



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 2/17/11
Agenda Item #: R-3
Est. Start Time: 9:55 am approx.
Date Submitted: 2/8/11

Agenda Title: **Informational Board Briefing on Library Funding**

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title sufficient to describe the action requested.

Requested Meeting Date:	<u>February 17, 2011</u>	Amount of Time Needed:	<u>45 minutes</u>
Department:	<u>Library</u>	Division:	<u>Department Administration</u>
Contact(s):	<u>Becky Cobb</u>		
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		I/O Address:	<u>317/Admin</u>
Presenter Name(s) & Title(s):	<u>Vailey Oehlke, Library Director; Mike Jaspin, Economist - Budget Office; Bernadette Nunley, Assistant County Attorney</u>		

General Information

- 1. What action are you requesting from the Board?**
Informational Board briefing.
- 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.**

Multnomah County Library is now in the 4th year of its five year levy. The levy will expire in June 2012, so a funding measure will need to be referred to the November 2011 ballot.

On November 2, 2010, ballot measure 26-114 passed with 72% voter approval. This measure amended the Multnomah County Home Rule Charter to allow for the direct referral to the voters of a library district measure by the Board of County Commissioners, in recognition that the operation of the county library system is a matter of county concern.

With the passage of this measure, the Board of County Commissioners now has an additional option to consider for library funding. A decision will need to be made within the next few months between referring a library district measure and renewing the library levy. As a follow up to the library funding briefing that took place last July, this briefing will update the Board on the district analysis process and on the latest rate projections for both a

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district and a levy.

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

N/A.

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

N/A.

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

Voters passed Measure 26-114 in November 2010, thus opening the door for consideration of a library district measure. It is expected that citizens will have the opportunity to vote on a library funding measure (either a library district or a levy renewal) as part of the November 2011 ballot.

Required Signature

Elected Official or
Department/
Agency Director:



Date: 2/1/2011