

**Minutes of the Board of Commissioners
Multnomah Building, Board Room 100
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd., Portland, Oregon
Thursday, June 14, 2018**

REGULAR MEETING

Chair Deborah Kafoury called the meeting to order at 9:39 a.m. with Vice-Chair Lori Stegmann and Commissioners Sharon Meieran, Loretta Smith, and Jessica Vega Pederson present.

Also attending were Jenny M. Madkour, County Attorney, Marina Baker, Board Clerk, and Taja Nelson, Assistant Board Clerk.

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING. WELCOME TO MULTNOMAH COUNTY. TODAY IS THURSDAY, JUNE 14TH, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS FLAG DAY. SO WE ARE GOING TO START OUR MORNING WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE] THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

CONSENT AGENDA – 9:30 a.m.

- C.1 BUDGET MODIFICATION # HD-40-18: Authorizing one position reclassification within the Health Department.
- C.2 Resolution Authorizing the Private Sale of a Tax Foreclosed Property as Allowed Under ORS 275.225 to a Nikos A. and Alexandra C. Andronikos Trust.

Chair Kafoury: ALL RIGHT. MAY I HAVE A MOTION ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR? COMMISSIONER MEIERAN MOVES, COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON SECOND APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, VOTE AYE [UNANIMOUS AYES]. THE CONSENT CALENDAR IS APPROVED.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Opportunity for Public Comment on non-agenda matters. Testimony limited to three minutes per person. This is a time for the Board to hear public testimony, not for Board deliberation.

Board Clerk: WE HAVE FIVE PEOPLE SIGNED UP. I WILL CALL FOUR PEOPLE UP AT A TIME. PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME. [READS NAMES]

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING. YOU CAN BEGIN, SIR.

Keith Fitch: GOOD MORNING. OKAY. KEITH FITCH WITH THE MARINE CORPS LEAGUE. AND WE DO COLOR GUARDS AND CEREMONIES FOR OTHER THAN FLAG DAY, BUT ALSO THE PARADE --

Bruce Broussard: LOOK AT THEM OVER THERE. THEY'RE THE COMMISSIONERS.

Keith Fitch: THE OTHER COMMISSIONERS.

Chair Kafoury: YOU CAN LOOK AT THEM. THEY ARE FABULOUS.

Keith Fitch: THANK YOU.

Bruce Broussard: THANK YOU. I AM BRUCE BROUSSARD. AGAIN THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO THE COMMISSIONERS AND COMMISSIONER CHAIR. AS YOU KNOW WHEN I FIRST CAME TO THE COUNTY THAT WAS HOW WE STARTED THE WHOLE IDEA OF IDENTIFYING WITH VETS AND SENIOR CITIZENS. IN FACT, THIS MORNING BECAUSE OF FLAG DAY WE ARE GOING TO BE GOING AND VISITING ONE SENIOR CITIZENS CENTER, AND WE ARE GOING TO HAVE LUNCH WITH THE SENIORS. I THINK THAT THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN DOING. I WILL JUST SAY TO YOU THAT -- ANYWAY, THE OTHER THING IS THAT A NUMBER OF EVENTS THAT ARE HAPPENING THIS WEEK. WE GOT FATHER'S DAY SUNDAY. WE GOT JUNETEENTH, ALSO CELEBRATED. THAT'S WHAT WE HAVE GOT A FULL WEEK FOR THAT MATTER. HE JUST MENTIONED TO ME THAT TRUMP'S BIRTHDAY WAS TODAY, MY FRIEND. BUT ANYWAY, I JUST WANT TO LET YOU KNOW THAT IT WAS QUITE AN EXPERIENCE RUNNING FOR OFFICE. I DID LEARN SOME THINGS. LIFE GOES ON. AND WE ARE GOING TO GO BACK TO SQUARE ONE, AND WE ARE GOING TO BE FOCUSING ON SENIORS AND VETS. SO THAT'S WHAT WE ARE GOING TO BE DOING, AND I WANT TO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO THAT AND GIVING US THE OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Lightning: GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS LIGHTNING. I REPRESENT LIGHTNING SUPER CREATIVITY WATCHDOG. HAPPY BIRTHDAY, PRESIDENT TRUMP. WE MAY DISAGREE ON A LOT OF DIFFERENT ISSUES, BUT I WILL STILL TREAT YOU LIKE A HUMAN BEING AND ALWAYS REMEMBER THAT. NOW MOVING ALONG. WHEN WE ARE TALKING ABOUT THE METRO BOND I WANT SOMETHING TO BE MADE PERFECTLY CLEAR. WE HAVE PASSED A CITY OF THE PORTLAND BOND PREVIOUSLY, SO THOSE PEOPLE IN THE CITY OF PORTLAND, WHEN THEY SEE THAT AGAIN THE AMOUNT THEY ARE GOING TO PAY WILL DOUBLE UP. DOUBLE UP BECAUSE THEY ARE WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF METRO, BUT THEY HAVE ALREADY VOTED ON THE CITY OF PORTLAND BOND. SO MY STATEMENT TO ALL OF YOU UP HERE, HOW WILL YOU GET BY THAT OBJECTION? HOW WILL YOU POINT OUT THE BENEFITS TO THEM TO SIGN ONTO ANOTHER BOND WHICH, AS YOU KNOW, MULTNOMAH COUNTY BENEFITS THE MOST FROM. YOU HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO DO CLOSE TO 1755 UNITS. YOU GET THE HIGHEST PORTION OUT OF THAT METRO BOND. HIGHER THAN WASHINGTON COUNTY. HIGHER THAN CLACKAMAS COUNTY.

SO AGAIN IF IT DOESN'T PASS AS OUR REPRESENTATIVES FROM MULTNOMAH COUNTY I WILL POINT AT ALL OF YOU AND SAY YOU HAVE FAILED MISERABLY.

SO STATING THAT OBJECTION TO HAVE THE ANSWER IN THE FOREFRONT, IT'S VERY NECESSARY TO GETTING THIS BOND PASSED. NOW AGAIN THE CITY OF PORTLAND JUST BOUGHT ANOTHER 51 UNITS ON EAST BURNSIDE. I AM AT TOTAL AGREEMENT ON THAT. MY POSITION IS TO HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING HOW WILL THEY PAY FOR THAT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING THAT THEY ARE SAYING THEY HAVE NINE UNITS? WHERE IS THAT INCOME REVENUE COMING FROM? WHERE IS THAT GOING TO CONTINUE TO COME FROM? THAT IS, AGAIN, IS I AM PUTTING THAT IN FRONT OF THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT. YOU NEED TO FIGURE THAT OUT. YOU NEED TO FIGURE OUT WHERE I CAN SIT HERE AND SAY I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE 25 SUPPORTIVE HOUSING UNITS OUT OF A 51-UNIT.

Lightning: YOU NEED TO FIGURE OUT HOW I CAN DO THAT. I AM ALREADY WORKING ON THAT MYSELF. SO I AM GOING TO BE WATCHING ALL OF YOU REAL CLOSE, AND THEN WE WILL TRY TO COME UP WITH SOMETHING POSSIBLY TOGETHER AT THE END OF THIS. BUT AGAIN I AM THROWING THIS OUT TO YOU AND SAYING, HOW WILL YOU DO THAT? HOW WILL YOU CREATE AN INCOME STREAM THAT CAN FUND THE SUPPORTIVE SERVICES NEEDED FOR THESE HOUSING UNITS? VERY COMPLICATED. I WANT TO SEE WHAT YOU ARE GOING TO BE PAYING FOR, WHO YOU ARE GOING TO BE HIRING, HOW MANY TIMES YOU ARE GOING TO MEET THESE PEOPLE IN EACH UNIT PER WEEK, AND I AM WORKING RIGHT NOW WITH DR. FARATINOS ON THIS, AND WE ARE GOING TO HAVE DISCUSSIONS ON THIS, AND I AM GOING TO GET BACK TO ALL OF YOU TO SEE WHAT YOU HAVE COME UP WITH. THANK YOU.

Joe Walsh: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOE WALSH. I REPRESENT INDIVIDUALS FOR JUSTICE. I WOULD LIKE TO STAND TO SHOW YOU MY SHIRT, WHICH IS REALLY UNUSUAL FOR ME. THE REASON FOR THIS SHIRT IS ON THE 8TH OF THIS MONTH THIS COUNTY FILED A FEDERAL CASE AGAINST THE PRESIDENT AND THE PEOPLE THAT WANT TO TAKE AWAY YOUR FUNDING, WHICH MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THEY ACTUALLY DID TAKE AWAY TWO YEARS OF FUNDING ON THE TEENAGE PREGNANCY AND EDUCATION PROGRAMS THAT WERE PUT INTO EXISTENCE. THEY WANT TO BASE IT ON -- JUST SAY NO! THAT'S THEIR THEORY. JUST SAY NO! VERSUS YEARS OF DATA THAT SAYS WE WILL WIN. WE ARE WINNING THE BATTLE. IT'S A LONG BATTLE, BUT WE'RE WINNING THE BATTLE. SO I WAS DOING SOME RESEARCH, AND I AM A BIG CRITIC OF THIS WARD. I AM A BIG CRITIC OF CITY HALL. BUT WHEN YOU DO SOMETHING SPECTACULAR AND WONDERFUL, YOU SHOULD PRAISE CAESAR. WE SHOULD COME AND TELL YOU. AND I DID. THIS IS COOL. I READ ALL 39 PAGES.

I AM NOT A LAWYER, SO IT TOOK ME SIX TYLENOL AFTER 37 PAGES. BUT IT'S A GOOD BRIEF. I ONLY HAVE ONE EXPERIENCE IF THIS FEDERAL COURT HERE. I TOOK A CASE PRO SE AND WON AND GOT A PERMANENT INJUNCTION AGAINST THE MAYOR. SO I HAVE GREAT HOPES FOR THIS COURT. I THINK THAT YOU ARE GOING TO WIN. AND I THINK THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION,

AGAIN, IF THEY HAD ANY SOUL, WOULD BE EMBARRASSED. BUT THEY DON'T HAVE A SOUL. THEY JUST KEEP GOING ON AND ON AND ON. I WANT TO GIVE YOU BACK SOME TIME BECAUSE I PROMISED YOU I WOULD DO THAT. SO I SEE I AM ON THE YELLOW. THANK YOU ALL, ALL FIVE OF YOU FOR DOING THIS. IT'S SPECTACULAR. SOMEONE SAID TO ME, MAYBE NEXT WEEK WE WILL DO SOMETHING ELSE SPECTACULAR. I HOPE SO. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU JOE.

Joe Walsh: I MADE IT.

Chair Kafoury: YOU DID. GOOD MORNING.

Charles Johnson: GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS. FOR THE RECORD CHARLES BRIDGECRANE JOHNSON. AND WOW. I GUESS WE ARE GOING TO HAVE A DOUBLE HAPPY MONTH. HAPPY PRIDE AND HAPPY SUE TRUMP MONTH. NEW YORK'S ATTORNEY GENERAL THINKS THAT THE TRUMP FOUNDATION IS ALSO WORTHY OF A LAWSUIT, PROBABLY THE MOST LITIGATED PRESIDENT IN AMERICAN HISTORY WITH HONOR DISTINCTION. AND THERE IS A SONG SORT OF APPRAPOS. HAPPY BIRTHDAY MR. PRESIDENT VLADIMIR PUTIN OWNS YOU. ALSO GOING ON TODAY, NOT JUST BECAUSE IT'S FLAG DAY BUT SOMEONE MENTIONED JUNETEENTH WHICH IS OFFICIALLY THE 19TH BUT WE CANNOT DO EVERYTHING ON THE 19TH SO TODAY AT 3:30 THIS AFTERNOON AT CITY HALL ONE OF OUR AREAS, FABULOUSLY ENGAGED YOUNG BLACK WOMEN, JANINE GATES WILL BE WORKING WITH COMMISSIONER FRITZ'S OFFICE 3:30 TODAY AT CITY HALL. SOME OF YOU HAVE BOOKED YOUR DAY FULL TO LIKE 7:30 BECAUSE AT 6:00 P.M. YOU ARE GOING TO HOOK UP WITH COMMISSIONER EUDALY AND DO AN EAST COUNTY TOWN HALL BUDGET, TALKING ABOUT BOTH THE CITY BUDGET AND THE COUNTY BUDGET AND ABOUT HOW WE CAN MOVE SOME MONETARY EQUITY INTO THE EAST COUNTY HOPEFULLY.

SO WE WILL SEE YOU OUT THERE AT PCC SOUTHEAST TODAY AT 6:00. UNLESS WE GO TO THE DEMOCRATIC CENTRAL COMMITTEE, AS USUAL, THE HOLLYWOOD SENIOR CENTER. SO IN ADDITION TO THE PROJECT, THERE IS SOME OTHER CONCERNS THAT I REALLY AM IMPRESSED WITH THE WORK THIS COMMISSIONER, PRIOR COMMISSIONERS HAVE DONE TO TRY AND REDUCE MONEY WASTED ON PRETTY MUCH USELESS INCARCERATION. WE KNOW SOME PEOPLE, JEREMY CHRISTIAN, GOOD EXPENDITURE OF DOLLARS, OTHER PEOPLE, NOT SO MUCH. BUT HOW IS IT REALLY WORKING OUT, BOOTS ON THE GROUND?

IS IT POSSIBLE THAT A PERSON THAT GOT A MISDEMEANOR BENCH PROBATION AND WAS ON THEIR ORIGINAL CHARGE TWO YEARS LATER COULD BE ABDUCTED OFF THE STREETS AND STUCK IN JAIL FOR 69 HOURS UNTIL, I DON'T KNOW WHETHER HE WANTS TO SAY LAVIN OR LAVIGNE. ANYWAY. UNTIL

AFTER 69 HOURS IN JAIL A BETTER JUDICIAL OFFICIAL SAYS, THOSE RECOG PEOPLE ARE WHACKED. YOU SHOULD GO HOME FOR FREE. SO I THINK PLEASE KEEP THE HEADS UP WITH TO SEE IF LOW LEVEL PROBATION CASES ARE HAPPENING TOO MUCH AND AFFECTING THE MATRIX RELEASE SET TO JAIL. PEOPLE COULD END UP IN TURTLE SUITS. EYEGASSES THAT HAVE BEEN GIFTED TO THEM COULD DISAPPEAR ON THE EIGHTH FLOOR, SO THESE ISSUES MAY NEED TO TAKE UP WITH THE SHERIFF. THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW RECESS AS THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND CONVENE AS THE GOVERNING BODY FOR THE DUNTHORPE-RIVERDALE SANITARY SERVICE DISTRICT NUMBER ONE.

R.1 Resolution Adopting the 2018-19 Budget for the Dunthorpe-Riverdale Service District and Making Appropriations. Presenter: Tom Hansell, DCS Business Services Manager.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON MOVES, COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.1.

Tom Hansell: GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS, CHAIR KAFOURY, TOM HANSELL WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES. THE RESOLUTION BEFORE YOU TODAY IS ASKING FOR THE BUDGET AUTHORITY FOR THE FY2018-2019 FISCAL YEAR FOR THE DUNTHORPE-RIVERDALE SANITARY SERVICE DISTRICT. THE BUDGET AT THE 1.678 MILLION PROVIDES THE DISTRICT WITH THE NECESSARY RESOURCES TO MEET THE CHALLENGES OF THE CAPITAL, PLANNED CAPITAL FOR NEXT YEAR AND MEET THE ONGOING MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS NEEDS, NEEDED FOR THE DISTRICT. YOUR ROLL AS THE GOVERNING BODY PROVIDES THE DISTRICT WITH THOSE RESOURCES TO MEET THE ONGOING OPERATIONAL NEEDS, AND PLAN FOR THE THOUGHTFUL NEEDS OF THE DISTRICT OUT INTO THE FUTURE. AND GETTING TO THIS POINT WE MET ON MAY 3. WE WENT INTO LITTLE DETAIL ON WHAT THE DISTRICT WAS ACCOMPLISHING. WE HAVE DONE NOTICING AND THE CAPITAL PROJECTS ARE BEING BROADCAST TO THE COMMUNITY VIA THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND THE NOTICING THAT GOES ON WITH THOSE PROJECTS. SO IF THERE IS ANY QUESTIONS I AM AVAILABLE TO ANSWER THEM.

Chair Kafoury: QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FOR TOM? ALL RIGHT, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. THANK YOU. WE WILL NOW ADJOURN AS THE GOVERNING BODY FOR THE DUNTHORPE-RIVERDALE SANITARY SERVICE DISTRICT NUMBER ONE AND CONVENE AS THE GOVERNING BODY FOR THE MID COUNTY STREET-LIGHTING SERVICE DISTRICT NUMBER 14.

R.2 Resolution Adopting the 2018-19 Budget for the Mid-County Street Lighting Service District No. 14 and Making Appropriations. Presenter: Tom Hansell, DCS Business Services Manager.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON MOVES, COMMISSIONER MEIERAN SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.2.

Tom Hansell: GOOD MORNING. FOR THE RECORD AGAIN TOM HANSELL, DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES. TODAY SERVING AS THE BUDGET DIRECTOR FOR THE MID COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT. THE RESOLUTION BEFORE YOU APPROPRIATES 805,000 FOR THE LIGHTING DISTRICT. LARGELY 500,000 OF THIS BUDGET GOES TOWARDS THE CAPITAL PLAN WHICH MOVES INTO A PHASE 2 OF OUR LED RETROFITS. WE'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THE CITIES OF TROUTDALE AND FAIRVIEW AND HAVING ENGAGEMENT WITH THE COMMUNITY, AND WE WILL BE DOING SOME DEMOS. WE ARE GOING TO ERECT SOME OF THESE LED DECORATIVE LIGHTS IN PROMINENT LOCATIONS AND LET THE COMMUNITY GAUGE SOME FEEDBACK AND TAKE THE NEXT STEP RATHER THAN A FULL-BLOWN INSTALL. WE WANT TO DO THIS VERY -- BE AWARE OF THE COMMUNITY'S INTEREST AND THE IDENTITY THAT EACH CITY WANTS TO ESTABLISH SO WE ARE WORKING CLOSELY WITH THEM. SO THE DISTRICT BUDGET IS MANAGED UNDER LOCAL BUDGET LAW. THIS ACT TODAY BASICALLY AFFORDS THE DISTRICT WITH THE NECESSARY APPROPRIATIONS TO MEET THOSE FISCAL CHALLENGES IN THE FY-2018-19 BUDGET. I AM AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS IF YOU HAVE ANY.

Chair Kafoury: DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS? ALL RIGHT. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. THANK YOU. WE WILL ADJOURN AS THE GOVERNING BODY FOR THE MID COUNTY STREET-LIGHTING DISTRICT NUMBER 14 AND RECONVENE AS THE BOARD OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

R.3 Resolution Approving Mt. Hood Cable Regulatory Commission (MHCRC) Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget. Presenters: Carol Studenmund, County MHCRC Representative, and Julie S. Omelchuck, MHCRC Staff.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON MOVES, COMMISSIONER MEIERAN SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.3. COME ON UP. MOUNT HOOD CABLE REGULATORY COMMISSION. YEP. YOU ARE UP.

Carol Studenmund: GOOD MORNING, COMMISSIONERS, I AM CAROL STUDENMUND, THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY COMMISSIONER FOR THE MOUNT HOOD CABLE REGULATORY COMMISSION, AND IT'S A PLEASURE TO MEET WITH YOU AND SEE YOU AND GET TO SHARE WITH YOU A BIT OF WHAT WE ARE DOING AT THE MHCRC. WITH ME IS THE AMAZING MARTY JONES, THE CEO OF METROEAST COMMUNITY MEDIA. HE'S REALLY CHANGED THAT PLACE, I HOPE YOU ALL HAVE BEEN OUT THERE TO VISIT AND SEE WHAT HE'S

ACCOMPLISHING OUT THERE. EVERYBODY MONTH IT'S SOMETHING WONDERFUL AND NEW THAT'S VERY EXCITING. AND REBECCA GIBBONS IS HERE AS OUR STAFF REPRESENTATIVE. I AM GOING TO HIGHLIGHT A FEW OF THE MANY ACTIVITIES IN THIS LAST YEAR AND SEEK YOUR APPROVAL FOR OUR BUDGET. THAT'S MY AGENDA FOR THE DAY. AND I BELIEVE THAT YOU HAVE OUR ACTIVITY REPORT WITH YOU, AND THE PROPOSED BUDGET. AND JUST TO RECAP THE MHCRC IS AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL PARTNERSHIP AMONG GRESHAM, FAIRVIEW, PORTLAND, TROUTDALE, WOOD VILLAGE AND MULTNOMAH COUNTY. EACH JURISDICTION APPOINTS A CITIZEN REPRESENTATIVE TO THE COMMISSION. THE MHCRC HAS OVERSIGHT, ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC BENEFIT RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE CABLE SERVICES FRANCHISES WITH THE CITIES AND THE COUNTY, AND MULTNOMAH COUNTY HAS TWO CABLE SERVICE FRANCHISES, ONE WITH COMCAST AND THE OTHER WITH ALLIANCE CONNECTS.

Carol Studenmund: AS YOU WILL SEE IN THE ANNUAL REPORT, THE MHCRC DEALS WITH EVER-CHANGING TECHNOLOGY TO SUPPORT COMMUNITY NEEDS FOR LOCAL AUTHORITY OVER PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND COMPENSATION. WE ARE A CONSUMER WATCHDOG PLATFORM FOR COMMUNITY VOICES, AFFORDABLE BROADBAND NETWORKS FOR SCHOOLS, LIBRARIES, AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND LOCAL SOLUTIONS FOR ADDRESSING DIGITAL EQUITY ISSUES. OVER THE PAST YEAR THE MHCRC HAS PROVIDED MANY SERVICES TO OUR COMMUNITIES AND RESIDENTS. WE CONTINUE TO WORK WITH PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS UNDER THE TECHSMART INITIATIVE FOR STUDENT SUCCESS. THUS FAR THE MHCRC HAS PROVIDED OVER 11.5 MILLION INTO THE LONGER TERM INVESTMENT GOAL OF 19 MILLION TOWARDS WORKING WITH OUR LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS. THE SCHOOL DISTRICT GRANTS SPAN FROM KINDERGARTEN THROUGH HIGH SCHOOL, AND THE GRANTS ARE FOCUSED ON IMPROVING LITERACY, MATH, SCIENCE ACHIEVEMENT WITH SUPPORT FOR, PARTICULAR SUPPORT FOR HISTORICALLY UNDERSERVED STUDENTS. THERE ARE ABOUT 210 CLASSROOM TEACHERS IN SIX SCHOOL DISTRICTS NOW SUPPORTED BY RESOURCES PROVIDED UNDER THE TECHSMART INITIATIVE.

THE COMMUNITY TECHNOLOGY COMPETITIVE GRANT FUNDED EIGHT NEW GRANTS WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS THIS YEAR. THESE GRANTS LEVERAGED OVER \$2.9 MILLION IN MATCHING RESOURCES. THESE SPECIFIC GRANTS ARE RESPONSIVE TO NEEDS IDENTIFIED BY THE COMMUNITY AND SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS TO USE TECHNOLOGY IN ADDRESSING THEIR ISSUES. FOR EXAMPLE MHCRC GRANTS ARE SUPPORTING MOUNT HOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE AND THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB IN ROCKWOOD TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS FOR THEIR LOW INCOME STUDENTS. MULTNOMAH COUNTY LIBRARY IS USING ITS GRANT TO DEVELOP AN ONLINE DATA BASE OF DIGITAL INCLUSION RESOURCES SO THE COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS CONNECT THEIR CLIENTS TO FREE AND LOW COST COMPUTER TRAINING AND DEVICES AND PEOPLE WILL FLOW WHAT'S OUT THERE AND THEY DON'T

DUPLICATE SERVICES. SO IT'S A GREAT CENTRAL PLACE TO FIND OUT WHAT IS GOING ON AND HOW TO USE IT. AFFORDABLE BROADBAND HAS BECOME MORE AND MORE CRITICAL TO OUR LOCAL PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS. THE MHCRC IS PARTICIPATING IN A NETWORK PLANNING EFFORT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH 18 PUBLIC AGENCIES WITHIN MULTNOMAH COUNTY.

Carol Studenmund: THIS PARTNERSHIP FOR THE CURRENT INSTITUTIONAL NETWORK PROVIDES HIGH-SPEED, AFFORDABLE BROADBAND CONNECTIVITY TO 316 SCHOOLS, LIBRARIES, AND PUBLIC AGENCIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. YOU ALL ARE PROBABLY TOO YOUNG TO REMEMBER BACK WHEN WE DIDN'T HAVE THIS. AND I CAN REMEMBER WHEN MY KIDS WERE SMALL AND THEY WOULD GO TO THE LIBRARY AFTER SCHOOL AND THE LIBRARY INTERNET WOULD JUST LAG DOWN TO WHERE IT WAS NOTHING, AND NOW EVERYBODY ACROSS THE COUNTY IS ALL AT THE SAME SPEED THROUGH THIS. IT'S PRETTY, PRETTY WONDERFUL. THE MHCRC ADDRESSED CONSUMER PROTECTION ISSUES BOTH BROADLY AND WITH INDIVIDUAL SUBSCRIBERS. THEY ARE THE PLACE TO GO TO IF YOU HAVE GOT TO COMPLAIN ABOUT YOUR CABLE COMPANY. FOR EXAMPLE THE MHCRC WORKED WITH THE CABLE COMPANIES ON ISSUES RELATED TO CLEAR INFORMATION ON SUBSCRIBERS BILLS, ON-TIME APPOINTMENTS, PHONE ANSWERING TIME FRAMES, AND SERVICE FEES. THE MHCRC ALSO ASSISTED IN THE RESOLUTION OF 134 COMPLAINTS FROM LOCAL CABLE TV SUBSCRIBERS. COMING UP IN FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 THE MHCRC IS ENGAGED IN A FUTURE FOCUSED PLANNING CONSIDERING RAPIDLY EVOLVING TECHNOLOGY AND PUBLIC POLICY AND THE COMMUNITIES INCREASING RELIANCE ON AVAILABILITY OF BROADBAND THAT THE MHCRC IS TURNING ITS SIGHTS TO THE FUTURE.

