

RESOLUTION NO. 2007-2734a

A RESOLUTION REAFFIRMING THE SISTER CITY RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CITY OF 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 the City of Newberg and the City of 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 these discussions, an invitation was extended to the City of Newberg by the City of Poysdorf to send a delegation to visit their city to coincide with their annual wine festival. Mayor Bob Stewart and Lynn Weygandt, representing the Chehalem Valley Chamber of Commerce, traveled to Poysdorf in September 2006.
- 4. While in Poysdorf, Mayor Stewart co-signed a proclamation with Poysdorf Mayor Karl Wilfing agreeing to begin a city partnership that would involve various exchanges on different levels. The object was to benefit all of the people of both cities, but particularly their youth. There was also a desire to create opportunities for common economic goals and to strengthen the friendship and understanding between Austria and the United States.
- 5. On February 5, 2007, the Newberg City Council adopted Resolution No. 2007-2697 authorizing the Mayor to initiate a sister city agreement with the City of Poysdorf, Austria.
- 6. A delegation from the City of Poysdorf will visit Newberg beginning September 24, 2007 through September 29, 2007. This visit will formalize the sister city relationship between the two cities and culminate in the celebration of Austrian-American Day. It is, therefore, appropriate that a resolution reaffirming the sister city relationship between the City of Newberg and the City of Poysdorf be adopted.

THE CITY OF NEWBERG RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. A sister city relationship between the City of Newberg and the City of Poysdorf, Austria is hereby established.
- 2. The City of Newberg will participate in cultural and business exchanges between the two cities that will benefit the residents, businesses and institutions of both communities.

- 3. A proclamation to this effect will be prepared for signature by the mayors of Newberg and Poysdorf during the visit to Newberg from the Poysdorf delegation, September 24-29, 2007.
- ➤ EFFECTIVE DATE of this resolution is the day after the adoption date, which is: September 18, 2007. **ADOPTED** by the City Council of the City of Newberg, Oregon, this 17th day of September, 2007.

Norma I. Alley, City Recorder

ATTEST by the Mayor this 18th day of September, 2007.

Bob Andrews, Mayor

By and through		Committee at _	/	<u>/2007</u>	meeting.	Or, _	X	None.
	(committee name)	(date)			(check if applicable)			