# CITY OF ROCKAWAY BEACH, OREGON ORDINANCE NO. 2025-01

# AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ROCKAWAY BEACH CODE OF ORDINANCES SUBSECTION 34.15(A), CLARIFYING THE USE OF TRANSIENT LODGING TAX REVENUE

## **RECITALS:**

- 1. The Rockaway Beach City Council wishes to update Rockaway Beach Code of Ordinances (Code), Subsection 34.15(A) to clarify the allocation of Transient Lodging Tax (TLT) funds to promote tourism.
- 2. The intent of this Code clarification is not to adjust the percentage of TLT revenue that supports tourism promotion, but instead clarify the historical use of this revenue for the broad category of tourism promotion as defined under applicable state law.

### Now, therefore, the City of Rockaway Beach ordains as follows:

<u>Section 1.</u> The City of Rockaway Beach Code of Ordinances, Subsection 34.15(A), is hereby amended to read as shown in attached Exhibit A.

**Section 2.** Severability Clause. A determination of invalidity or unconstitutionality by a court of competent jurisdiction of any clause, sentence, paragraph, section, or part of this ordinance shall not affect the validity of the remaining parts to this ordinance.

<u>Section 3.</u> Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after its adoption by the City Council and approval by the Mayor.

1st reading by the Rockaway Beach City Council <u>February 12, 2025</u>. 2nd reading by the Rockaway Beach City Council <u>February 12, 2025</u>.

Adopted and Approved by the Rockaway Beach City Council February 12, 2025.

Charles McNeilly, Mayor

City Council	Aye/Nay
Mary McGinnis	¥/
Tom Martine	¥/
Kiley Konruff	×/
Alesia Franken	×/
Penny Cheek	≯/

Attest:

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Melissa Thompson, City Recorder

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#### § 34.15 ADMINISTRATION.

(A) Use of TLT funds. The revenue collected from the first 5% of the tax pursuant to this subchapter shall be allocated by the City Council to any 1 or more or the following during any 1 fiscal year, as follows: fire and rescue equipment, police services and equipment, promotion and tourism, street and parking improvements, parks and recreation services and equipment, land acquisition and capital improvements, and/or city beautification and urban renewal; provided, however, that no more than 40% of the total funds shall be allocated to any 1 category during 1 fiscal year. The revenue collected from the next 2% of the tax pursuant to this subchapter shall be allocated in its entirety to tourism promotion or tourism-related facilities. The revenue collected from the 3% balance of the tax pursuant to this subchapter shall be allocated, following reductions attributed to collection reimbursement charges, consistent with O.R.S. 320.350.