WE INTEND TO WORK WITH YOU, YOUR COUNTY STAFF AND OUR COMMUNITIES TO IDENTIFY THE NEEDS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR BROADBAND FUTURE. THE BUDGET INCLUDES FUNDS TO ASSIST THE MHCRC IN THIS ENDEAVOR. THIS COMMUNITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT WILL PREPARE THE MHCRC AND ITS JURISDICTIONS FOR THE RENEWAL DISCUSSIONS WITH COMCAST FOR A FRANCHISE WHICH EXPIRES IN 2021. AND NOW TO THE BIG REASON YOU ARE HERE, YOUR BUDGET APPROVAL. I AM HAPPY TO REPORT THAT ONCE AGAIN THE MHCRC RECEIVED A CLEAN AUDIT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017. THE FULL AUDIT DOCUMENT IS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE. I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO NOTE A COUPLE OF TRENDS WE ARE SEEING IN CABLE REVENUES. ON PAGE 9 OF THE ANNUAL REPORT, YOU WILL SEE TWO GRAPHS THAT SHOW THESE TRENDS. THE NUMBER OF CABLE TV SUBSCRIBERS GREW CONSISTENTLY THROUGH 2012. SINCE THEN SUBSCRIBER NUMBERS HAVE BEEN DECLINING. DESPITE THIS DECLINE IN SUBSCRIBERS, CABLE COMPANY REVENUES FROM CABLE SERVICES HAVE STEADILY INCREASED THROUGH 2015 SHOWING A FLATTENING ONLY IN THE PAST TWO YEARS IN THE EAST MULTNOMAH COUNTY AREAS. HOWEVER ACTUAL REVENUES FOR FIRST

THROUGH THIRD QUARTERS OF FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 HAVE SHOWN A SHARPER DECREASE OVER THE PREVIOUS YEARS' QUARTERS.

Carol Studenmund: THE MHCRC HAS WATCHED THESE TRENDS AND ANTICIPATED IMPLICATIONS FOR FRANCHISE FEE REVENUES FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND REVENUES THAT SUPPORT MHCRC COMMUNITY GRANTS AND OTHER PROGRAMS. TO FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 BUDGET REFLECT THE PROJECTED DECREASE IN FRANCHISE FEE AND I-NET FEE REVENUES. MORE SPECIFICALLY THE MHCRC PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 FUND BUDGET ON PAGE 5 OF THE BUDGET DOCUMENT AND THE ANNUAL BUDGET ALLOCATION FROM ALL THE JURISDICTIONS COLLECTIVELY FUNDS ABOUT HALF THE MHCRC TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET. MULTNOMAH COUNTY'S ALLOCATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019 IS 13,434. OR ANOTHER WAY TO VIEW IT IS THAT THE COUNTY SPENDS ABOUT 7% OF ITS CABLE FRANCHISE FEES ON REGULATION AND PROGRAM RELATED ADMINISTRATION. \$13,000, 13,434. NOT VERY MUCH. THE REMAINING PORTION OF THE MHCRC BUDGET IS FUNDED BY OTHER RESOURCES, MOSTLY TO ADMINISTER THE DEDICATED CAPITAL FEE REVENUES AND RELATED PROGRAMS SUCH AS THE MHCRC COMMUNITY GRANTS, THE I-NET AND METROEAST COMMUNITY MEDIA.

BEFORE CLOSING I WANT TO THANK THE COMMISSION CHAIR AND MEMBERS FOR SUPPORTING THIS IN THIS JURISDICTIONS SINCE 1993. THAT SUPPORT THE MHCRC HAS BEEN SUCCESSFUL AT CONVENING COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND PUBLIC AGENCIES TO STEWARD AND LEVERAGE RESOURCES AND REGULATORY AUTHORITY TO AMPLIFY THE BENEFIT FOR ALL. OVER THE COMING YEAR WE ARE EXCITED TO WORK WITH YOU TO EXPLORE AND TO DISCOVER HOW TO LEVERAGE OUR SUCCESS AS WE ADAPT TO THE EVOLVING NEEDS OF OUR COUNTY AND COMMUNITIES. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, IT'S ALWAYS A PLEASURE, AND PLEASE CONTACT ME OR MHCRC'S STAFF WITH ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS. AND WITH THAT I RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY COMMISSION APPROVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-19 MHCRC FUND BUDGET.

Chair Kafoury: DO YOU WANT TO MENTION A FEW WORDS?

Marty Jones: JUST A FEW WORDS, THANK YOU CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS. GOOD MORNING. I AM MARTY JONES, CEO OF METROEAST COMMUNITY MEDIA. AND THE LAST TIME I SAW YOU I CAME INTENTIONALLY JUST TO SAY THANK YOU AND TO GIVE YOU A REPORT ABOUT WHAT WAS GOING ON IN THE COMMUNITY MEDIA AND OUR CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY MEDIA DAY. AND IN FRONT OF YOU IS AN INSERT, THIS WENT OUT ACROSS THE NEWSPAPERS THIS WEEK. WE ARE IN AN, A CONTENT PARTNERSHIP WITH THEM. THIS GIVES YOU A GREAT DIGEST OF WHAT WE ARE DOING AT METROEAST AND THE SHE GOES WE HAVE HAD AT OUR ROCKWOOD DIY AND THE COOL THING THERE IS THAT WE JUST RECEIVED A COLLINS' FOUNDATION GRANT THAT IS GOING TO ALLOW US TO HIRE A NEW PROGRAM COORDINATOR, AND WE JUST SENT AN

OFFER OUT TO A CANDIDATE YESTERDAY, SO HOPEFULLY THAT PERSON WILL SAY YES AND WE ARE ALSO CONTINUING OUR SUMMER PROGRAMS WHICH WERE INITIATED BY THE BNB PHILANTHROPY, AND THEY HAVE GIVEN US A MATCHING GRANT AGAIN THIS YEAR FOR CLASSES DURING THE SUMMER, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, NINE YEARS OLD TO 21 YEARS OLD, LUNCH INCLUDED, NO COST. SO WE ARE REALLY HAPPY TO BE DOING THAT AND WORKING WITH YOU, AND WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT.

Carol Studenmund: I DON'T KNOW IF YOU MENTIONED THE WORK YOU HAVE DONE WITH TRAINING OTHER FOLK LIKE IN THE IMMIGRANT COMMUNITY ABOUT COMPUTERS?

Marty Jones: I HAVE IN THE PAST. THAT CONTINUES TO GO REALLY WELL. THE ADULT LITERACY HAS EXCEEDED 500 PEOPLE NOW. AGAIN COMPLETELY BOOTSTRAPPED. WE FUNDED THIS OUT OF JUST SAVINGS FROM OTHER AREAS IN OUR BUDGET. NOW THAT WE ARE RECEIVING FOUNDATION GRANTS, WHICH YOU SEE ON THE INSET OF PAGE 2, THAT'S HELPING US TO ACCELERATE THAT WORK AS WELL. SO 99 GIRLFRIENDS HAS BEEN MAJOR U.S. BANK FOUNDATION, WE RAISED 98,000 THIS YEAR FOR THE ROCKWOOD DIY COMPUTER LITERACY SMART PHONES FOR SENIORS AND AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS WORKING WITH EAST METRO STEAM ALLIANCE, AS WELL. AND THIS IS ALL WITHOUT HAVING A DEVELOPMENT PERSON ON STAFF. SO WE STILL HAVE A DEVELOPMENT PERSON ON STAFF BUT WE ARE GETTING PRETTY GOOD AT LEARNING HOW TO DO THIS AND WE HAVE A REALLY GREAT ADVISOR, REALLY SEASONED GRANT WRITER, PETER SAMSON, SORT OF COMES IN AT THE END AND HELPS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE NOT MADE ANY BAD MISTAKES. WE ARE HOPEFUL, KNOCK ON WOOD THE MEYER FOUNDATION WILL SEE FIT TO JOIN IN ON THE MOMENTUM THAT'S THERE. SO HOPEFULLY MORE GREAT NEWS IS COMING FROM ROCKWOOD. WE CONTINUE TO VALUE AND TREASURE OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY OF GRESHAM IN PARTICULAR ON THAT PROJECT, AND IT'S JUST AMAZING TO SEE THE COHORTS CONTINUE. WE HAVE NOW TAUGHT CLASSES IN TEN LANGUAGES, SOME WHICH I HAVE NEVER HEARD OF BEFORE THIS PAST YEAR, SO THAT'S PRETTY COOL. YEAH.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. DO WE HAVE QUESTIONS FOR MARTY OR CAROL? COMMENTS?

Commissioner Smith: I HAVE A COMMENT, MADAM CHAIR. THANK YOU. I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE WORK YOU DO AT MHCRC. ESPECIALLY MAKING CABLE AND OTHER RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES AND COUNTY RESIDENTS. ESPECIALLY AFTER WE LIVE IN A TIME WHERE PEOPLE ARE COMING TOGETHER LIKE AT&T BUYING TIME WARNER, AND WE DON'T KNOW WHAT IMPACT THAT WILL HAVE ON OUR LITTLE COUNTY AND THE RESIDENTS' ABILITY TO HAVE CABLE, BUT WHAT WE DO KNOW IS THAT YOU ARE DOING THE GOOD WORK FOR THE COMMUNITY, AND

WE APPRECIATE YOU COMING HERE EVERY YEAR LETTING US KNOW THE STUFF THAT YOU ARE DOING AND THE PARTNERSHIPS THAT YOU HAVE CREATED. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR BEING HERE AND A COMMUNITY PARTNER.

Marty Jones: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER. YOU WILL SEE OUR CALL TO ACTION ON THE BACK, #TAKECONTROLOFTHEMEDIA, SO YOU CAN GET A GLIMPSE OF THE THINGS THAT WE ARE DOING AND THE OTHER SHOUT OUT THAT I WOULD SAY IS, WHEN I FIRST MET YOU ALL TWO YEARS AGO WE HAD SOME KIDS THAT LIVED IN ROCKWOOD WHO MADE A FILM AND GOT TO GO TO THE WHITE HOUSE. AND THIS YEAR SOME KIDS THAT LIVE IN ROCKWOOD WHO MADE A SONG IN OUR REPORTING STUDIO LAST YEAR AND MADE A MUSIC VIDEO WON A NATIONAL AWARD FROM OUR HOMETOWN MEDIA AWARDS FOR A NATIONAL ALLIANCE. SO OUR VOLUNTEERS WON MORE AWARDS THAN OUR STAFF, AND THAT'S REALLY COOL. SO WE'RE TAKING THOSE YOUNG PEOPLE IN PARTICULAR THE TWO YOUNG MEN FROM ROCKWOOD TO BALTIMORE THIS JULY TO CELEBRATE THE WIN OF THEIR MUSIC VIDEO. IT'S REALLY HEARTENING TO SEE THAT HAPPEN.

Chair Kafoury: WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT.

Marty Jones: OKAY. I WILL SEND THAT TO YOU. I WILL SEND IT TO YOU. IT'S A WONDERFUL VIDEO.

Chair Kafoury: AND WE CAN TAKE CONTROL OF THE MEDIA.

Marty Jones: THERE YOU GO, AND THE OTHER WINNER WAS LARRY SMITH, PROVIDING PROGRAMMING FOR US. HE'S A FITNESS GURU, AEROBICS GENIUS, OUR OWN LOCAL FITNESS PERSON, DOING IT FOR 25 YEARS. HE WON, HE'S IN OVER 1,000 EPISODES OF HIS SHOW AS WELL, AND THEN A YOUNG MAN BY THE NAME OF WILLIS WHO GOES BY BILLY DIMES HAS DONE A BEAUTIFUL DOCUMENTARY ON THE HISTORY OF THE ONE-MAN BAND. AND IT GOES BEYOND CHITTY, CHITTY BANG BANG, LIKE BACK TO EGYPT AND AFRICA, THE NOTION OF ONE PERSON CREATING MUSIC WITH MULTIPLE INSTRUMENTS, AND THIS GUY HAD NEVER PICKED UP A CAMERA TWO YEARS AGO. HE STARTED AROUND THE SAME TIME THAT I DID AND TO SEE HIM MAKE THIS FILM AND DO IT ALL AT METROEAST, WE THREW A PARTY FOR HIM AND A PREMIERE AND IT WAS REALLY PACKED TO THE GILLS, AND IT'S FUN.

IT'S REALLY GREAT TO SEE US BE A PART OF MAKING PEOPLE'S DREAMS COME TRUE, AND THAT HAPPENS BECAUSE OF YOUR VOTE, BECAUSE OF THE OTHER JURISDICTIONS, AND BECAUSE OF OUR COMMISSIONERS, AND WE HAVE A KILLER STAFF AT MHCRC. THEY REALLY JUST DO WONDERFUL, WONDERFUL OUTREACH ON BEHALF OF THE RESOURCES THAT YOU HAVE ENTRUSTED TO THEM TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE GOING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. WE ARE IN OUR CONTRACT RENEWAL NOW, AND WE ARE REALLY

EXCITED ABOUT THE NEXT 4.5 YEARS TO SHINE AND MAKE YOU SMILE. I APOLOGIZE. COMMISSIONERS GET TO ME, BRING STUFF TO SHOW, AND I AM LIKE, I DON'T WANT TO TAKE UP TOO MUCH TIME SO WE WILL SEND IT AND GET IT TO MARINA SO YOU CAN SEE IT.

Vice-Chair Stegmann: THANK YOU VERY MUCH MARTY AND CAROL AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND ENERGY SPENT ON THE COMMISSION. THAT WORK IS SO IMPORTANT. AND I AM JUST ALWAYS SO EXCITED TO HEAR ABOUT THE WORK, ESPECIALLY THAT YOU ARE DOING IN ROCKWOOD AND FILLING THAT DIGITAL DIVIDE. SO WE HAVE GOT SOME INITIATIVES THAT THE BOARD APPROVES THAT HOPEFULLY WILL HELP TO LEVEL THAT PLAYING FIELD SO THAT ALL PEOPLE HAVE ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE BROADBAND. AND CONGRATULATIONS, THE COMMUNITY HOTLINE. YOU ARE THE GO TO, WHETHER IT'S THE PARADE OR AN EVENT OR A FORM OR OUR COMMISSION MEETINGS OR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS. I SEE KEITH AND MANY OTHERS BEHIND THE SCENES, AND THEY ARE ALL KIND OF UNSUNG HEROES, BUT WE DEPEND ON WHAT YOU WISCONSIN TO THE COMMUNITY BECAUSE WE CANNOT BE EVERYWHERE ALL THE TIME BUT IT'S GREAT TO BE ABLE TO FLIP ON THE TV OR MY COMPUTER AND BE ABLE TO WATCH A FORUM OR A MEETING. SO I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE WORK THAT YOU ARE DOING. IT'S IMPORTANT. IT'S MEANINGFUL. AND FOR SERVING MY DISTRICT, EAST COUNTY.

Marty Jones: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER STEGMANN, AND SHOUT OUT TO EMILY, OUR PRODUCER IN THE CONTROL ROOM HERE. SHE'S ALSO THE CO-PRODUCER OF THE COMMUNITY HOTLINE. WITH MONICA WHITE, WHO IS THE HOST, AND IT'S FUN TO JUST GO TO WORK WITH REALLY SMART PEOPLE. I GET A LOT OF ATTA BOYS AND MARTY AND THIS AND THAT. I CAN ONLY DO THIS BECAUSE I HAVE A WONDERFUL TEAM OF 17 PEOPLE THAT I GET TO GO TO WORK WITH EVERY DAY. AND THE FOUNDATION THAT WAS LAID BEFORE ME BY MY PREDECESSORS IS, HAS MADE THIS A VERY APPEALING JOB.

Chair Kafoury: YOU ALL MAKE IT MORE APPEALING. THANK YOU. AND NOW WE GET TO TAKE VOTE. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR? [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

R.4 Ratification of Collective Bargaining Agreement 2017-2021 between Multnomah County and the Federation of Parole and Probation Officers (FOPPO) Pursuant to Interest Arbitration Decision. Presenter: Jeff Heinrich, Labor Relations.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON MOVES, COMMISSIONER STEGMANN SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.4. GOOD MORNING.

Jeff Heinrich: GOOD MORNING CHAIR KAFOURY, COMMISSIONER, I AM JEFF HEINRICH. I AM FROM DCM CENTRAL HUMAN RESOURCES. AND COULD I JUST

START BY SAYING HOW GLAD I AM THAT WE HAVE COMMUNITY MEDIA IN ALL, AND ALL THE GOOD WORK BEING DONE AT THE ROCKWOOD CENTER. SO I AM HERE THIS MORNING TO REQUEST THE BOARD'S RATIFICATION OF AN INTEREST ARBITRATION AWARD FOR A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE FEDERATION OF OREGON PAROLE AND PROBATION OFFICERS. PRIOR TO ARBITRATION, THE PARTIES REACH MUTUAL AGREEMENT ON ALL ARTICLES OF THE CONTRACT EXCEPT FOR COMPENSATION. THE ARBITRATOR CONCLUDED THAT THE COUNTIES' COMPENSATION PACKAGE BEST REPRESENTED THE INTEREST OF THE PUBLIC, AND AWARDED THE CONTRACT THAT IS BEFORE YOU FOR RATIFICATION TODAY. THIS IS A THREE-YEAR CONTRACT WITH THE TERM FROM 2017 TO 2020. THIS CONTRACT REMOVES THE BOTTOM STEP OF THE WAGE SCHEDULE, WHICH WILL MAKE RECRUITMENT OF NEW OFFICERS MORE COMPETITIVE FOR THE COUNTY.

Jeff Heinrich: THIS CONTRACT ALSO INCREASES THE PREMIUM RECEIVED BY FIELD TRAINING OFFICERS FROM THREE TO 5%, WHICH IS CONSISTENT WITH WHAT NEIGHBORING JURISDICTIONS PAY FOR THE SAME SERVICE. FINALLY, THIS CONTRACT ESTABLISHES COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS AND EACH OF THE THREE YEARS OF THE CONTRACT THAT IS TIED TO THE CONSUMER PRICE INDEX. REGARDING HEALTH BENEFITS THE PARTIES HAVE AGREED TO MOSTLY STATUS QUO CONTRACT LANGUAGE, AND ALSO AGREED TO CONTINUE THEIR WORK ON THE EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT ADVISORY TEAM TO WORK THROUGH HEALTH CARE REFORM ISSUES THAT HAVE FACED THE COUNTY. OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS CONTRACT INCLUDE CLARIFICATION OF THE PROCESS FOR MANAGING SHIFT AND WORK ASSIGNMENTS WHEN FACILITIES AND OPERATIONAL NEEDS REQUIRE A CHANGE IN.

Chair Kafoury: HOLD ON, COULD YOU TAKE YOUR CONVERSATIONS EITHER OUTSIDE OR IN THE BACK ROOM? THE ACOUSTICS ARE PRETTY GOOD. AND WE CAN HEAR WHAT'S GOING ON. THANK YOU, SORRY, JEFF, GO AHEAD.

Jeff Heinrich: THE OPERATIONAL HIGHLIGHTS OF THE CONTRACT INCLUDE ADJUSTMENTS IN MODIFICATION TO THE WORK IN ASSIGNMENT LANGUAGE THAT WILL PROVIDE GREATER CONSISTENCY AND PREDICTABILITY FOR OFFICERS WHEN THE OPERATIONAL NEEDS REQUIRE SUPERVISION TO BE MOVED FROM ONE GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION TO ANOTHER. I THINK THAT THIS IS A BALANCED CONTRACT THAT PROMOTES THE PUBLIC INTEREST WHILE PROVIDING FAIR EMPLOYMENT CONDITIONS FOR THE DEDICATED OFFICERS WHO PROVIDE TREMENDOUSLY VITAL SERVICES AND SUPERVISION TO JUSTICE INVOLVED INDIVIDUALS. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE MEMBERS OF BOTH BARGAINING TEAMS FOR THEIR PATIENT DEDICATION TO A PROFESSIONAL PROCESS AND AN APPROPRIATE OUTCOME. I RESPECTFULLY RECOMMEND AND REQUEST RATIFICATION OF THIS COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT. IF THERE IS ANY QUESTIONS I WOULD BE HAPPY TO TAKE THEM.

Chair Kafoury: QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD? I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU AND WELCOME BACK TO MULTNOMAH COUNTY. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE AGREEMENT IS APPROVED.

R.5 Proclamation Recognizing June 15th, 2018 as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day in Multnomah County. Presenters: Wendy Hillman, Director, Adult Protective Services; Rose Bak, Director, Domestic and Sexual Violence Coordination Office; & invited guests.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON MOVES, COMMISSIONER MEIERAN SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.5. GOOD MORNING.

Wendy Hillman: I DON'T KNOW IF ANY. YOU NEED READING GLASSES NOW BUT I DO. YES. NICE TO KNOW I AM NOT ALONE.

Chair Kafoury: CAN'T LIVE WITHOUT THEM.

Wendy Hillman: WELL THANK YOU FOR INVITING US TODAY. MY NAME IS WENDY HILLMAN. WE ARE HERE, A GROUP OF PEOPLE FROM A LOT OF DIFFERENT PROGRAMS AND AGENCIES TO RECOGNIZE WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. WE WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE OURSELVES.

Becky Lorraine: I AM BECKY LORRAINE, ADULT PROTECTIVE INVESTIGATOR WITH MULTNOMAH COUNTY.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

Isaura Ascensio: SUPERVISOR FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CRISIS RESPONSE UNIT.

Derek Rodriguez: DEREK RODRIGUEZ, THE CAPTAIN OF THE FAMILY SERVICES DIVISION FOR THE PORTLAND POLICE BUREAU.

Chair Kafoury: WELCOME.

Tina Lewis: I AM TINA LEWIS. I WORK FOR ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES, AND I AM THE COORDINATOR FOR THE INTER-AGENCY COMMUNITY FOR ABUSE PREVENTION.

Chair Kafoury: THANKS FOR COMING.

Wendy Hillman: I AM WENDY HILLMAN, YES. AND TINA IS GOING TO TELL US ABOUT I-CAP.

Tina Lewis: THANK YOU. SO ICAP, THAT'S SHORT FOR THE INTER-AGENCY COMMUNITY FOR ABUSE PREVENTION, COMPOSED OF JUDGES AND LAW ENFORCEMENT AND ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES AND THE STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE AND A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT NONPROFIT PROVIDERS, FIDUCIARY SERVICE PROVIDERS, PUBLIC GUARDIAN'S OFFERS AND MANY OTHERS. WE MEET REGULARLY TO DISCUSS ELDER ABUSE ISSUES. ICAP PRESENTED TO THE BOARD LAST YEAR FOR ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY, AND WE SPOKE ABOUT A SET OF GOALS THAT WERE DEVELOPED TO STRENGTHEN EFFORTS TO PREVENT ELDER ABUSE. THIS YEAR FOR ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY WE WILLED TO HIGHLIGHT THE VICTIM ADVOCATE POSITION THAT WILL WORK WITH SENIORS AND OTHER VULNERABLE ADULTS WHO ARE VICTIMS OF FAMILY VIOLENCE. ALL OF US HERE WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU COMMISSIONERS AND THE CHAIR FOR FUNDING THE NEW DOMESTIC VIOLENCE RESPONSE ADVOCATE POSITION THAT WILL PROVIDE ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE TO FIGHT AGAINST ELDER ABUSE.

Isaura Ascensio: COMMISSIONERS AS YOU MIGHT BE AWARE WE HAVE A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CRISIS RESPONSE UNIT THAT IS CO-LOCATED WITH THE PORTLAND POLICE BUREAU, AND WE HAVE A TEAM OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ADVOCATES THAT RESPOND ON THE SCENE TO DIFFERENT CASES AND SITUATIONS. OUR PROGRAM ADDRESSES THE INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE, AND WHAT THAT, WITH THAT TYPE OF VIOLENCE MAY LOOK LIKE, IT COULD INCLUDE PHYSICAL ABUSE, SEXUAL ABUSE, PSYCHOLOGICAL HARM, OR ANY CURRENT OR FORMER INTIMATE PARTNER OR SPOUSE VIOLENCE. WHAT WE'VE BEEN NOTICING IN THIS WORK IS THAT WE ARE GETTING MORE AND MORE SURVIVORS THAT ARE IN A MORE VULNERABLE AGE GROUP, AND WE ARE LOOKING AT THE INTERSECTIONS OF HOW DO WE BEST SERVE SURVIVORS THAT ARE ELDERLY AND VULNERABLE AS WELL AS LOOKING AT THE SERVICES WITHIN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES. THIS POSITION ALLOWS US TO COMBINE TWO VERY CORE SERVICES OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY, WHICH INCLUDE ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND COLLABORATING TO SERVE THIS POPULATION. IN A MUCH MORE EFFICIENT AND COLLABORATIVE PLANNER. WE ARE HOPING THAT THIS COLLABORATIVE HELPS US TO MEET THE GAP AND EXPAND OUR DEFINITION OF WHAT IT MEANS TO SERVE ABUSE VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS OF ALL FORMS OF ABUSE.

Wendy Hillman: THANK YOU. THAT WAS VERY GOOD. DID EVERYBODY GET A COPY OF THE HANDOUT THAT WE CREATED FOR YOU? I THINK WHAT WE WANTED TO TELL YOU ABOUT IS JUST OUR HOPES FOR THIS POSITION BECAUSE LIKE, LIKE AS ISA SAID, IN ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES IF YOU LOOK AT THE BOTTOM HALF, FAMILY MEMBERS ARE PERPETRATORS IN OVER HALF OF THE ABUSE THAT WE INVESTIGATE. IT'S A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT. AND THE EXISTING DEFINITION OF SERVICES, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES REALLY HAS BEEN LIMITED TO PEOPLE WHO ARE IN AN INTIMATE RELATIONSHIP. WHAT WE FIND IS THAT MOST OFTEN IT'S ADULT CHILDREN.

