

RESOLUTION No. 2007-2697

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO INITIATE A SISTER CITY AGREEMENT WITH POYSDORF, AUSTRIA

RECITALS:

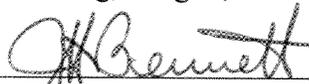
1. The City of Newberg began discussions in January 2006 with a representative of the Austrian-American Council Northwest, a tourism and trade promotion group, aimed at establishing a sister city relationship between Newberg and Poysdorf, Austria.
2. There are a number of similarities between the two cities. Both are centers for the wine industry and have major highways running through them to serve visitors and travelers passing through to other vacation spots. Both are rural communities of moderate size with a modest industrial base.
3. During the course of the discussions, an invitation was extended by Poysdorf to Newberg to send a delegation to visit their city to coincide with the annual wine festival. Mayor Bob Stewart and Lynn Weygandt, representing the Chehalem Valley Chamber of Commerce, traveled to Poysdorf in September 2006.
4. A delegation from Poysdorf is planning to visit Newberg in late September of 2007 to coincide with the celebration of Austrian-American Day.
5. While in Poysdorf, Mayor Stewart co-signed a proclamation with Mayor Karl Wilfing of Poysdorf agreeing to begin a city partnership that would involve various exchanges on different levels. The object is to benefit all of the people of both communities, but particularly the youth. There is also a desire to create opportunities for common economic goals and to strengthen the friendship and understanding between Austria and the United States.

THE CITY OF NEWBERG RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

The Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to initiate a sister city agreement between the City of Newberg and the City of Poysdorf, Austria.

➤ **EFFECTIVE DATE** of this resolution is the day after the adoption date, which is: February 6, 2007.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Newberg, Oregon, this 5th day of February, 2007.



James H. Bennett, City Recorder

ATTEST by the Mayor this 8th day of February, 2007.



Bob Andrews, Mayor