

## **ANNOTATED MINUTES**

Monday, January 27, 1997 - 7:00 PM  
Southwest Neighbors Incorporated  
Multnomah Center  
7688 SW Capitol Highway, Portland

### **CITY/COUNTY JOINT COMMUNITY FORUM**

- JM-4      Community Meeting on Impact of Measure 47, Providing the Opportunity to Meet with Your Local Elected Officials and Discuss Government Services; Learn More about Budget Cuts and Service Reduction Options; and Share Your Opinions and Suggestions, in an Informal, Group Discussion Format. Facilitated by City and County Elected Officials and Staff.

***CANCELLED DUE TO WEATHER.***

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Tuesday, January 28, 1997 - 9:30 AM  
Multnomah County Courthouse, Room 602  
1021 SW Fourth, Portland

### **BOARD POLICY DISCUSSION**

*Chair Beverly Stein convened the meeting at 9:37 a.m., with Commissioners Sharron Kelley, Tanya Collier and Dan Saltzman present, and Vice-Chair Gary Hansen excused.*

- B-1      For What Current and/or Increased Fees Does the County Need Voter Approval? How Can the County Re-examine Internal Support Services to Operate More Cost Efficiently? Presented by Vickie Gates, Larry Nicholas, Barry Crook and Mark Campbell.

***BARRY CROOK, MARK CAMPBELL, LARRY NICHOLAS AND VICKIE GATES PRESENTATIONS AND RESPONSE TO BOARD QUESTIONS AND DISCUSSION.***

*There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.*

Wednesday, January 29, 1997 - 7:00 PM  
East Portland  
Floyd Light Middle School  
10800 SE Washington, Portland

**CITY/COUNTY JOINT COMMUNITY FORUM**

JM-5      Community Meeting on Impact of Measure 47, Providing the Opportunity to Meet with Your Local Elected Officials and Discuss Government Services; Learn More about Budget Cuts and Service Reduction Options; and Share Your Opinions and Suggestions, in an Informal, Group Discussion Format. Facilitated by City and County Elected Officials and Staff.

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Thursday, January 30, 1997 - 9:30 AM  
Multnomah County Courthouse, Room 602  
1021 SW Fourth, Portland

**REGULAR MEETING**

*Chair Beverly Stein convened the meeting at 9:44 a.m., with Commissioners Sharron Kelley, Tanya Collier and Dan Saltzman present, and Vice-Chair Gary Hansen excused.*

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

***UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER KELLEY,  
SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COLLIER,  
CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS C-1 THROUGH C-6  
AND C-8 THROUGH C-10 WERE UNANIMOUSLY  
APPROVED.***

**NON-DEPARTMENTAL**

- C-1      Appointment of John Carter to the ADULT COMMUNITY JUSTICE CITIZEN BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE
- C-2      Appointment of David Smith to the JUVENILE COMMUNITY JUSTICE CITIZEN BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE
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- C-4 Appointments of Ryan Kragero and Mary Uleman to the SHERIFF'S OFFICE CITIZEN BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE
- C-5 Appointments of Bob Boyer, Laura Shearmire and Christian Camp to the DEPARTMENT OF SUPPORT SERVICES CITIZEN BUDGET ADVISORY COMMITTEE
- C-6 RESOLUTION Assigning Board of County Commissioners Liaison Roles and Repealing Resolution 96-185

***RESOLUTION 97-11.***

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND FAMILY SERVICES**

- C-8 Intergovernmental Revenue Agreement 103337 with the City of Portland, Providing Funds for the Block-By-Block Weatherization Program for Low Income Residents of City-Designated Neighborhoods
- C-9 Intergovernmental Revenue Agreement 103347 with the Department of Human Resources, Providing Funds for Two Welfare Reform Reinvestment Projects
- C-10 Budget Modification DCFS 11 Transferring \$100,000 in County General Fund Revenue from the Multnomah Commission on Families to the Child, Youth and Family Division Budget to Fund Several Contracts to be Managed by the Department

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

- C-7 CS 3-96 Report the Hearings Officer Decision Regarding Approval of a Conditional Use Permit for a Community Service Use, Subject to Conditions, on Property Located at 10351 NW THOMPSON ROAD, PORTLAND (BONNY SLOPE SCHOOL)

***AT THE REQUEST OF CHAIR STEIN WHO ADVISED AN APPEAL WAS FILED, AND UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER KELLEY, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COLLIER, IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THAT A DE NOVO HEARING BE SCHEDULED FOR 1:30 PM,***

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1997, WITH TESTIMONY  
LIMITED TO 20 MINUTES PER SIDE.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

- R-1            Opportunity for Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters. Testimony Limited to Three Minutes Per Person.

***DIANA McVAY COMMENTED IN FAVOR OF  
MOVING THE PENINSULA PAROLE AND  
PROBATION STAFF TO ANOTHER FACILITY  
INSTEAD OF CLOSING LIBRARY BRANCHES.***

**DEPARTMENT OF SUPPORT SERVICES**

- R-2            Presentation of Employee Service Awards Honoring Thirty-One Multnomah County Employees with Five to Thirty Years of Service

***WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF SHERY STUMP AND  
GAIL FOSTER, THE BOARD GREETED,  
ACKNOWLEDGED AND PRESENTED 5 YEAR  
AWARDS TO PHILIP BOSS OF ASD, KRISTA LYNN  
GIBBY AND JUDITH McGUIRE OF DCFS, MICHAEL  
PIAZZA, DAVID SCOGIN, SCOTT SEILER AND  
LARRY WHITNEY OF DES, KARIN JOHNSON AND  
HELEN SMITH OF DSS, TRACY LYN HILL OF JJD,  
AND SUZANNE KUGLER, JAMES SCHEELAND AND  
LOREN WILLIAMS OF DLS; 10 YEAR AWARDS TO  
DUANE COLE OF DCC, AND DONNA MALONE AND  
TAMARA WALTERS OF DA; 15 YEAR AWARDS TO  
SUZANNE LARSEN AND MELANIE WARREN OF  
DCFS, AND DAVID BOGUCKI OF DES; 20 YEAR  
AWARDS TO RON GLYNN OF DCC, AND JOHN  
STANDING AND ROBERT THOMAS OF DES; 25  
YEAR AWARDS TO KELLY CARROLL AND GARY  
McGUFFIN OF DCC, AND RONALD HEATON OF  
DES; 30 YEAR AWARDS TO FLORA PERSONS AND  
CAROL ROGERS OF DLS, AND LINDA THOMPSON  
OF DSS.***

- R-3            First Reading and Adoption of an ORDINANCE Establishing a Catastrophic Leave Sharing Program for County Employees, and Declaring an Emergency

**ORDINANCE READ BY TITLE ONLY. COPIES AVAILABLE. COMMISSIONER SALTZMAN MOVED AND COMMISSIONER COLLIER SECONDED, APPROVAL OF FIRST READING. DARRELL MURRAY EXPLANATION. NO ONE WISHED TO TESTIFY. ORDINANCE 873 UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

- R-4            Second Reading and Adoption of an ORDINANCE Repealing Ordinance 770 and Abolishing the Bikeway Citizen Advisory Committee, and Establishing in its Place the Multnomah County Bicycle and Pedestrian Citizen Advisory Committee

**ORDINANCE READ BY TITLE ONLY. COPIES AVAILABLE. COMMISSIONER COLLIER MOVED AND COMMISSIONER KELLEY SECONDED, APPROVAL OF SECOND READING AND ADOPTION. TODD MISCHER TESTIFIED IN SUPPORT OF ORDINANCE AND VOLUNTEERED TO SERVE ON ADVISORY COMMITTEE. ORDINANCE 874 UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

**DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE AND ADULT COMMUNITY JUSTICE**

- R-5            Intergovernmental Agreement 900374 with the State of Oregon Department of Corrections, for Funding and Operations of Community Corrections in Multnomah County and Approval of the Multnomah County Community Corrections Plan, for the Period January 1, 1997 through June 30, 1997

**COMMISSIONER KELLEY MOVED AND COMMISSIONER COLLIER SECONDED, APPROVAL OF R-5. ELYSE CLAWSON AND CHAIR STEIN EXPLANATION. MS. CLAWSON TO PROVIDE COMMISSIONER COLLIER WITH UPDATE ON IMPLEMENTATION. AGREEMENT UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

**NON-DEPARTMENTAL**

- R-6            RESOLUTION Approving the January 22, 1997 Strategic Plan of the Multnomah Commission on Children and Families

**COMMISSIONER SALTZMAN MOVED AND  
COMMISSIONER KELLEY SECONDED, APPROVAL  
OF R-6. MARK ROSENBAUM EXPLANATION.  
CHAIR STEIN COMMENTS IN SUPPORT. STAFF  
TO PROVIDE BOARD WITH IMPLEMENTATION  
UPDATE AND EVALUATION ON REGULAR BASIS.  
RESOLUTION 97-12 UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.**

*There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20  
a.m.*

OFFICE OF THE BOARD CLERK  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

*Deborah L. Bogstad*

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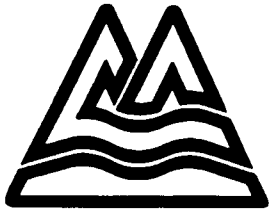
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## MULTNOMAH COUNTY OREGON

**BOARD CLERK**

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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

BEVERLY STEIN •	CHAIR	•248-3308
DAN SALTZMAN •	DISTRICT 1	• 248-5220
GARY HANSEN •	DISTRICT 2	•248-5219
TANYA COLLIER •	DISTRICT 3	•248-5217
SHARRON KELLEY •	DISTRICT 4	•248-5213

### MEETINGS OF THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# AGENDA

FOR THE WEEK OF

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*Thursday Meetings of the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners  
are \*cable-cast\* live and taped and can be seen by Cable subscribers in Multnomah  
County at the following times:*

*Thursday, 9:30 AM, (LIVE) Channel 30*

*Friday, 10:00 PM, Channel 30*

*Sunday, 1:00 PM, Channel 30*

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MEETING DATE: January 29, 1997  
AGENDA #: JM-5  
ESTIMATED START TIME: 7:00 pm

(Above Space for Board Clerk's Use ONLY)

