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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
WALLA WALLA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

ORDINANCE NO. 342

APPROVING A REQUEST BY WALLA WALLA COUNTY FOR A ZONING CODE TEXT AMENDMENT TO WALLA WALLA COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 17.08 AND SECTION 17.16.014 ESTABLISHING A DEFINITION FOR AN AIRCRAFT LANDING FIELD - PRIVATE AND TO ALLOW SUCH USE TO BE PERMITTED VIA THE CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT PROCESS IN THE AGRICULTURE RESIDENTIAL 10-ACRE ZONING DISTRICT.

WHEREAS, application has been made by Walla Walla County to request a zoning code text amendment to Walla Walla County Code Chapter 17.08 and Section 17.16.014, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission held a public hearing on April 4, 2007 to consider the request and recommends to the Board of County Commissioners that the zoning code text amendment be approved based on the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

Findings of Fact:

1. The amendment was proposed by the County on February 16, 2007.
2. On February 22, 2007 the proposed amendments were received by the Washington State Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development for review.
3. On March 22, 2007 a Notice of Public Hearing was published in the Waitsburg Times.
4. On March 22, 2007 a Notice of Public Hearing was published in the Walla Walla Union Bulletin.
5. On March 22, 2007 a Notice of Public Hearing was published in the Tri-City Herald.
6. Walla Walla County Code Section 17.16.014 was adopted by the County on April 1, 2002.
7. On April 26, 2007 a Notice of Public Hearing was published in the Waitsburg Times.
8. On April 26, 2007 a Notice of Public Hearing was published in the Walla Walla Union Bulletin.



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9. On April 26, 2007 a Notice of Public Hearing was published in the Tri-City Herald.
10. The proposed amendment was sent to the Washington State Department of Transportation Aviation Division and the Federal Aviation Administration, Northwest Mountain Region.
11. Approval of the amendments would establish a definition for Aircraft Landing Field - Private and would allow such use in the Agriculture Residential 10-Acre zone subject to a conditional use permit.

Conclusions of Law:

1. The proposed amendments constitute good planning and development regulations.
2. The proposed amendments are consistent with the Walla Walla County Comprehensive Plan and Development Regulations.
3. As proposed the amendments will not have a significant adverse influence on public welfare and safety.
4. The proposal is consistent with the purpose statement of the Agriculture Residential 10-Acre zone.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners held a public hearing May 7, 2007 for the purpose of receiving testimony for and/or against said request now therefore,

BE IT ORDAINED, by the Walla Walla County Board of County Commissioners that it upholds the Planning Commission recommendation and approves the zoning code text amendment, Docket Number ZCA-07-01 based on the findings of fact and conclusions of law above. The amendments read as follows:

Section 1. Amendment to Walla Walla County Code Chapter 17.08

Walla Walla County Code Section 17.08.024

Aircraft Landing Field - Private: means any runway, landing area or other facility which is designed, used or intended to be used in relation to private use for landing and taking off of aircraft, including all necessary taxiways, aircraft storage and tie down areas, hangars and other necessary buildings and open space.



**Section 2. Amendment to Walla Walla County Code Section 17.06.014
Regional Land Uses**

	Zone												
	Resource					Rural							
	PA-40	EA-120	GA-20	AR-10	RR-40	RR-20	RA-10	RA-5	RMC-5	RR-2	RR-5	RT-1/2	RAC
<u>SPECIFIC USE</u>													
<u>*Aircraft Landing Field - Private</u>				<u>C</u>									

Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance is effective immediately upon adoption.

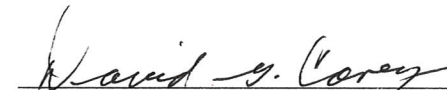
Section 4. Savings and Severability. If any section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this ordinance is declared unconstitutional or invalid for any reason, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining parts of this ordinance.

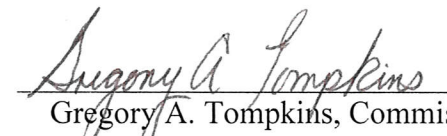
Section 5. Publication. This ordinance will be published by an approved summary consisting of the title.

PASSED by the Walla Walla County Board of County Commissioners in regular session at Walla Walla, Washington then signed by its membership and attested by its Clerk in authorization of such passage this 7th day of May, 2007.

Approved this 7th Day of May, 2007


Gregg C. Loney, Chairman


David G. Carey, Commissioner


Gregory A. Tompkins, Commissioner

Constituting the Board of County Commissioners of Walla Walla County, Washington

Attest:

Connie R. Vinti

Connie R. Vinti, Clerk of the Board

Approved as to form

Jesse D. Nolte

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Deputy Prosecuting Attorney



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