NOW DO ANY OF YOU HAVE KIDS? I HAVE ADULT KIDS. EVEN THOUGH THEY ARE KIDS, I LOVE THEM, AND SOMETIMES WITH OUR CLIENTS, THEY LOVE THEM BUT THEY MIGHT NOT LIKE THEM, AND IT'S REALLY TRICKERY TO GET A SUCCESSFUL CARE PLAN. WHEN YOU JUST REALLY ARE DOING AN INVESTIGATION AND STABILIZATION. AS ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES INVESTIGATORS WE GET OUT. WE GO ON THE SCENE AND MEET WITH EVERYBODY. IT'S VERY PERSON CENTERED. WE PUT TOGETHER A PLAN THAT'S GOING TO HELP PEOPLE FOR A WHILE. BUT IT'S OFTEN VERY TRICKY WHEN IT'S A FAMILY MEMBER TO MAKE CHANGES LONG-TERM BECAUSE THOSE RELATIONSHIPS ARE SO ESSENTIAL TO OUR CORE BEING.

Wendy Hillman: THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MODEL, WE ARE HOPING WILL, WILL TAKE THE SKILLS OF INVESTIGATION AND THE SKILLS OF LONG-TERM SAFETY PLANNING TO A NEW LEVEL FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE CURRENTLY AND REALLY DIFFICULT, IN REALLY DIFFICULT AND UNSAFE SITUATIONS. AS I NOTED MORE THAN HALF OF THE PERPETRATORS THAT WE WORK WITH ARE ADULT CHILDREN, AND THAT'S A HUGE NUMBER IN 2,000 CASES. WE ARE LOOKING AT SOMETHING WHERE WE REALLY COULD USE SOME EXTRA SUPPORT FROM THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. AND WE ARE HOPING THAT THIS NEW POSITION WILL OFFER THAT. IF YOU LOOK A LITTLE FARTHER, SOME OF THE OTHER THINGS I WANTED TO SHARE WERE THE TYPES OF ABUSE THAT FAMILY MEMBERS, THAT WE FIND FAMILY MEMBERS ACCUSED OF OR ALLEGED TO HAVE COMMITTED. FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION IS OBVIOUSLY A HUGE ONE. PEOPLE WHO NEED MONEY GO WHERE THE MONEY IS, AND THAT'S OFTEN IN VULNERABLE ARE ADULTS THAT MIGHT BE DEPENDENT ON NOT SO GOOD ADULTS TO PROVIDE SUPPORT, ASSISTANCE, AND THINGS CAN GO BAD PRETTY QUICKLY. VERBAL AND EMOTIONAL ABUSE IS NEXT. AND FOR A VULNERABLE ADULT, THAT CAN BE A VERY SERIOUS AND DISABLING CONDITION.

EMOTIONAL ABUSE CAN BE SOMETHING ALONG THE LINES OF ISOLATING YOU AND SEPARATING YOU FROM YOUR SUPPORT NETWORK, AND THAT'S A SITUATION THAT CAN BE VERY DIFFICULT FOR US TO IMPACT OVER THE LONG-TERM AS A PERSON IS DEPENDING ON SO MANY SERVICES. PHYSICAL ABUSE AND NEGLECT ARE ALSO COMBINED FOR ALMOST, ALMOST HALF OF THE ABUSE THAT WE SEE. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT WE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT FOR THIS NEW POSITION, THOUGH, IS EXPANDING A BIT, A BIT WHAT A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ADVOCATE CAN WORK WITH. RIGHT NOW THEY ARE VERY CLOSELY TIED WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT. AS OUR PARTNERSHIP PROGRESSES, WE ANTICIPATE THEM BEING ABLE NOT ONLY TO LOOK AT CASES BEYOND THE TYPICAL INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE MOVING INTO FAMILY VIOLENCE, BUT MAYBE ALSO TAKING A LOOK AT THE THINGS THAT MAKE LIFE SO VERY DIFFICULT FOR THE SENIORS THAT WE WORK WITH AND THE VULNERABLE ADULTS, AND LOOKING AT SITUATIONS THAT MIGHT NOT RISE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT MAKING AN ARREST, BUT ARE VERY, VERY DAMAGING TO A VULNERABLE DULL.

Becky Lorraine: THANK YOU, I AM BECKY LORRAINE, AN ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES INVESTIGATOR, AND I AM CO-MINGLED, I AM LOCATED WITH THE FAMILY SERVICES DETECTIVES FOR THE ELDER CRIMES UNIT SO WE SIT CLOSELY, SHARE INFORMATION, AND WE TALK A LOT. WE ALSO CO-INVESTIGATE. SO WE GO OUT ON INVESTIGATIONS AND MEASURE 11 AND FELONY ELDER ABUSE CASES, AND SO WE DO A LOT OF PREPARATION TOGETHER TO MAKE SURE THAT IT'S REALLY A COMPREHENSIVE INVESTIGATION. THE POLICE GATHER THE CRIMINAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION SO WE HAVE THE RIGHT SAFETY PLAN. I AM LOOKING MORE AT THE PREVIOUS ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES CASES REPORTS THAT ARE WRITTEN TO GATHER THAT INFORMATION, SO WE REALLY KNOW WHAT WE ARE GOING INTO AND WE ARE PREPARED. WE DETERMINED WHICH TOOLS TO TAKE WITH US BECAUSE WE ARE GOING TOGETHER. MOSTLY THE POLICE ARE BRINGING EVIDENCE GATHERING TOOLS, AND THEY MAY ALSO BRING SOMEONE FROM THE FED DEPARTMENT TO TAKE PICTURES, SO WHAT I DO IS I GO STRAIGHT TO THE VICTIM, THEY GO STRAIGHT TO THE PERPETRATOR.

SO I AM LOOKING AT THE VICTIMS' NEEDS ASSESSMENT, THROUGH THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT LENS. I AM LOOKING TO SEE WHAT ARE THEY MISSING, WHAT DO THEY NEED? WHAT IS THEIR CONDITION? WHAT IS THE CONDITION OF THE HOME? WHAT IS THE CONDITION OF THE CAREGIVER? AND AS YOU CAN SEE IN THE GRAPH, A LOT OF THESE CAREGIVERS ARE UNSKILLED FAMILY MEMBERS. ARE THEY REALLY COMMITTING ABUSE OR A CRIME OR DO THEY JUST NEED TOOLS, SUPPORTS, AND SERVICES AND MAYBE SOME RESPITE, IS THAT REALLY WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT? AND I GIVE THAT INFORMATION TO THE POLICE. WE WORK TOGETHER. I HAVE IDEAS ABOUT WHAT THEY SHOULD TAKE PICTURES OF. I AM LOOKING TO SEE DOES A PERSON HAVE SKIN BREAKDOWNS, ARE THEIR TOENAILS LONG, ARE THEY GOING TO THE DOCTOR. I ALSO HAVE ACCESS TO A MULTI-DISCIPLINARY TEAM, WHICH HAS A COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICE THAT GOES ALONG WITH ME, AND I WILL SAY THAT THERE HAVE BEEN INSTANCES WHERE WE GO OUT WITH THE COMMUNITY, HEALTH NURSE, AND WE HAVE HAD TO CALL AN AMBULANCE, THE PERSON HAS BEEN TAKEN TO THE HOSPITAL RIGHT AWAY.

SO WE WRITE SEPARATE REPORTS. MY REPORT AGAIN IS LOOKING THROUGH THE NEEDS ASSESSMENT LENS. THEIR REPORT IS LOOKING THROUGH THE CRIMINAL ASPECT LENS. AND WE GO TO COURT TOGETHER. TESTIFY AT GRAND JURIES. WE GO TO HEARINGS. I HAVE TESTIFIED IN A TRIAL, AND REALLY A BIG PART OF MY JOB IS LINKING THE POLICE COMMUNITY WITH THE SOCIAL SERVICES COMMUNITY. THE ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES COMMUNITY ON SITUATIONS THAT MAY NOT RISE TO THAT FELONY OR THAT CRIMINAL LEVEL. ALSO. DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?

Derek Rodriguez: I THINK EVERYTHING HAS ALREADY BEEN SAID. WE ARE JUST VERY EXCITED TO HAVE THIS ADVOCATE DEDICATED TO OUR ELDERS AND

OUR VULNERABLE ADULTS BECAUSE THERE IS A RISE, ESPECIALLY WITH THE FINANCIAL SIDE, SO THEY ARE THE EXPERTS. THEY KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON, AND I MANAGE THE DIVISION BUT WE ARE VERY THANKFUL. I THINK THIS ADVOCATE IS GOING TO BE ABLE TO HELP OUR SURVIVORS NAVIGATE AS JUST VERY SPECIALIZED, WE CAN DO IT RIGHT NOW, SO THANK YOU. I HOPE TO REPORT BACK TO YOU IN A FEW MONTHS TO SEE HOW IT'S GOING.

Isaura Ascensio: I WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THE ADVOCATE IN THIS ELDER POSITION IS ALSO IN THE ROOM WITH US TODAY, AND WE ARE VERY EXCITED TO HAVE HER AS OF JULY 1.

Wendy Hillman: AND WE WOULD LIKE TO PROCLAIM JUNE 15 AS WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY, AND.

Chair Kafoury: DO YOU WANT TO READ THE PROCLAMATION?

Wendy Hillman: WITH YOUR PERMISSION I WOULD READ THE PROCLAMATION. [READS PROCLAMATION INTO THE RECORD.]

Chair Kafoury: SO WE HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD? COMMISSIONER MEIERAN?

Commissioner Meieran: THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE TODAY. IT IS SO GREAT TO HEAR FROM YOU, AND I AM SO GLAD TO BE ISSUING THIS PROCLAMATION TODAY. THIS IS ELDER ABUSE IS SOMETHING THAT I SEE ALL TOO FREQUENTLY AS A PHYSICIAN WORKING IN THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT. AND THERE ARE CASES THAT TRULY ARE EMBLAZONED IN MY MEMORY, THAT I CAN JUST PICTURE FROM YEARS AND YEARS AGO THAT I CAN JUST PICTURE EVEN SITTING HERE. THERE ARE FEW THINGS THAT MAKE ME, AND DOING THAT WORK FEEL SO PERSONALLY HELPLESS AND SO ANGRY. AND SAD. SOME OF THE MOST VULNERABLE IN OUR COMMUNITY ARE THESE SENIORS, THESE ELDERS, AND I AM JUST SO GRATEFUL TO YOU AND ENCOURAGED BY YOU TO HAVE SUCH A DEDICATED, TALENTED GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO ARE DOING THIS WORK. AND IN SUCH A COLLABORATIVE WAY. I AM VERY HAPPY TO HEAR ABOUT THE NEW POSITION, AND CONGRATULATIONS. YEAH. [APPLAUSE] AND VERY HAPPY TO BE CELEBRATING THAT TODAY. SO THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THE WORK THAT YOU DO EVERY SINGLE DAY, AND FOR BEING HERE TODAY TO TELL THE STORY AND MAKE THIS PROCLAMATION.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR. I AM PROUD TO LIVE IN A COMMUNITY THAT WORKS REALLY HARD TO MAKE SURE THAT PROTECTING OUR ELDERS ARE A BIG DEAL, SO I WANT TO THANK YOU, WE WENDY AND EVERYONE FOR THE WORK YOU DO. WE HAVE DONE SOME ELDER ABUSE FORUMS OVER THE LAST EIGHT YEARS TO KIND OF HIGHLIGHT SOME OF THE FIRST SIGNS OF ABUSES, SO I REALLY APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT YOU

HAVE DONE, AND ON OUR BRIEFING MATERIAL THE GATEWAY CENTER SAW SOME 477 INDIVIDUALS BETWEEN THE AGE OF 50 AND 70 THAT HAVE DOMESTIC AND PARTNER VIOLENCE THAT WAS REALLY TROUBLING TO SEE THAT DOMESTIC ABUSE HAS NO AGE LIMIT ON IT. AND IT'S AN ISSUE THAT IS IMPACTING LOW INCOME AND MIDDLE INCOME COMMUNITIES AT A LARGE RATE. JUST LAST NIGHT WE SAW ON THE NEWS REPORTED THAT STAN LEE, THE EXECUTIVE PRODUCER OF THE MARVEL CINEMATIC UNIVERSE DID BLACK PANTHER, AND IRONMAN, AND THE AVENGERS, A VERY WEALTHY MAN, AND INDIVIDUAL, INDEED, HAS BEEN A VICTIM OF ELDER ABUSE. SO IT DOES NOT MATTER WHAT YOUR SOCIAL STANDING IS OR WHAT YOUR AGE IS. YOU COULD FALL VICTIM TO THIS. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR HIGHLIGHTING ELDERS IN OUR COMMUNITY BECAUSE THEY ARE THE BEST THAT WE HAVE AS AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT YOU DO FOR OUR FUTURE. THANK YOU.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR BRINGING THIS PROCLAMATION FORWARD. I THINK THAT MY COLLEAGUES HAVE SPOKE VERY WELL, I KNOW THAT THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT I THINK IS GETTING MORE AWARENESS IN THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS IN TERMS OF ITS URGENCY AND HOW WIDESPREAD IT IS IN OUR POPULATION, AND SO THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WHEN I WAS IN THE STATE LEGISLATURE WE HAD LEGISLATION ABOUT THIS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE WERE PRIORITIZING THE STATE DOLLARS TO DEAL WITH THIS ISSUE, AND I KNOW THAT WITH THE PARTNERS WE ARE WORKING WITH LIKE THE GATEWAY DOMESTIC SHELTER THEY ARE LOOKING AT EXPANDING THE SERVICE THAT IS THEY PROVIDE TO HELP ADDRESS THE PEOPLE EXPERIENCING THIS, SO THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH IF ALL OF THE WORK THAT YOU ARE DOING ON THIS AND FOR, FOR BRINGING AWARENESS TO IT THROUGH THIS POPULATION AND LOOKING FORWARD TO HAVING YOU START SO THAT WE CAN KEEP MOVING FORWARD ON THIS. THANK YOU.

Vice-Chair Stegmann: THANK YOU CHAIR. I HAVE A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. SO HOW DOES ONE GET SERVICES? THIS IS OCCURRING A LOT OF TIMES IN FAMILIES, SO WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT LIKE HUMAN TRAFFICKING, THERE ARE TELLTALE SIGNS. BECAUSE YOU SEE THE COMMUNITY AND ACTIVITIES, BUT I AM JUST LIKE, HOW DOES A SURVIVOR GET HELP? AND HOW DO OTHER FRIENDS AND FAMILIES HELP IDENTIFY THAT TYPE OF VIOLENCE, AND WHAT DO THEY DO? AND HOW DO THEY GET HELP?

Wendy Hillman: FOR ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES, WE TRY TO BE VERY, VERY LOW BARRIER, AND WE GO REFERRALS FROM FAMILY MEMBERS ARE NOT ONLY THE BIGGEST PERPETRATORS. THEY ARE ALSO THE MOST LIKELY TO CALL US FOR ASSISTANCE. THERE IS HOPE THERE. MOST FAMILIES ARE LOVELY AND WONDERFUL AND I AM SURE. I DON'T WANT TO, TO MISREPRESENT THAT. WE JUST TAKE PHONE CALLS, AND WE TRY TO GET ALL OF THE INFORMATION THAT WE CAN, BUT A NAME AND AN ADDRESS AND WHAT IS HAPPENING IS ALMOST ENOUGH MOST OF THE TIME FOR US TO GO OUT AND TAKE A LOOK. WE GET CALLS FROM FAMILY MEMBERS AND CALLS

FROM DOCTORS AND WE GET CALLS FROM APARTMENT MANAGERS AND LANDLORDS AND CHURCH MEMBERS AND, AND FROM A LOT OF PLACES, AND UNLIKE SOME ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES PROGRAMS, LIKE I SAID, WE TRY TO JUST TAKE THE INFORMATION SOMEONE HAS AND GO OUT ON-SITE TO TAKE A LOOK. WE ALSO GET EMAIL REFERRALS. WE GET LETTERS. WE TAKE ANY INFORMATION AND JUST GO ON-SITE AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE TO SEE THE SITUATION AS THE, THE PERSON CALLING US SAW IT. AND IT'S JUST START FROM A PLACE OF LET'S TAKE A LOOK AND SO WHAT WE CAN OFFER. DOES THAT ANSWER YOUR QUESTION?

Vice-Chair Stegmann: THAT'S GREAT. SO JUST KNOWING THAT ALL IT TAKES IS REALLY A PHONE CALL OR A CONTACT, AND YOU WILL ESSENTIALLY GO OUT AND VISIT SOMEBODY'S HOME.

Wendy Hillman: WE NEED TO HAVE GROUNDS TO GO IN SO WE HAVE TO HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE THAT ABUSE IS OCCURRING SO WE ARE GOING TO ASK QUESTIONS WHEN YOU CALL TO SAY WHAT IS GOING ON. HOW DO YOU KNOW THIS? WHAT HAS CHANGED? DO YOU HAVE ANY HISTORY? BUT THAT IS, I WOULD LIKE TO THINK, IT TAKES A CALL. AND WE ARE THERE TO HELP, AND WE HAVE SOMEONE IN THE OFFICE THAT'S AN INVESTIGATOR, 8:00 TO 5:00, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, BUT WE HAVE AFTER-HOURS, ON-CALL PEOPLE THAT COVER EVENINGS, WEEKENDS, HOLIDAYS, SO THERE IS ALWAYS SOMEONE TO CALL.

Vice-Chair Stegmann: I APPRECIATE THAT, AND OTHER MOVEMENTS LIKE START WITH BELIEVING, SO IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU VERY MUCH TAKE THAT APPROACH, SO I APPRECIATE YOU REDUCING THE BARRIERS FOR PEOPLE TO ACCESS SERVICES AND MANY OF US HAVE ELDERLY PARENTS. MY MOM IS 86. I AM ACUTELY AWARE OF THE CARE THAT SHE NEEDS AND WE'RE ALL GETTING OLDER, SO THERE IS GOING TO BE, AS YOU KNOW, HUGE GROWTH IN PEOPLE IN THAT AGE GROUP THAT NEED THESE SERVICES, SO I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO HAVING OUR ADVOCATE ONBOARD AND REACHING MORE PEOPLE. THANK YOU.

Derek Rodriguez: IS THIS A FOLLOW-UP TO THAT? FROM THE LAW ENFORCEMENT SIDE WE GET POLICE REPORTS, SO IT GOES INTO THE SERGEANT'S QUEUE, THE SERGEANT WILL LOOK AT IT, AND TRIAGE THE CASE. IT MIGHT NOT BE INVESTIGATED CRIMINALLY, BUT SINCE WE HAVE YOU KNOW, BECKY AND NOW OUR ADVOCATE IN THE HOUSE, THEY CAN REACH OUT, ALSO. SO THERE IS BOTH SIDES, THE CRIMINAL SIDE AND THE SERVICES SIDE.

Vice-Chair Stegmann: THAT'S FANTASTIC, IN MY MIND THINKING ABOUT CARING FOR MY MOTHER IT'S LIKE I WAS NOT ACUTELY AWARE OF WHAT RESOURCES ARE THERE IF YOU KNOW, FOR THE ELDERLY, SO I THINK THAT BY BEING HERE AND TALKING ABOUT WHAT SERVICES AND RESOURCES THAT WE HAVE IN OUR ADVOCATE, AND THE PROCLAMATION TODAY IS JUST BRINGING

AWARENESS TO FOLKS THAT THERE ARE SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY, SO IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING, CONTACT YOU FOLKS, AND YOU ALL CAN HELP. SO THANK YOU.

Isaura Ascensio: I WOULD LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT THAT THIS MODEL OF COLLABORATION IS UNIQUE NATION-WIDE, AND WE ARE HOPING TO LEARN FROM THIS EXPERIENCE AND FIGURE OUT HOW WE CAN STRENGTHEN THE COMMUNITY PROVIDERS TO ALSO OFFER MORE SPECIALIZED SUPPORT GROUPS, FOCUSING ON THE ELDER POPULATION AND FIGURING OUT HOW ELSE CAN WE GROW FROM THIS.

Vice-Chair Stegmann: THANK YOU FOR THE WORK.

Chair Kafoury: I WANT TO THANK ALL OF THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY STAFF AND, OF COURSE, PORTLAND POLICE BUREAU. I THINK THAT THIS NEW POSITION REALLY HIGHLIGHTS THE ABILITY OF OUR STAFF TO BE CREATIVE AND FIND GAPS IN THE SYSTEM, AND UTILIZE EXISTING COLLABORATIONS THAT HAVE BEEN VERY EFFECTIVE TO COME UP WITH A BUDGET PROPOSAL THAT WE HAVE THE HONOR OF PASSING JUST LAST MONTH SO I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR GREAT WORK AND ALL OF THE STAFF FOR TRYING SOMETHING NEW AND REALLY, REALLY REALIZING THAT THIS IS GOING TO BE SUCCESSFUL BECAUSE WE HAVE THIS STRONG COLLABORATION AND THIS HISTORY OF THIS TRACK RECORD OF SUCCESS. AS YOU SAID WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOU COMING BACK TO A US IN A FEW MONTHS TO TALK ABOUT WHAT YOU ARE SEEING AND THE IMPACT YOU ARE HAVING ON FAMILIES AND ELDERLY PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITY SO THANKS SO MUCH FOR COMING TODAY AND WE GET TO VOTED ON THE PROCLAMATION, SO ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE PROCLAMATION IS ADOPTED. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

R.6 Ordinance Amending Multnomah County Code Chapter 13 – Animal Control to Ban the Use of Wild or Exotic Animals in Traveling Animal Displays and/or Acts. Sponsor: Commissioner Sharon Meieran, District 1. Presenters: Jackie Rose, Director, Multnomah County Animal Services; Andrea Kozil, Community Advocate; Sharon Harmon, Chief Executive Officer, Oregon Humane Society; Dr. Lisa Wathne, Humane Society Veterinary Medical Association.

Board Clerk: MADAM CHAIR WE HAVE THREE PEOPLE SIGNED UP FOR PUBLIC TESTIMONY.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON MOVES, COMMISSIONER MEIERAN SECONDS APPROVAL OF THE FIRST READING. WHO IS KICKING THIS OFF TODAY? OKAY. YOU ARE UP THEN.

Commissioner Meieran: EXCELLENT. THANK YOU CHAIR. THIS ORDINANCE BANS TRAVEL OF EXOTIC ANIMALS FOR LIVE PERFORMANCE IN CIRCUSES, AT CARNIVALS AND OTHER SIMILAR EVENTS. THE ORDINANCE BUILDS ON OUR EXISTING CODE, WHICH BARS PEOPLE FROM OWNING OR KEEPING EXOTIC ANIMALS. I INTRODUCE THIS ORDINANCE AFTER HEARING FROM COMMUNITY MEMBERS, PARTICULARLY ADVOCATED EXTRAORDINARY, ANDREA KOZIL, WHO ARE CONCERNED LIVE DISPLAYS OF EXOTIC ANIMALS CREATE HEALTH AND SAFETY CONCERNS FOR ANIMALS AS WELL AS PEOPLE. MULTNOMAH COUNTY IS FOLLOWING THE LEAD OF OTHER JURISDICTIONS IN CONSIDERING THIS ORDINANCE TODAY. IN OUR RESEARCH WE FOUND THAT FIVE STATES AND MORE THAN 135 OTHER LOCATIONS ACROSS 37 STATES HAVE PASSED VARIOUS RESTRICTIONS GOVERNING THE USE OF WILD OR EXOTIC ANIMALS IN CIRCUSES AND TRAVELING SHOWS. I WANTED TO CLEAR ON THE RECORD THAT THIS ORDINANCE APPLIES TO EXOTIC ANIMALS TRANSPORTED FOR TRAVELING DISPLAYS LIKE CIRCUSES, CARNIVALS, AND FAIRS. THE REGULATIONS IN THE ORDINANCE DO NOT APPLY TO FILM PRODUCTION, INCLUDING PRODUCTIONS OF MOVIES, TELEVISION SERIES OR COMMERCIALS. AND FINALLY BEFORE WE WELCOME OUR PANELISTS, I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A MOTION FOR A CLARIFYING AMENDMENT. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THE ORDINANCE WOULD NOT INCLUDE LIVESTOCK INCLUDING HORSES, BUT TO ENSURE THE LANGUAGE IS AS CLEAR AS POSSIBLE, I PROPOSE THE FOLLOWING LANGUAGE. AND I HAVE THE AMENDMENT FOR EACH OF YOU TO LOOK AT. I WOULD ADD EXCLUDING LIVESTOCK TO THE DEFINITION OF WILD OR EXOTIC ANIMALS, AND ADD QUOTE, "BUT EXCLUDING HORSES, DONKEYS, MULES" TO YOU BE SECTION 9 IN IN THE DEFINITION OF WILD OR EXOTIC ANIMAL.

Chair Kafoury: MAY I HAVE A MOTION ON THE AMENDMENT SO WE CAN DISCUSS THIS AS WELL? DO WE NEED TO VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT? NO.

Jenny Madkour: YOU CAN HAVE ANY DISCUSSION AND THEN VOTE ON THAT, WHEN WE GO BACK TO THE MAIN MOTION.

Commissioner Meieran: THANK YOU. NOW I AM HAPPY TO WELCOME JACKIE ROSE FROM MULTNOMAH COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES, COMMUNITY ADVOCATE ANDREA KOZIL, AND SHARON HARMON FROM THE OREGON HUMANE SOCIETY UP TO PROVIDE SOME COMMENTS. AND THEY ARE UP ALREADY. SO.

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING.