## AGENDA PLACEMENT FORM

SUBJECT Joint Multnomah County/City of Portland Community Meeting

BOARD BRIEFING: DATE REQUESTED: Wednesday, January 29, 1997  
REQUESTED BY: Chair Beverly Stein  
AMOUNT OF TIME NEEDED: Two Hours

REGULAR MEETING: DATE REQUESTED: \_\_\_\_\_  
AMOUNT OF TIME NEEDED: \_\_\_\_\_

DEPARTMENT: Non-Departmental DIVISION: Chair Beverly Stein  
CONTACT: Carol Ford TELEPHONE #: 248-3956  
BLDG/ROOM #: 106/1515

PERSON(S) MAKING PRESENTATION: Facilitated by County & City Elected Officials and Staff

### ACTION REQUESTED:

☒ INFORMATIONAL ONLY   ☐ POLICY DIRECTION   ☐ APPROVAL   ☐ OTHER

### SUGGESTED AGENDA TITLE:

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### SIGNATURES REQUIRED:

ELECTED  
OFFICIAL: \_\_\_\_\_  
(OR)  
DEPARTMENT  
MANAGER: \_\_\_\_\_



BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
97 JAN 23 PM 8:43  
MULTNOMAH COUNTY  
OREGON

ALL ACCOMPANYING DOCUMENTS MUST HAVE REQUIRED SIGNATURES

Any Questions? Call the Board Clerk @ 248-3277



# What to Cut?

## Community Meetings on the Impact of Measure 47

**Multnomah County and the City of Portland Invite You to:**

- *Meet with your local elected officials and discuss government services*
- *Learn more about budget cuts and service reduction options*
- *Share your opinions and suggestions*

**Jan. 23, Thursday, Downtown, 7-9:00pm**

Portland Bldg, 1120 SW 5th Ave., Room C.

**Jan. 25, Saturday, Central Northeast Neighbors, 10:00am to 12:00pm**

Southeast Asian Vicariate, 5404 NE Alameda.

**Jan. 25, Saturday, Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods, 2:00- 4:00pm**

King Facility, 4815 NE 7th.

**Jan. 27, Monday, Southwest Neighbors Incorporated, 7:00-9:00pm**

Multnomah Center, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy.

**Jan. 29, Wednesday, East Portland, 7:00-9:00pm**

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## **Measure**

# **47 Fact Sheet**

### **Measure 47 "Cuts and Caps" Property Taxes**

Ballot Measure 47 was passed by the voters of Oregon on November 5, 1996. It amends the State Constitution and includes many provisions that change the way public services are funded including:

- Cutting 1997 - 98 property taxes (on a per property basis) to the 1994 - 95 level or 10% below the 1995 - 96 level, whichever is less,
- Capping future property tax increases at 3% per year.

### **The Oregon Legislature Must "Interpret" Measure 47**

Measure 47 fails to define clearly the way in which it should be put into effect. As a result, the Oregon Legislature must pass laws to guide local governments in the implementation of the Measure. In addition, the Legislature must decide which local government services will now be funded by the State and how much money will be provided. The decisions of the State Legislature will have a tremendous impact on the level of services available in local communities. The following are some of the issues that the Legislature must decide:

### **How should the decrease in property tax revenue be divided between local governments?**

Every property tax payment is divided into many pieces to support (at different levels) county government, school districts, city government and special districts. The proportional share that goes to each jurisdiction has been determined by voter-passed levies and tax bases. Measure 47 reduces the amount of each tax payment, but doesn't explain how that loss should be divided. This is complicated by the Measure's instructions to prioritize "public safety" and "public education."

- The Legislature's decision on tax distribution will affect which local services will suffer the largest cuts.

### **How should the reduction in property taxes be calculated?**

The "cut" portion of Measure 47 ties individual tax payments in a future year to individual tax payments in a past year. The amount of the cut depends on which portions of the tax payment are considered in each of those years. Measure 47 clearly excludes tax payments for bonded indebtedness (the cost of constructing new school buildings for example) from the limits imposed on future years. It does not exclude those amounts from the past year (also known as the "base year") which serves as the basis for calculating the cut amount. Some legislators believe this is a "defect" in the Measure which should be fixed by passing a law excluding bonds from the base year calculation, thus becoming more restrictive than the Measure itself. Most estimates of revenue loss due to Measure 47 assume that taxes paid for bonds will not be included in the base year calculation.

- Including "bonds in the base year" will reduce the cuts needed in local services.

### **Which local services should receive State replacement funding?**

Ballot Measure 47 will cut property tax funding for local services by about \$1 billion around the State. Measure 47's sponsor stated in the Voters' Pamphlet that "100 percent of the reduction in property tax revenues can be made up from the State's abundance of State income tax and lottery dollars." Some legislators have indicated interest in providing replacement funding for some local services. The Governor has proposed providing some replacement funding for school districts but not for other local public services.

- The State Legislature will decide which local services receive replacement funding.

### **Will voters be able to choose to increase funding for local services?**

Ballot Measure 47 provides a procedure for voters to increase property taxes. Sponsors of the Measure have stated it was their intention to provide this only for bond measures (new construction for example) and not for operating expenses. However, the plain meaning of the Measure would allow elections for either purpose. Using this provision would allow voters to pass "levies outside the limit" and thus increase support for local services. Some legislators have stated they will introduce laws to correct this "defect" and provide more restrictions than the measure itself. Others believe that new laws should clarify the voters' right to fund local services.

- The State Legislature will decide whether voters can control funding for local services by passing "levies outside the limit."

### **What other support will local government receive from the State?**

Local governments are already required by State government to follow various state mandates. In some cases, some State funding is provided, in others local taxpayers must fund the mandates of State government. The State Legislature can help local governments reduce the cuts in local services by helping with the following issues:

- full implementation of vote by mail to reduce election expenditures
- remove requirement for physical appraisals of property every six years
- increase funding for the Oregon Health Plan
- not cutting other programs that support local government

Because there is a limited amount of money available to State Government, increased funding for some services will always result in cuts to other areas. The fundamental issue for the Legislature is finding a tax reform solution that reduces the over-reliance on property taxes and matches revenues to the need for State and local services.

- The State Legislature will decide how much to help local governments reduce the impact of local service reductions. The Legislature will decide whether or not to pursue tax reform.



# **Questions About Bonds and Levies and The Effects of Ballot Measure 47**

## **Didn't voters just approve more money for libraries and jails? Why are there proposed budget cuts?**

In May of 1996, Multnomah County voters overwhelmingly approved levy renewals for libraries and public safety that raised the level of property tax support for those County services. In November of 1996 Oregon voters approved Ballot Measure 47, a constitutional amendment that limits the amount of property tax that can be paid by each property in the state. The constitutional amendment effectively prohibits the full collection of taxes that the levies authorized.

Both the public safety and the library levies were renewals of existing levies that were expiring. In both cases the new levies were expected to produce more revenue than the old levies they replaced and thus fund new and expanded services. The cut imposed by Measure 47 will exceed the increase in the levies and thus prevents the collection of additional revenue which was expected to pay for operation of a new jail and increased library hours and services. The exact amount of budget cuts needed will not be known until the Oregon Legislature adopts laws to implement Ballot Measure 47.

## **Why is there money for construction but not operation?**

At the same time that voters approved levies for libraries and public safety, they also approved bonds for construction and renovation of library and public safety facilities. Levies are used to pay operating costs. Bonds are used to pay capital costs.

Ballot Measure 47 restricts taxes that can go to operating costs, but it does not restrict taxes that pay for bonds that are used for capital or construction costs.

This presents several problems for Multnomah County. Voters have approved money to renovate and remodel library branches; however, some branches may have to close because of inadequate operating funds. Voters have approved money to build a new jail that may not be able to open.

Various options will be studied. A new jail facility may be less expensive to operate than an existing one. Final decisions on capital improvements to library branches will not be made until more is known regarding the availability of funds to operate the branches. The Board of County Commissioners will review all of the choices and receive public comment before any final decisions are reached.

# CONTACTING THE CAPITOL

## GENERAL INFORMATION

How to make contact with the 1997 Oregon Legislature:

■ **CALL:** You can get your legislator's telephone number, or information about any bill or committee meeting, by calling the Legislative Information and Citizen Access Line toll-free at 1-800-332-2313.

■ **WRITE:** You can write your senator or representative at: State Capitol, Salem, Ore. 97310.

■ **GO ON LINE:** You can visit the Legislature on the Internet at: <http://www.leg.state.or.us>. You will find daily updates of the text of introduced bills; the status of legislation; scheduled meetings, agendas, committee membership and staff; contact information for legislators and staff, including e-mail addresses; and the text of the Oregon Revised Statutes and the Oregon Constitution.

■ **WATCH:** You can watch O-Span — a joint venture of Oregon Ed-Net, the Legislature and the Oregon Cable Television Association — on cable access television. Check your local listings for times and channels.

## THE GOVERNOR

### ■ PHONES:

John A. Kitzhaber, governor ..... 378-3111  
Patty Greenfield, scheduling ..... 373-7382  
Bill Wyatt, chief of staff ..... 373-1565  
Bob Applegate, spokesman ..... 378-6496

■ **ADDRESS:** Governor's Office, 254 State Capitol, Salem, Ore. 97310

■ **WEB PAGE:** [www.governor.state.or.us/governor.html](http://www.governor.state.or.us/governor.html)

■ **FAX:** 378-4863

## THE SENATE

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Ken Strobeck

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Ken Baker, Chair  
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## City-County Community Meetings

**For Bev Stein:**

### **1. Barchart Percentages**

#### **Public Safety**

Sheriff 10% targeted for cut from \$6.5 million in property tax funding

#### **Community Justice**

Adult 70%, \$6.1 million

Juvenile 10%, \$9.9 million

District Attorney 10%, \$7.1 million

**Library** 25% out of \$18.5 million

**Health** 30%, \$23.1 million

**Aging** 30%, \$2.1 million

**Community/  
Family Services** 25%, \$14 million

**Environmental  
Services** 70%, \$8.5 million

**Support Services** 10%, \$6.6 million

**Non-departmental** 10%, \$6.5 million

### **2. What is included in Nondepartmental property tax total shown on matrix?**

#### **Big Chunks**

- \$3 million
  - Board of County Commission
  - Auditor
  - Counsel
- \$1.4 million to School Fund
- \$2.0 million for operation and maintenance of County Courthouse

## **Tough Choices: Multnomah County Responds to Measure 47**

Ballot Measure 47, passed by Oregon Voters on November 5, 1996 will drastically reduce funding for local governments across the state. In June, the Multnomah County Board of County Commissioners will adopt it's first budget based on the reduced revenues. The following information is designed to assist citizens in providing input to these decisions.

### **Multnomah County Provides a Broad Range of Services**

**Public Safety:** Jails, District Attorney, Community Corrections (Parole and Probation,) Juvenile Justice

**Libraries:** Central Library and fourteen branches

**Transportation:** Willamette River bridges and suburban roads

**Health:** Disease Control, Neighborhood Health, Primary Care Clinics, School Based Health Centers

**Aging Services:** Neighborhood Senior Centers, Adult Care Home regulation, Public Guardian, Transportation

**Mental Health Services:** adult, children, involuntary commitments

**Services for Children and Families:** family centers, parent child development centers, caring communities

**Services for the Developmentally Disabled**

**Assessment and Taxation**

**Elections**

**Animal Control**

### **County Budget Allows Limited Choices**

Multnomah County 's budget includes money that comes from property taxes, business income taxes, the federal government, the state government, gas taxes, fees, hotel-motel taxes and other smaller sources.

Most of the money that the County receives is dedicated, that means it can only be spent on specific purposes. For example, gas tax money can only be spent on roads and bridges and most of the federal and state funds are designated for particular programs.

The general fund and levy funds are the part of the budget where the Board of County Commissioners can make choices about how money will be spent. This part of the budget totals about \$250 million and property taxes make up \$144 million of that total.

The chart below shows major county program areas and the amount of general and levy funding that each receives this year as well as the portion of that funding that comes from property taxes.

## **Measure 47 Requires Budget Cuts**

For the 1996 - 97 fiscal year, Ballot Measure 47 is expected to reduce the amount of property tax revenue that the County will receive by \$32 to \$40 million. All of this amount must come from the general fund and levy funds.

Because the budget cuts for next year will be very severe, the County has made immediate reductions in order to accumulate approximately \$6 million to ease the transition to lower service levels. Immediate cuts have included:

- reduction in library hours and services
- reduction in library purchase of materials and books
- closing the jail work crew annex
- elimination of funding for work release center
- reduction in administrative, clerical and support positions

In addition many new programs that were scheduled to start have been deferred including:

- Parkrose library partnership project
- expansion of neighborhood health programs
- expansion of parent child development programs
- expansion of mental health services to Head Start programs
- expanded services to combat child abuse and domestic violence

Now the County must identify the areas for the much larger service reductions which will take place July 1, 1997. The following areas represent likely possibilities for achieving the needed level of spending reductions:

- additional administrative reductions
- library branch closures or further reductions of hours
- closure of County health clinics
- delaying the opening of new jail facilities
- cuts in mental health services
- cuts in juvenile justice
- cuts in senior centers
- cuts in animal control
- cuts in capital improvements
- reduced supervision of offenders on parole and probation.

The County will look for ways to restructure service delivery in order to maintain or improve the quality of services while reducing expenditures. Across the board cuts that reduce the quality of all services are less desirable than targeted cuts which allow remaining services to be maintained at appropriate levels.



**County Agencies Funded by Property Tax Revenue 1996-97**  
Includes General Fund, Library Serial Levy Fund and Public Safety Levy Fund

Agency	Property Tax Funding
<b><u>Criminal Adjudication, Custody, and Supervision</u></b>	
Community Corrections	5,843,142
District Attorney	5,609,742
Corrections Health	2,751,705
Juvenile Justice	9,492,178
Sheriff	29,669,702
Court facilities	1,288,750
<b><u>Law Enforcement</u></b>	7,770,728
<b><u>Library</u></b>	18,359,100
<b><u>Social Services</u></b>	
Aging	2,076,190
Behavioral Health	5,153,858
Community Action	1,144,975
Children, Youth, & Family	4,625,525
Developmental Disabilities	1,468,587
<b><u>Public Health</u></b>	3,244,457
<b><u>Medical/Dental Services</u></b>	15,911,763
<b><u>Departmental Administration</u></b>	6,096,226
<b><u>Central Administration</u></b>	
Elected	1,854,061
County Counsel	453,108
Support Services	6,584,505
<b><u>A&amp;T and Elections</u></b>	
A&T	4,136,498
Elections	1,300,363
<b><u>All Other</u></b>	
Facilities Mgmt	974,752
Animal Control	952,706
Records	175,117
Transportation	232,334
Planning	427,593
<b><u>Nondepartmental</u></b>	
Support to other governments	1,643,746
other	1,277,724
<b><u>Contingency/Balance</u></b>	3,960,677
	<b>\$ 144,479,813</b>

## **Citizen Input is Needed**

All of these issues will be discussed with the community and debated by the Board of County Commissioners in the coming months. The County is very interested in receiving specific input from the community on the most appropriate service reduction strategy. Final decisions are expected in June.

It is very unlikely that severe cuts can be avoided this year. However the level of cuts will be affected by decisions made by the Oregon Legislature. In the long term, voter decisions on tax reform will continue to determine the level of services that local government can provide.

Citizens can provide input to the process of determining which services will be reduced. Here's how YOU can be involved:

1. **Attend the Community Meetings (see schedule below)**
2. **Call or write your County Commissioners**
3. **Attend the County Budget Hearings which will be scheduled in May.**
4. **Call or write your State Legislators**
5. **Get involved in organizations supporting tax reform**

### **Community Meetings on Measure 47 Budget Cuts:**

**Jan. 25, Saturday, Central Northeast, 10:00am to 12:00pm; SE Asian Vicariate, 5404 NE Alameda.**

**Jan. 25, Saturday, Northeast, 2:00- 4:00pm; King Facility, 4815 NE 7th.**

**Jan. 27, Monday, Southwest, 7:00-9:00pm; Multnomah Center, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy.**

**Jan. 29, Wednesday, East Portland, 7:00-9:00pm; Floyd Light Middle School, 10800 SE Washington**

**Jan. 30, Thursday, Southeast, 7:00-9:00pm; Mt. Tabor Community School, 5800 SE Ash.**

**Feb. 1, Saturday, West/Northwest, 10:00am- 12:00pm; Scottish Rite Center, 1512 SW Morrison.**

**Feb 1, Saturday, North Portland, 2:00-4:00pm; Kaiser Town Hall, 3704 N Interstate.**

**February 6, Thursday, Troutdale, 7:00-9:00 pm; Troutdale City Hall, 104 SE Kibling Avenue,**

**February 12, Wednesday, Gresham, 7:00 to 9:00 pm; Gresham Public Safety and Schools Building, 1333 NW Eastman Parkway, Gresham**

# **Questions and Answers about Library Budget Cuts and Ballot Measure 47**

## **Didn't voters just approve more money for Libraries? Why are there proposed budget cuts?**

In May of 1996, Multnomah County voters overwhelmingly approved a Library Levy renewal that increased the level of property tax support for libraries. In November of 1996 Oregon voters approved Ballot Measure 47, a constitutional amendment that limits the amount of property tax that can be paid by each property in the state. The constitutional amendment effectively prohibits the full collection of taxes that the levy authorized.

There is uncertainty about the dollar amount of reduction to the library levy. The Oregon Legislature must adopt statutes to implement Ballot Measure 47 that will specify how the reduction in property tax paid is divided between the various governments (cities, counties, schools, special districts) that receive property tax money. Measure 47 says that "public safety" and "public education" should have "priority," but it doesn't say what that means.

## **Why are there different numbers being discussed for the proposed Library budget cut?**

County Commissioners, the Library and the community are discussing potential cuts in the Library's 1997 - 98 budget. There are different ways to estimate what that budget would be, depending on various assumptions. For example, in the past levy collections have increased when real estate prices went up. The increase in real estate prices is impossible to accurately predict. Because voters increased the library levy, there are numbers that assume the "old levy" and others that assume the "new levy." Because Measure 47 ties future taxes to past taxes there is understandable confusion about which numbers should be used.

If Measure 47 had not passed, the Library budget for 1997 - 98 would probably have been about \$25 million dollars. That amount includes about \$1.4 million dollars for new programs paid for by the increase in the library levy. The proposed budget amount under discussion for the Library as a result of Measure 47 is about \$18 million. Thus the cut is \$7 million from what the budget would have been or \$5.6 million from the cost of providing services at the previous level. About \$1 million of this reduction is due to reduced fees as a result of reduced operations and the balance is due to cuts in property tax revenue.



## **How does the proposed Library budget cut compare with cuts to other county programs?**

The overall cut for the County is estimated at \$32 million to \$40 million. Thus about 1/6 of the proposed cut affects the library and about 5/6 of the cut is from other areas of County government.

## **Do we know how large a budget cut is actually needed?**

No, there is considerable uncertainty. The State Legislature must decide about distribution of property tax funds, priorities for tax funds, the formula to use for calculating tax reductions, whether to allow increases outside of the limits and whether and how much state replacement revenue will be provided for local services.

The estimate of a \$32 million to \$40 million reduction for the County is based on the best assumptions available at this time. Legislative (or judicial) actions could make big changes in this amount.

For example, there is uncertainty about the way in which the Measure 47 property tax reduction should be calculated. If the Legislature "includes bonds in the base year," the budget cut to Multnomah County will be reduced by \$10 million.

## **Isn't it premature to be talking about budget cuts if we don't know how much money will be available?**

No. The Chair's proposed budget must be presented in April. Budget cuts of the size required by Measure 47 will cause major reductions in many County services. It is important to have as much public input as possible regarding the choices that must be made on which services should be reduced.

## **What is the schedule for budget decisions?**

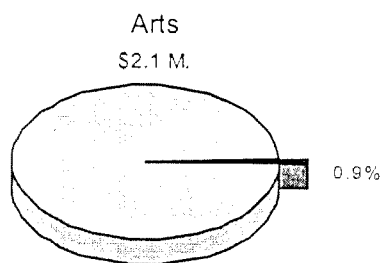
- In **January, February and March** there will be community forums, board briefings and other discussions regarding the choices faced by the County.
- In **April**, Chair Beverly Stein will propose a budget for consideration by the Board of County Commissioners.
- In **May and June** the Board of County Commissioners will hold public hearings to receive testimony from citizens regarding the County Budget.
- **Before July 1**, the Board of County Commissioners must adopt a final budget for the 1997 - 98 fiscal year.

