

# OREGON DEPARTMENT OF LAND CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

# ORS 195.300 to ORS 195.336 (MEASURE 49) SUPPLEMENTAL REVIEW OF MEASURE 37 CLAIM Final Order of Denial

STATE ELECTION NUMBER:

E131676<sup>1</sup>

**CLAIMANT:** 

George Harshman<sup>2</sup>

MEASURE 37 PROPERTY IDENTIFICATION:

Township 39S, Range 1E Section 8, Tax lot 600 Section 8DB, Tax lot 200<sup>3</sup>

Jackson County

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The claimant, George Harshman, filed claims with the state under ORS 197.352 (2005) (Measure 37) on October 4, 2006 and November 29, 2006, for property located near Ashland, in Jackson County. ORS 195.300 to ORS 195.336 (Measure 49) entitles claimants who filed Measure 37 claims to elect supplemental review of their claims. The claimant has elected supplemental review of his Measure 37 claim under Section 6 of Measure 49, which allows the Department of Land Conservation and Development (the department) to authorize up to three home site approvals to qualified claimants.

This Final Order of Denial is the conclusion of the supplemental review of this claim.

#### I. ANALYSIS OF CLAIM

# A. Maximum Number of Home Sites for Which the Claimant May Qualify

Under Section 6 of Measure 49, the number of home site approvals authorized by the department cannot exceed the lesser of the following: three; the number stated by the claimant in the election materials; or the number described in a Measure 37 waiver issued by the state, or if no waiver

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Claims E131676 and E131732 have been combined into one claim because the properties are contiguous. Per OAR 660-041-0150 the Department of Land Conservation and Development will combine multiple claims into one claim if the Measure 37 claim property contains multiple contiguous lots or parcels that are in the same ownership.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Although Virginia Wilt and Tri-W Group are identified as claimants on the Measure 49 election form, they were not claimants under Measure 37 and, therefore, are not eligible for relief under Measure 49.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Although the claimants did not elect supplemental review on tax lot 200, the Measure 37 claim property cannot be amended to withdraw claim property.

was issued, the number of home sites described in the Measure 37 claim filed with the state. The claimant has requested three home site approvals in the election material. No waiver was issued for this claim. The Measure 37 claim filed with the state describes 20 home sites. Therefore, the claimant may qualify for a maximum of three home site approvals under Section 6 of Measure 49.

# **B.** Qualification Requirements

To qualify for a home site approval under Section 6 of Measure 49, the claimant must meet each of the following requirements:

# 1. Timeliness of Claim

A claimant must have filed a Measure 37 claim for the property with either the state or the county in which the property is located on or before June 28, 2007, and must have filed a Measure 37 claim with both the state and the county before Measure 49 became effective on December 6, 2007. If the state Measure 37 claim was filed after December 4, 2006, the claim must also have been filed in compliance with the provisions of OAR 660-041-0020 then in effect.

## Findings of Fact and Conclusions

The claimant, George Harshman, filed Measure 37 claim, M131676, with the state on October 4, 2006, and M131732 on November 29, 2006. The claimant filed Measure 37 claim, M37 2006-00103, with Jackson County on October 4, 2006, and M37 2006-00206 on November 29, 2006. The state claim was filed prior to December 4, 2006.

The claimant timely filed a Measure 37 claim with both the state and Jackson County.

### 2. The Claimant Is an Owner of the Property

Measure 49 defines "Owner" as: "(a) The owner of fee title to the property as shown in the deed records of the county where the property is located; (b) The purchaser under a land sale contract, if there is a recorded land sale contract in force for the property; or (c) If the property is owned by the trustee of a revocable trust, the settlor of a revocable trust, except that when the trust becomes irrevocable only the trustee is the owner."

# Findings of Fact and Conclusions:

According to the deed submitted by the claimant, George Harshman is the owner of fee title to the property as shown in the Jackson County deed records and, therefore, is an owner of the property under Measure 49.

Jackson County has confirmed that the claimant is the current owner of the property.

# 3. All Owners of the Property Have Consented in Writing to the Claim

All owners of the property must consent to the claim in writing.

# Findings of Fact and Conclusions:

The deeds by which the claimant acquired the property indicate that there is one non-claimant owner. The claimant has submitted a consent form signed by the non-claimant owner.

# 4. The Property Is Located Entirely Outside Any Urban Growth Boundary and Entirely Outside the Boundaries of Any City

The Measure 37 claim property must be located entirely outside any urban growth boundary and entirely outside the boundaries of any city.

# Findings of Fact and Conclusions:

The Measure 37 claim property is located in Jackson County and the majority of the property is inside the urban growth boundary of the City of Ashland.

Because this requirement has not been met, the claimant is not entitled to any relief under Measure 49, and, therefore, the remaining approval criteria will not be evaluated.

#### II. COMMENTS ON THE PRELIMINARY EVALUATION

The department issued its Preliminary Evaluation for this claim on January 8, 2010. Pursuant to OAR 660-041-0090, the department provided written notice to the owners of surrounding properties. No written comments were received in response to the 28-day notice.

#### III. CONCLUSION

Based on the analysis above, the claimant does not qualify for Measure 49 home site approvals because the majority of the property is inside the urban growth boundary of the City of Ashland.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that this Final Order of Denial is entered by the Director of the Department of Land Conservation and Development as a final order of the department and the Land Conservation and Development Commission under ORS 197.300 to ORS 195.336 and OAR 660-041-0000 to 660-041-0160.

FOR THE DEPARTMENT AND THE LAND CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION:

Judith Moore, Division Manager

Dept. of Land Conservation and Development Dated this 24th day of Mach 2010.

### NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL OR OTHER JUDICIAL RELIEF

You are entitled, or may be entitled, to judicial remedies including the following:

- 1. Judicial review is available to anyone who is an owner of the property as defined in Measure 49 that it the subject of this final determination, or a person who timely submitted written evidence or comments to the department concerning this final determination.
- 2. Judicial review under ORS 183.484 may be obtained by filing a petition for review within 60 days from the service of this order. A petition for judicial review under ORS 183.484 must be filed in the Circuit Court in the county in which the affected property is located. Upon motion of any party to the proceedings, the proceedings may be transferred to any other county with jurisdiction under ORS 183.484 in the manner provided by law for change of venue.
- 3. Judicial review of this final determination is limited to the evidence in the record of the department at the time of its final determination. Copies of the documents that comprise the record are available for review at the department's office at 635 Capitol St. NE, Suite 150, Salem, OR 97301-2540. Judicial review is only available for issues that were raised before the department with sufficient specificity to afford the department an opportunity to respond.