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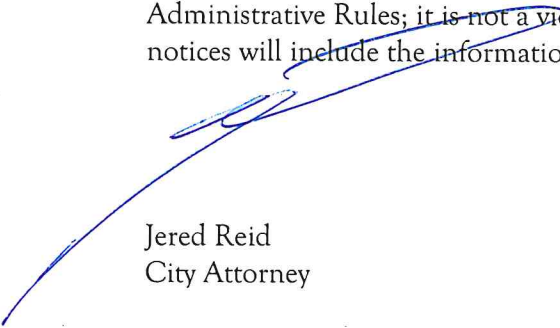
**Re: City of Prineville Planning Commission
Formal Grievance under Oregon Public Meetings Law (ORS 192.705/HB 2805)**

Dear Mr. Alderman:

This office represents the City of Prineville. On behalf of the City of Prineville Planning Commission ("Commission"), the following is the Commission's written response to your November 19, 2024 formal grievance per ORS 192.705.

The Commission admits that it did not provide to members of the general public access to attend the meeting by telephone, video, or other electronic or virtual means. This is in violation of ORS 192.670(3). The Commission discontinued this practice as it was not being utilized by the public and resources of having additional staff for IT purposes was unnecessary spending of public resources. The Commission also provides for multiple avenues of participation for citizens, that get adequate notice of how to provide in person or written comment. Nevertheless, the Commission does have the technical resources to comply with ORS 192.670(3) and will do so moving forward.

The Commission admits that the Notice for the November 19, 2024 meeting did not include the name and telephone number of a person at the public body for the public to request an interpreter or other communication aids. Although this is a violation of the recently passed Oregon Administrative Rules; it is not a violation of ORS 192.610 to ORS 192.705. Nevertheless, future notices will include the information requested.



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cc: Client
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