ORDINANCE 2018-07

An ordinance amending Skamania County Code Title 15 – Buildings and Construction; revising work exempt from building permits.

WHEREAS, RCW 19.27 requires all jurisdictions within the State of Washington to adopt by reference and enforce the same building codes throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, Skamania County has adopted the State Building Code in Title 15 of the Skamania County Code; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of this chapter is to promote the health, safety and welfare of the occupants or users of buildings and structures and the general public by the adoption of building codes generally uniform throughout the State; and

WHEREAS, Title 15 exempts certain work from permit requirements, including non-commercial agricultural buildings and one-story detached accessory structures; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners held workshops to discuss revisions to exemptions for agricultural buildings and accessory buildings; and

WHEREAS, adoption of the building code is categorically exempt from threshold determinations; and

WHEREAS, notice of the public hearing was provided in the official newspaper of general circulation at least 10 days prior to the public hearing meeting the notification requirements; and

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2018, the Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing to gather public testimony and approved Ordinance 2018-07.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED AND ESTABLISHED the Board of County Commissioners adopts Ordinance 2018-07 amending Section 15.08.030 of the Skamania County Code as follows:

15.08.030 Amendments.

A. Section 105.2 is amended to read as follows:

105.2 Work exempt from permit. Exemptions from permit requirements of this code shall not be deemed to grant authorization for any work to be done in any manner in violation of the provisions of this code or any other laws or ordinances of this jurisdiction. Permits shall not be required for the following:

Building:

1. One-story detached <u>residential</u> accessory structures used as tool and storage sheds, playhouses and similar uses, provided the floor area does not exceed 200 square feet <u>and the structure does not include any plumbing</u>.

14. One story detached buildings used for unoccupied non-commercial agricultural

use that do not contain toilet facilities; are not heated facilities; and are not used for human habitation, public assembly, non-agricultural related storage, or a place of employment where agricultural products are processed, treated or packaged. The property-owner accepts all responsibility that the building meets all applicable setbacks and other restrictions, and may submit a site plan to the Community Development Department for verification. Violations may require the removal and/or demolition of the building.

4514. Minor construction and alteration activities to Group U which the total valuation as determined or as documented by the applicant to the satisfaction of the building official, does not exceed one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1500) in any twelve month period; PROVIDED, that the construction and/or alteration activity does not affect any structural components, or reduce existing egress, light, air, and ventilation conditions. This exemption does not include electrical, plumbing, or mechanical activities. The permit exemption shall not otherwise exempt the construction or alteration from the substantive standards of the codes enumerated in RCW 19.27.031, as amended and maintained by the State Building Code Council under RCW 19.27.070;

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-07 PASSED INTO LAW THIS 11th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2018.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Clerk of the Board

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM ONLY

Skamania County Prosecuting Attorney

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NOTICES

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Before the Board of Skamania County Commissioners

PURPOSE: Skamania County Board of Commissioners hereby gives notice that a public hearing will be held on the proposed adoption of Ordinance 2018-07, an ordinance amending Skamania County Code Title 15 – Buildings and Construction; revising work exempt from building permits.

Written testimony/comments to be considered at the public hearing by the Board of Commissioners must be received by the Clerk of the Board by 12:00 PM on the Monday preceding the date of the public hearing. Send to Skamania County Board of Commissioners, Attn: Clerk of the Board, PO Box 790, Stevenson, WA 98648 or slack@co.skamania.wa.us. Anyone interested may appear and be heard.

Copies of proposed Ordinance 2018-07 are available to the public in the Commissioners' Office, Room 15, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue, Stevenson, WA or may be viewed on Page 9

our website at www.skamaniacounty.org

DATE: Tuesday, September

11, 2018

TIME: 5:30 PM

PLACE: Skamania County Courthouse, Room No. 18 (lower level), 240 NW Vancouver Avenue, Stevenson, WA.

Skamania County Courthouse is accessible for persons with disabilities. Please let us know if you will need any special accommodations in order to attend the meeting. (509) 427-3700.

DATED August 14, 2018

Debbie Slack, Clerk of the
Board

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