# Measure 47 Worksheet

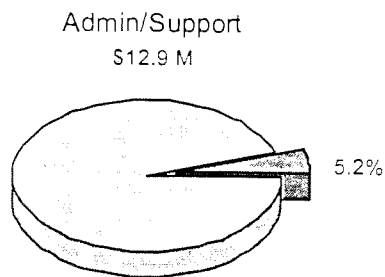
## City of Portland

### Need to Cut \$19 - \$32.4 Million from Fiscal Year 1997-98 Budget

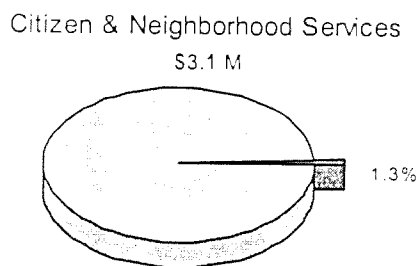
These pie charts represent the proportion of total General Fund discretionary dollars spent by bureaus in the current year in the program areas identified. Discretionary dollars are general purpose dollars (property tax, business tax, etc.) over which the Council has discretion. They do not include dollars that are committed to specific purposes as a result of grants, contracts, and so forth. Cuts made under M47 must be made to services supported by discretionary dollars. In each chart below, the total "pie" is equal to the total discretionary amount of \$249.1 M.



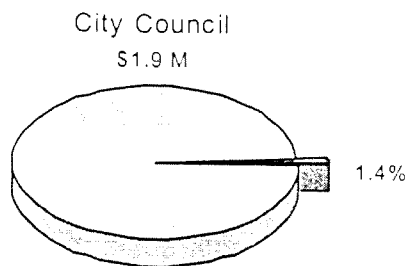
- The Arts:
- Support for affordable family activities such as plays, exhibits and concerts
  - Support for arts programs in the schools
  - Support for bringing arts programs into neighborhoods
  - Support for arts programs for at risk youth
  - Operating and maintaining the Performing Arts Center
  - Maintaining public art works
  - Foster cultural tourist attractions



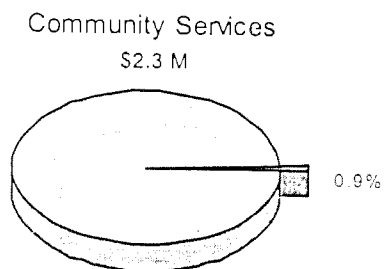
- Administration/Support Functions
- Treasury
  - Personnel
  - Accounting
  - Purchasing
  - Business Licenses
  - Financial Planning
  - Audit Services
  - Legal Services
  - Intergovernmental Services



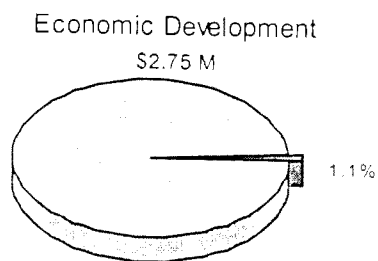
- Citizen and Neighborhood Services
- Support for citizen involvement through neighborhood associations
  - Neighborhood mediation center (conflict resolution)
  - Citywide information and referral telephone service
  - Neighborhood-based community policing



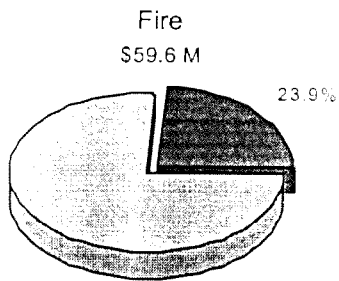
- City Council
- Mayor
  - Commissioner of Public Affairs
  - Commissioner of Public Safety
  - Commissioner of Public Utilities
  - Commissioner of Public Works



- Community Services
- Employment and training for at-risk-youth
  - Pick up street alcoholics
  - Gang-prevention programs
  - Revitalization of targeted low /moderate income neighborhoods
  - Weatherization assistance for low incom residents

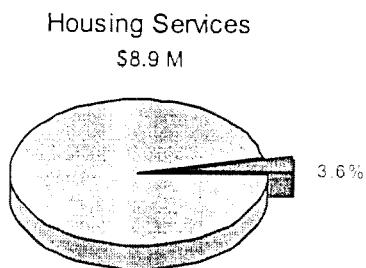


- Economic Development
- Helping new and existing business grow
  - Creating and keeping jobs for city residents
  - Revitalizing neighborhood business districts
  - Helping people find jobs and get training
  - Developing programs to prepare residents for higher wage jobs



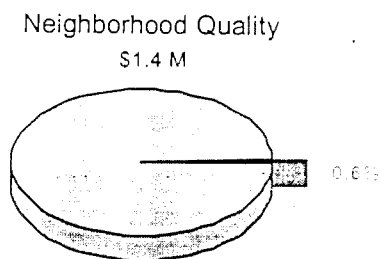
#### Fire

- Emergency medical response
- Fire-fighting response
- Fire-prevention, code enforcement
- Emergency management/disaster planning
- Hazardous materials response
- Arson investigation



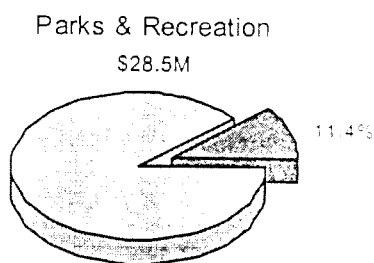
#### Housing Services

- Emergency shelters for the homeless
- Permanent housing for the homeless
- Housing for battered women and children
- Development of low/moderate income housing
- Development of affordable housing for a range of income groups
- Assistance to first-time home buyers
- Development of housing for special needs groups like the elderly and disabled



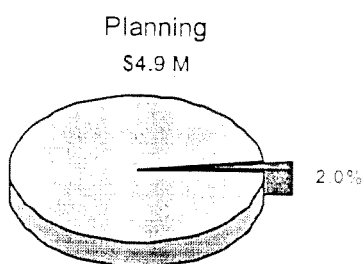
#### Neighborhood Quality

- Elimination of neighborhood nuisances
- Enforcement of zoning regulations
- Enforcement of noise regulations
- Elimination of sub-standard housing



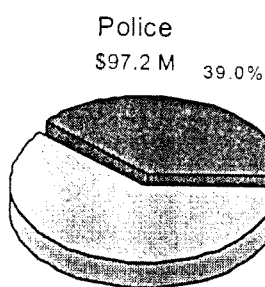
#### Parks and Recreation

- Maintaining neighborhood parks
- Urban forestry program (maintaining park trees; inspecting street trees; issuing permits)
- Maintaining natural resources and open space areas
- Athletics and ball fields
- Community schools/community center programs
- Youth recreation programs
- Adult recreation programs
- Senior recreation programs
- Aquatic programs (swimming pools)
- Support for special facilities (i.e., Children's Museum, Pioneer Courthouse Square, etc.)



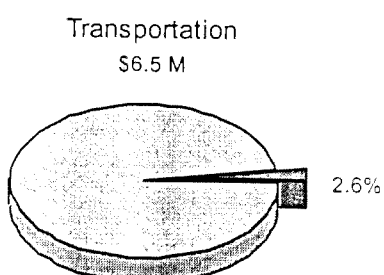
#### Planning

- Facilitating new affordable housing and new jobs
- Preparing for future growth
- Planning reviews of proposed development
- Planning to protect neighborhood livability
- Setting and enforcing urban design standards
- Managing growth



#### Police

- Respond to crimes in progress or threats of violence
- Patrol neighborhood streets
- Investigate crimes against people, such as robbery assault
- Investigate property crimes, such as burglary and auto theft
- Arrest criminals
- Enforce neighborhood traffic speeding laws
- Investigate child abuse and domestic violence crimes
- Arrest street level drug dealers
- Arrest violent youth gang offenders



#### Transportation

- Street cleaning
- Street Lighting
- Street paving and potholes
- Neighborhood traffic calming (safety)
- Development of a safe bikeway network
- Improved pedestrian safety
- Roadside drainage of stormwater

## MULTNOMAH COUNTY- MEASURE 47 IMPACT

The possible reduction in property tax revenues to the County ranges from \$32 to \$40 million.

\$11 million can be saved from the '97-98 Budget by not providing new operating money for:

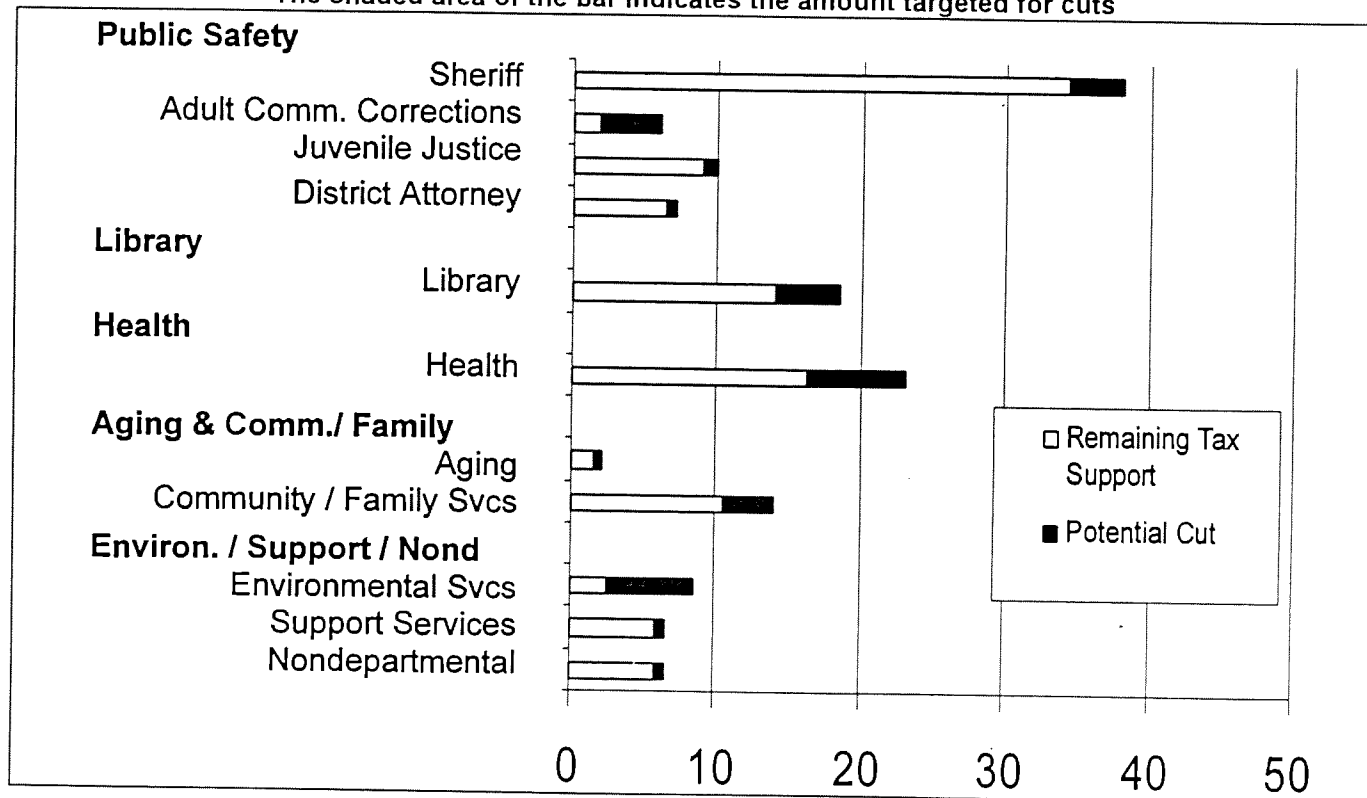
- A new jail, an alcohol and drug treatment facility, and expanded library hours (authorized by May, 1996 levies)
- New and expanded youth and family programs.

County departments will make approximately \$30 million in service and operations cuts.

- This chart compares the amount of property taxes which goes to each County department and the targeted cut level proposed.
- There is significant uncertainty about the cut projections— State legislative decisions will dramatically affect revenue losses for local governments.

### Property Tax Revenues and Targeted Cuts

Each bar below represents the amount of property taxes (in million dollars) supporting each County service area. The shaded area of the bar indicates the amount targeted for cuts



### SERVICE IMPLICATIONS OF THE CUTS

#### PUBLIC SAFETY

##### **Sheriff**

**\$3.8 million cut (out of \$38.2 million) + \$8 million cut from 1996 levy funding.**

Possible cuts include:

- Jail work crew annex
- Jail work crews
- Pretrial street supervision
- Gresham temporary holding facility
- Non-patrol law enforcement work
- New jail spaces funded by '96 levy

Other Savings Opportunities:

- Consolidation of records w/ Corrections

##### **Community Justice (Juvenile and Adult services)**

**\$5.2 million (out of \$16 million) + \$1 million cut from 1996 levy funding.** (Possibly offset by \$1.5 million in increased fees.)

Possible cuts include:

- Work release program
- Intensive case management
- Alcohol & drug treatment facility in '96 levy

Other Savings Opportunities:

- Increase amount and collection of probationer fees
- Rent Juvenile bed space to other counties
- Reduce flexible funds to assist juveniles

##### **District Attorney \$700,000 (out of \$7.1 million)**

Possible cuts include:

- Prosecutors for lower priority crimes
- Neighborhood prosecutors
- Support enforcement

#### LIBRARY \$4.6 million (out of \$18.5 million) + \$1.4 million cut from 1996 levy funding.

Possible cuts include:

- Closures of smaller branches
- Fewer hours at Central, Midland and Gresham
- Telephone assistance and reference line
- Books and materials
- Extended hours funded by '96 levy

#### HEALTH \$6.9 million (out of \$23.1 million) + \$600,000 cut from 1996 levy funding.

Possible cuts include:

- Health Clinic primary care services (basic health, reproduction, pregnancy, children's services to 10,000+ uninsured, poor County residents)
- services provided to jails and juvenile facilities funded by 1996 levy

#### COMMUNITY AND FAMILY AND AGING SERVICES \$4.1 million (out of \$16.1 million)

Possible cuts include:

- Community mental health services
- Contracting and monitoring oversight
- New programs to assist children and families,
- Case management of developmentally disabled
- Senior centers

#### ENVIRONMENTAL, SUPPORT & NONDEPARTMENTAL SERVICES \$7.2 million (out of \$21.6m)

Possible cuts include:

- Assessors in Assessment and Taxation Division
- Capital expenditures on building maintenance
- Overall administrative reductions

Other Savings Opportunities:

- Election costs if state enacts vote by mail
- Animal control subsidy from County if a foundation is established

## MULTNOMAH COUNTY - Measure 47 Impact on Services

Multnomah County's budget currently totals \$800 million. The discretionary part where the Board of County Commissioners can make choices about how money will be spent totals \$250 million out of the \$800 million. Property taxes make up \$144 million of that total. More than 60% of that discretionary spending goes to public safety, libraries and health programs.

The possible reduction in property tax revenue for Multnomah County ranges from \$32 to \$40 million. \$11 million could be saved by not providing operating money for: A new jail, an alcohol and drug treatment facility, and expanded library hours (authorized by May 1996 levies); and new/expanded youth and family programs.

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Additionally, County departments will make approximately \$30 million in service cuts (to account for the full \$40 million revenue reduction).

**Important Note:** Projections of budget cut amounts due to Measure 47 are based on the best estimates available at this time. There is tremendous uncertainty because implementing legislation has not yet been considered by the Oregon Legislature. Their decisions WILL cause SUBSTANTIAL CHANGE in the amounts of projected budget cuts.

The following tables show where the County is considering for the \$30 million service reductions as well as where it will attempt to minimize cuts.

SERVICE AREAS	Property Tax Revenue	Targeted Cut Amount	Rationale for Approach to Service Cuts	Major Areas to Discuss Reductions	Total Prop. Tax	Other Possible Reductions	Total Prop. Tax	Areas to Minimize Cuts	Total Prop. Tax	Revenue Opportunities & Other Issues
<b>PUBLIC SAFETY</b>										
<b>Sheriff</b>										
Total Budget	\$66.9 M	\$38.2 M	\$3.8 M (plus \$8M cut from new levy)	Maintain emphasis on current corrections capacity.		Food services Correction services	\$2.0 M \$5.7 M	Core jail capacity Basic patrol	\$12.9 M \$1.5 M	Operating new jail spaces \$8 million.
<b>Community Justice</b>										
<b>Adult Community Corrections</b>										
Total Budget	\$28.5 M	\$6.1 M	\$4.2 M (plus \$1M cut from new levy)	Target resources and supervision where they will be most cost effective.	- Intensive Case Mgmt. \$0.6 M - Work Release \$0.6 M - New A & D facilities \$1.7 M	Administration STOP (drug diversion)	\$0.4 M \$0.9 M	Treatment services Women's Transition Services	\$4.1 M \$0.7 M	Better collection of existing fees.
<b>Juvenile Justice</b>										
Total Budget	\$20.5 M	\$9.9 M	\$1.0 M	Move toward greater use of community sanctions and services	Detention unit \$0.2 M	Flexible fund used for out of custody support Dependency process work	\$0.4 M \$0.3 M	Most of detention Community based work with families Information technology	\$2.8 M \$1.6 \$0.8 M	- Renting beds to other jurisdictions - Bill Medicaid for sex offender unit.
<b>District Attorney</b>										
Total Budget	\$14.4 M	\$7.1 M	\$0.7 M	Maintain current prosecution standards Reevaluate prosecution in light of possible local law enforcement changes.	Neighborhood prosecution \$0.3 M	Support enforcement	\$0.2 M	Basic prosecution	\$6.5 M	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$130.3 M</b>	<b>\$61.2 M</b>	<b>\$9.7 M</b>		<b>\$3.4 M</b>		<b>\$9.9 M</b>		<b>\$30.9 M</b>	

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LIBRARY Total Budget \$24.1 M \$18.5 M		\$4.6 M (plus \$1.4 M cut from new levy) (plus \$1 M loss in collected fees)	Access to services/materials. Rough equal geographic acc Limited new purchases. Reasonable service at open facilities. Remaining branches open minimum of 30 hrs/week. Technology connecting schools and libraries. Complete automation plan.	Branch Libraries* \$5.0 M Hours & services @ Central Library* \$4.6 M Material & books* \$2.8 M  * Property tax support calculated as 80% of 1996/97 budget.		All other services \$5.9 M				Undertaking a variety o entrepreneurial activities.
TOTAL \$24.1 M \$18.5		\$4.6 M			\$12.4 M		\$5.9 M			
HEALTH Total Budget \$113.9M \$23.1 M		\$6.9 M (plus \$600,000 cut from new levy)	Opportunities in primary care with OR Health Plan, local hospital emergency medical providers & a fee-paid enrollment system.	Primary care health and dental clinics \$5.2 M Corrections health clinic in jails. \$4.7 M				Disease prevention \$2.2 M Neighborhood clinics \$1.8 M School based health centers \$2.1 Field services		Enrollment system for primary care clients not eligible for Oregon Health Plan.
TOTAL \$113.9M \$23.1 M		\$6.9 M			\$9.9 M				\$6.1 M	
AGING AND COMMUNITY & FAMILY SERVICES Aging Services Total Budget \$18.2 M \$2.1 M		\$0.6 M	Protect services to most vulnerable populations. Avoid reducing federal and state revenue match.	Senior Service Centers \$0.4 M		Meal sites and Transportation. \$0.1 M		Public Guardian \$0.2 M Long Term Care \$0.2 M Adult care home regulation \$0.2 M		Adult Care Home fee
Community & Family Services Total Budget \$99.9 M \$14.0 M		\$3.5 M	Greatest long term benefit: good prevention and community-based work with children and families.	Adult Mental Health \$1.5 M		Developmental disabilities case management \$1.0 M Community Action (anti-poverty programs) \$1.1 M		Prevention & early intervention services \$1.1 M Family & Community based resource centers \$2.6 M Children's mental health \$2.0 M Information technology \$0.1 M		
TOTAL \$118.1 M \$16.1 M		\$4.1 M			\$1.9 M		\$2.2 M		\$6.4 M	

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<b>ENVIRONMENTAL, SUPPORT &amp; NONDEPARTMENTAL SERVICES</b>										
<b>Environmental Services</b> (Transportation, Planning, Facilities, Assessment & Taxation, Animal Control)										
Total Budget	\$105.0 M	\$8.5 M	\$5.9 M	M47 changes the worth of physical reappraisal. Opportunities for further user fee support. Rethink service locations.	Assessment and Taxation appraisals \$2.8 M Animal Control subsidy \$1.0 M County building projects \$0.7 M	Elections	\$1.3 M			Animal Control fees Planning fees Surveyor fees
<b>Support Services</b> (Finance, Employee Services, Information Services, Budget)										
Total Budget	\$53.1 M	\$6.6 M	\$0.7 M	Maintain adequate infrastructure to provide accountability to public and to meet mandates. Continue to improve County's ability to use technology effectively.	Internal county rates for insurance. \$5.2 M	Budget Office Employee Services	\$0.6 M \$1.0 M	Finance Information Services	\$3.1 M \$3.2 M	Examine how internal service reimbursement rates are set.
<b>Nondepartmental</b> (Intergovernmental Transfers, Board of County Commissioners, Auditor)										
Total Budget	\$52.1 M	\$6.5 M	\$0.7 M	Reductions to be proportional to cuts being made in other depts.		Special programs	\$0.5 M			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$210.2 M</b>	<b>\$21.6 M</b>	<b>\$7.2 M</b>		<b>\$9.7 M</b>		<b>\$3.4 M</b>		<b>\$6.3 M</b>	

<b>COUNTY TOTAL</b>	<b>\$140.5 M</b>	<b>\$32.5 M</b>		<b>\$37.3 M</b>	<b>\$21.4 M</b>	<b>\$49.7 M</b>
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## Your Choice

**Your guide to the City of Portland and Multnomah County  
Financial Directions for 1997-98**



City of Portland  
Vera Katz, Mayor



Multnomah County  
Beverly Stein, Chair

**F**or decades, the Portland area has been the envy of the nation. The City of Portland and Multnomah County play a vital role in the economic and cultural lifeblood for the State's largest metropolitan area. Our diverse neighborhoods, beautiful open green spaces, vibrant downtown, accessible arts and high quality school systems make this City a great place to live and work.

But like many local jurisdictions in Oregon, the City of Portland and Multnomah County are facing difficult challenges. In the last few years, voters in Oregon have approved two property tax initiatives that have reduced funds cities, counties and school districts use to provide services. Ballot Measure 5, passed in 1990, forced local governments to fund existing services within the rate \$10 of tax per \$1,000 of valued property. In November 1996, voters approved Measure 47 which rolls property taxes back to what they were two years before and caps the rate of growth at 3%. As a result of Measure 47, the City will need to cut its budget by approximately \$19 to \$32.5 million. Multnomah County must cut its budget by \$32 to 40 million.

*The purpose of this mailer and survey is to help you understand how local governments are funded and to encourage your participation in helping the City and County make some difficult decisions about our future.*

We need your help. The City and County are asking you to be our partner in sorting through these issues and to help plot the course for the upcoming years. You know what is important to your quality of life. We are preparing our 1997-98 budgets in the wake of Measure 47 and we want your priorities and ideas to help guide us as we make some difficult decisions on where to cut.

## Measure 47 Impacts

Measure 47 is a constitutional amendment that dramatically changes funding for local governments. The Measure limits voter's ability to fund local services and nullifies the effect of previous votes on property tax levies. It transfers many decisions about local government services from voters to the State Legislature.

Measure 47 will provide substantial property tax relief. The average Portland homeowner's taxes will decline approximately \$300 to \$500 next year. Taxes on large commercial buildings will decline by tens of thousands of dollars.

In addition to reducing property taxes and restricting future property tax increases, the Measure has many other effects. It reduces citizens voting rights by counting those who don't bother to vote on tax increases as "no" votes in many elections. According to the Attorney General's opinion, it will require votes to increase library fines, park recreation fees and many other miscellaneous fees for public services. And, it will lock in place the recent tax shift that increased the share of property taxes paid on homes and decreased the share paid by commercial property owners.

Now, the Oregon Legislature will be tackling tough issues as they try to clarify language and decide how the measure will be implemented. Key issues include the allocation formula, or how the revenue is shared among governments, the definition of terms such as "prioritization," "public safety," and "public education," procedures for voting on fees and bonded indebtedness, what "minimizing the loss of local control" means, and how new construction, annexations and rezoning will be treated. While the sponsor of the Measure stated in the Voter's Pamphlet that the State Legislature should replace 100% of local government revenue lost, that outcome seems very unlikely.



The City and County will not be able to wait for these clarifications before we are required to implement the reductions in our budgets. We will be making some assumptions as we move through the budget process, understanding that additional cuts may have to be made to balance our budgets when legislative decisions and clarifications are made.

## Multnomah County— Services At A Glance

Multnomah County delivers many services to county residents: Jails, family centers, disease control, libraries, Willamette River bridges, primary health care clinics, child development centers, support for the developmentally disabled, district attorney, suburban roads, mental health services, school-based health centers, aging services, adult care home regulation, assessment and taxation, elections, community corrections (parole and probation), alcohol and drug treatment, animal control, juvenile justice and much more.

In 1996, voters overwhelmingly renewed and increased serial levies to provide funding to operate County libraries and jails. The increased funding was targeted to keep libraries open longer and to staff additional jail beds to prevent the early release of offenders. By restricting the amount of property tax that can be collected, Measure 47 has effectively nullified the results of these votes.

In addition, statewide voters passed Measure 11 in 1994 that increases sentences for many crimes and sends more juvenile offenders to adult courts. This has dramatically increased the demand for services in the local public safety system at a time when funds are dropping.

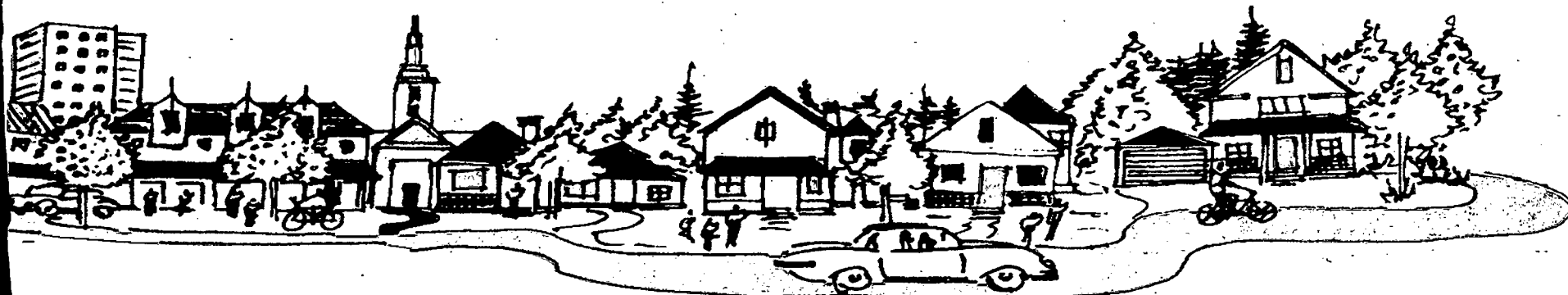
## City Of Portland— Services At A Glance

What services does the City provide to the residents of Portland? Police, fire fighting, emergency medical, repair and maintenance of city streets, water, sewer, building permits, traffic signals, parks, business development, 9-1-1, arts, recreation programs, street cleaning, community planning, street lights, stormwater disposal, transit planning, recycling, sidewalks, waste water treatment, neighborhood associations, environment and watershed protection, public golf courses, parking garages and meters, noise control, abandoned autos...and the list goes on.

The City has stewardship over 9,600 acres of land, 3,557 miles of improved streets, 125,000 sewer connections, 45,000 street lights, 1,800 miles of water lines serving one-third of Oregon's population...it's a big responsibility, one we take very seriously. The public investment made to date is significant and we are doing everything we can to preserve your investment.

But, after years of use, these public works...your streets, sewers, water lines, parks and facilities...are placing significant demands on our ability to maintain and improve them.

Add to that the stricter mandates on water and air quality, tougher earthquake building codes, growing population, a larger service area due to annexation and new demands on the system, inclement weather (floods, wind, snow and ice storms) that has done considerable damage to our infrastructure — no one could argue it's not a challenge. Now, we need to cut services to match reduced revenues under Measure 47. We are faced with some difficult choices as we try to maintain our quality of life.



## The City and County Checkbooks...Always Balanced

There are no credit cards to pay for government services; we must live within our means...despite the increasing demand for service from a fast-growing population base and the decreased availability of revenues to pay for such services.

The City and the County use two checkbooks, dedicated and discretionary. As you might guess, dedicated funds can only be used for certain services. For example, water revenues can only be used for water services. Gas tax and sewer fees are also dedicated, and most Federal and State funds are designated for particular programs that the Congress or the State Legislature has decided to fund. The County and City are prohibited by law from spending those funds on anything other than those specific programs.

Nearly 80 percent of the City's total budget is supported by dedicated funds. Most of the money the County receives are dedicated funds as well.

Discretionary funds come from property tax revenues, business licenses, utility franchises, hotel/motel taxes and other fees. Only \$249 million of the City's \$1.27 billion total city budget is discretionary. Of these funds, 55% are used to

support police and fire service. The balance pays for parks, administration, economic development, neighborhood organization, arts, street lighting, energy, and some for transportation as a result of the lack of State gas tax increase in four years.

In addition, the City has the unique responsibility to fund the pensions and disability payments of our police and fire personnel. This requirement is funded by a property tax levy that was also cut by Measure 47. The City must replace this cut, \$12 million the first year, by using existing general fund resources.

