

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON
RESOLUTION NO. 2026-051**

Approving Termination of Low Income Housing Development Agreement for 722, 732, and 736 NE Couch Street.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- A. Through Resolution 2015-018, and pursuant to ORS 271.330(2), the County approved the transfer of that certain real property located at 722, 732, and 736 NE Couch Street, Portland, Oregon (the "Properties") to Volunteers of America of Oregon, Inc., an Oregon nonprofit corporation ("VOA"), for low income housing purposes in accordance with the terms and conditions of that certain Low Income Housing Development Agreement (March 25, 2015) recorded in Multnomah County, Oregon, on March 25, 2015, as Record Number 2015-031984 ("Agreement").
- B. Since the transfer of the Properties, the Properties have been used for low-income housing consistent with the Agreement.
- C. VOA is planning to build a new campus and treatment center at NE Glisan St & NE 90th Ave. The new location will allow VOA to co-locate programming, create new community resources, and centralize administrative functions. This new campus will improve service provision and continuity, and is in the public interest.
- D. The new campus will provide more housing than the Properties currently under VOA ownership.
- E. VOA seeks to sell the Properties and use the proceeds to help fund its new campus.
- F. The Agreement encumbers the property and limits proceeds possible from selling the properties and VOA is requesting removal of the encumbrance.
- G. The new campus is in the public interest and, likewise, leveraging impacted community assets for greater use is in the public interest; accordingly, waiving and relinquishing the County's interest in the Agreement through termination thereof is in the public interest.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:

1. The waiver and relinquishment of the County's interest in the Agreement through termination of the Agreement is approved.
2. The Chair is authorized to execute all instruments necessary to implement such waiver, relinquishment, and termination and to facilitate the removal of any encumbrance to title for the Properties caused by the Agreement.

ADOPTED this 20th day of August, 2026.



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Jessica Vega Pederson

Jessica Vega Pederson, Chair

REVIEWED:

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