Jackie Rose: GOOD MORNING CHAIR AND GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR TAKING THE TIME TO HEAR THIS ISSUE, AND A HUGE THANK YOU FOR COMMISSIONER MEIERAN TO ALL THE WORK THAT SHE AND HER TEAM HAVE DONE TO WORK ON THIS I KNOW THIS PAST YEAR. MY THOUGHT TODAY WOULD BE I AM REALLY GOING TO JUST SHARE A BIT ABOUT

HOW WE GOT TO THIS POINT TODAY, AND THEN LET THE PANEL THAT IS HERE WITH US REALLY VERY DISTINGUISHED FOLKS WHO HAVE COME TO SPEAK ON THIS ISSUE SHARE THEIR THOUGHTS. AND WE HAVE TWO OTHER PANELISTS JOINING US AFTER ANDREA AND SHARON. WE HAVE, I AM SORRY, LISA WATHNE AND DR. KATIE BORROW WILL ALSO BE JOINING US, KATIE BARR. WHEN I FIRST GOT HERE, MY FIRST OR SECOND MONTH I JOINED MULTNOMAH COUNTY, I WAS APPROACHED BY A FEW ADVOCATES WANTING TO KNOW MY FEELING OF THIS ISSUE AND SOMETHING I WOULD SUPPORT IN THE FUTURE. AND I INDICATED THAT I WAS SUPPORTIVE OF THIS ACTIVITY. FOR THE COUNTY. THIS IS A MOVEMENT THAT HAS BEEN SAY FOOT, NATION-WIDE, AND AS OUR PANELS WILL TALK ABOUT THERE ARE SEVERAL STATES THAT ARE TAKING THESE SAME KINDS OF ACTIONS AT THIS TIME. AND OTHER JURISDICTIONS.

Jackie Rose: SO I WAS REALLY QUITE PLEASED THAT HERE I WAS IN PORTLAND, SUCH A PROGRESSIVE AREA AND PEOPLE WERE APPROACHING ME SO QUICKLY. AND APPROXIMATELY A YEAR AGO, A LITTLE OVER A YEAR AGO, COMMISSIONER MEIERAN AND I AND HER TEAM STARTED TO REALLY TALK ABOUT THIS WITH ANDREA AND A FEW ADVOCATES, AND IT'S BEEN OVER THIS PAST YEAR THAT WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON THIS. THE ORDINANCE THAT, OR LET ME BE CLEAR THIS IS AN AMENDMENT TO OUR EXISTING ORDINANCE, AND I REALLY DO WANT TO MAKE THAT POINT. THIS IS AN AMENDMENT. WE ALREADY HAVE AN, A LANGUAGE IN OUR EXISTING ORDINANCE OR IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY THAT ONE CANNOT HARBOR OR OWN EXOTIC ANIMALS, AND THIS IS TO AMEND THAT, AND WHAT WE ARE REALLY ATTEMPTING TO DO IS TO LIMIT THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE WANTING TO BRING WILD AND EXOTIC ANIMALS HERE TO THIS AREA FOR PURPOSES OF DISPLAY.

AS COMMISSIONER MEIERAN MENTIONED, IT'S REALLY ABOUT THE TRAVELING KINDS OF ACTS OR FAIRS. MULTNOMAH COUNTY HAS ALWAYS PRIDED ITSELF ON BEING PROGRESSIVE AND WANTING TO ENSURE HUMANE TREATMENT FOR ALL PEOPLE AND PETS, AND THIS IS THE SAME PIECE, THIS IS FOR ANIMALS, AND WE BELIEVE THAT IT IS NOT A HUMANE PRACTICE FOR ANIMALS TO BE TRANSPORTED IN THE, IN THE MOTH THAT THEY ARE AND PLACED ON DISPLAY. THIS IS FOR WILD, EXOTIC ANIMALS, THE LIONS, TIGERS, BEARS, THIS IS NOT THEIR NATURAL HABITAT. THAT'S REALLY THE BEGINNING FOR ME. I AM GOING TO TURN THIS OVER TO THE PANEL, AND THEN BE AVAILABLE FOR ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS THAT MAY ARISE. SO ANDREA. I WILL PASS IT OUT TO YOU.

Andrea Kozil: HI. GOOD MORNING. FOR THE RECORD I AM ANDREA KOZIL, AND I RESIDE HERE IN PORTLAND. AND THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME CHAIR KAFOURY AND COMMISSIONERS. AND ALSO THANK YOU COMMISSIONER MEIERAN FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP ON THIS. I AM REALLY GRATEFUL AS ARE MANY CONSTITUENTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. THIS IS REALLY AN IDEAL TIME FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY TO MAKE THIS VERY PROGRESSIVE IN PART

BECAUSE AS MOST OF US ALREADY KNOW, WRINKLING BROTHERS, AFTER 146 YEARS OF EXPLOITING ANIMALS, RINGING BROTHERS HAS SHUT THEIR DOORS, AND THE CEO HAS CLAIMED DEPENDS -- DEPTH FELD WHO OWNS THE CIRCUS, CLAIMED HE MADE THAT DECISION BECAUSE OF THE INCREASED PRESSURE THAT HE WAS FEELING FROM THE PUBLIC, FROM THE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY WHERE THE CIRCUSES WERE TRAVELING TO. AND ALSO BECAUSE OF THE STEEP DECLINE IN TICKETS. BOTH OF THE FACT THAT THIS IS A GROWING MOVEMENT, MORE AND MORE AND MORE PEOPLE ARE UNDERSTANDING THAT ANIMALS ARE BEING FORCED BY VERY INHUMANE PRACTICES TO PERFORM, AND THEY DON'T WANT TO PARTICIPATE OR CONTRIBUTE TO PERPETUATING THAT. THIS IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY TO JOIN THIS LARGE MOVEMENT AS JACKIE SAID, AND ALSO TAKE A LEADERSHIP ROLE IN THE STATE OF OREGON TO HELP CLOSE THE DOOR OURSELVES, OUR OWN CURTAIN, AND SAY WE DON'T WANT TO BE PART OF THE PERPETUATING THE TRAVELING ANIMAL INDUSTRY.

Andrea Kozil: AN IMPORTANT ASPECT OF THAT, THE EXOTIC ANIMAL SHOWS DO NOT PROVIDE FINANCIAL BENEFIT TO LOCAL COMMUNITIES. IN FACT, REMOVING ANIMALS FROM THE CIRCUSES SAVES TAXPAYER DOLLARS. WE COULD TALK FOR HOURS ABOUT THAT. I WILL JUST BRIEFLY GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE, A USDA WELFARE INSPECTION COST 1300, AND A CIRCUS CALLED THE CARSON AND BARNES CIRCUS WHICH HAS COME TO PORTLAND, AN EXAMPLE IS THAT THEY WERE INSPECTED 42 TIMES IN A THREE-YEAR SPAN AT THE EXPENSE TO TAXPAYERS OF \$57,000. SO JUST THAT ALONE IN ADDITION TO THE FEES FOR LICENSURE AND THAT SAVERS MONEY WHEN WE DO NOT INCLUDE ANIMALS IN ENTERTAINMENT OR CIRCUSES. THE OTHER ASPECT IS THAT CIRCUSES DON'T PROVIDE ANY INCOME TO LOCAL BUSINESSES. THEY ARE SELF-CONTAINED SO THEY SELL PARAPHERNALIA AND FOOD, AND IT'S ALL WITHIN THE CIRCUS. PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY ARE NOT BENEFITING FROM THAT.

ADDITIONALLY IF THERE IS AN INCIDENT OR AN EMERGENCY, LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ARE CHARGED WITH, AND INSURING THE PUBLIC SAFETY AT THE EXPENSE OF THE TAXPAYERS' DOLLARS. AND FINALLY, FAMILIES ARE USING THEIR MONEY, IT'S KIND OF DISCRETIONARY MONEY WHEN THERE IS NO CIRCUSES. THEY JUST REDISTRIBUTE THAT MONEY, AND THEY PROBABLY WILL REDISTRIBUTE THEIR DISCRETIONARY FUNDS TOWARDS A LOCAL FORM OF ENTERTAINMENT VERSUS ONE THAT IS JUST GOING TO TAKE THEIR MONEY AND LEAVE THE COMMUNITY. SO THE FACT THAT THERE IS NO FINANCIAL BENEFIT MAKES IT A BIT -- THE MONEY IS BEING TAKEN AWAY FROM OUR COMMUNITY VERSUS KEEPING IT IN OUR COMMUNITY. AND THEN ANOTHER EXAMPLE HERE IN PORTLAND, WHICH IS REALLY EXEMPLARY OF THE COMMUNITY'S FEELINGS ABOUT THE EXHIBIT OF WOW, THE EXOTIC ANIMALS AT THE ROSE FESTIVAL, THERE HAS BEEN A DISPLAY OF TIGERS, LAST YEAR THERE WAS A LOT OF OUTCRY ABOUT THAT.

Andrea Kozil: A LOT OF PEOPLE WERE REALLY UPSET AND I GOT A LOT OF PHONE CALLS AND EMAILS ABOUT THAT AND A LOT OF PEOPLE DID CONTACT THE ROSE FESTIVAL, WHEN I CALLED THEM TO ASK WHAT WOULD BE HAPPENING THIS YEAR, A REPRESENTATIVE SHARED WITH ME THAT BECAUSE OF THE PUBLIC OUTCRY THEY HAVE CHOSEN TO NOT EXHIBIT EXOTIC ANIMALS, AND HAVE THE TIGER DISPLAY COME BACK THIS YEAR. THIS IS REALLY EXEMPLARY OF THE FACT THAT PEOPLE ARE KIND OF DISTURBED AND UPSET ABOUT SEEING THE EXOTIC ANIMALS AND CONDITIONS THAT JUST SIMPLY ARE NOT ADEQUATE AND ARE ABSOLUTELY NOT NATURAL. AS COMMISSIONER MEIERAN SAID, THERE'S BEEN FOUR STATES AND 135 OTHER LOCATIONS IN 37 DIFFERENT STATES THAT HAVE PASSED SOME FORM OF VARIOUS RESTRICTIONS GOVERNING THE USE OF WILD ANIMALS, SO THIS IS AN ABSOLUTELY PERFECT TIME FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY TO JOIN THAT MOVEMENT, TO JOIN THE FORCES, AND TO PASS THE AMENDMENT. THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING.

Sharon Harmon: GOOD MORNING CHAIR KAFOURY AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE. THANK YOU. I AM SHARON HARMON, THE PRESIDENT AND CEO OF THE OREGON HUMANE SOCIETY. WE ARE THE STATE'S LARGEST ANIMAL WELFARE ORGANIZATION. WE ARE NOT FUNDED BY ANY GOVERNMENT DOLLARS, INCLUDING MULTNOMAH COUNTY, AND HOWEVER WE DO HAVE A LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION COMMISSIONED UNDER OREGON STATE POLICE. SO WE'RE ALLOWED TO ENFORCE THE STATE LAWS, BUT NOT COUNTY CODES. SO WITH RESPECT TO THIS MOVE THAT YOU ARE DOING WHICH WE ARE IN FULL SUPPORT OF, THIS WOULD NOT COME UNDER OUR PURVIEW BUT WE ARE CALLED EVERY TIME THAT THERE IS A TRAVELING ANIMAL EXHIBIT IN THE COMMUNITY TO AN APPEAL FOR US TO IMPROVE THE LIVING CONDITIONS, AND I DON'T THINK THAT ANY OF US COULD SUPPORT THE LIFE OF A WILD ANIMAL NOT A DOMESTIC ANIMAL OR TAME ANIMAL TO BE IN A CAGE ON A TRUCK TAUNTED AND IS NOT A LIFE THAT ANY OF US COULD SUPPORT. FULL DISCLOSURE I WAS A FORMER EMPLOYEE OF THE OREGON ZOO, AND I AM GLAD THAT THIS DOES NOT IMPACT THAT BECAUSE THAT IS STILL A WAY FOR PEOPLE TO BE INSPIRED ABOUT ANIMALS WHO DON'T LIVE IN OUR HOMES, INSPIRED ABOUT WILDLIFE AND THIS ORDINANCE DOES NOT AFFECT THE OREGON ZOO, STILL AN OPPORTUNITY FOR PEOPLE TO SEE THESE ANIMALS, BECOME CONNECTED.

THEY DON'T NEED TO BE PRESENTED IN A SMALL CAGE UNABLE TO ESCAPE THE FEAR, THE STRESS THAT ACCOMPANIES A WILD ANIMAL BEING ON DISPLAY FOR CONFINEMENT. MULTNOMAH COUNTY AND OREGON HAS LONG BEEN A STATE OF FIRSTS. HAVING BEEN FOUNDED IN 1868 THE HUMANE SOCIETY IS THE THIRD OLDEST HUMANE SOCIETY IN THE COUNTRY. WE HAVE A LONG HISTORY OF CARING FOR ANIMALS. WITH RESPECT TO REGULATING THESE TRAVELING ANIMAL ACTS, WE ARE A LITTLE LATE TO THE PARTY. NOW WE ALSO MAY BE THE LAST, I AM NOT SO SURE THAT WE ARE GOING TO PUMP OUR OWN GAS, SALES TAX, MAYBE, I DON'T KNOW. US IN NEW JERSEY HERE,

BUT I WOULD LIKE TO SEE US JOIN THE MODERN TIMES AND NOT SUPPORT SUBJECTING WILD ANIMALS TO THE TORMENT, STRESS, AND THE DESPAIR OF BEING IN A TRAVELING ANIMAL SHOW. I COULDN'T SAY IT ANY BETTER THAN MY COLLEAGUE, ANDREA. SHE HAS ALL THE POINTS, ORGANIZED, AND I AGREE COMPLETELY WITH HER. I HOPE THAT YOU WILL SUPPORT THIS ALONG WITH THE AMENDMENT TO ALSO ALLOW HORSES. THAT'S AN ISSUE FOR ANOTHER DAY. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. MORE PANELISTS?

Dr. Katie Barr: I AM DOCTOR KATIE BARR, THE OREGON STATE REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE HUMANE SOCIETY VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION. THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH FOR ALLOWING ME TO ADDRESS YOU TODAY. I JUST WANTED TO SAY A FEW THINGS ABOUT THE TRAVELING ACTS AND KIND OF HOW THEY AFFECT ANIMALS FROM A STANDPOINT OF ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING. I DON'T HAVE A LOT OF DIRECT EXPERIENCE WITH THE EXOTICS OF THIS NATURE. WE HAVE A LOT OF EXPERIENCE ADVOCATING FOR ANIMALS AND HUMANE CONDITIONS FOR ANIMALS. SO IT'S IN MY PROFESSIONAL OPINION THAT THESE ACTS ARE CRUEL FOR THE ANIMALS INVOLVED IN THEM. THERE IS NO WAY FOR THEM TO SUPPLY THE PHYSIOLOGIC AND PSYCHOLOGICAL WELLBEING FOR THESE ANIMALS THAT THEY REQUIRE. AND EVEN WHEN THE ANIMALS ARE BRED IN CAPTIVITY THEY ARE GOING TO POSSESS THE INSTINCTS OF A WILD ANIMAL. AND SO TYPICALLY THEY WILL HAVE VERY BROAD RANGES WHERE THEY WILL TRAVEL, THEY WILL MATE, THEY WILL FORAGE AND HUNT. AND THERE IS NO WAY FOR THESE TRAVELING ACTS TO PROVIDE THAT KIND OF ENRICHMENT OR ANY KIND OF ENVIRONMENT EVEN CLOSE TO THAT. OFTEN THESE ANIMALS ARE CONFINED FOR LONG PERIODS OF TIME.

THEY UNDERGO THE STRESS OF TRAVEL. WHICH I DON'T THINK CAN BE OVERSTATED, HOW STRESSFUL THAT IS FOR THE ANIMALS. AND AS WELL AS POTENTIALLY BEING CHAINED, SUBJECTED TO THE TRAINING EPISODES THAT MAY BE CRUEL THEMSELVES. AND SO IT WILL RESULT IN ANIMALS HAVING BOTH HEALTH ISSUES, SO WE KNOW THAT THE NUMBER ONE REASON FOR EUTHANASIA IS ELEPHANTS STANDING FOR A LONG TIME, POSSIBLY IN THEIR OWN EXCREMENT, CAUSING ISSUES FOR THEM, AS WELL AS PSYCHOLOGICAL STEREOTYPES LIKE HEAD BOBBING AND PACING AND THINGS OF THAT NATURE. AND SO REALLY I JUST URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THIS AMENDMENT. THESE TRAVELING ACTS ARE OUTDATED AND THEY ARE INHUMANE.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. HELLO, GOOD MORNING.

Dr. Lisa Wathne: GOOD MORNING. GOOD MORNING CHAIR KAFOURY. AND COMMISSIONERS. I AM LISA WATHNE, MANAGER OF THE CAPITAL WILDLIFE PROTECTION FOR THE HUMANE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES. AGAIN THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR TAKING, ALLOWING THE OPPORTUNITY TO

ADDRESS YOU TODAY. ON BEHALF OF OUR SUPPORTERS IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY, WE URGE YOU TO SUPPORT THIS PROPOSED CHANGE TO YOUR ORDINANCE. WILD ANIMALS IN CIRCUSES AND OTHER TRAVELING SHOWS ARE TRAINED WITH PAIN AND THE FEAR OF PUNISHMENT. THEY ARE CAGE AND HAD CHAINED IN TRUCKS AND TRAILERS, FORCED TO ENDURE MONTHS OF GRUELING TRAVEL. BULLIED TO PERFORM TRICKS AND ARE DENIED EVERYTHING THAT IS NATURAL AND IMPORTANT TO THEM. THERE IS AMPLE DOCUMENTATION AND IRREFUTABLE EVIDENCE THAT THE SUFFERING THESE ANIMALS ENDURE IS REAL, AND IT'S SYSTEMIC THROUGHOUT THE INDUSTRY. AS WE WORK ON LEGISLATION SUCH AS THIS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY, A LOT OF LEGISLATORS WILL ASK US, WELL, ISN'T THIS ALREADY HANDLED THROUGH EXISTING LAWS? OR AREN'T THE FEDS ALREADY DEALING WITH THIS? AND THE SAD FACT OF THE MATTER IS THAT EXISTING LAWS DO NOT SUFFICIENTLY PROTECT ANIMALS USED IN TRAVELING SHOWS.

Dr. Lisa Wathne: ALTHOUGH ANIMAL EXHIBITERS ARE REQUIRED TO BE LEFT-HANDERS BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, OR THE USDA, WHICH ENFORCES THE ANIMAL WELFARE ACT, A USDA LICENSE IS NOT EVIDENCE OF EXCEPTIONAL OR EVEN ADEQUATE ANIMAL CARE. THE ANIMAL WELFARE ACT IS WEAK. IT ESTABLISHES ONLY VERY MINIMAL GUIDELINES, AND IT DOES NOT INCORPORATE MODERN ANIMAL CARE PRACTICES. AS A RESULT EXHIBITERS CAN AND ALL TOO OFTEN DO SUBJECT ANIMALS TO GROSSLY INHUMANE CONDITIONS, YET THEY ARE CONSIDERED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAW. THIS PROBLEM IS COMPOUNDED BY THE FACT THAT THE ANIMAL WELFARE ACT IS ALSO POORLY ENFORCED. IN FACT, EVEN THE OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL HAS CRITICIZED THE USDA FOR WEAKENED FORMAT OF THE ACT, INCLUDING FOR FAILURE TO RECOGNIZE SAFETY RELATED VIOLATIONS. AND UNFORTUNATELY, IN THE PAST YEAR, THE USDA HAS FURTHER SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE ANIMAL WELFARE ACT. BUT ASTOUNDINGLY EVEN WITH THE POOR ENFORCEMENT OF THESE WEAK REGULATIONS, MANY, IF NOT MOST EXHIBITERS WITH WILD ANIMALS HAVE A HISTORY OF MISERABLE RECORDS OF ANIMAL CARE, AND INCLUDING REPEATED CITATIONS OF VIOLATIONS OF THE ANIMAL WELFARE ACT, FOR EXAMPLE, CARSON AND BARNES CIRCUS, HAS SUPPLIED ELEPHANTS TO A CIRCUS THAT PERFORMS REGULARLY IN OREGON, AND THIS CIRCUS HAS A LONG HISTORY OF POOR ANIMAL CARE AND MULTIPLE INSTANCES OF ELEPHANTS RUNNING AMOK, AND WAS RECENTLY ASSESSED A 16,000 FINE FOR MULTIPLE CHARGES OF FAILURE TO SAFELY HANDLE ELEPHANTS.

FINALLY, MOST PEOPLE DON'T REALIZE THAT NO AGENCY MONITORS THE TRAINING OF ANIMALS USED FOR PERFORMANCES. YET TRAINING SESSIONS ARE WHERE THE MOST SEVERE ABUSE COMMONLY OCCURS. A SIMPLE INTERNET SEARCH WILL PRODUCE NUMEROUS VIDEOS SHOWING THE EXTENT OF THE VIOLENCE AND ABUSE TRAINERS INFLICT ON ELEPHANTS, BIG CATS, AND OTHER ANIMALS DURING BEHIND THE SCENES TRAINING

SESSIONS. AND OUR ORGANIZATION RECENTLY DID A, AN UNDERCOVER INVESTIGATION OF A TIGER TRAINER, AND PRODUCED SIMILAR EVIDENCE. WITH ALL THAT WE NOW KNOW ABOUT THE RICH AND THE VARIED LIVES THAT WILD ANIMALS LEAD, IT'S APPARENT THAT LIFE IN A TRAVELING SHOW CAN BE NOTHING BUT MISERY FOR THEM. AND INCREASINGLY THE PUBLIC AGREES THAT SHOWS THAT USE WILD ANIMALS CANNOT BE CONSIDERED GOOD, OLD FASHIONED FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT. WE URGE YOU TO PASS THIS PROPOSED ORDINANCE AND THANK YOU FOR CONSIDERING THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. DO WE HAVE QUESTIONS FOR OUR PANELISTS? IF YOU HAVE FURTHER QUESTIONS WE CAN BRING YOU BACK AND WE'LL HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT.

Vice-Chair Stegmann: I HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT THE SAFARIS. THERE IS THE WILDLIFE SAFARI IN, AND THE WEST COAST GAME PARK AND SOMEONE MENTIONED DIFFERENTIATING OUR ZOOS. I AM TRYING TO GET A FEEL OF WHAT IS ACCEPTABLE AND WHAT'S UNACCEPTABLE.

Jackie Rose: I THINK THAT THE PRIMARY DIFFERENCE THERE IS THAT WHAT WE ARE REALLY TALKING ABOUT IS THE DIFFICULTY OF THE TRAVELING. THE ON THE ROAD, THE TRANSPORTATION, AND THEN BEING HOUSED IN VERY SMALL, CONFINED AREAS FOR DISPLAY AS WELL AS THE ONGOING HOUSING WHEN THEY ARE NOT ON DISPLAY. I THINK SAFARIS LEND A DIFFERENT LENS TO THAT, AND IN THE SENSE THAT THEY ARE OFTEN IN VERY LARGE AREAS WHERE THEY HAVE THE ABILITY TO ROAM TO DO THE THINGS THAT DR. BAHR MENTIONED, TO PRO CREATE, DO THOSE NATURAL BEHAVIORS, THAT'S NOT THE SAME FOR ANIMAL THAT'S HELD IN THIS CAPTIVITY, AND I THINK THAT THAT'S ALSO DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE ZOOS. THERE ARE MANY, MANY ZOOS, AND WE ARE VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE ONE HERE IN OUR AREA THAT DO A WONDERFUL JOB WITH THE HANDLING OF THE ANIMALS. AND IT REALLY IS ABOUT THE CONSERVATION AND THE PROTECTION OF THOSE SPECIES AND AN EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY. THAT'S NOT WHAT THESE ACTIVITIES ARE THAT WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT.

Vice-Chair Stegmann: THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE YOU DIFFERENTIATING THAT FROM THE OTHER ORGANIZATIONS.

Andrea Kozil: I WANTED TO ADDRESS YOUR QUESTION, THIS IS ANDREA KOZIL. WE DID CONSULT WITH THE DIRECTOR OF THE ZOO, DON MOORE. HE HAS BEEN PART OF THIS PROCESS AND IS COMPLETELY ONBOARD. GIVEN HIS APPROVAL OF THE ORDINANCE, AND WE HAVE ADDRESSED ALL OF HIS CONCERNS, AND SO IT'S VERY, VERY CLEAR THAT THE ZOO IS NOT IMPACTED.

Chair Kafoury: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENCE FROM OUR PANELISTS BEFORE -- GREAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MARINA, WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT?

Board Clerk: YES, MADAM CHAIR, PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME. [READS NAMES]

Delcianna Winders: GOOD MORNING, THANK YOU. MY NAME IS DELCIANNA WINDERS AND I'M A RESIDENT OF PORTLAND AND I'VE BEEN WORKING ON LEGAL ISSUES REGARDING WILD ANIMALS FOR MORE THAN A DECADE. OVER THE YEARS, THERE IS ONE THING THAT I HAVE SEEN OVER AND OVER AGAIN AND THAT'S THE FAILURE OF OUR EXISTING LAWS TO PROTECT BOTH ANIMALS AND PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY. BECAUSE WE'VE ALREADY HEARD ABOUT THE IMPACTS ON ANIMALS, I WANT TO FOCUS MY TESTIMONY TODAY ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY ASPECTS. ON AVERAGE, CAPTIVE BIG CATS KILL ONE AMERICAN A YEAR AND INJURE MANY MORE. ELEPHANTS DO THE SAME. POLICE HAVE GUNNED DOWN A TIGER NAMED SUZY IN A RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD AFTER SHE WAS SPOTTED ATTACKING A DOG EARLY IN THE MORNING. IT TOOK AUTHORITIES HOURS TO FIND OUT WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR HER. IT TURNED OUT TO BE THE PARENT COMPANY FOR RINGLING BROTHERS.

THE COMPANY HAD BEEN HAULING HER AND MORE THAN A DOZEN OTHER BIG CATS ACROSS THE COUNTRY. AND SUZY ESCAPED UNNOTICED IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT. THE COMPANY DIDN'T EVEN KNOW SUZY WAS MISSING UNTIL IT SAW THE NEWS REPORTS ABOUT THE ATTACK AND THE TIGER BEING KILLED. THIS REPRESENTS CIRCUSES TO A TEE AND IT AFFECTS ANIMALS AS WELL AS HUMAN SAFETY. WILD ANIMALS OFTEN ALSO LASH OUT. YOU MAY HAVE SEEN THE VIDEO FOOTAGE THAT WENT VIRAL OF A TIGER WHO LATCHED ON TO HIS TRAINER'S LEG AND DRAGGED HER ALONG THE GROUND IN FRONT OF TERRIFIED SCHOOL CHILDREN. THE VIDEO SHOWS THE WOMAN AND HER HUSBAND VIOLENTLY WHIPPING GANDHI UNTIL HE FINALLY LET GO.

IN ANOTHER WELL KNOWN INCIDENT, AN ELEPHANT NAMED TIKE CRUSHED A TRAINER IN FRONT OF TERRIFIED CIRCUS AUDIENCE AND THEN INJURED 13 MORE PEOPLE AS SHE FLED THE CIRCUS IN TERROR. SHE RAN THROUGH CITY STREETS AND WAS SHOT NEARLY 100 TIMES BEFORE SHE FINALLY COLLAPSED AND DIED. THESE STORIES AREN'T UNIQUE. DANGEROUS INTERACTIONS WITH CAPTIVE ANIMALS, CAPTIVE EXOTIC ANIMALS HAVE RESULTED IN DOZENS OF HUMAN DEATHS AND HUNDREDS OF CATASTROPHIC INJURIES. EVERYTHING FROM SEVERED LIMBS, BROKEN BONES, CRUSHED PELVISES, COLLAPSED AND PUNCTURED LUNGS, INJURIES, HEAD WOUNDS AND BRAIN INJURIES. IT SHOULD NEVER BE A SURPRISE WHEN A POWERFUL WILD ANIMAL BEHAVES LIKE A POWERFUL WILD ANIMAL. BUT THE ANIMALS WHO RESPOND EXTINCT ACTIVELY TO THEIR SURROUNDINGS ARE THE ONES THAT PAY THEIR PRICE. THEY DON'T BELONG ON CARNIVALS,

MIDWAYS AND NOT WILLING PARTICIPANTS IN CIRCUSES. AND THE ONLY WAY TO PROTECT PUBLIC SAFETY AND PREVENT CRUELTY IS TO PROHIBIT THESE EXPLOITATIVE ACTS ALL TOGETHER. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU FOR COMING. GOOD MORNING.

Amanda St. Thomas: THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME YOUR TIME. MY NAME IS AMANDA ST. THOMAS AND I HAVE WORKED FOR VETERINARIANS AS AN ASSISTANT AND OFFICE MANAGER AND I WAS ALSO A DAY CAPTAIN FOR THE OREGON ZOO WHICH WAS WASHINGTON PARK ZOO MANY YEARS AGO. I'M OPPOSED TO THIS MEASURE. SPECIFICALLY TO THIS ORDINANCE. WHILE A CITY, COUNTY OR STATE MAY REGULATE ACTIVITY WITHIN THEIR JURISDICTION, THE BAN OF A BUSINESS IN THIS CASE CIRCUSES WHICH TRAVELS INTERSTATE IS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE USDA, I BELIEVE FALLS UNDER THE INTERSTATE COMMERCE CLAUSE. AND I DON'T THINK THAT THIS COUNTY OR THIS COMMISSION HAS A RIGHT TO LEGALLY BAN THEM. SPECIFICALLY TO THIS ORDINANCE, I'M GLAD THAT YOU'RE ADDING THE EXCLUSION OF HORSES. IT WAS NOT IN THE ORIGINAL LIST OF ANIMALS THAT WERE EITHER INCLUDED NOR EXCLUDED AND I DON'T BELIEVE THAT WAS UNINTENTIONAL. THE INFORMATION THAT COMES FORWARD IN THESE ORDINANCES COMES DIRECTLY FROM HUMANE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES AND OTHER A.R. GROUPS. THEY ARE LAWYERS AND I THINK THEY'RE WELL AWARE OF WHAT THEY'RE PUTTING IN. SHARON HARMON MENTIONED THAT HORSES WERE AN ISSUE FOR ANOTHER DAY. WHAT DOES THAT MEAN? THAT DISTURBS ME.

I THINK THAT THE ELECTED OFFICIALS NEED TO RETHINK THEIR AGENDA AND THEIR ASSOCIATIONS WITH RADICAL ANIMAL RIGHTS GROUPS, REJECT THEIR INFLUENCE AND THEIR CAMPAIGN MONEY. SPECIFICALLY, TO THIS ORDINANCE, I HAVE YET TO SEE ANY DATA THAT SUPPORTS THE AMENDMENTS THAT ARE PRESENTED. I DON'T KNOW WHERE ANYONE HAS GONE TO A CIRCUS OR A ZOO OR GONE TO WILDLIFE SAFARI, HAD INTERACTION WITH A CHEETAH OR A LION AND GONE OUT AND TRIED TO BUY ONE OR BREED ONE. I THINK THESE ARE OPINIONS. I HAVE YET TO SEE THE DATA. I DON'T BELIEVE THAT'S BEEN SUPPORTED. OVER 26 YEARS, THESE WERE PETA STATISTICS FROM 1990 THROUGH 2016, THERE HAVE BEEN A TOTAL OF FOUR BIG CAT ATTACKS IN OREGON. NOT ONE OF THEM WAS IN -- ONLY ONE WITH A FATALITY. ONLY ONE OF THEM WAS A PRIVATE ENTERPRISE AND THAT WAS BACK IN 1992. SO THE DATA SUPPORTING THAT THIS IS A PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUE IS AGAIN NOT SUPPORTED. AND IF WELFARE IS THE PRIMARY REASON FOR SUPPORTING THIS FOR ANIMAL WELFARE, WHY IS THIS B6 WHICH WAS PASSED AS AN EMERGENCY MEASURE IN 2013 NOT FULLY ENFORCED? OREGON HUMANE SOCIETY, HUMANE SOCIETY OF THE UNITED STATES AND OTHERS --

Chair Kafoury: YOU CAN FINISH YOUR SENTENCE.

Amanda St. Thomas: AND OTHERS PASSED THAT BECAUSE IT WAS IMPERATIVE FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY. YET, IT'S STILL NOT ENFORCED. THERE ARE ONLY SEVEN COUNTIES THAT ARE IN COMPLIANCE. AND ONE OF THE COUNTIES THAT HAD A PERSON WHO WAS INVOLVED IN PASSING THE LEGISLATION, THAT COUNTY ISN'T EVEN IN COMPLIANCE.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR COMING.

Amanda St. Thomas: THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

Chair Kafoury: YOU'RE UP. GOOD MORNING.

John Deaton: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOHN DEATON AND I OWN NORTHWEST REPTILE EXPOS AND PRETTY MUCH THE ONLY CAPTIVE BRED SHOW IN AMERICA. WE'RE THE LARGEST REPTILE EXPO NORTHWEST AND THE SECOND LARGEST ON THE WEST COAST. I DON'T KNOW IF THIS IS EVEN GOING TO TOUCH ON MY SHOW BUT I KNOW EVENTUALLY THEY WILL COME FOR IT. SO I JUST WANT TO SHOW UP AND TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT IT. FIRST OFF, I'M KIND OF SUSPICIOUS THAT THE ZOO HAS THEIR NAME ON THIS BECAUSE BASICALLY, IT'S GOING TO ELIMINATE ALL THEIR COMPETITORS IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY BASICALLY LETTING THEM MONOPOLIZE THE WHOLE ANIMAL PROGRAM. AND ALL I REALLY SEEN IT BEING SPEARHEADED BY IS THE HUMANE SOCIETY. I DON'T SEE OUTCRY BY THE PUBLIC. I DON'T SEE PETITIONS SIGNED. I DON'T SEE STUFF GOING ON. ANIMALS KILLING PEOPLE. WE'VE HAD OUR SHOW GOING ON FOR ALMOST 12 YEARS AND WE'VE NEVER ONCE EVEN HAD AN AMBULANCE AT OUR BUILDING. YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN?

SO IT'S JUST KIND OF INTERESTING THAT THE ZOO MIGHT BE USING THE STATE TO GET THIS PUSHED THROUGH. WHY IS THE MOVIE INDUSTRY NOT IN THIS BILL? IS HOLLYWOOD SOMEHOW KNOW WHAT THEY'RE DOING MORE THAN EVERYBODY ELSE BECAUSE I DON'T SEE THAT. ALL I SEE IS THEY PUT MORE MONEY INTO IT AND YOU'RE ALLOWING THAT TO BE PUSHED THROUGH BECAUSE OF THE MONEY. AND WHY ISN'T ANYBODY NOTIFIED ABOUT THIS MEETING? THERE'S A LOT OF BIG COMPANIES AND NONE OF THEM -- I WASN'T NOTIFIED BY MULTNOMAH. I WASN'T NOTIFIED BY FISH AND WILDLIFE. BY NOBODY. REPTILE BASICALLY A REPTILE RESCUE TOLD ME ABOUT THIS AND I JUST FOUND OUT ABOUT IT YESTERDAY OR THE DAY BEFORE. I E-MAILED EVERY ONE OF YOU AND I HEARD FROM YOU AND NEVER GAVE ME AN ANSWER OF WHAT WAS DEFINED IN THIS BILL. TALKING ABOUT SAFETY, MORE PEOPLE ARE HURT IN THIS STATE BY BEES, FARM ANIMALS, HORSES THAT KILL A LOT OF PEOPLE. SO IT'S JUST KIND OF SCARY WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DISCONNECT PEOPLE FROM THE ANIMALS. AND THAT DOESN'T HELP ANIMALS IN THE LONG RUN.

John Deaton: THAT ONLY MAKES PEOPLE FORGET ABOUT ANIMALS. NONE OF THEM CARE REALLY. AND THEN YOU'RE TRYING TO SAY HOW, OH, FIVE OTHER STATES ARE DOING THIS. 10 OTHER STATES IN AMERICA ALLOW YOU TO HAVE SEX WITH ANIMALS. ARE YOU GOING TO START POINT THAT OUT? WE'LL JUMP ON THAT WAGON, TOO? HELL NO, NOBODY WANTS THAT. MOST OF THE PEOPLE THAT RUN THESE SHOWS, A GOOD PORTION OF THEM ARE CAPTOR BRED. PEOPLE DON'T WANT TO BRING THESE WILD ANIMALS INTO THE SHOWS AND TAKE THEM OUT TO DEAL WITH THE PUBLIC. THAT'S CRAZY. MOST OF THESE COME FROM BREEDING PROGRAMS RIGHT HERE IN THE STATES. THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT HOW THE ZOOS AND SOME OF THE OTHER CIRCUSES PUSH ELEPHANTS OUT TO OTHER PEOPLE. YEAH, THAT'S A CAPTIVE BRED PROGRAM. YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN? SO I JUST WANTED TO BRING UP A FEW POINTS ON THAT. THIS IS GOING TO STOP CIRCUSES. SORRY. TALKING ABOUT LOW INCOME PEOPLE. HOW ARE LOW INCOME PEOPLE GOING TO BE ABLE TO TRAVEL OUT OF THE COUNTY? THEY'RE ALREADY PINCHING MONEY JUST TO GO TO ONE OF THESE THINGS AND NOW THEY'LL HAVE TO TRAVEL OUT OF THE COUNTY? MOST PEOPLE I KNOW IN PORTLAND DON'T HAVE A DRIVER'S LICENSE, LET ALONE A CAR. MOST PEOPLE ARE BUSSING TO THIS. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. THANKS FOR COMING.

Commissioner Meieran: I JUST WANT TO POINT OUT, MY CHIEF OF STAFF KATIE SHRIVER IS IN THE BACK OVER THERE OR WHERE DID SHE GO? OH, THERE SHE IS. SHE'S THAT WAY. BUT IF YOU WANT TO STEP UP AND TALK TO HER, I'M GOING TO HAVE SOME CLOSING COMMENTS BUT IF YOU WANT TO TALK TO HER, SHE CAN TALK TO YOU IN MORE DEPTH.

John Deaton: I WANT TO SEE MORE DETAIL ABOUT WHAT THEY WANT. THEY ALL SAY THAT THIS IS ONLY WANT AT THAT TIME AND IT'S GOING TO CONTINUE TO GO ON. THIS TIME WE WANT THIS. THIS TIME WE WANT THIS.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. WE HAVE OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD? COMMISSIONER COMMISSIONER STEGMANN?

Vice-Chair Stegmann: I WOULD LIKE TO ASK IF WE HAVE LEGAL STANDING TO ENFORCE THIS AMENDMENT.

Jenny Madkour: MULTNOMAH COUNTY HAS THE AUTHORITY TO LEGISLATE OVER PUBLIC ISSUES WITHIN THE BORDERS ARE MATTERS OF THE COUNTY CONCERN.

Vice-Chair Stegmann: I HAVE OTHER QUESTIONS. I WOULD LIKE MAYBE KIND OF LIKE TO EXPAND ON THE MOVIE INDUSTRY, ALSO THE TESTIMONY THAT I HEARD ABOUT NORTHWEST REPTILE. AND THEN ALSO THE HORSES. SO I JUST LIKE WHY, WHY NOT INCLUDE THE HORSES.

Jackie Rose: I'M HAPPY TO SPEAK TO THAT OR DO THE BEST JOB THAT I CAN. I REALIZE I WAS SO EXCITED TO BE HERE, I NEGLECTED TO FOR THE RECORD ACKNOWLEDGE JACKIE ROSE, THE DIRECTOR FOR ANIMAL SERVICES. I'LL TAKE THE HORSES FIRST. THE AMENDMENT THAT THE COMMISSIONER OFFERED WAS AN OVERSIGHT ON OUR PART. IT WAS A PIECE THAT WE LEFT OUT. WE NEVER INTENDED THIS TO AFFECT HORSES, TO AFFECT 4-H CLUBS, THAT AFFECT HORSES THAT ARE IN THE ROSE FESTIVAL PARADE. THAT WAS NEVER OUR INTENTION. AS A MATTER OF FACT, WE HAD A CONVERSATION WHEN WE FIRST STARTED TALKING ABOUT THIS ABOUT THE SHOW. WOULD THAT BE IMPACTED BY THIS? OF COURSE, THAT WAS NOT OUR INTENTION. AGAIN, BECAUSE WE DON'T SEE HORSES AS WILD AND EXOTIC ANIMALS. WE BELIEVE THAT HORSES HAVE A WONDERFUL PLACE IN OUR SOCIETY AND IT'S NOT GENERALLY A LARGE COMMERCIAL INDUSTRY THAT'S TRANSPORTING HORSES FOR DISPLAY. AND SO THAT IS ONE PIECE.

IN REGARDS TO THE REPTILE PIECE FOR THE GENTLEMAN WHO SPOKE, AGAIN, OUR CURRENT ORDINANCE FORBIDS ANYONE FROM HARBORING OR OWNING EXOTIC ANIMALS. IN THAT IT INCLUDES CROCODILES AND ALLIGATORS. THAT'S THE ONLY HERE THAT WE'RE NOT CALLING OUT ANY OTHER REPTILES. LET ME BE CLEAR ON WHAT I'M SAYING. WE'RE NOT CALLING UP ANY OTHER REPTILES EXCEPT CROCODILES AND ALLIGATORS UNDER THIS AMENDMENT. WE DON'T BELIEVE THIS AMENDMENT SHOULD HAVE ANY IMPACT UPON HIS SHOW. THE CONCERN IS, IS THIS A SLIPPERY SLOPE? AND I APPRECIATE THAT CONVERSATION. I CAN TELL YOU THAT IS NOT THE INTENTION GENUINELY THAT IS NOT THE INTENTION. WE'RE ATTEMPTING TO DO WITH THIS ACTIVITY. WE ARE TRYING TO PRECLUDE PEOPLE TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO COME IN WITH EXOTIC ANIMALS WHO ARE BEING TRANSPORTED THROUGH FOR SIMPLY THE PURPOSE OF DISPLAY AND EXHIBITION. AND THAT SPEAKS TO THE LAST PIECE REGARDING THE FILM INDUSTRY. THOSE ANIMALS ARE NOT ON DISPLAY. THEY ARE, IF YOU WILL, WORKING ANIMALS IN THAT SENSE AND THERE ARE PROFESSIONAL WHO'S ARE MANAGING THOSE ANIMALS THROUGH THAT PROCESS.

IT'S THE EXPLOITATION OF USING WILD AND EXOTIC ANIMALS FOR PUBLIC ENTERTAINMENT. THEY ARE NOT SHOWPIECES. THEY ARE NOT SOMETHING FOR US TO JUST, IF YOU WILL, LOOK AT, OOGLE, GAWK AT, SIMPLY AT THEIR EXPENSE AS AN EXPLOITATION. BASED ON THE WAYS THAT THEY ARE HANDLED AND MANAGED, THAT'S THE ISSUE WHICH IS, I THINK, THE DISTINCTION BETWEEN A ZOO AND WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT HERE. ZOOS ARE PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE DESIGNED TO MANAGE AND HOUSE THESE ANIMALS, PROVIDE THE ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES THAT THEY NEED, UNDERSTAND THEIR PHYSIOLOGICAL NEEDS, THEIR MEDICAL CONCERNS AND BE ABLE TO ADEQUATELY CARE FOR THOSE ANIMALS. THAT'S NOT THE CASE WITH MANY OF THE KINDS OF SHOWS THAT COME THROUGH THAT OFFER THE EXHIBITS. THAT IS NOT TO SAY THERE COULD NOT BE AND

THERE MAY NOT BE SOME WELL RUN ORGANIZATIONS THAT DO THIS. BUT THEY ARE FEW AND FAR BETWEEN. WE DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO ADEQUATELY ENFORCE OR LEGISLATE IF WE DON'T HAVE SOMETHING THAT GIVES US THE ABILITY TO HAVE THESE KINDS OF PARAMETERS. IT REALLY COMES BACK TO AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED THE PIECE FOR US WANTING TO ENSURE THAT ALL ANIMALS ARE TREATED IN A HUMANE AND COMPASSIONATE WAY. FOR MANY OF THE EXHIBITORS THAT OPERATE IN THIS ARENA, THAT IS NOT THE CASE.

Chair Kafoury: GREAT, THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE THE EXPLANATION. THANK YOU. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

Commissioner Smith: I HAVE A QUESTION. THANK YOU FOR GIVING THE PRESENTATION. IN TERMS OF ENFORCEMENT, IF THIS HAPPENS, WOULD THEY CALL ANIMAL SERVICES OR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO ENFORCE THIS?

Jackie Rose: THEY WOULD CALL US. WE WOULD BE THE FIRST TO RESPOND TO THIS AND GO OUT AND DO AN INVESTIGATION AND DETERMINE WHAT THAT SITUATION IS. IF WE FOUND THAT THERE WAS A VIOLATION, THERE ARE CIVIL PENALTIES THAT ARE ATTACHED TO THIS. IF WE FOUND THAT THESE ANIMALS ARE IN SOME TYPE OF IMMEDIATE OR IMMINENT DISTRESS, WE WOULD THEN TAKE ACTION AND THOSE ACTIVITIES THAT WE WOULD DO WOULD BE DETERMINED BASED ON WHAT IT IS WHETHER WE HAVE A LION VS. ON AN OSTRICH OR A SNAKE. WE WOULD THEN MAKE THOSE DECISIONS. THAT WOULD BE NO DIFFERENT THAN WHAT WE WOULD HAVE UNDER OUR CURRENT ORDINANCE REGARDLESS OF BEING A WILD ANIMAL OR COMPANION ANIMAL OR LIVESTOCK ANIMAL. ANIMAL IN DISTRESS, THAT'S OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO RESPOND AND TRULY, THERE COULD BE A TIME WE WOULD CALL UPON SHARON HARMON AND HER TEAM TO ASSIST US IN THAT ACTIVITY. BUT WE WOULD BE THE FIRST RESPONDERS.

Commissioner Smith: SO THIS IDENTIFIES CIVIL AND CRIMINAL --

Jackie Rose: THE ACTIVITY IN THIS IS A CIVIL MATTER. I WAS JUST SAYING THAT IF WE HAD A SITUATION THAT ROSE TO THE MATTER OF CRUELTY AND NEGLECT, WE MAY INVESTIGATE THAT AND THERE MAY BE STATE CHARGES THAT WOULD BE BROUGHT FOR THAT. WHICH ARE CRIMINAL BUT THAT AGAIN WOULDN'T MATTER WHETHER IT WAS WILD OR COMPANION ANIMALS, IT WOULD BE AN ANIMAL.

Commissioner Smith: WE WOULD REFER THAT TO THE D.A.'S OFFICE?

Jackie Rose: THAT WOULD GO THROUGH THE JUDICIAL PROCESS THROUGH THE D.A.'S OFFICE IF IT WENT STATE. YES.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: QUESTION?

Vice-Chair Stegmann: THANK YOU, CHAIR. IF THIS IS ENACTED, HOW DO WE NOTIFY THESE BUSINESSES OF THIS CHANGE? IS THERE LIKE A LICENSING -- I MEAN, HOW DOES THIS WORK WHEN A TRAVELING SHOW COMES TO TOWN? DO THEY HAVE TO GET A PERMIT? HOW DOES THAT WORK?

Jackie Rose: MY UNDERSTANDING IS GENERALLY THEY DO. AND MAYBE DAVID OR MAYBE ANDREA MAY HAVE BETTER INFORMATION ABOUT THAT. BUT I THINK ABOUT LIKE THE ROSE FESTIVAL, THEY HAVE TO APPLY TO HAVE THEIR EXHIBIT THERE. WE WOULD NOTIFY THE ROSE FESTIVAL THESE KINDS OF EXHIBITS WOULD NO LONGER BE ALLOWED.

Commissioner Meieran: THANK YOU. AND I JUST WANTED TO AGAIN THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR COMMENTS. AND THE INDIVIDUALS WHO TESTIFIED ALSO FOR THEIR COMMENTS AND THE BEAUTY OF OUR PROCESS IS THAT THIS IS A FIRST READING SO OUR ORDINANCE IS SCHEDULED TO COME BACK IN ANOTHER MONTH FOR A SECOND READING AND A FINAL VOTE AT THAT TIME ON JULY 12TH. AND SO WE WILL TAKE THESE QUESTIONS INTO CONSIDERATION AND THERE IS A PROCESS. AS THE GENTLEMAN WITH THE REPTILE SHOW ASKED, WE WEREN'T NOTIFIED. THIS IS THE PROCESS. SO THERE IS PUBLIC NOTIFICATION ABOUT THIS AND SO WELCOME ANYONE TO COME AND PROVIDE TESTIMONY AT THAT NEXT MEETING TO COME CONTACT OUR OFFICE ABOUT THIS WITH ANY QUESTIONS AND I WOULD LIKE TO THANK OUR PANELISTS WHO SPOKE TODAY, ESPECIALLY TO ANDREA KOZIL FOR HER TRULY TENACIOUS ADVOCACY IN THE BEST SENSE OF THE WORD AND HER DAUGHTER WHO IS WITH HER ALL THE TIME ON BEHALF OF THE ISSUE AND TO JACKIE ROSE WHO DOES A FANTASTIC JOB GUIDING US AND SUPPORTING US JUST IN ALL MATTERS ANIMAL AND PARTICULARLY AS WE DEVELOP THIS ORDINANCE. AND DAVID BLANKFELD, THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE WAS VERY HELPFUL ALONG THE WAY AND FINALLY, A BIG THANK YOU TO MY STAFF. PARTICULARLY KATIE SHRIVER AND WHO IS LIKE HIDING BEHIND A POST RIGHT NOW. AND THEN KYLE SCHWAB WHO JUST TOOK THIS ON AND HAS DONE A TREMENDOUS, TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF WORK. PEOPLE THANK ME BUT IT'S ACTUALLY KYLE. AND HE RECENTLY LEFT MY OFFICE AND I'M NOT BITTER. BUT DURING HIS TENURE IN MY OFFICE, HE REALLY TOOK THE LEAD. SO I'M GLAD HE WAS ABLE TO BE HERE TODAY. AND AGAIN WE'LL BE HEARING ABOUT THIS MORE ON JULY 12TH SO THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. DO WE HAVE ANYMORE LAST MINUTE QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD? FIRST OF ALL, WE'VE GOT TO VOTE ON THE AMENDMENT, PROPOSED AMENDMENT FROM COMMISSIONER MEIERAN. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE AMENDMENT VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] AND NOW ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF MOVING THIS ORDINANCE TO A SECOND READING WITH THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT, PLEASE VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE

FIRST READING IS APPROVED AND THE SECOND READING WILL BE ON THURSDAY, JULY 12, 2018. THANK YOU.

R.7 Proclaiming June 19th, 2018 as Juneteenth Day in Multnomah County. Sponsor: Commissioner Loretta Smith, District 2. Presenters: Aimeera Flint, Avel Gordly, & invited guests.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER STEGMANN MOVES, COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.7. COMMISSIONER SMITH, ARE YOU KICKING US OFF?

Commissioner Smith: YES, I AM. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. FIRST, I WANT TO THANK AND ACKNOWLEDGE MY COLLEAGUES ON THIS BOARD. THIS IS A BITTERSWEET MOMENT FOR ME. I HAD PARTICIPATED IN SEVERAL PROCLAMATIONS OVER MY TIME AND AS THE COMMISSIONER FOR DISTRICT TWO AND WITH THIS BEING MY LAST, I AM STRUCK BY A MOMENT OF SADNESS. YET AT THE SAME TIME, I'M HONORED TO BRING FORTH THE VERY FIRST JUNETEENTH PROCLAMATION HERE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. I AM PROUD TO LIVE IN A COUNTY THAT CELEBRATES JUNETEENTH IN A MOST OFFICIAL AND PUBLIC MANNER. TODAY, WE WILL HEAR A BIT ABOUT JUNETEENTH, ITS BEGINNING, HISTORY AND STORY ABOUT ITS INVOLVEMENT IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY'S HISTORY. WE WILL HEAR A BIT ABOUT THE WORK OF A FEW THAT BROUGHT JOY AND AWARENESS TO MANY. JUNETEENTH IS TO ME A STORY OF RESOLVE. REJOICE AND RESTORATION. HOW THE CIVIL WAR WITH ITS PAIN AND SUFFERING AND ITS CONCLUSION WAS NOT ACKNOWLEDGED BY ALL STATES WITH TEXAS BEING THE HOLDOUT STATE TO EMBRACING THE PROCLAMATION. HOW FEDERAL TROOPS DELIVERED THE MESSAGE THAT SLAVERY WAS INDEED OVER AND UPON THAT DELIVERY REJOICING TOOK PLACE. YET, A RESOLVE OF THE PEOPLE OCCURRED TO MAKE THIS NOTABLE MOMENT STAND OUT OVER THE COURSE OF TIME.

