

**Minutes of the Board of Commissioners  
Multnomah Building, Board Room 100  
501 SE Hawthorne, Portland, Oregon  
Thursday, May 3, 2012**

**REGULAR MEETING**

Chair Jeff Cogen called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. with Vice-Chair Loretta Smith and Commissioners Deborah Kafoury, Judy Shiprack and Diane McKeel present.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- C.1 Appointments of Anupam Narayan and Michael Bloomer to the Multnomah County CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE (CIC).
- C.2 Winery OLCC Liquor License for Leaning Star Winery, 7925 SE Altman Rd Gresham, Oregon 97080 - Favorable Recommendation.
- C.3 BUDGET MODIFICATION DCA-08 Reclassifying a Procurement Analyst to a Procurement Analyst Senior as Determined by Central Human Resources Classification Compensation Unit.

Upon motion made by Vice-Chair Smith and seconded by Commissioner Kafoury, the consent calendar was unanimously approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Opportunity for Public Comment was announced, however, no one chose to provide testimony.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

- R.1 RESOLUTION Approving the Chair's Proposed Fiscal Year 2013 Executive Budget for Submittal to the Tax Supervising and Conservation Commission as Required by ORS 294.635. Presenters: Chair Jeff Cogen & Karyne Kieta, Budget Director.**

Commissioner Shiprack moved and Commissioner Kafoury seconded approval of R.1.

Chair Cogen spoke about his proposed budget for operating Multnomah County in Fiscal Year 2013. He expressed his dedication to preserving the critical services the County provides to our community and residents, despite the tough economy that continues to increase the needs for so many in our community.

Chair Cogen said that when he began working on this budget, he sent his policy team out into the community to listen to and report back on the needs and concerns of residents. People expressed a need for access to health care, the safety of their children and families, paths to meaningful employment and secure housing. He expressed confidence that this budget smartly leverages those opportunities to meet the County's core mission of providing compassion, equity, sustainability and community safety.

He thanked County employees for their hard work and sacrifice and said he believes that this proposed budget reflects on the County's strong commitment to finding innovative solutions to meeting community needs and showing people we're making budget decisions the same way as families do: by focusing on the essentials. While financial constraints create limits, this budget makes progress in maintaining these seven important values:

1. Caring for vulnerable people.
2. Nurturing diversity and equity.
3. Keeping people safe.
4. Reducing costs and spending money wisely.
5. Investing in the future.
6. Increasing sustainability.
7. Working with our community partners.

The total proposed budget to achieve those values for the County's 735k residents is approximately \$1.5 billion. He said he is honored to serve as the Chair of Multnomah County and thanked the community for their hard work and support in working together to get through these difficult times and build a better future for the County.

Ms. Kieta explained that the FY 2013 budget process is based on a plan to forward the budget to the Tax Supervising Conservation Commission (TSCC) by May 15, 2012. Approving the Executive Budget and transmitting documents to the TSCC is the first Board action required to move towards adopting the budget For FY 2013. TSCC review is a requirement of Oregon Budget Law. She said the submittal to TSCC does not imply agreement on the part of the TSCC's Board with the policies included in the budget, nor with the Chair's proposed allocation of resources. She added that the Chair's Office has met with other local jurisdictions, the State, Union representatives and Department heads and their key staff to receive information and to provide input and recommendations about budget allocations and cross jurisdictional impacts.

Resolution No. 2012-049 was unanimously approved.

**R.2 Public Hearing and Second Reading to Consider ORDINANCE Amending MCC §7.402 and Updating and Codifying Provisions Relating To Forfeiture of Redemption Right for Tax Foreclosed Property and Repealing Ordinance 630. Presenter: Randy Walruff, Division Director/Assessor.**

Vice-Chair Smith moved and Commissioner McKeel seconded approval of R.2.

Mr. Walruff explained this Ordinance is a request for the Board to amend MCC §7.402 (A) by removing the County's self-imposed obligation to give additional written notice to former owners of tax foreclosed property immediately after the end of the two year redemption period. He said that this has not been an effective tool to reduce the inventory of properties taken through tax foreclosure, and the ongoing cost to undertake the process can't be justified.

This Ordinance is also requesting approval for updating and codifying provisions relating to Ordinance No. 630, which authorizes forfeiture of redemption for tax foreclosed property upon abandonment or waste, requiring the tax collector to deed property to the County after a public hearing, and permitting affected persons to appear or redeem the property to avoid forfeiture of their redemption right. This would affect Program Offer 72051 by reducing the redemption

period of properties being abandoned and wasting, and place property into County ownership and then back onto the tax rolls more efficiently.

Mr. Walruff responded to Board questions and comments.

Time for public comment was announced, but no one chose to testify.

Ordinance No. 1190 was unanimously adopted.

**R.3 RESOLUTION to Approve Safety First Supervised Parenting Time Program Fees.**

Commissioner Shiprack moved and Commissioner Kafoury seconded approval of R.3.

No one was available to present on item R.3.

Commissioner Shiprack moved and Commissioner Kafoury seconded to postpone R.3 indefinitely.

**R.4 Authorizing SETTLEMENT of Hindal v. Multnomah County, et. al. Presenter: Jenny M. Morf, County Attorney.**

Commissioner Shiprack moved and Commissioner Kafoury seconded approval of R.4.

Ms. Morf explained that if approved, this item will authorize the \$38k settlement of *Hindal v. Multnomah County, et al.* She responded to Board questions and comments.

The settlement was unanimously approved.

**R.5 PROCLAMATION Proclaiming May 6-12, 2012 as Public Service Recognition Week in Multnomah County, Oregon. Sponsor: Chair Cogen. Presenters: Chair Jeff Cogen.**

Commissioner McKeel moved and Commissioner Shiprack seconded approval of R.5.

Chair Cogen explained that the week of May 6-12, 2012 is designated by Congress as Public Service Recognition Week. He thanked Multnomah County employees for their hard work and dedication to the bettering of our community. He said that even during these difficult times, County employees continue to find innovative solutions to complex issues. He expressed pride in serving with County employees, on behalf of himself and the Board.

Chair Cogen stated that on Wednesday, June 13, 2012, the Board of County Commissioners will host the third annual Employee Recognition Ceremony in the Multnomah Building Board Room. He extended an invitation for all to attend and show appreciation for Multnomah County employees.

He read the Proclamation into the record. The Board thanked Chair Cogen for bringing this Proclamation forward, and County employees for their crucial role in improving our community.

Proclamation No. 2012-051 was unanimously adopted.

## **BOARD COMMENT**

BC.1 Opportunity as time allows, for the Commissioners to provide comment on non-agenda items.

No comments were made by the Board on non-agenda items.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

**The minutes reflect the actions of the Board. For more detail, you are welcome to view the presentation material and/or video at:** [http://multnomah.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view\\_id=3](http://multnomah.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=3)

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