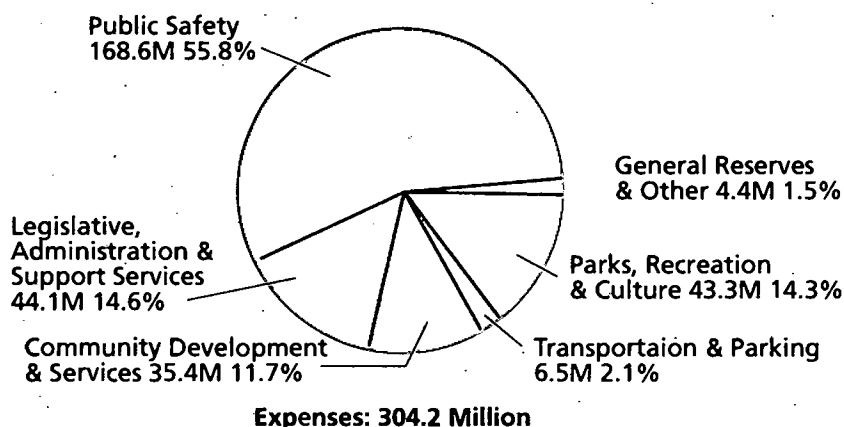
Multnomah County's general fund and levy funds are the part of the budget where the Board of County Commissioners can make choices about how the money will be spent. This part of the budget totals about \$250 million out of a \$800 million total budget. Property taxes make up \$144 million of that total. More than 60% of that discretionary spending goes to public safety, libraries and health programs.

The City will lose about \$19 to \$32.5 million from its discretionary checkbook and the County about \$32 to \$40 million. All cuts in services must be made from programs supported by the discretionary checkbook.

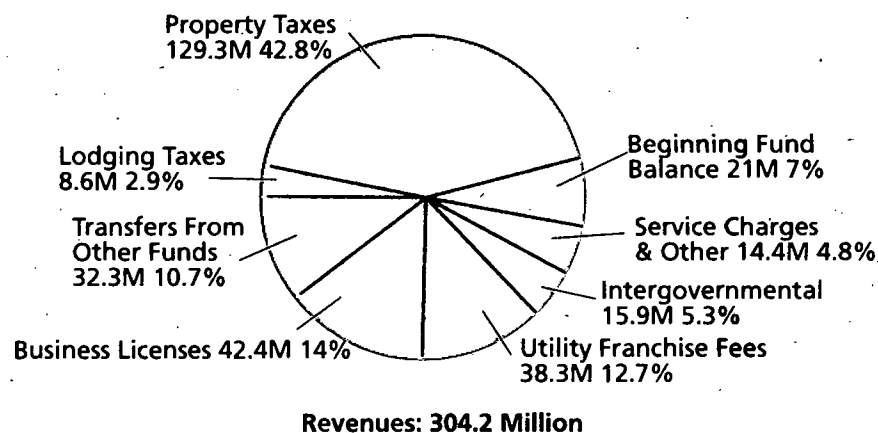
## Here's How the Discretionary Checkbook Balances Out:

### City of Portland

**Total Expenses, General Fund**



**Total Revenues, General Fund**



# Your City • Your Choice Survey

Dear City of Portland Resident:

This study will provide your City Council with valuable information to better plan for the future. The questions concern your attitudes on some key issues facing our city. Please be candid in your answers. We don't ask for your name, address, or telephone number, so be assured that your privacy is protected. Your participation is greatly appreciated and contributes to Portland's national reputation for citizen involvement in the shaping of our city. **Please return this questionnaire by February 15, 1997.**

Thank you.

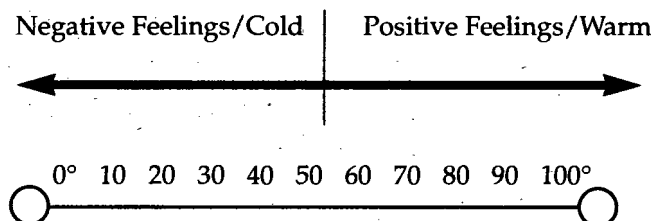
Mayor Vera Katz

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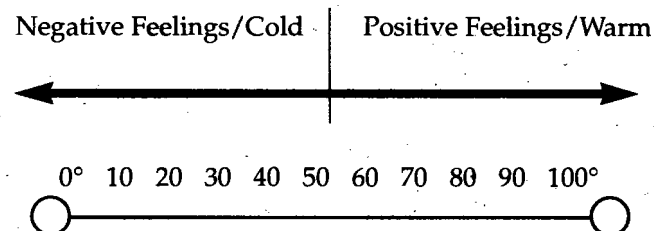
Jim Francesconi, Charlie Hales, Gretchen Kafoury, Erik Sten

- 1.) How would you describe your overall feelings toward the following:  
(Circle number on thermometers. Please do not circle between numbers.)

Your neighborhood:



Your city:



- 2.) Would you say things in Portland as a whole are generally headed in the right direction, or would you say things in Portland are going in the wrong direction? (Circle number)

1. Right Direction
2. Wrong Direction
3. Don't Know

- 3.) If wrong direction, why? (Record below)

- 4.) Are there any areas where you feel the City of Portland is being wasteful and inefficient? (Circle number)

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't Know

- 5.) (IF YES) Please describe the area or areas. (Record below)

- 6.) As you may know, the voters in the last election passed *Ballot Measure 47*, which limits property taxes and reduces the amount of money local governments have for providing services. This includes essential services like fire and police, which receive most of the property tax money, with the rest going to a variety of other services. As a result of *Ballot Measure 47*, the City of Portland will likely have to cut government services.

The city will look for ways to reduce administrative costs and to operate more efficiently and smarter, but this will not be enough to do the job, and actual service cuts will have to be made. We now want to ask you about *where you think these cuts should occur*.

Which specific services in the following service areas do you personally feel should be considered for *first, second, and third cuts*.

Please read through each list. Then enter the number of the service in the appropriate box.

## The Arts

Consider for :

First Cut

Second Cut

Third Cut

1. Support for affordable family activities such as plays, exhibits, and concerts
2. Support for arts programs in the schools
3. Support for bringing arts programs into neighborhoods
4. Support for arts programs for at risk youth
5. Operating and maintaining the Performing Arts Center
6. Maintaining public art works
7. Foster cultural tourist attractions

## Citizen and Neighborhood Services

Consider for :

First Cut

Second Cut

Third Cut

1. Support for citizen involvement through neighborhood associations
2. Neighborhood mediation center (conflict resolution)
3. Citywide information and referral telephone service
4. Neighborhood-based community policing

### Community Services

Consider for:

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First Cut

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Second Cut

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Third Cut

1. Employment and training for at-risk youth
2. Pick up street alcoholics
3. Gang-prevention programs
4. Revitalization of targeted low/moderate income neighborhoods
5. Technical assistance to non-profit agencies
6. Weatherization assistance for low income residents

### Economic Development

Consider for:

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First Cut

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Second Cut

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Third Cut

1. Helping new and existing businesses grow
2. Creating and keeping jobs for city residents
3. Revitalizing neighborhood business districts
4. Helping people find jobs and get training
5. Developing programs to prepare residents for higher wage jobs in growing industries
6. Supporting community-based business ownership

### Fire

Consider for:

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First Cut

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Second Cut

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Third Cut

1. Emergency medical response
2. Fire-fighting response
3. Fire-prevention/code enforcement
4. Emergency management/disaster planning
5. Hazardous materials response
6. Arson investigation

### Housing Services

Consider for:

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Third Cut

1. Emergency shelters for the homeless
2. Permanent housing for the homeless
3. Housing for battered women and children
4. Development of low/moderate income housing
5. Development of affordable housing for a range of income groups
6. Assistance to first-time home buyers
7. Development of housing for special needs groups like the elderly and disabled

### Neighborhood Quality

Consider for:

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First Cut

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Second Cut

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Third Cut

1. Elimination of neighborhood nuisances
2. Enforcement of zoning regulations
3. Enforcement of noise regulations
4. Elimination of substandard housing

### Parks and Recreation

Consider for:

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Third Cut

1. Maintaining neighborhood parks
2. Urban forestry program (maintaining park trees; inspecting street trees; issuing tree permits)
3. Maintaining natural resources and open space area
4. Athletics and ball fields
5. Community schools/community center programs
6. Youth recreation programs
7. Adult recreation programs
8. Senior recreation programs
9. Aquatic programs (swimming pools)
10. Support for special facilities (i.e., Children's Museum, Pioneer Courthouse Square, etc.)

### Planning

Consider for:

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Third Cut

1. Facilitating new affordable housing and new jobs
2. Preparing for future growth
3. Planning reviews of proposed development
4. Planning to protect neighborhood livability
5. Setting and enforcing urban design standards
6. Managing growth

### Police

Consider for:

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First Cut

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Second Cut

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Third Cut

1. Respond to crimes in progress or threats of violence
2. Patrol neighborhood streets
3. Investigate crimes against people, such as robbery and assault
4. Investigate property crimes, such as burglary and auto theft



5. Arrest criminals
6. Enforce neighborhood traffic speeding laws
7. Investigate child abuse and domestic violence crimes
8. Arrest street level drug dealers
9. Arrest violent youth gang offenders

### Transportation

Consider for :

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First Cut

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Second Cut

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Third Cut

1. Street cleaning
2. Street paving and potholes
3. Neighborhood traffic calming (safety)
4. Development of a safe bikeway network
5. Improved pedestrian safety
6. Roadside drainage of stormwater
7. Street lighting
8. Managing congestion and growth through transportation planning
9. Traffic signals and signs

*Comments regarding which specific services to cut and not cut:*

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**7.)** Which of the following changes in service levels would you personally find least objectionable or undesirable, second least objectionable, third least objectionable, and fourth least objectionable.

Please read through the entire list, then enter the number of the change in the appropriate box.

