ORDER NO. 11-12-7-8

IN THE MATTER OF OPENING SEWARD AVENUE FOR THROUGH TRAFFIC BETWEEN BUENA VISTA AND MCKENZIE MANOR SUBDIVISIONS IN SPRINGFIELD, OREGON

WHEREAS, Seward Ave was constructed with a gap at approximately .06 miles east of its intersection with Wayside Lane and therefore barricaded, precluding through traffic; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners approved Board Order No. 04-4-14-14 to open Seward Avenue to through traffic during construction of the roundabout at the intersection of Hayden Bridge Way, Pioneer Parkway, and Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners, in Board Order No. 04-4-14-14, provided that it would consider at a later time what the permanent connection status of Seward Avenue should be; and

WHEREAS, residents contacted Lane County Public Works with requests both for opening and permanently closing Seward Avenue; and

WHEREAS, Public Works staff initiated a public process to evaluate the status of the Seward Avenue connection consistent with Lane Manual 15.580; and

WHEREAS, the Roads Advisory Committee held a public hearing on September 28, 2011, and took testimony on the connection status of Seward Avenue and provided a recommendation on October 26, 2011, in favor of opening Seward Avenue to through traffic as described herein; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing on December 7, 2011, and considered the connection status of Seward Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners voted in favor of opening Seward Avenue for through traffic;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that Seward Avenue be improved as necessary and be opened to through traffic.

Adopted this 7th day of December 2011.

Faye Stewart, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners