

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Acquisition of Real)
Property for the Construction of the) R E S O L U T I O N
Midland Branch Library Project) 94-114

WHEREAS, in May 1993, Multnomah County voters approved issuance of general obligation bonds for construction of an improved Midland Library, including acquisition of real property therefore; and

WHEREAS, Multnomah County's Facilities & Property Management Division and Department of Libraries has conducted a search for suitable sites for the Midland project since May 1993 and has identified two sites as suitable for the project: (1) the Bliss property consisting of approximately one acre located adjacent to and immediately south of the present Midland Library property, which also consists of approximately one acre, and (2) the Russelville property consisting of four privately owned lots and an adjacent area of land owned by the David Douglas School District at 102nd Avenue and East Burnside Street together comprising a total of approximately two acres; and

WHEREAS, the Bliss property has been offered for sale to Multnomah County and acquisition may be completed within approximately three months; and

WHEREAS, the cost of acquiring the Russelville property is unknown but will include the cost of relocation of private owners and cost of David Douglas School District property required for access, less sale proceeds of present Midland property after completion of the Midland project, and the timing of acquisition of the Russelville property is unknown but has been estimated by the Portland Development Commission at between four months and seven and one-half months; and

WHEREAS, at a number of neighborhood association meeting, Midland public information meetings, and at the May 5, 1994 meeting of this Board, the residents of the area served by the Midland Library have indicated their preference that the improved Midland Library remain at the present library location and that it was their belief that this was the intent of the general obligation bond issue election; and

WHEREAS, the present Midland Library location provides high public visibility and convenient automobile and transit bus access from points in the area served; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to avoid inflationary erosion of the purchasing power of the general obligation bonds proceeds resulting from delay of the Midland project planning and construction;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Multnomah County shall proceed to acquire the Bliss property pursuant to the offer for sale of the property, previously received by Multnomah County, and the County Chair is hereby authorized to execute any contracts or other instruments necessary to said acquisition.

APPROVED this 9th day of June, 1994.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON



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