Commissioner Smith: SLOWLY, JUNETEENTH BECAME A RECOGNIZED DAY OF CELEBRATION THROUGHOUT THE NATION. ALTHOUGH IT IS NOT A NATIONAL HOLIDAY BUT A RECOGNITION OF THE DIGNITY OF ALL MEN AND WOMEN AS MENTIONED IN THE FOUNDING DOCUMENTS OF THIS COUNTRY. BUT IT WASN'T AN EASY PROCESS. YET, WITH RESOLVE, THE PEOPLE MOVED FORWARD AND TODAY, YOU WILL HEAR OF THOSE IN PORTLAND IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY WHO BROUGHT JUNETEENTH TO OUR COMMUNITY. AS WELL TODAY, WE CELEBRATE JUNETEENTH AND WE TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO CELEBRATE THE LIFE IN THE WORK OF THE SENATOR. UNFORTUNATELY, SENATOR GORDLY WAS NOT ABLE TO MAKE IT TO BE WITH US HERE THIS MORNING, BUT SHE PLANS IT ATTENDING THE JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION HOSTED BY THE E.O.C. AND HELD RIGHT HERE TOMORROW AT 11:30 A.M. I WILL BE SPEAKING THERE AND WILL MAKE SURE TO PRESENT SENATOR GORDLY WITH HER OFFICIAL SIGNED COPY OF THIS PROCLAMATION. I WILL NOT DESCRIBE ALL THE GOOD SENATOR'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS BUT THERE ARE SO MANY,

THERE'S ANOTHER VOICE HERE TODAY THAT WILL BRING THOSE TO US. BUT I WILL SAY THIS. WE SIT TODAY IN THE PRESENCE OF A TRUE CHAMPION, FIGHTER, VISIONARY, A LEADER, A WOMAN I AM PROUD TO CALL A FRIEND. SO LET US HEAR ABOUT THIS INCREDIBLE MEMBER OF OUR COMMUNITY AND REJOICE THAT WE HAVE BEEN WITNESS TO A TRUE CHAMPION. AIMEERA, WILL YOU PLEASE COME TO THE SPEAKER'S TABLE?

Aimeera Flint: HI. HI, COMMISSIONERS. GREETINGS TO CHAIR KAFOURY AND COMMISSIONER AND SPECIAL THANK YOU TO COMMISSIONER SMITH FOR BRINGING THIS PROCLAMATION FORWARD. AND FOR HONORING AVEL GORDLY IN THIS PROCLAMATION. SHE WANTED THEM TO SEND HER DEEPEST GRATITUDE AND THANKS TO YOU FOR BRINGING THIS HISTORICAL MOMENT TODAY AND INCLUDING HER IN THAT. AVEL GORDLY EXHIBITS THE QUALITIES OF JUNETEENTH.

Chair Kafoury: YOU HAVE TO STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD.

Aimeera Flint: MY NAME IS AIMEERA FLINT, EXECUTIVE COORDINATOR WITH E.O.C. AND WORK IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT WITH CONTRACTS AND PROCUREMENT.

Commissioner Smith: EMPLOYEES OF COLOR.

Aimeera Flint: YES, I AM A LEADER THERE. AND I DO HAVE RAYMOND, NATASHA AND ANDREA HERE SUPPORTING ME. AND MARISA WAS HERE AND HI TO KIM AS WELL. I'M SORRY, AVEL GORDLY EXHIBITS THE QUALITIES OF JUNETEENTH AS AN AMAZING LEADER THAT BELIEVES IN THE DIGNITY AND WORK OF ALL CITIZENS. AS A LEADER AND PUBLIC SERVE APT, SHE HAS CONTRIBUTED TO THE STATE OF OREGON AND THE BETTERMENT OF CITIZENS THROUGH HER PUBLIC POLICY WORK, COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS AND ADVOCACY FOR RACIAL AND SOCIAL JUSTICE. AS A LEADER, PUBLIC SERVANT AND EDUCATOR, AVEL HAS CONTRIBUTED TO THE BETTERMENT OF ALL PEOPLE. I CAN LITERALLY SPEND THE ENTIRE DAY HERE TALKING ABOUT HER MANY ACCOMPLISHMENTS. BUT OUT OF ALL THE THINGS SHE HAS DONE, WHAT STANDS OUT THE MOST FOR ME IS HOW SHE CHOOSES TO SHOW UP IN THE WORLD.

SHE CHOSE TO BE A LEADER. AND TO USE HER VOICE TO SPEAK UP AGAINST INJUSTICE AND TO SPEAK FOR THOSE WHO SOMETIMES CAN'T SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES. AVEL HAS BEEN A BLESSING AND A TREASURE IN MY LIFE. SHE'S A MENTOR AND I'M PROUD TO SAY SHE'S A FRIEND. SHE IS TRULY A TREASURE NOT JUST TO ME BUT FOR ALL OF US HERE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY AND THE STATE OF OREGON. HER CHARACTER TRULY SPEAKS FOR ITSELF. I MET AVEL WHEN I WAS AN UNDERGRADUATE AT PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY AND I WAS ALSO A STUDENT PARENT AND IN STUDENT GOVERNMENT AND LEADERSHIP AT PORTLAND STATE. AT THAT TIME, DIDN'T

HAVE A FRAME OF REFERENCE FOR HOW THE UNIVERSITY WORKED OR HOW TO NAVIGATE THAT PROCESS AS SOMETIMES I FELT REALLY OUT OF PLACE. BUT GOING INTO HER OFFICE AND BEING ABLE TO TALK TO HER AND RECEIVE HER MENTORSHIP REALLY HELPED ME FEEL A SENSE OF BELONGING AT THE UNIVERSITY WHEN SOMETIMES I DIDN'T FEEL AS IF I BELONGED. I REMEMBER ONE TIME, MY CAR BROKE DOWN AND SHE AND HER CHIEF AND STAFF WOULD COME AND GET ME AND TAKE ME TO THE STATE CAPITOL AND INTERN WITH HER.

Aimeera Flint: SHE WOULD DROP ME OFF AT HOME. ONE OF THE DAYS ON OUR WAY BACK FROM SALEM, WE STOPPED AT MCCLAREN, DETENTION CENTER FOR BOYS, ADJUDICATED YOUTH AND MOST OF THEM HAVE A LOT OF TIME ON THEIR HANDS. AND WHEN WE GOT THERE, SHE TREATED THEM AS IF SHE TREATED ANYBODY ELSE. SHE EVEN TOLD THEM SHE DIDN'T WANT TO KNOW WHAT THEY DID OR WHY THEY WERE THERE. SHE SPOKE LIFE INTO THOSE KIDS AND SHE DIDN'T JUDGE THEM. ONE OF THE KIDS WROTE AN AMAZING SONG ABOUT HER, AND THEY ALL EMBRACED HER LIKE THE QUEEN SHE IS BECAUSE WHEN YOU GIVE RESPECT, YOU ALWAYS GET IT BACK. AVEL HAS SHOWN NOT JUST ME BUT ALL OF US WHAT A LEADER OF GRACE, HUMILITY, EMPATHY AND UNDERSTANDING CAN ACHIEVE. WHEN YOU PUT YOUR EGO TO THE SIDE, YOU CAN ACHIEVE MUCH MORE. YOU CAN LEARN MUCH MORE. YOU CAN GIVE MUCH MORE AND YOU GROW AS A PERSON. THERE IS STRENGTH IN SERVING. YES, ACCOLADES ARE GREAT. AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS ARE TO BE HAD. BUT HOW YOU TREAT PEOPLE MATTERS. WHAT YOU STAND FOR MATTERS AND HOW YOU MAKE PEOPLE FEEL MATTERS. AS WE REFLECT ON JUNETEENTH AND HOW FAR WE'VE COME AS A PEOPLE, EVERY DAY WE ARE REMINDED ON HOW FAR WE STILL HAVE TO GO.

THAT IS WHY I AM GLAD COMMISSIONER SMITH HAS BROUGHT FORTH THIS PROCLAMATION TODAY BECAUSE, UNFORTUNATELY, IN 2018, RACISM, DISCRIMINATION AND OPPRESSION STILL EXISTS. AND SHOW UP IN MANY WAYS IN OUR SOCIETY SUCH AS POLICE BRUTALITY, A FLAWED CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM AS WELL AS CONTINUED DISPARITIES IN OUR HEALTH EDUCATION, AND WORKPLACE INSTITUTIONS. BUT HERE AT MULTNOMAH COUNTY, WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO TRULY MAKE A DIFFERENCE. TO CHANGE THE WAY WE WANT TO SHOW UP IN THE WORLD. AND TO CHOOSE THE WAY IN WHICH WE SHOW UP. THE WORK FORCE EQUITY STRATEGIC PLAN IS OUR OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE AND TO CREATE LASTING CHANGE HERE AT MULTNOMAH COUNTY. WE ARE THE CHANGE WE WANT TO SEE, AND ONLY WE CAN DO THIS TOGETHER. I AM LOOKING FORWARD IN CONTINUING TO WORK WITH YOU ALL AS WE BUILD NEW PARTNERSHIPS, FORGE NEW PATHS AND MOST IMPORTANTLY MOVE THIS WORK FORWARD. THANK YOU COMMISSIONERS AND THANK YOU SO MUCH, COMMISSIONER SMITH, FOR BRINGING THE JUNETEENTH PROCLAMATION TO MULTNOMAH COUNTY AS THIS IS A HISTORIC TIME RIGHT NOW. AND IT IS ALSO A REMINDER

TO US TO CONTINUE TO WORK FOR THE FREEDOM AND DIGNITY OF ALL PEOPLE. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. SOMEONE WANT TO READ THE PROCLAMATION? YOU HAVE IT? THERE IT GOES. THANK YOU.

Commissioner Smith: THANKS. [READS PROCLAMATION INTO THE RECORD.]

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: DO WE HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD? COMMISSIONER?

Commissioner Meieran: THANK YOU. THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER SMITH FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS PROCLAMATION TODAY WHICH IS SO INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT I'M SO GLAD THAT IT IS HONORING AVEL GORDLY. I HAD THE PRIVILEGE TO WORK WITH HER FOR TWO YEARS OVERSEEING POLICE USE OF FORCE AGAINST PEOPLE WITH MENTAL HEALTH CRISES AND IT WAS ONE OF THE GREATEST PRIVILEGES TO JUST BE THERE IN THAT GROUP WITH HER. SHE TRULY IS A HEALER AND SUCH A POWERFUL VOICE AND WHEN THERE'S SO MUCH GOING ON, SHE WOULD BE QUIET AND SIT THERE AND TAKE IT ALL IN AND BOOM, SHE WOULD COME OUT QUIETLY WITH THIS POWERFUL STATEMENT THAT EVERYONE IS JUST LIKE OH, OK. IT'S JUST COMPASSIONATE, EMPATHETIC, WONDERFUL HUMAN BEING. BUT JUST COMMEMORATING THIS DAY AND THIS TIME AND THE HISTORY IS SO INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT AS WE TRY TO MOVE FORWARD BECAUSE IT'S NOT OVER AND WE HAVE A LOT OF WORK TO DO. THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER SMITH.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR. WHEN I THINK ABOUT SENATOR AVEL GORDLY, I THINK ABOUT A COMMUNITY. I THINK ABOUT SOMEONE WHO HAS BEEN STEADFAST IN SPEAKING UP FOR INJUSTICES AND JUST WANT TO PIGGY BACK ON WHAT EVERYONE HAS SAID. MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES AND HAVING POLICIES AND RESOURCES TO ADDRESS MENTAL HEALTH HAS BEEN A HUGE ISSUE FOR SENATOR GORDLY. AND WHEN I THINK ABOUT HER AWARD THAT SHE GOT FROM THE SCANNER FOUNDATION IN 2008 FOR THE DRUM MAJOR FOR JUSTICE AWARD FOR HER DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE PEOPLE OF OREGON AND HER TENURE AT THE LEGISLATURE, SHE RECEIVED AN AWARD AND SENATOR GORDLY SPOKE ABOUT THE URGENT NEED FOR REFORMING OREGON'S MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM AND CITING A RECENT REPORT THAT FOUND SERIOUS DEFICIENCIES IN CARE STANDARDS AT THE OREGON STATE HOSPITAL AND SHE ASKED THEN GOVERNOR AND THE SENATE PRESIDENT TO ACT TO PROTECT THOSE PATIENTS AND SHE'S BEEN AWAY FROM THE LEGISLATURE BUT SHE HAS NOT BEEN AWAY FROM THE

ISSUE. SHE CONTINUES TO SUPPORT AND FIGHT AND BE A CHAMPION FOR SPECIFIC MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR EVERYONE. AND ESPECIALLY BLACK AND BROWN RESIDENTS IN THIS COMMUNITY. SO I SALUTE HER. AS THE CHAMPION THAT SHE IS AND THE LEADER IN THIS COMMUNITY BECAUSE IT'S SO IMPORTANT FOR PEOPLE TO TALK ABOUT THOSE ISSUES THAT VERY RARELY GET ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THE NEWSPAPER OR THE FIRST BYLINE ON THE NEWS AS SOMETHING THAT'S IMPORTANT AND I THINK SHE HAS -- SHE HAS BEEN A HUGE SUPPORTER OF THIS AND WE WILL REMEMBER HER FOR YEARS TO COME. BECAUSE OF IT. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: FIRST OF ALL, THANK YOU TO COMMISSIONER SMITH FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. I THINK THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO ACKNOWLEDGE A DAY IN A WAY THAT THE STATE OF OREGON HAS BEEN DOING FOR A WHILE BECAUSE OF SENATOR AVEL GORDLY AND THE WORK THAT SHE DID. AND I THINK, I MEAN, COMMISSIONER SMITH, YOU TOOK THE WORDS OUT OF MY MOUTH WHEN YOU SAY SHE WAS SUCH A TRAIL BLAZER AND A LEADER IN BECOMING THE FIRST AFRICAN-AMERICAN WOMAN SENATOR FOR OUR STATE. BUT HAS NOT STOPPED SINCE SHE STOPPED TWO YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE AND CONTINUING TO HAVE AN IMPACT ON OUR COMMUNITY FOR THE BETTER. AND HELPING US REALLY ACHIEVE THE BELOVED COMMUNITY. SO THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD TO HONOR HER BUT ALSO TO LIFT UP AND ACKNOWLEDGE THE IMPORTANCE THAT THIS DAY HAS FOR SO MANY IN OUR COMMUNITY HERE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY.

Vice-Chair Stegmann: THANK YOU, CHAIR AND THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER SMITH FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. IT JUST REALLY FASCINATING TO LEARN THE HISTORY NOT ONLY OF OREGON AND WE HAVE SOME REALLY INCREDIBLE WOMEN IN OREGON. IT'S REALLY AMAZING. WHEN YOU LOOK, THERE'S A BUNCH UP HERE AS WELL AS IN THE AUDIENCE. MEMBERS OF THE E.O.C. AND JUST, IT'S SUCH AN HONOR, I MEAN, BECAUSE WE DO STAND ON THE SHOULDERS OF THOSE WOMEN THAT CAME BEFORE US. SO I REALLY APPRECIATE AND THE FACT THAT SHE HAD HELPED TO REMOVE THE STATE'S BLACK EXCLUSION LAWS FROM OREGON, I'M LIKE, THAT SHOULD HAVE HAPPENED LIKE A LONG TIME AGO. BUT TO HEAR THAT IT HAPPENED IN RECENT HISTORY IS DISTURBING BUT I'M GRATEFUL THAT SHE DID IT. AND HOPEFULLY, THE MOMENTUM OF FOLKS LIKE OUR E.O.C. CAN MOVE THIS AND MAKE THIS A NATIONAL HOLIDAY AND GRATEFUL TO THE LEGISLATURE FOR MAKING AT LEAST A HOLIDAY HERE IN THE STATE OF OREGON. SO THANK YOU ALL FOR BRINGING THIS TO LIGHT AND HIGHLIGHTING OUR HISTORY BECAUSE WE HAVE TO KNOW WHERE WE'VE BEEN TO FIGURE OUT WHERE WE NEED TO GO AND HOW WE'RE GOING TO GET THERE. SO THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER SMITH.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU FOR THIS PROCLAMATION TODAY. I WANT TO THANK YOU AS WELL FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. AND I THINK IT'S REALLY APPROPRIATE THAT IN THIS PROCLAMATION AND IN AIMEERA'S TESTIMONY, YOU TALK ABOUT THE PAST, PRESENT AND THE FUTURE. THE PAST, JUNETEENTH AND THE PRESENT AND THE PAST WITH ALL THE GOOD WORK THAT SENATOR GORDLY HAS DONE IN OUR COMMUNITY. THE PRESENT IN WHAT WE'RE DOING AND THEN THE FUTURE WITH OUR WORK TO ERADICATE RACISM AND DISCRIMINATION THROUGH OUR WORK FORCE EQUITY PLAN HERE AT MULTNOMAH COUNTY. AND I THINK YOU APTLY SAID IT'S IMPORTANT TO TAKE THESE MOMENTS TO REALIZE HOW FAR WE'VE COME BUT ALSO TO REALIZE HOW FAR WE HAVE TO GO. LOOK FORWARD TO FINDING THE NEXT SENATOR AVEL GORDLY IN OUR MIDST. WE HAVE QUITE A FEW HERE AT MULTNOMAH COUNTY WHO ARE CHAMPIONS. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR

Commissioner Smith: DID YOU HAVE A COMMENT?

George Hocker: I'M PUBLIC ADVOCATE FOR COMMISSIONER SMITH. THERE'S A PORTION THAT WAS LEFT OUT. THAT LAST PORTION SAYS THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONS JUNE 19, 2018, PROCLAIMS JUNE 19, 2018, AS JUNETEENTH DAY IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. ADOPTED THIS 14TH DAY OF JUNE, 2018.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. NOW WE HAVE THE FULL PROCLAMATION. LET'S TAKE A VOTE. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES]. THE PROCLAMATION IS ADOPTED. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

R.8 Resolution Approving the FAC-1 Project Design & Construction Plan and Authorizing the permitting, bidding & construction of the Foster Shelter. Presenters: Henry Alaman & Marc Jolin.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON MOVES AND COMMISSIONER MEIERAN SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.8.

Marc Jolin: GOOD MORNING CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS FOR THE RECORD MY NAME IS MARC JOLIN.

Henry Alaman: AND MY NAME IS HENRY ALAMAN, FACILITIES AND PROPERTY MANAGER DIRECTOR.

Marc Jolin: WE APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO COME BEFORE YOU TODAY AND UPDATE YOU ON THE PROJECT THAT'S BEING CALLED THE FOSTER SHELTER. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE PROPERTY AT 6144 SOUTHEAST FOSTER ROAD THAT YOU APPROVED IN JANUARY TO BE LEASED. AND TURNED INTO A SHELTER. SO WE WANTED TO GIVE YOU AN UPDATE ON THE

PROGRESS THAT WE'VE MADE TO DATE. I'M GOING TO START THIS AND HAND IT OFF. ARE YOU GOING TO ADVANCE THE SLIDES FOR ME HERE?

Henry Alaman: I CAN DO IT.

Marc Jolin: ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU. BRIEF OVERVIEW. TALK ABOUT THE PROJECT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES, THE SHELTER PROGRAM. WE'VE DONE A LOT OF WORK OVER THE LAST SEVERAL MONTHS TO BUILD OUT THE PROGRAMMING AND I'M GOING TO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE WITH YOU SOME DETAILS AND SOME VISUALS THAT I THINK ARE PRETTY EXCITING. TALK SOME ABOUT THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, THERE'S BEEN A LOT, COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON AND HER TEAM HAVE LED THAT EFFORT. WE'LL SHARE MORE ABOUT THAT WORK. MORE SPECIFICS AROUND THE DESIGN AND PROJECT BUDGET, OF COURSE, AND THEN FINISH WITH PROJECT SCHEDULE NEXT STEPS. SO I WANTED TO START WITH A LITTLE BIT OF BACKGROUND ON HOW WE GOT HERE. BETWEEN 2015 AND 2017, YOU KNOW THAT HOMELESSNESS ROSE IN OUR COMMUNITY BY ABOUT 10%. BUT HOMELESSNESS AMONG WOMEN ROSE ABOUT 16%. HOMELESSNESS AMONG PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES ALSO ROSE MUCH FASTER THAN THE OVERALL HOMELESS POPULATION. AND PEOPLE WHO ARE OVER 55 ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS AS ONE OF THE FASTEST GROWING POPULATIONS OF PEOPLE IN OUR STREETS. SO MORE THAN TWO YEARS AGO, THE CITY OF PORTLAND DECLARED A STATE OF EMERGENCY.

THIS COMMISSION MADE A COMMITMENT TO SIGNIFICANTLY INCREASE OUR COLLECTIVE RESPONSE TO THE CRISIS ON OUR STREETS. WE DID THAT BY MAKING A COMMITMENT TO INCREASE PREVENTION AND TRY TO KEEP FOLKS FROM BECOMING HOMELESS IN THE FIRST PLACE. WE DID THAT BY MAKING A COMMITMENT TO MOVING AS MANY PEOPLE BACK INTO PERMANENT HOUSING AS FAST AS POSSIBLE AS WE COULD. AND WE'VE SEEN TREMENDOUS PROGRESS ON BOTH OF THOSE EFFORTS. AND WE RECOGNIZE THAT FOR FOLKS WHO OTHERWISE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO SLEEP ON OUR SIDEWALKS, WE NEEDED TO HAVE SHELTER. AND WE SET ABOUT ADDING 650 BEDS OF YEAR ROUND SHELTER. WE ACHIEVED THAT. WE ACHIEVED THAT MOVING QUICKLY AND USING SOME BUILDINGS FOR SHELTER THAT WE KNEW WERE GOING TO BE TEMPORARY. THE HANSEN IS A GOOD EXAMPLE. WE WERE ABLE TO OPEN IT QUICKLY. WE WERE ABLE TO REPURPOSE A GOVERNMENT BUILDING FOR SHELTER BECAUSE WE HAD PEOPLE SLEEPING OUTSIDE WHO NEEDED IT AND AT THE SAME TIME THAT WE OPENED HANSEN, WE BEGAN LOOKING FOR APPROPRIATE SITES FOR LONG TERM, HIGH QUALITY, SERVICE ENRICHED SHELTER IN OUR COMMUNITY BECAUSE WE KNEW WE DIDN'T WANT TO STAY IN A BUILDING LIKE HANSEN LONG TERM. THAT SEARCH PROCESS HAS ALWAYS BEEN GUIDED BY THE CORE VALUES AROUND WHAT SHELTER IS IN OUR COMMUNITY. IT STARTS AS A SAFE PLACE. IT STARTS WITH BASIC SAFETY. SO WE KNOW THAT WOMEN WHO ARE SLEEPING UNSHELTERED IN OUR COMMUNITY FACE AN ENORMOUS RISK OF

PHYSICAL ASSAULT, SEXUAL ASSAULT, BEING ROBBED, WE KNOW THAT PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES WHO ARE ON OUR STREETS FACE INCREASED RISK OF BEING ROBBED.

Marc Jolin: BEING ASSAULTED. HAVING THEIR DISABILITIES FURTHER DETERIORATE. WE KNOW THAT SENIORS ON OUR STREETS FACE THE SAME KINDS OF RISKS. WE NEED TO CREATE SPACES FOR THEM TO ESCAPE ALL OF THOSE RISKS AND SHELTER IS ONE OF THE STRATEGIES TO DO THAT. BUT SHELTER ALSO HAS TO BE THE BEST POSSIBLE PLATFORM FOR PEOPLE TO MOVE ON BACK INTO PERMANENT HOUSING. BECAUSE WHATEVER BIT OF SAFETY BEING IN SHELTER ADDS, IT DOES NOT PROVIDE THE SAFETY AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO REBUILD YOUR LIFE THAT PERMANENT HOUSING DOES. AND SO WHEN WE LOOK TO SITE SHELTERS, WE ARE LOOKING FOR THOSE PLACES THAT WILL HELP PEOPLE TRULY SPRINGBOARD FROM THAT SHELTER BACK INTO PERMANENT HOUSING. THAT MEANS THAT WE ARE LOOKING FOR SPACES THAT PROVIDE MORE THAN JUST THE PHYSICAL SAFETY OF A BED AND A SHOWER. BUT SPACES THAT ARE EMBEDDED IN OUR COMMUNITY. THAT GIVE THE PEOPLE WHO ARE LIVING THERE OFTEN MONTHS LONG ACCESS TO THE AMENITIES THAT ALL OF US LOOK FOR WHEN WE LOOK FOR A PLACE TO LIVE IN OUR COMMUNITY. A PARK, A COMMUNITY CENTER, A LIBRARY, RETAIL OPPORTUNITIES. AND BECAUSE THE FOLKS IN THE SHELTER ARE LOOKING TO OVERCOME SIGNIFICANT BARRIERS IN THEIR LIVES, WE'RE LOOKING FOR PROXIMITY TO SERVICES. ARE THE SERVICES NEARBY? IS THERE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION THAT PEOPLE CAN USE TO REASONABLY EASILY GET TO NOT JUST ONE SERVICE BUT OFTEN MULTIPLE SERVICES IN THE SAME DAY?

