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To: City Recorder

Subject: Feed shack needs to stay open

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I won't be able to attend the meeting tonight as I will still be working. However I am disgusted at the fact that the city of molalla has shut the feed shack down in leu of paying absolutely outlandish fees for operating as a food cart. Seeing as the city of oregon city only charges \$2,000 in a community much larger than ours, I and many others feel that the fee of \$6,500-\$6,750 is completely unnecessary, ridiculous and seems like a way to just keep the little guy down. Denise has been a member of this community for a long time and I have personally known her my whole life. She would give the shirt off of her back to someone in need. During the fires she cooked and provided a warm meal, cold drinks and a place to relax for the crews fighting the fires or to people in need. Keep in mind that she paid for it entirely out of pocket and the goodness of her heart. She didn't have to do any of it, but she did because she cares. Her family as well as mine have been involved in the community since the 60's. My grandfather was a partner at Holman Williams Ford, as well a buckaroo (that we don't have anymore) president. My father was a local veterinarian for a long time. Denise' family has been farming and logging in the area for just as long. So for the city to try and keep her down just because they want some money is wrong, selfish and greedy. She is not operating the feed shack to get rich. She's doing it because we all love her and her cooking so much and this is the best way for the community to be able to enjoy it the way the rest of us have for years. She truly has a gift and is trying to share it, but with the unrealistic standards and fees set by the city it is becoming almost impossible. I have seen dozens of small businesses in this town flop because they couldn't afford the "pay to play" system that is set up in our community. I don't want to see this happen to her or anyone ever again. It's time for a change. Let the little guy make it. Change so that if you don't have millions of dollars you can still chase a dream and own a small business in this town and be successful. In closing please consider making the changes and lowering the fees to a reasonable amount so that small business can not only survive but so they can thrive.

Sincerely, Kyle Williams