

REVENUE: No revenue impact

FISCAL: No fiscal impact

Action:	Be Adopted
Vote:	5 - 0 - 0
Yeas:	Beyer, Edwards C., Girod, Thatcher, Riley
Nays:	0
Exc.:	0
Prepared By:	Patrick Brennan, Administrator
Meeting Dates:	3/27

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Commends the City of LaPine for becoming Oregon's newest city.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- History of the community
- Rarity of new city incorporation in Oregon

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: No amendment.

BACKGROUND: LaPine incorporated as a city by election on November 7, 2006, becoming Oregon's 241st city. The last city prior to LaPine to incorporate was Damascus in 2004. It is located thirty miles south of Bend in southern Deschutes County, near the Newberry Volcanic National Monument and Paulina Creek, and is surrounded by the recreation-rich Cascade Lakes region. The unincorporated community had experienced significant growth for the last several decades, and three previous attempts at incorporation failed in 1985, 1994, and 2000.

LaPine was named by Alfred Aya who, with James Gleason and W.R. Riley, acquired exclusive township rights from the Deschutes Land Company in 1910. The community's name was suggested by the abundance of pine trees in the neighborhood. When the post office was established, the postal authorities consolidated the two parts of the name into LaPine, making it official in 1951.