



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Board Clerk Use Only

Meeting Date: 3/19/15
Agenda Item #: R.1
Est. Start Time: 9:30 am
Date Submitted: 3/4/15

Agenda Title: **Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance Amending MCC Chapter 5 – Elections.**

Note: Title should not be more than 2 lines but sufficient to describe the action requested. Title on APR must match title on Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation.

Requested

Meeting Date: March 19, 2015 **Time Needed:** 5 minutes

Department: Community Services **Division:** Elections

Contact(s): Tim Scott, Jerry Elliott

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Presenter

Name(s) &

Title(s): Tim Scott/ Director of Elections

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Adoption of ordinance amending the County Code Chapter 5 – Election. This ordinance would change the provisions around Elections and clarify certain issues regarding the referendum process.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.

Changes in the County Charter have created the need to review the County Code, specifically Chapter 5, which deals with Elections. The Elections Division worked with the County Attorney's Office to review the Code and make changes that would bring it into alignment with the County Charter and clarify some issues around the referendum process. More specifically changes are proposed to the following processes: filling vacancies in elective offices, runoff elections, petitions, and measures referred by the Board of County Commissioners.

The Program Offer associated with Elections is 91011. These changes will not cause a significant impact to this Program Offer.

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

No fiscal impacts

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

Changes to the County Code are legal in nature. This change will bring the County Code in line with the policy direction set forth in the County Charter.

5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

Developing changes to the County Charter involves much public participation and the proposed changes are then approved by a vote of the public.

Required Signature

**Elected
Official or
Department**

Director: Tim Scott /s/

Date: 3/4/15

Note: Please submit electronically. Insert names of your approvers followed by /s/ - we no longer use actual signatures. Please insert date approved.