BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO.: 20-08-18-14

IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING STAFF TO PURSUE LEGALIZATION PROCEEDINGS FOR A SECTION OF GILHAM ROAD, A PUBLIC ROAD, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ORS 368.201 (17-03-08)

WHEREAS, the section of Gilham Road herein referred to lies north of the intersection of Ayres Road and the southerly extension of Gilham Road, both designated as County Road No. 301; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that the section of Gilham Road that lies north of said intersection is a public road, not a County Road; and

WHEREAS, it has been the long held belief by County staff that the first 0.51 miles of Gilham Road north of Ayres Road was a County Road, evidenced by continuous road maintenance activities and erroneous County Road records; and

WHEREAS, funding has been secured by County staff for an important safety improvement project that will add sidewalks, planting strips, and curbs and gutters to portions of the road that has long been considered to be a County Road as deemed necessary; and

WHEREAS, funding for the safety improvement project will be in jeopardy unless this section of Gilham Road is brought into the County Road system; and

WHEREAS, the portion of Gilham Road proposed to be legalized and accepted into the County Road system is approximately 0.51 miles in length and is the portion currently being maintained as a County Road; and

WHEREAS, it is County staff’s opinion that legalizing Gilham Road is in the public's best interest, as it has historically been considered a County Road, and accepting Gilham Road into the County Road system will allow an important safety improvement project to move forward; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners are satisfied that bringing Gilham Road into the County Road system will be of public utility and benefit.
NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of County Commissioners of Lane County ORDERS as follows:

Public Works staff is granted authorization to pursue the legalization process for the section of Gilham Road that has historically been considered and maintained as County Road, pursuant to ORS 368.201 through 368.221.

ADOPTED this 18th day of August ____________, 2020.

Heather Buch, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners