

**Minutes for the Board of Commissioners
Multnomah Building, Room 635
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd. Portland, Oregon
Tuesday, July 31, 2012**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Jeff Cogen called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. with Vice-Chair Loretta Smith and Commissioners Deborah Kafoury, Judy Shiprack and Diane McKeel present.

ES.1 The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners will meet in Executive Session Pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(h). Only representatives of the news media and designated staff are allowed to attend. Representatives of the news media and all other attendees are specifically directed not to disclose information that is the subject of the Executive Session. Final decisions are decided in public Board meetings. Presenters: Jenny Morf, County Attorney and Invited Others.

Executive Session was held and adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

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PUBLIC HEARING

Chair Jeff Cogen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. with Vice-Chair Loretta Smith and Commissioners Deborah Kafoury, Judy Shiprack and Diane McKeel present.

Also attending were Jenny Morf, County Attorney, and Lynda Grow, Board Clerk.

Chair Cogen opened the public hearing by welcoming everyone for attending. His opening remarks were that the passage of this measure will provide for the formation of the Multnomah County Library district with a permanent rate at \$1.24 per \$1,000 assessed value. He emphasized the importance of stable, permanent funding.

Chair Cogen said that this hearing is not a time for the Board to deliberate, but rather, for the Board to hear from the public on the proposed ballot measure to approve the formation of a Multnomah County Library District.

Chair Cogen advised the audience that the Board Clerk would call up four individuals at a time to give testimony and when their name is called, to come up to the Presenter's table, and when it is their turn, to state their name for the record. Testimony was taken and received for the file. 11 testified in support of forming the Library District; 0 testified against.

Written testimony from the testifiers was also received for the file.

Chair Cogen invited others who had not signed up to testify to do so. No one else did. He thanked everyone for the thousands of e-mails, phone calls and letters they received in overwhelming support of forming the Library District.

Chair Cogen closed the hearing, thanked everyone for coming, and adjourned the meeting at 10:40 a.m.

Submitted by:

Lynda J. Grow, Board Clerk and
Marina Baker, Assistant Board Clerk
Board of County Commissioners
Multnomah County, Oregon