1. Slower fire and emergency medical response
2. Less police presence in my neighborhood
3. Less assistance to battered women and families
4. Less planning for population growth
5. Higher housing costs and reduced availability of housing for lower income families
6. Less attention to traffic speeds in neighborhoods
7. Slower response time to crimes in progress

8. More litter on the streets
9. Closing some community centers and pools
10. Reducing services for the homeless
11. Reducing programs for youth at risk
12. Reducing programs that create and keep good jobs for Portlanders
13. Closing some neighborhood parks
14. Fewer criminal investigations
15. Increased Traffic congestion

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Least Objectionable

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Second Least Objectionable

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Third Least Objectionable

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Fourth Least Objectionable

**8.)** Are you registered to vote ? (Circle Number)

1. Yes
2. No

**9.)** In the November election, just about 70% of Oregon's voters participated, while 30% did not. Did you choose to vote in that election, did you choose not to vote, or did things come up that kept you from voting? (Circle Number)

1. Chose to vote
2. Chose not to vote
3. Something kept me from voting

**10.)** (IF VOTER) Did you vote for or against Ballot Measure 47, the property-tax limitation measure? (Circle Number)

1. For
2. Against

**11.)** (IF VOTED FOR) Which of the following statements comes closest to representing your understanding of the effects of Ballot measure 47 when you voted in November? (Circle Statement)

**Statement A** — It would reduce my property taxes with the consequences being reduced government services.

**Statement B** — It would reduce my property taxes but would have no effect on the level of government services.

**12.)** Some city residents have expressed concern about Ballot Measure 47 and the likely cuts in city services and have said they would be willing to pay more in additional taxes or fees for specific services. Would you be willing to pay more to restore some city services?

1. Yes
2. No

(IF YES) Which specific services? (Record Below)

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We ask the following questions for statistical purposes only. For example, we will compare the results with census information to determine how the returned questionnaires compare with the city's total population. We thank you for your patience.

**13.) What is your gender? (Circle Number)**

1. Male      2. Female

**14.) What is your age? (Circle Number)**

1. 18-24    2. 25-34    3. 35-44    4. 45-54    5. 55-64    6. 65+

**15.) Do any children under age 18 live in your household? (Circle Number)**

1. Yes      2. No

**16.) What is your zip code (Record in spaces below)**

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**17.) How long have you lived in the Portland area? (Circle Number)**

1. Less than 1 year    2. 1-2 Years    3. 3-5 Years    4. 6-10 Years  
5. 11-20 Years      6. 20+ Years

**18.) Which is the highest level of education you have completed? (Circle Number)**

1. Grade School    2. Attended High School    3. Graduated High School  
4. Attended College      5. Graduated from 2-Year College

6. Graduated from 4-Year College    7. Post Graduate Study Without Degree  
8. Post Graduate Degree (e.g., MD, MBA, MA, Ph.D., J.D.)

**19.) What was your major activity during the week before last? (Circle Number)**

1. Working full time (30 hrs. or more)  
2. Working part time (Less than 30 hrs.)  
3. Have job but not at work because of illness, vacation, strike, etc.  
4. Looking for work, unemployed, laid off  
5. Attending school    6. Retired    7. Keeping house    8. Other

**20.) Which of the following best describes your racial or ethnic group? (Circle Number)**

1. Asian or pacific Islander    2. Black/African-American  
3. Native American      4. Spanish/Hispanic  
5. White/Caucasian      6. Other

**21.) Which category best describes your 1996 gross household income, before taxes? Remember to include everyone living in your household. Your best estimate will do. (Circle Number)**

1. Less than \$15,000    2. \$15,001 to \$30,000  
3. \$30,001 to \$50,000    4. \$50,000 to \$75,000    5. Over \$75,000

*That concludes the worksheet. But before you finish, do you have any last words you would like to share? Anything goes!*

**Please return this questionnaire by February 15, 1997**

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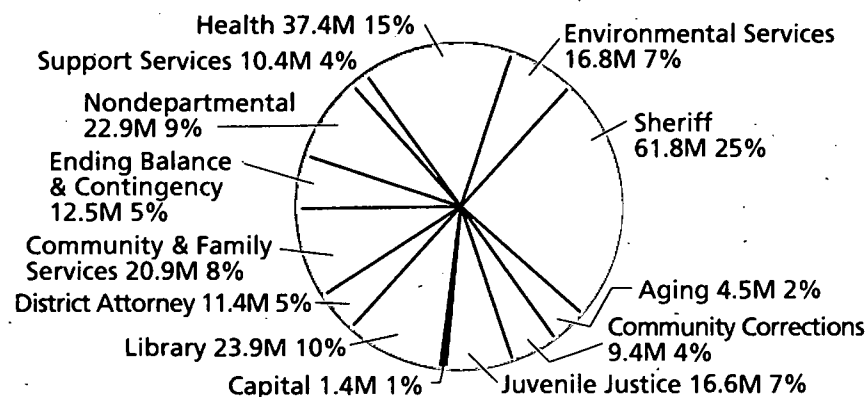
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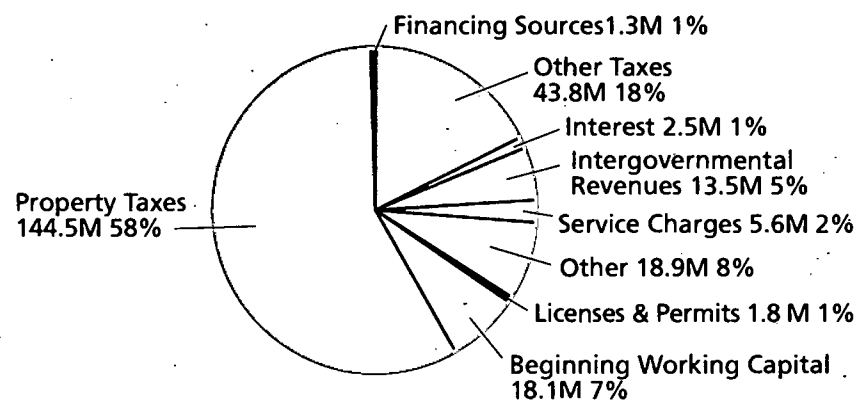
# Multnomah County

## Total Expenses, General Fund/Levies



Expenses: 250 Million

## Total Revenue, General Fund/Levies



Revenues: 250 Million

## Where Do We Go From Here?

Both the City and the County have made great strides to improve efficiency and reduce costs. With those efficiency savings, we have expanded services to meet the needs of our growing community.

As we prepare our budgets for next year, the City of Portland and Multnomah County must cut spending to meet the revenue reductions imposed by Measure 47. Both governments have taken steps in the current fiscal year, ending June 30, to begin to meet the challenges created by Measure 47.

The City has taken several actions already to deal with the impacts including:

- Instituted restricted hiring with exceptions for critical positions. This is expected to generate about \$10 million in savings.
- New programs scheduled to start January 1, 1997 have been cancelled including civilianization of desk positions in the Police Bureau, expansion of arts in education and neighborhood arts programs, expansion of funding for neighborhood coalitions, initiation of a "jobs" initiative through PDC, and initiation of a neighborhood grants program. This is expected to generate about \$1.4 million in savings.

- Review and evaluation of all capital construction projects approved in the 96-97 budget but not yet started. It is anticipated that certain capital projects will be deferred or eliminated, particularly if they do not lead to a decrease in operating costs.

The County has made immediate reductions to ease the transitions to lower service levels. They include:

- Reduction in library hours and services
- Reduction in library purchase of materials and books
- Closing the jail work crew annex
- Elimination of funding for work release center
- Reduction in administrative, clerical and support positions
- New programs scheduled to start have been deferred including Parkrose library partnership project, and the expansion of neighborhood health programs, parent child development programs, mental health services to Head Start programs and services to combat child abuse and domestic violence

Even with efficiencies, reduction in overhead and administration and program delays, there will still be significant cuts in service needed in order to balance both the City and County budgets. Now we must identify the areas for much larger reductions which will take effect July 1, 1997.

## Budget Cut Choices Are Limited

The size of the needed budget cuts and the fact that they all must come from discretionary, General Fund spending limits

the options available. Multnomah County has identified the following areas as the most likely possibilities for achieving the needed level of spending reductions:



- additional administrative reductions

- library branch closures or further reduction of hours
- closure of County health clinics
- delaying the opening of new jail facilities
- cuts in mental health services
- cuts in juvenile justice
- cuts in animal control
- cuts in capital improvements
- reduced supervision of offenders on parole and probations.

In the pull-out survey, you will find a list of City services that are discretionary and paid for in part or fully by general fund resources. The cuts must come from police, fire, planning, parks, central administration and other general fund supported services. Over 55% of discretionary resources are used to cover police and fire services.

## Speak Up

Public services are important to all of us, but budget cuts must be made. We need your interest, the love of your community and your good ideas. We are asking help to determine where service cuts might be made. Each decision has its own set of trade-offs and we want to know what's important to you.

We've made it easy to be involved with eight joint City/County community workshops where you can bring your ideas and concerns and discuss the issues with City and County Commissioners and service managers.

The City of Portland has also developed a worksheet/survey to help prioritize your ideas into a workable tool the City Council can use during the budget process this year. If there is not one enclosed, please call 823-4519 and we'll send one to you. **Please return your survey to us by February 15.**

You can participate in City and County budget hearings held this spring. After these hearings, your elected officials will be making final budget decisions. **You can find out the schedule of budget hearings by calling the Mayor's office at 823-4120 and the County Chair's office at 248-3308.**

Our community faces some tough challenges ahead. We need your help. With you as our partner, we can keep Portland the best place to live, work and play. Let us hear from you!

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## Joint Community Budget Workshops

You are welcome to join us at any of the following community forums. The Office of Neighborhood Associations will make arrangements for those with special needs who want to attend. If you need an interpreter, sign language interpreter, or want to know about wheelchair access, or any other special need, please call in advance, 823-4519, so that you may be accommodated.

### **Downtown Portland**

January 23, Thursday 7 - 9 pm  
Portland Building Room C  
1120 SW Fifth Ave.

### **Central Northeast Neighbors**

January 25, Saturday 10 am - 12 pm  
Southeast Asian Vicariate  
5404 NE Alameda Dr.

### **Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods**

January 25, Saturday 2 - 4 pm  
King Facility  
4815 NE 7th Ave.

### **Southwest Neighborhoods Inc.**

January 27, Monday 7 - 9 pm  
Multnomah Center  
7688 SW Capitol Hwy.

### **East Portland District**

January 29, Wednesday 7 - 9 pm  
Floyd Light Middle School  
10800 SE Washington St.

### **Southeast Uplift Neighborhood Program**

January 30, Thursday 7 - 9 pm  
Mt. Tabor Middle School  
5800 SE Ash St.

### **Neighbors West/Northwest**

February 1, Saturday 10 am - 12 pm  
Scottish Rite Center  
1512 SW Morrison St.

### **North Portland**

February 1, Saturday 2 - 4 pm  
Kaiser Town Hall  
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