



# MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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## Board Clerk Use Only

Meeting Date: 11/9/17  
Agenda Item #: R.1  
Est. Start Time: 9:40 am  
Date Submitted: 10/24/17

**Agenda Title:** **First Reading and Public Hearing on Ordinance Amending Multnomah County's Land Use Code as it Applies to the Unincorporated Urban Areas to Incorporate the New Chinatown/Japantown Historic District Design Guidelines and Declaring an Emergency.**

**Requested Meeting:** November 9, 2017 **Time Needed:** 15 Minutes

**Department:** Community Services **Division:** Land Use Planning

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Michael Cerbone, Planning Director, and Brandon Spencer-Hartle, City of

**Presenters:** Portland Planner

## General Information

### 1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Conduct a public hearing and adopt the proposed Ordinance.

### 2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer(s) this action affects and how it impacts the results.

Pursuant to an intergovernmental agreement executed in 2002 (the "IGA"), the City of Portland, Oregon ("City"), provides, with certain exceptions, land use planning services for those areas of unincorporated Multnomah County located within the City's Urban Services Boundary (the "Unincorporated Urban Areas").

Because the County retains legislative authority over the Unincorporated Urban Areas, the County assumed an obligation in the IGA to amend County land use policies and regulations as they relate to the Unincorporated Urban Areas to incorporate applicable City land use policies and regulations, and all subsequent amendments thereto.

Through Ordinance No. 188623 (adopted 9-27-17), the Portland City Council adopted the New Chinatown/Japantown Historic District Design Guidelines. The New Chinatown/Japantown Historic District Design Guidelines provide land use approval criteria that protect the architectural integrity and cultural significance of Portland's New Chinatown/Japantown Historic District. Although City Ordinance No. 188623 does not directly impact the Unincorporated Urban Areas, the City has requested that the County amend the County land use code as it relates to the Unincorporated Urban Areas to incorporate the New Chinatown/Japantown Historic District Design Guidelines.

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

Adoption of the New Chniatown/Japantoan Historic District Design Guidelines has no fiscal impact on the County. The City recoups its IGA-related planning services costs through collection of application fees.

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

Adoption of this Ordinance by emergency is requested in order to best coordinate the effective date of this Ordinance with the effective date of the City's regulations.

Under the IGA, if the Board chooses not to adopt the proposed Ordinance, the City may terminate the IGA; in such event, the County would resume responsibility for land use planning in the Unincorporated Urban Areas.

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

Pursuant to State and City notice requirements, as well as the terms of the IGA, the City provided public notice of its pending action on City Ordinance No. 188623, and provided an opportunity to be heard at several public hearings culminating with hearings before the City's Planning and Sustainability Commission and the City Council.

The City's Planning and Sustainability Commission considered and recommended the legislative actions proposed in City Ordinance No. 188623 in accordance with the City Planning and Sustainability Commission's public legislative process.

The City Council considered and took the legislative actions set forth in City Ordinance No. 188623 in accordance with the City Council's public legislative process.

Further, the Board Clerk has published notice of this public hearing of this ordinance in accordance with State and County notice requirements.

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**Required Signature**

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**Elected  
Official or  
Department  
Director:**

Kim Peoples /s/

**Date:**

Oct. 24, 2017