OF COURSE, WE WANT TO BRING SERVICES INTO THE SHELTER AS MUCH AS WE CAN. BUT THE REALITY IS PEOPLE'S LIVES ARE COMPLEX. EACH PERSON NEEDS DIFFERENT THINGS SO THEY NEED TO BE ABLE TO GET TO THE THINGS THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO HELPING THEM REBUILD THEIR LIVES. SO THOSE ARE THE VALUES THAT ARE DRIVING OUR DECISION MAKING AROUND SITING AND THEN WE'RE LOOKING AT GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION. WHERE IS THE NEED IN THE COMMUNITY? WHERE DO WE ALREADY HAVE SHELTER? WHERE DON'T WE HAVE SHELTER? WE'RE LOOKING FOR BUILDINGS THAT ACTUALLY FIT THE PROFILE OF WHAT WE NEED IN ORDER TO COST EFFECTIVELY BUILD OUT A SHELTER. LARGE OPEN SPACES. DO THEY HAVE EXTERNAL AREAS WHERE PEOPLE CAN CONGREGATE SO WE DON'T HAVE LARGE NUMBERS OF PEOPLE CONGREGATING ON SIDEWALKS TO TAKE CARE OF THEIR DAILY ACTIVITIES? THEN WE NEED THE APPROPRIATE ZONING. SO WE NEED A SPACE THAT'S ACTUALLY ZONED SO A MASS SHELTER USE IS A LAWFUL USE. TO BE CLEAR, MASS SHELTER IS A LAWFUL USE THROUGHOUT OUR COMMUNITY LIKE OTHER BUSINESS TYPES. BUT WE DO KNOW A ZONE THAT ACCOMMODATES THE MASS SHELTER USE. THEN THE BUILDING ACTUALLY HAS TO BE AVAILABLE. IT HAS TO BE VACANT AND FOR LEASE OR FOR SALE. IT HAS TO BE APPROXIMATELY THE RIGHT SIZE, GIVEN THE AMOUNT OF SPACE

WE NEED IN ORDER TO EFFECTIVELY RUN THE PROGRAM. AND WE HAVE TO HAVE AN OWNER WHO IS WILLING TO WORK WITH US EITHER TO LEASE OR SELL AROUND OPENING A SHELTER.

Marc Jolin: IF YOU ENVISION A VENN DIAGRAM WITH ALL OF THOSE CRITERIA AT THE CENTER OF THAT DIAGRAM, THERE ARE VERY FEW PROPERTIES REMAINING. AS WE SHARED WITH YOU IN JANUARY, THE FOSTER SITE WAS THE SITE THAT EMERGED THROUGH ALL OF THAT PROCESS. AND I CAN TELL YOU THAT FROM THE TIME WE OPENED HANSEN TO THE TIME WE LANDED AT FOSTER, WE LOOKED AT SCORES OF BUILDINGS. WE HAD THE BUSINESS ALLIANCE BRING US LISTS. WE HAD THE CITY LOOKING AT THEIR PROPERTIES. THE COUNTY LOOKING AT OUR PROPERTIES. WE HAD BROKERS OUT IN THE COMMUNITY. WE HAD OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS, OUR SHELTER PROVIDERS WHO WERE OUT LOOKING FOR THEMSELVES AND WORKING WITH BROKERS TO BRING US OPPORTUNITIES. AND WE DROVE AROUND AND SAW THINGS ON THE STREET AND SAID, HEY, FACILITIES, CAN YOU TAKE A LOOK AT THIS AND TELL US WHAT'S UP WITH THIS BUILDING? FROM THAT PROCESS EMERGED FOSTER AND I WILL TELL YOU THAT I AM EXTREMELY EXCITED ABOUT WHAT FOSTER PRESENTS AS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR FOLKS WHO WOULD OTHERWISE BE SLEEPING OUTSIDE. IT IS IN AN AREA WHERE WE HAVE A DEMONSTRATED NEED. IT OFFERS ACCESS TO THOSE AMENITIES I TALKED ABOUT. IT OFFERS ACCESS TO TRANSIT. IT'S ZONED APPROPRIATELY.

IT'S SIZED APPROPRIATELY. AND AS YOU KNOW, WE HAD A WILLING OWNER WHO WAS WILLING TO LEASE IT TO US. SO LET'S GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE. SO THIS IS THE DISTRIBUTION CURRENTLY OF OUR SHELTERS IN OUR COMMUNITY. HAD YOU PUT THIS UP TWO YEARS AGO, YOU WOULD NOT HAVE SEEN SHELTER DISTRIBUTED OUTSIDE OF DOWNTOWN. MISSING FROM THIS MAP ARE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTERS WHICH DON'T HAVE PUBLICLY DISCLOSED LOCATIONS. BUT THE SHELTER CAPACITY WE'VE ADDED IN THIS COMMUNITY HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED OVER THE LAST SEVERAL YEARS AND WE CONTINUE TO HAVE THAT AS A VALUE BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT THE NEED IS DISTRIBUTED. OK? JUST A COUPLE OF CONTACT SLIDES THAT PROVIDE YOU A VISUAL OF THE CURRENT SITE. AS YOU CAN SEE, IT'S A ONE STORY BUILDING SO YOU HAVE GOOD ACCESS FOR FOLKS WHO HAVE LIMITED MOBILITY. THERE IS A LARGE AMOUNT OF EXTERIOR SPACE WHICH YOU'LL SEE WE'RE GOING TO INCORPORATE INTO THE PROGRAMMING IN REALLY IMPORTANT WAYS. GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE, HENRY. AND THIS IS THE EXISTING INTERIOR. AND THIS IS A CONGREGATE SHELTER AND AS YOU'LL SEE WHEN I SHOW YOU THE PROGRAM DESIGN, THIS AS A STARTING POINT, FOR EXAMPLE, IS MUCH DIFFERENT THAN THE STARTING POINT AT HANSEN. RIGHT?

THIS WILL ALLOW US TO BUILD OUT A COST EFFECTIVE PROGRAM, TO RUN A COST EFFECTIVE PROGRAM AND SERVE PEOPLE WELL WITHOUT HAVING TO DO A FULL REMODEL OF A BUILDING THAT MAYBE WAS AN OFFICE BUILDING

OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT. COUPLE OF ADDITIONAL INTERIOR SPACES. SO SOME OF THE THINGS THAT I JUST WALKED THROUGH ARE SHOWN HERE ON THIS SLIDE IN TERMS OF WHAT THE ADVANTAGES ARE OF THIS SPECIFIC SITE. SO THE PROJECT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES ARE FIRST AND FOREMOST TO CREATE A QUALITY SHELTER THAT MEETS THE CRITERIA THAT I SHARED WITH YOU. IT WILL SERVE 120 PEOPLE GET AND I'LL GET INTO MORE DETAIL ABOUT THAT LATER. IT WILL BE A 24-HOUR SHELTER AS WE'VE DISCUSSED AND IT WILL BE BOTH A PLACE FOR PEOPLE TO SLEEP AND PEOPLE TO RECEIVE THE CRITICAL SERVICES THAT THEY NEED. OUR GOAL, OF COURSE, IN THE SCARCE RESOURCE ENVIRONMENT IS BUILD OUT A SHELTER THAT MEETS OUR VALUES IN TERMS OF THE QUALITY OF CARE THAT'S PROVIDED TO PEOPLE THAT COME THERE BUT AS EFFICIENT TO RUN AND MAINTAIN AS IT CAN BE AND TO OPERATE. WE'RE VERY CONSCIOUS AND THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS WILL BE MOSTLY ABOUT THIS. HOW WILL THE SHELTER INTEGRATE WELL INTO THE COMMUNITY? HOW DO WE ENSURE THAT THE IMPACTS OF THE SHELTER TO THE EXTENT THAT THEY PRESENT CHALLENGES NOT ADVERSELY IMPACT OUR NEIGHBORS? SO WE CAN TALK MORE ABOUT THAT.

Marc Jolin: SO THIS IS THE SHELTER PROGRAM. AS I WAS REVIEWING THIS, I DON'T HAVE A LOT OF TIME. BUT I REALLY WANT TO WALK THROUGH BITS OF THIS BECAUSE IT TRULY IS EXCITING. IF YOU ENVISION THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT 120 PEOPLE WHO WOULD OTHERWISE BE ON A SIDEWALK SOME PLACE OR BE IN A PARK OR SLEEPING IN THEIR CAR, SOMEONE WHO COMES INTO THIS SHELTER, YOU CAN SEE AT THE TOP THERE'S BUNKBEDS FOR 120 PEOPLE. IT'S GOING TO BE FOR WOMEN AND COUPLES. THIS IS A DISCUSSION IN THE COMMUNITY PROCESS. IT IS WHERE, AS I ILLUSTRATED WITH MY OPENING REMARKS, WE HAVE TREMENDOUS NEED. BEYOND BEING FOR WOMEN AND COUPLES, IT WILL CONTINUE TO PRIORITIZE AS OTHER SHELTERS DO. PEOPLE WHO ARE OVER 55, PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES, AND VETERANS. WE EXPECT THE SHELTER TO BE OPERATED BY TRANSITION PROJECTS. AND THERE WILL BE A LOT OF WRAP-AROUND SERVICES. IN ORDER TO MAKE THAT POSSIBLE, I GOT OFF TRACK A LITTLE BIT. AT THE TOP, YOU SEE THE SLEEPING AREA. WHAT IS REALLY EXCITING IS THAT IN HERE, YOU'VE GOT A MULTIPURPOSE ROOM, 343 SQUARE FEET. YOU HAVE A KITCHEN. 439 SQUARE FEET. A COMMON AREA AND A DINING HALL. 2600 SQUARE FEET THAT WILL SEAT APPROXIMATELY 120 PEOPLE. YOU HAVE A CLINIC SPACE. YOU HAVE CLIENT MEETING ROOMS THAT WILL SERVE UP TO 75 PEOPLE EACH. YOU HAVE STAFF AREAS. YOU HAVE STORAGE ROOMS. YOU HAVE 13 RESTROOMS. 864 FEET DEVOTED TO THE BATHROOM FACILITIES AND SHOWER. YOU'LL HAVE LAUNDRY ON SITE BOTH FOR STAFF AND FOR THE FOLKS WHO ARE STAYING THERE AND WE HAVE A 4,850 SQUARE FOOT COURTYARD THAT WILL BE CLOSED OFF.

AGAIN, THE ALTERNATIVE FOR THE FOLKS WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE IS THEY'RE SLEEPING OUTSIDE SOME PLACE. AND SO THIS WILL BE

TRANSFORMED. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY NOT JUST TO BE SAFE BUT TO BEGIN TO CHANGE AND MAKE THE ADJUSTMENTS AND GET THE SERVICES FOLKS NEED TO GET BACK ON THEIR FEET. SO THAT IS THE -- THAT'S THE SCHEMATIC AND WE'LL TALK MORE ABOUT THE BUDGET SIDE OF THAT. BUT WE CAN SKIP FORWARD TO THE NEXT SLIDE. SO IT REALLY HAS BEEN -- YOU GAVE CLEAR DIRECTION WHEN YOU APPROVED THIS LEASE IN JANUARY TO WORK WITH THE COMMUNITY. AND COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON HAS LED THE FOSTER STEERING COMMITTEE AND THAT HAS BEEN MANY OF THE COMMUNITY PARTNERS THAT YOU LISTED UP THERE HAVE BEEN PART OF IT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF CULTURE THAT REALLY IS ABOUT AN ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO DO SOME ART AND PROBABLY MURAL WORK AROUND THE BUILDING. THAT'S SOMETHING THAT THE COMMUNITY HAS REALLY WANTED US TO FOCUS ON AND PRIORITIZE. JUMP TO THE NEXT. SO THIS STEERING COMMITTEE HAS MET FOUR TIMES. AND IT HAS BEEN VERY PRODUCTIVE.

Marc Jolin: WE'VE REVIEWED EVERYTHING, ESPECIALLY INITIALLY WE WERE LOOKING AT POPULATION AND PROGRAM DESIGN. HAD A LOT OF DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THE WAY THAT ACCESS INTO THE BUILDING WOULD BE MANAGED AND A LOT OF DISCUSSION ABOUT THE COURTYARD AND IMPORTANT ROLE IT COULD PLAY. PEOPLE WERE CONCERNED ABOUT IF THERE WERE A LOT OF PETS, WOULD A LOT BE ON THE SIDEWALK? THERE WAS CONCERN ABOUT SMOKING. WHERE WOULD PEOPLE GATHER? BECAUSE WE HAVE THAT LARGE COURTYARD, WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO DESIGN SOMETHING THAT ALLOWS THE KIND OF ACTIVITY TO STAY ON THE SITE. OF COURSE, PEOPLE IN THIS PROGRAM WILL COME AND GO. BUT WE HAVEN'T CREATED A SITUATION WHERE WE'LL HAVE LOTS OF FOLKS THAT ARE GATHERING ON THE SIDEWALK OR ON ADJACENT PROPERTIES. SO THE STEERING COMMITTEE IS ALSO, OF COURSE, TALKING ABOUT A GOOD NEIGHBOR AGREEMENT. I WASN'T THERE BUT I'VE HEARD THAT WAS A VERY PRODUCTIVE MEETING WITH THE STEERING COMMITTEE THIS MONTH TO START TO FRAME UP THE GOOD NEIGHBOR AGREEMENT AND THAT'S IMPORTANT DISCUSSION ABOUT ENSURING THAT CONCERNS AROUND SAFETY AND CLEANLINESS AND THINGS LIKE THAT ARE BEING ADDRESSED.

BUT MOST CRITICALLY, THAT'S ABOUT ESTABLISHING THE RELATIONSHIPS AND I WILL SAY THAT I THINK THIS PROCESS HAS BEEN GOOD AT STARTING TO BUILD THE RELATIONSHIPS THAT WILL CARRY FORWARD AFTER THE SHELTER OPENS TO ENSURE THAT IF ISSUES ARISE, EVERYONE KNOWS EACH OTHER AND KNOWS HOW TO COMMUNICATE WITH EACH OTHER. SO THAT WE CAN ADDRESS THOSE PROBLEMS QUICKLY. JUST COUPLE OF IMAGES OF THE WORK THAT WE'VE DONE THERE IN THE STEERING COMMITTEE. SO WITH THAT, I'M GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO HENRY AND, OF COURSE, HAPPY TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.

Henry Alaman: SO I'M HERE TO PROVIDE PROJECT STATUS UPDATE. MARC MENTIONED A LOT ALREADY. DESIGN PHASE WAS COMPLETED LAST MONTH.

WE ARE CURRENTLY IN THE CITY FOR PERMIT REVIEW. BIDDING DOCUMENTS ARE BEING PREPARED BY THE COUNTY IN ANTICIPATION OF APPROVAL. MARC HAD MENTIONED EARLIER THAT THE GOOD NEIGHBOR AGREEMENT IS IN PROGRESS. AND THAT WE ARE ENGAGED WITH THE REGIONAL ARTS COMMITTEE AS FAR AS DISCUSSIONS ABOUT THE MURAL AND PARTICIPATION BY THE NEIGHBORING SCHOOL. THIS NEXT SLIDE IS REALLY A PLAN VIEW SHOWING OUR TRIANGULAR SITE THAT WE'RE WORKING WITH. IT SHOWS WHERE THE SHELTER IS IN PROXIMITY TO 7-ELEVEN AND IT SHOWS THE MAIN ENTRY AND BACK HERE IS THE BUILDING ENTRY. THIS WILL GIVE YOU SOME CONTEXT FOR SOME OTHER PICTURES THAT WE'VE INCLUDED. SO HERE'S THAT MAIN ENTRY AGAIN. THIS MURAL IS SOMETHING THAT IS REALLY VALUED BY THE COMMUNITY. AND SO THIS IS THE BACKSIDE OF THE BREWERY AND ON THIS SIDE IS WHERE THE 7-ELEVEN IS.

Henry Alaman: SO HERE'S ANOTHER VIEW FROM THE EAST ELEVATION. WHERE THAT MURAL IS AND THEN AGAIN, 7-ELEVEN IS OVER HERE. AND THE SOUTH ELEVATION. THIS IS WHERE WE'VE DETERMINED THAT THERE WOULD BE THE TRASH PICKUP AND SCHEDULED DELIVERIES. AND THEN JUST THE WALL AND ACCESS HERE THROUGH THE FENCING. SO THE TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET IS \$3 MILLION AND THAT INCLUDES BOTH HARD AND SOFT COSTS. IF YOU LOOK AT THE BUDGET DETAIL, THE CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATE IS \$1.9 MILLION AND THAT INCLUDES COMMERCIAL KITCHEN, THE DEMISING WALLS IN THE BUNK AREAS, COURTYARD IMPROVEMENT THAT MARC HAD ALLUDED TO AS WELL AS JURISDICTIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR SITE IMPROVEMENTS AS WELL AS FIRE, LIGHTS SAFETY UPGRADE SUCH AS THE BUILDING STRUCTURE AND FIRE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS. UNDER SOFT COSTS, WE HAVE \$615,000. THAT INCLUDES DESIGN CONSULTANTS, OTHER CONSULTANTS, PERMITS, FEES, AND THEN FIXTURES, FURNITURE, FIXTURE AND EQUIPMENT. FF&E, \$240,000 SET ASIDE FOR THAT, THAT'S FOR OFFICE EQUIPMENT, COURTYARD FURNITURE, SECURITY DATA, LOCKERS, THINGS LIKE THAT. WE HAVE ESTABLISHED CONTINGENCY OF \$245,000.

I'LL EXPLAIN MORE A LITTLE BIT ABOUT HOW WE'VE APPROACHED THE CONTINGENCY. SO THE TOTAL PROJECT ESTIMATED COST IS \$3 MILLION. ON THIS NEXT SLIDE, WE KIND OF IDENTIFIED SOME OF THE RISK AND WHAT WE'VE DONE ABOUT THE RISK. AS YOU ARE ALL AWARE, THE CONSTRUCTION MARKET IS EXTREMELY ACTIVE RIGHT NOW. THE COST ESCALATIONS ARE REALLY IMPACTING OUR PROJECTS AND THE WAY WE EXECUTE OUR PROJECTS. AND WE'VE MADE SOME RIGOROUS EFFORTS TO REALLY REDUCE THE COST, IDENTIFY SOME REALLY GOOD OPTIONS THAT DON'T IMPACT PROGRAMMING AND REDUCE THE COST. WE'RE REALLY LEVERAGING THE DOLLARS AS FAR AS WE CAN. SO I MENTIONED EARLIER THAT I WANTED TO TALK ABOUT CONTINGENCY CONTINGENCIES. WE HAVE BUILT IN CONTINGENCIES TO TRY TO MITIGATE SOME OF THE COST RISK AND ALSO THE COST ESCALATIONS FOR THE PROJECT. THERE ARE SEVERAL PROJECT ELEMENTS THAT WE HAVE IDENTIFIED AS GOOD ALTERNATIVES. THAT'S IN

CASE WE NEED TO MITIGATE COSTS SO WE'VE IDENTIFIED THOSE THINGS. ALTHOUGH I WILL SAY THAT THESE ALTERNATES THAT WE'VE SELECTED DO HAVE AN IMPACT TO PROGRAMMING AND OUR SERVICE DELIVERY.

Commissioner Meieran: THANK YOU. WHAT WOULD BE AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT ONE OF THOSE ALTERNATES WOULD BE FOR EXAMPLE?

Henry Alaman: SO THE ALTERNATES WE HAVE SELECTED ARE THE COURTYARD AREA, THE IMPROVEMENTS IN COURTYARD AREA. THE DEMISING WALLS WHICH WE'VE DETERMINED WAS REALLY A BENEFIT AT THE CENTER TO PROVIDE THAT PRIVACY THAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR. AND THEN THE KITCHEN. WE REALLY ARE CONSTRAINED BY THE KITCHEN CONFIGURATION AND THIS GIVES US THE CAPACITY TO REALLY SERVE THE COMMUNITY WITHIN THAT SPACE.

Commissioner Meieran: THANK YOU.

Henry Alaman: WE DID DO AN ANALYSIS OF A LEASE VS. BUYING. SO THE COUNTY DOES HAVE A SECONDARY OPTION TO BUY THE PROPERTY. 7-ELEVEN AS FIRST RIGHT OF REFUSAL. WHAT WE DETERMINED WAS THAT THE OWNER WAS NOT VERY MOTIVATED TO REALLY SELL THE PROPERTY. AND THEIR ASKING PRICE WAS HIGHER THAN MARKET. WE DID ENGAGE WITH CBRE TO ANALYZE THAT PURCHASE OPTION, THEY DIDN'T RECOMMEND PURSUING IT AT THIS TIME BUT THEY DO RECOMMEND PERIODICALLY CHECKING IN TO SEE IF THE MARKET CHANGES, IF 7-ELEVEN DETERMINES THEY DON'T WANT TO RENEW THE LEASE OR IF THEY CHOOSE TO MOVE OUT. SO HERE'S OUR PROJECT SCHEDULE. WE'RE SEEKING BOARD AUTHORIZATION TODAY. WE'RE HOPING TO ISSUE A PROJECT OUT TO BID SHORTLY AFTERWARDS. OUR OBJECTIVE IS TO GET A CONTRACTOR SELECTED IN JULY/AUGUST TIME FRAME AND THEN IN SEPTEMBER, GET OUR PERMITS AND START CONSTRUCTION. WITH A TARGET OF OPENING OUR SHELTER BY EARLY 2019. SO AT THIS POINT, MARC AND I WOULD LIKE TO OPEN IT UP TO ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE?

Chair Kafoury: DO WE HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? COMMISSIONER STEGMANN?

Vice-Chair Stegmann: THANK YOU, CHAIR. SO I WANTED TO KIND OF HIGHLIGHT WHAT THE DIFFERENCES FOR THIS SEEMS LIKE AN INCREASE IN WHAT WE HAD ORIGINALLY THOUGHT. SO CAN YOU KIND OF LINE OUT WHY THE COST HAS INCREASED?

Henry Alaman: WHEN WE FIRST APPROACHED THE BOARD, IT WAS VERY EARLY IN THE PROGRAMMING STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT OF OUR DESIGN. AS WE REFINED THAT DESIGN, GIVEN THE IMPACT THAT THE FOLKS THAT ARE ACTUALLY PROVIDING THE SERVICE AND INPUT FROM THE DESIGN TEAM,

INPUT FROM THE CITY AS FAR AS WHAT'S REQUIRED AND TRIGGERED BY THE USE THAT WE'RE USING THE BUILDING FOR. THOSE THINGS AS THEY GET FURTHER AND FURTHER REFINED, WE DETERMINE WHAT IT IS THAT WE NEED TO INCLUDE IN THE PROJECT. SO SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WE DISCOVERED WITH THE CITY, THERE WAS SITE IMPROVEMENTS THAT WE NEEDED TO MAKE BASED ON THEIR REVIEW. WE TRIGGERED SAFETY UPGRADE THAT WE NEEDED TO DO FOR STRUCTURAL AND FOR THE SPRINKLER SYSTEMS.

Vice-Chair Stegmann: WERE THOSE THINGS THAT COULDN'T HAVE BEEN FORESEEN? I'M NOT A BUILDING DEVELOPER SO I DON'T KNOW. WHAT THAT PROCESS LOOKS LIKE.

Henry Alaman: GREAT QUESTION. IT'S A CHALLENGE THAT WE HAD WITH THE CITY FOR SOMETIME. WE ARE HAVING CONVERSATIONS WITH THE CITY TO GET SOME UNIFORMITY ON HOW THEY INTERPRET THE CODE AND WHAT WE'RE ABLE TO DO UNDER AN EMERGENCY PROCLAMATION. WE'RE STILL TALKING TO THEM ABOUT FOSTER PROJECT. WE'VE ACTUALLY CREATED A LIST OF TALKING POINTS. WE'RE NOT CLEAR HERE, NEED DIRECTION HERE, WE WERE ABLE TO ACCOMPLISH THE WILLAMETTE CENTER, IS THAT SOMETHING WE CAN UTILIZE HERE?

Vice-Chair Stegmann: I'M SUPPORTIVE OF THE PROJECT, I'M JUST MORE CONCERNED ABOUT OUR METHODOLOGY WHEN WE DO DEVELOPMENTS LIKE THIS. I REALLY APPRECIATE YOU WALKING US THROUGH THIS MARC, BASICALLY, IT'S AN EMPTY SHELL. IT GIVES US A LOT OF FREEDOM TO DESIGN IT THE WAY IT NEEDS TO BE DESIGNED. BUT LIKE, SPRINKLER SYSTEMS. I'M WONDERING WHY WE DIDN'T HAVE THESE NUMBERS EARLIER, OR HOW CAN WE SHORE THAT UP. YOU MENTIONED THAT THERE WERE AMENITIES THAT WERE BROUGHT UP DURING COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT THAT MAYBE WEREN'T IN THE ORIGINAL PLAN. I'M TRYING TO WRAP MY MIND AROUND THE INITIAL ESTIMATE AND WHAT WE'RE GETTING WITH THE NEXT STEP.

Marc Jolin: THAT WAS A VERY EARLY ASSESSMENT WITH THE BEST INFORMATION WE HAD AT THE TIME. AS WE'VE GONE THROUGH THE PROGRAMMING DISCUSSIONS AND REALLY DRILLED INTO THE CONFIGURATION OF THE BUILDING AND THE SHIFTING ENVIRONMENT, SO THESE ARE THE THINGS WE WANT TO DO. HENRY CAN SPEAK MORE TO IT. WE ARE TRYING TO KEEP THE COST CONTROLLED, BUT NOT TO SACRIFICE THE QUALITY ENVIRONMENT FOR THE PEOPLE WHO ARE LIVING THERE AND TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS SHELTER INTEGRATES WELL INTO THE COMMUNITY. BUT THERE HAVE BEEN A LOT OF ROBUST DISCUSSIONS THAT CAN WE LIVE WITHOUT THIS OR DO WITHOUT THAT? AS WE WERE GETTING THE FEEDBACK ABOUT WHAT THE COSTS WERE GOING TO BE, WE WERE CONSCIOUS. WE'RE ALL CONSCIOUS THAT THE RESOURCES THAT WE PUT THIS SHELTER WE DON'T HAVE TO PUT TO ANOTHER OR TO ANOTHER USE AND ULTIMATELY,

THIS IS A COMMITMENT IF WE'RE GOING TO HAVE SHELTER IN OUR COMMUNITY, I THINK WE'RE COMMITTED TO DOING IT IN A WAY THAT IS A QUALITY ENVIRONMENT FOR THE FOLKS WHO ARE THERE. ESPECIALLY THESE LONG TERM SHELTERS AND AT THIS POINT, THIS JUST IS WHAT IT'S GOING TO COST, I THINK. TO MAKE THIS WORK AND FROM MY PERSPECTIVE, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A LONG TERM INVESTMENT HERE. I DON'T EXPECT THE COST PER NIGHT PER SHELTER BED HERE ARE GOING TO BE ANY HIGHER THAN IN THE OTHER SHELTERS EVEN IF WE INCLUDE THE COSTS SORT OF ALLOCATED OVER TIME OF THESE IMPROVEMENTS.

