

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Reviewing
Certain Dedicated Funds

RESOLUTION
#88-86

WHEREAS, the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners is the fiscal authority for the County; and

WHEREAS the Board, in its capacity as fiscal authority, has created certain dedicated funds to achieve desired long-term goals; and

WHEREAS these long-term goals should be weighed periodically in the light of current needs and budgetary constraints,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners, where it has discretion under state and federal law, shall request the existing CIC Central Citizen Budget Advisory Committee to review and report on dedicated funds as set out below:

1. DEFINITION: As used in this resolution, dedicated funds refers to any funds (either identified as a fund separate from the general fund, or as an identified sub-unit of the general fund) that the Board of County Commissioners, through previous actions, dedicated to specific use or purpose but still maintains discretionary authority to redirect the funds to any other purpose the Board may desire.

2. SCOPE OF REVIEW. The reviews will be conducted on a four year cycle, with one of the County's four departments being reviewed each year. Nondepartmental funds will be reviewed on the same four year cycle. The reviews are to determine whether the purpose for which the funds were dedicated is being met, whether the level of funds is reasonable to meet the stated purpose, and whether the need for the dedicated funds has increased or decreased since the inception of the dedicated fund.

3. CITIZEN COMMITTEE. The previously formed CIC Central Citizen Budget Advisory Committee will serve as the Review Committee for the purpose of this resolution..

4. REPORTING PROCESS. The Review Committee shall report to the Finance Committee and the Board of County Commissioners by December 15th each year. The report will cover the results of the reviews of dedicated funds for the year.

5. REVIEW PROCESS. The reviews will begin June 1, 1988 and continue each year in consultation with the Finance Committee and the County Budget Officer. The cycle shall be set so each dedicated fund is reviewed every four years beginning with the Department of Justice Services, Sheriff and District Attorney in 1988, Department of Human Services and Nondepartmental in 1989, Department of Environmental Services in 1990, and Department of General Services in 1991

6. The Review Committee will as a minimum:
- Determine the universe of funds to be reviewed each year,
 - Determine the legislative intent requiring the dedicated fund by reviewing documents and interviewing elected and appointed officials and program staff,
 - Review and analyze the operations funded by the dedicated revenues, and
 - Report whether the purpose for which the funds were dedicated is being met, the level of fund balance is reasonable and necessary, and provide appropriate recommendations on the continuing necessity for the dedicated funds.

ADOPTED THIS 26th DAY OF May, 1988.

MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON



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Dedicated Funds.**

To answer the question raised at the Informal on Tuesday, the Finance Committee has not identified every fund or account subject to review under the resolution. During the Committee discussions certain funds and accounts were identified as examples. The examples are:

- Animal Control fund
- Capital setaside for Expo
- Parks funds
- ISD fund
- CIP fund
- Sheriff's Commissary fund
- DA's funds for victim's assistance and restitution
- BIT fund

These are not all of the funds subject to review. The resolution was kept broad so that changes in funds and accounts would not require changes in the resolution.