provides that "the people shall have the right to bear arms for the defence [sic] of themselves, and the State."

The Legislative Assembly of the State of Oregon and the Congress of the United States have in the past, are currently, and are likely in the future to consider legislation which impacts and infringes on the right of the people to bear arms as is guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States and the Oregon Constitution.

The Jackson County Board of Commissioners has the right and obligation to adopt policies for the County through ordinances which fulfill and uphold their oaths as elected officials to support the Constitution of the United States and the Oregon Constitution. The Jackson County Board of Commissioners desires to reaffirm and support the right of the people to bear arms set forth in the Second Amendment to the Constitution of the United States and Article 1, Section 27, of the Oregon Constitution by not supporting the adoption of any laws or regulations which infringe upon the rights guaranteed by the Constitution of the United States and the Oregon Constitution.

Financial Impact

There is no financial impact associated with the adoption of the Ordinance.

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Recommendation

It is recommended that the first reading of the Ordinance be held and that the second reading and public hearing be scheduled for Wednesday, June 23, 2021, at 9:30 a.m. by videoconference. If adopted on June 23, 2021, the Ordinance will become effective on August 23, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ DANNY JORDAN

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