Henry Alaman: I THINK WE'RE GOING TO SEE NOT ONLY THAT THE PER NIGHT COSTS ARE ABOUT WHAT THEY ARE IN THE OTHER SHELTERS, INCLUDING THOSE SHELTERS THAT AREN'T NEARLY AS WELL AND AS INTENTIONALLY PREPARED OR SITUATED FOR FOLKS IN THE LONG TERM. SO I'M COMFORTABLE THAT WE TRIED TO LOOK AGAIN, WE WOULD STILL NEED TO MAKE THIS LEVEL OF INVESTMENT IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE WHAT WE'VE COMMITTED TO ACHIEVE FOR THE FOLKS THAT ARE GOING TO BE THERE. I THINK THAT WE'RE VERY MINDFUL AND THE \$3 MILLION IS WHAT WE THINK IS GOING TO TAKE.

Vice-Chair Stegmann: YOU MENTIONED TO ME THIS WAS A 10-YEAR LEASE AND WE HAVE TWO FIVE YEAR OPTIONS. POTENTIALLY WE COULD HAVE THIS BUILDING FOR 20 YEARS. AND SO I MEAN IN THE COST ANALYSIS OF A \$3 MILLION OVER 20 YEARS SEEMS PRETTY REASONABLE TO ME BUT I DO HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT LIKE HENRY, YOU MENTIONED THAT YOU HAD SOME ALTERNATES, FOR INSTANCE, LIKE THE COMMERCIAL KITCHEN AND I GUESS WHAT I'M CONCERNED ABOUT, IF FOR SOME REASON THERE ARE COST OVERRUNS AND YOU HAD TO LOOK AT NOT HAVING A COMMERCIAL KITCHEN, I MEAN, WHAT WILL WE DO IF YOU DIDN'T HAVE A KITCHEN AND WHAT ARE THE COSTS ASSOCIATED WITHOUT HAVING A KITCHEN?

Henry Alaman: GIVEN THE BID RESULTS, WE WOULD ANALYZE WHAT ARE OUR OPTIONS MOVING FORWARD AND HOW DO WE RETAIN AS MUCH OF THE PROGRAM AND SERVICE DELIVERY AS POSSIBLE? SO THOSE ARE KIND OF TOUGH DECISIONS THAT WE'LL NEED TO ADDRESS WHEN WE GET THERE. I MEAN, IT WILL BE A BALANCING AND FINDING THE SWEET SPOT TO HOW TO DELIVER THE SERVICE AND SUPPORT THE PROGRAM.

Vice-Chair Stegmann: DO YOU HAVE MONEY SET ASIDE? THERE'S ALWAYS OVERRUNS. IT ALWAYS COSTS MORE THAN WE THINK IT DOES. SO DO WE HAVE SOME MONEY SET ASIDE?

Henry Alaman: YES, WE'VE ESTABLISHED A CONTINGENCY TO ADDRESS POTENTIAL COST ESCALATIONS. YOU'LL NOTICE SOME OF THE ALTERNATIVES THAT WE'VE SELECTED GIVE US SOME OPPORTUNITY TO ADD BACK LATER. SO WHEN WE'RE MANAGING OUR CONTINGENCY VERY WELL AND WE HAVE

MONEY REMAINING AT THE END, WE ALREADY KNOW WHAT OUR TOP PRIORITIES ARE FOR BUYING BACK INTO THE SYSTEM AND PROVIDING THAT SERVICE. SO IT'S JUST A RISK MITIGATION PROCESS FOR US. IT'S PART OF THE WAY WE ADDRESS THE CHALLENGES OF A BID MARKET THAT'S THIS VOLATILE.

Vice-Chair Stegmann: IS THERE A DOLLAR AMOUNT IN THAT CONTINGENCY?

Henry Alaman: YES, MA'AM, \$245,000 SET ASIDE FOR CONTINGENCY FOR THE PROJECT.

Marc Jolin: JUST FOR CONSTRUCTION.

Vice-Chair Stegmann:: GREAT, THANK YOU.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: THANK YOU, CHAIR. SO THANK YOU BOTH FOR THE PRESENTATION. AND I THINK THAT IN RESPONSE THAT, COMMISSIONER STEGMANN'S QUESTIONS, YOU ANSWERED IT VERY WELL. JUST TO CLARIFY, WHEN WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE COMMERCIAL KITCHEN, IT'S NOT LIKE GOING TO NO KITCHEN. IT'S GOING TO LIKE A RESIDENTIAL GRADE KITCHEN INSTEAD. THERE WILL DEFINITELY BE --

Marc Jolin: WHICH IS WHAT WE HAVE AT WILLAMETTE CENTER AND THAT IS PART OF THE LEARNING PROCESS IN TALKING TO THE OPERATOR. THEY MADE IT CLEAR THAT HAVING A COMMERCIAL KITCHEN WOULD BE A SIGNIFICANT ADDED VALUE FOR THE PROGRAM OPERATION.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: I WANTED TO MAKE SURE IT WAS CLEAR THERE WOULD BE A KITCHEN. I APPRECIATE THE WORK THAT YOU HAVE DONE WITH THE STEERING COMMITTEE IN TERMS OF TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THE DESIRES AND THE DISCUSSION THAT'S BEEN HAPPENING THERE. I MEAN, I THINK THAT YOU MENTIONED THE COURTYARD. I MEAN, THAT WAS VERY IMPORTANT IN TERMS OF THE COMMUNITY AND THE STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS WANTING TO MAKE SURE THAT THE COURTYARD MEETS THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY LIVING AROUND IT AND THE COMMUNITY LIVING IN THE SHELTER IN TERMS OF PROVIDING THE NEEDS BUT ALSO HAVING NOISE AND, YOU KNOW, AIR. WHAT WAS LIKE BARRIERS AS WELL. SO I THINK THAT'S GREAT. AS WELL AS THE ARTWORK AND REACHING OUT TO REALLY INCORPORATE SOME OF THE MURALS AND SOME OF THE ART THAT'S PART OF THE LARGER COMMUNITY AND WE CAN INCORPORATE THAT IN THE SAME WAY IN THE SHELTER. SO I APPRECIATE THAT AS WELL. AND THEN I THINK THAT ONE OF THE QUESTIONS THAT I HAD WHEN WE WERE TALKING ABOUT THIS WAS JUST THAT THE QUESTION OF AT THIS POINT WITH THE BUDGET, DOES IT MAKE MORE SENSE TO BUY?

SO I APPRECIATE YOU GOING IN AND EXPLORING THAT OPTION AS WELL. AND KNOWING THAT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WE CAN CHECK BACK IN ON TO SEE

WHEN IT DOES MAKE MORE SENSE FOR US BECAUSE THIS IS A SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENT OF OUR DOLLARS BECAUSE WE DO WANT TO HAVE THE KIND OF QUALITY AND THE EXPERIENCE OF THE SHELTERS OF A LONG TERM SHELTER THROUGH THIS INVESTMENT. BUT MAKING SURE THAT IF IT MAKES MORE SENSE TO US TO REALLY FROM A FINANCIAL PERSPECTIVE, TO MAKE THAT PURCHASE OPTION. WE'LL KEEP THAT ON THE TABLE. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: QUESTIONS?

Commissioner Smith: MADAM CHAIR, THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION. I JUST WANT TO GO BACK TO THE PURCHASE. WHAT IS THE ASSESSED VALUE OF THIS PROPERTY?

Henry Alaman: I DON'T THINK WE HAVE AN ASSESSED VALUE I DON'T KNOW WHAT'S CURRENTLY ON THE COUNTY BOOKS.

Commissioner Smith: WE'RE MOVING FROM \$2 MILLION TO \$3 MILLION BECAUSE THIS BOARD VOTED TO PUT \$2 MILLION INTO UPGRADES. I DIDN'T SEE AN ITEMIZED LIST FROM THE ORIGINAL BOARD MEETING SO I DON'T KNOW IF WE DIDN'T HAVE A COMMERCIAL KITCHEN IN THAT PARTICULAR ASSESSMENT OR NOT SO WITH THE FIRST ASSESSMENT, DID THAT INCLUDE A COMMERCIAL KITCHEN?

Henry Alaman: NO, MA'AM. AS I MENTIONED EARLIER, AT THE PROGRAMMING STAGE, WE'RE VERY MUCH IN CONCEPT ABOUT WHAT DO WE WANT TO DO IN THAT AREA? SO AS YOU PROGRESSED THE DESIGN, YOU GO FROM THIS IS WHAT WE WANT TO DO TO THIS IS WHAT THE SQUARE FOOTAGES WE'RE LOOKING FOR AND THE ADJACENCIES AND WHAT DO WE WANT AS FAR AS SYSTEMS AND EQUIPMENT? IT'S NOT UNTIL THE DESIGN DEVELOPMENT STAGE THAT WE'RE ACTUALLY DETERMINING IF IT'S RESIDENTIAL OR COMMERCIAL.

Commissioner Smith: THAT'S WHAT I WAS TRYING TO FIGURE OUT BECAUSE ORIGINALLY, I COULDN'T FIGURE OUT HOW YOU CAME UP WITH THE NUMBER OF \$2 MILLION IF YOU HADN'T DONE AN ASSESSMENT OF WHAT NEEDED TO BE IN THERE. IT SEEMED LIKE TO ME YOU JUST PICKED A NUMBER OUT OF THE AIR WITHOUT HAVING ANY BACKUP OF THE ASSESSMENT. SO I JUST LOOKED, THE PORTLAND MAPS HAS IT ASSESSED AT \$1.7 MILLION. AND WE'RE GETTING READY TO DO \$3 MILLION WORTH OF UPGRADES TO A BUILDING THAT'S ONLY ASSESSED FOR \$1.7?

I WOULD SAY THAT WE PROBABLY SHOULD REALLY TAKE A LOOK AT IF WE CAN PURCHASE THIS PROPERTY BECAUSE PUTTING \$3 MILLION INTO A RENTAL OR LEASE AGREEMENT WHEN WE HAVE SO MANY PROPERTIES THAT MULTNOMAH COUNTY OWNS AND I HAVE ONE IN PARTICULAR IN MY DISTRICT ON KILLINGSWORTH AND MARTIN LUTHER KING THAT'S BEEN OPEN AND

AVAILABLE FOR MANY YEARS NOW THAT HAS KIND OF SIMILAR SQUARE FOOTAGE INSIDE. I DO LIKE THE SQUARE FOOTAGE INSIDE OF THIS FOSTER SITE. AND IT'S BEEN EMPTY FOR YEARS. SO FOR ME TO BE ABLE TO PURCHASE THIS PROPERTY, MAKE A GOOD INVESTMENT IN THE PROPERTY WOULD BE A GREAT THING FOR US. PARTICULARLY WHEN WE HAVE -- WE HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED BY OUR FINANCE DEPARTMENT THAT OUR BUDGETS ARE GOING TO GO LOWER. SO IF WE COULD PURCHASE THIS PROPERTY, IT WOULD MAKE A LOT OF SENSE BUT TO SINK IN \$3 MILLION IS KIND OF HARD FOR ME TO NAVIGATE IN MY MIND THAT IT'S WORTH \$3 MILLION. I DO THINK THAT THE FOOTPRINT IS GREAT. AND THE 120 PEOPLE THAT ARE GOING TO BE SERVED BY THIS IS GOING TO BE HUGE PARTICULARLY SINCE WE HAD 88 PEOPLE DIE ON OUR STREETS IN THIS PAST COUNT. BUT FROM A 30,000 FOOT LEVEL, WHEN I LOOKED AT YOUR MAP OF ALL THE HOMELESS SHELTERS, THEY WERE ALL IN SOUTHEAST. I DIDN'T SEE ANY IN NORTHEAST OR ANY OUT -- IT JUST AMAZES ME THAT WE HAVE NOT MADE AN ATTEMPT TO PUT ANY SHELTERS IN DISTRICT TWO, PEOPLE ARE JUST AS VULNERABLE TO HOMELESSNESS IN NORTHEAST PORTLAND AS THEY ARE IN SOUTHEAST. AND THEY'RE ALL CLUSTERED IN THE SAME PLACE.

Commissioner Smith: I DON'T WANT TO US TO TRY TO CREATE SOME SORT OF DESPAIRED CITY WHERE WE ARE ONLY IDENTIFYING SOUTHEAST PORTLAND AS THE PLACE FOR A HOMELESS SHELTER. WE NEED TO SPREAD THE WEALTH OF HELPING THE MOST VULNERABLE AROUND ALL OF OUR DISTRICTS AND I WOULD EXPECT YOU TO REALLY CHALLENGE YOURSELF TO IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES IN NORTHEAST PORTLAND PROPER AND OUT IN EAST COUNTY BECAUSE I THINK WE HAVE REALLY DILUTED THE MARKET OF HOMELESS SHELTERS IN INNER SOUTHEAST PORTLAND. WE HAVEN'T LOOKED OTHER PLACES. AND MY OTHER ASSESSMENT OF YOUR REPORT WAS I LIKE THE IDEA OF THE WALL REALLY MAKING SURE THAT WE HAVE A SPACE, 4600 SQUARE FEET. THAT'S A LOT.

I WAS LIKE WOW, THEY COULD HAVE BUILT ANOTHER BUILDING ON THAT SITE. WHY DIDN'T THEY DO THAT? THAT'S A HUGE SPACE AND INDOOR/OUTDOOR SPACE. WHAT SOME OF THE FOLKS FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD WERE TALKING ABOUT, THEY WERE AFRAID THAT PEOPLE WOULD BE OUT LOITERING OUT FRONT. THEY WOULD BE DOING GRAB AND GOES AT THE 7-ELEVEN BECAUSE THEY WOULDN'T HAVE ANY PLACE TO GO OTHER THAN. SO NOW WE DO HAVE THAT OPPORTUNITY TO REALLY CLOSE IT OFF, REALLY MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO GO OUTSIDE. CAN'T KEEP PEOPLE IN 24 HOURS A DAY. JUST BECAUSE THEY'RE IN A SHELTER. YOU HAVE TO REALLY PROVIDE SOME OPPORTUNITY. I LIKE HOW YOU DIVIDED UP THE SPACE AND MADE SURE THERE WAS A SPACE THAT YOU CAN GO OUTSIDE BECAUSE AS YOU KNOW, THAT FOSTER ROAD IS A VERY BUSY STREET AND I'M JUST CONCERNED ABOUT VULNERABLE PEOPLE WHO HAVE MENTAL HEALTH CHALLENGES TO BE OUT ON THAT BUSY STREET MIGHT CAUSE THEM SOME SAFETY ISSUES. BUT THANK YOU. THANK YOU FOR THIS.

Marc Jolin: I APPRECIATE THAT CONCERN. I TRIED TO REALLY WORK WITH THE COMMUNITY AROUND THE CONCERNS THAT THEY HAD ARTICULATED AS WE INITIATED THIS AND TO YOUR CONCERN ABOUT SHELTER NORTHEAST PORTLAND, I CAN COMMIT TO YOU THAT WE ARE ACTIVELY LOOKING FOR SITES IN NORTHEAST AND MY HOPE IS IF WE HAVE THE RESOURCES TO DO ANOTHER PERMANENT YEAR ROUND SHELTER, IT WILL BE IN THE AREA THAT YOU'RE DESCRIBING BECAUSE AS YOU SAY, WE HAVE A DEMONSTRATED NEED IN THAT AREA.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER MEIERAN?

Commissioner Meieran: THANK YOU FOR THAT PRESENTATION. I LIKE HOW YOU WALKED THROUGH ALL THAT AND I APPRECIATE MY FELLOW COMMISSIONERS' QUESTIONS THAT THEY'VE RAISED BECAUSE I, TOO, THOUGHT \$2 MILLION WAS A LOT AND THEN WHEN I SAW \$3 MILLION, IT WAS LIKE THAT'S A MILLION MORE AND SO ONE OF MY QUESTIONS HAD BEEN, COULD SOME OF THOSE COSTS HAVE BEEN FORESEEN, ETC.? I APPRECIATE YOUR DESCRIBING WHY MAYBE NOT AND THAT IT COMES UP DURING SOME OF THE MORE REFINED PLANNING STAGES OF THE PROCESS. YOU ACTUALLY ANSWERED A NUMBER OF THE QUESTIONS THAT I CONSISTENTLY HAVE WHEN THESE THINGS COME UP AND WHEN THEY COST SO MUCH AND WHEN THERE'S ISSUES ABOUT WHERE THEY'RE GOING TO BE, I PARTICULARLY APPRECIATE YOUR TALKING THROUGH THAT PROCESS AND HOW YOU CHOOSE TO LOCATE SHELTERS AND THAT VENN DIAGRAM THAT YOU GO THROUGH BECAUSE IT IS SUCH AN EXHAUSTIVE PROCESS AND YOU END UP WITH LITERALLY LIKE THIS MICROSCOPIC DOT OF WHERE EVERYTHING OVERLAPS. AND THAT YOU CAN ACTUALLY LOCATE A SHELTER.

SO THAT WAS VERY HELPFUL TO ME. AND ALSO GOING THROUGH I THINK IN MORE DETAILS COMMISSIONER SMITH SAID SOME OF THOSE ACTUAL COSTS SO THAT THEY MAKE A BIT MORE SENSE, I MEAN, IT STILL SEEMS A LOT THAT IT DOES AT LEAST MAKE SENSE TO ME AT THIS POINT. AND KIND OF COMING BACK AFTER SOME OF THAT COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT HAS HAPPENED TO HAVE THAT INPUT AS PART OF THIS PRESENTATION. SO I GREATLY APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK YOU'RE DOING AND YEAH.

Chair Kafoury: DO WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENTS?

Board Clerk:: YES, MADAM CHAIR, WE HAVE FOUR PEOPLE SIGNED UP. PLEASE COME FORWARD. [READS NAMES]

Chair Kafoury: BEFORE PUBLIC COMMENTS, I WANT TO LET THE COMMISSIONERS KNOW THAT IF THEY HAVE QUESTIONS AFTER THIS, WE CAN BRING STAFF BACK UP AGAIN. THANKS. YOU CAN GO AHEAD, MA'AM.

Sage Jensen: THANK YOU. MY NAME IS SAGE JENSEN AND I REPRESENT A COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION IN SOUTHEAST ALLIED COMMUNITIES THAT SURROUNDS THE FOSTER SHELTER. WE'RE OVER NOW 300 RESIDENCES AND BUSINESSES AROUND THE SHELTER. WE'RE A NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANIZATION. I AM NOT PAID. JUST TO CLARIFY THAT. I WANT TO CLARIFY IT'S NOT JUST THE \$3 MILLION. THAT'S \$3 MILLION FOR THE RENOVATION OF A BUILDING THAT'S LEASED. THERE'S AN ADDITIONAL \$2 MILLION COMING FROM THE COUNTY AND THE CITY TO THE JOINT OFFICE OF HOMELESS SERVICES FOR THE LEASE OVER THE 10-YEAR PERIOD. AND AN ADDITIONAL \$1.2 MILLION A YEAR IN OPERATIONS OF THE FACILITY. SO ADD IT UP. THAT'S \$17 MILLION. AND I THINK WE CAN DO BETTER THAN PUTTING PEOPLE IN A WAREHOUSE. THIS IS A WAREHOUSE ENVIRONMENT. I MEAN, ADD THAT NUMBER COMES TO AN INCREDIBLE AMOUNT SO LET'S BE CLEAR, IT'S NOT JUST THE \$3 MILLION.

WE BELIEVE THAT INCREASED COST OF THE SHELTER CAN BE BETTER UTILIZED IN WAYS THAT DON'T WAREHOUSE PEOPLE. I HAVE PERSONALLY MET WITH STATE REPRESENTATIVES INCLUDING REPRESENTATIVE ROB NEUSE AND REPRESENTATIVE GUEYER WHO BOTH AGREE THE PUBLIC PROCESS FOR PLACING THESE MASS SHELTERS IS NOT EQUITABLE AND THE PUBLIC PROCESS IS WHOLLY INSUFFICIENT. THOSE ARE THEIR WORDS. MULTNOMAH COUNTY ALONG WITH THE JOINT OFFICE HAS HELD ONE PUBLIC MEETING TO ANNOUNCE THE PROPOSED FOSTER SHELTER ON DECEMBER 18TH. NEARLY 200 PEOPLE WERE TURNED AWAY FROM THAT MEETING. WE WERE REPEATEDLY ASSURED THAT A SECOND PUBLIC MEETING WOULD TAKE PLACE. AND EVEN I CHECKED LAST NIGHT ON THE HOME FOR EVERYONE WEBSITE, LARGE SECOND PUBLIC FORUM WILL BE HELD IN MARCH, APRIL AND MAY. I DID NOT SEE ANYWHERE IN THIS PROCESS THAT A PUBLIC MEETING WOULD TAKE PLACE. AND THE FOSTER STEERING COMMITTEE IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR A PUBLIC PROCESS. THE STEERING COMMITTEE IS NOT INDEPENDENT OR SELF-GOVERNED.

THE COMMITTEE IS OVERSEEN BY COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS WERE HAND SELECTED, I BELIEVE BY THE COMMISSIONER AND MEMBERS DON'T HAVE THE ABILITY TO CREATE THE AGENDA OR THE VOTE ON KEY ISSUES. SO PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO 10 MINUTES AT EACH OF THE FOUR MONTHLY MEETINGS THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE. AND THERE'S NO PROCESS TO RECEIVE COMMENTS BACK. THIS REALLY DOES PLACE AN UNDUE SOCIOECONOMIC BURDEN ON SOUTHEAST PORTLAND. THESE SHELTERS ARE COMING IN IN VERY LOW INCOME NEIGHBORHOODS, THE FOSTER SHELTER WILL BE THE FIRST SHELTER THAT'S 100% SURROUNDED BY RESIDENTIAL COMMUNITIES. THERE'S NO PRECEDENCE FOR THAT. I KEEP HEARING ABOUT THAT THIS GOOD NEIGHBOR AGREEMENT. THE GOOD NEIGHBOR AGREEMENT IS NONBINDING. ONLY GOES IN THE RADIUS OF A TWO BLOCK RADIUS AND IT CUTS OUT THE JOINT OFFICE OF HOMELESS SERVICES FROM THE PROCESS. SO THE GOOD NEIGHBOR AGREEMENT IS A NONBINDING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE OPERATORS AND

NEIGHBORS WITHIN TWO BLOCKS. SO WHAT HAPPENS TO OUR CONCERNS WITH THE JOINT OFFICE? HOW DO WE ENGAGE THE JOINT OFFICE? THE JOINT OFFICE NEEDS NOT TO BE CUT OUT OF THAT PROCESS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

Lightning: YES, MY NAME IS LIGHTNING, I REPRESENT LIGHTNING SUPER CREATIVITY WATCHDOG. I DO AGREE WITH THIS PROJECT. I'LL BE WATCHING THE NUMBERS VERY CLOSE. I'D LIKE TO REVIEW THE LEASE OPTION TO PURCHASE AND UNDERSTAND WHAT THE OPTION TERMS ARE AND HOW THE SELLER AT THIS TIME IS POSITIONING HIMSELF IN THE FUTURE ON HIS PROPERTY. AND I UNDERSTAND 7-ELEVEN ALSO HAS THE FIRST RIGHT TO PURCHASE UPON A REASONABLE OFFER. MY OPINION IS THAT WE'RE BEGINNING TO SEE A LOT OF THE SHELTERS SHIFT FROM WHAT WAS PREDOMINANTLY THE OLD TOWN CHINATOWN, EVERYBODY NEEDS TO GO TO THAT LOCATION. THAT'S WHERE THE SERVICES ARE. SO WE'RE BEGINNING TO SEE MORE OF AN EXPANSION. GEOGRAPHICALLY LOCATED SHELTERS IN VARIOUS AREAS WHICH I THINK IS THE PROPER THING TO DO. AGAIN, I DO AGREE THERE NEEDS TO BE MORE FOCUS ON THE NORTHEAST LOCATION ALSO. ABSOLUTELY AGREE ON THAT. AGAIN, YOU'RE LOOKING AT APPROXIMATELY 120 PEOPLE HERE. ALTHOUGH THE PRICE UP FRONT AGAIN, THOSE ARE ALL GOING TO BE BASED UPON BIDS AND CURRENTLY I KNOW MR. JOLIN WILL GO OUT AND GET REASONABLE BIDS FROM PEOPLE THAT DO QUALITY WORK.

AND THE REALITY IS THAT YOU HAVE TO LOOK AT THIS OVER THE 10-YEAR TERM AND DO FIVE YEAR OPTIONS AND WHAT YOU'LL BE ABLE TO DO WITHIN THAT TIME FRAME AND ALSO THE POSSIBILITY TO BUY THE BUILDING IS STILL THERE. AGAIN, THEY'RE DOING A LOT OF DIFFERENT COSTS ON THE KITCHEN TYPE UPGRADES, DIFFERENT THINGS IN THE PROPERTY. EVERYTHING APPEARS TO BE MORE OF A QUALITY TYPE OF A SHELTER WHICH I THINK CAN BE ACHIEVED AND ACCOMPLISHED. AGAIN, FROM THE ARTWORK STANDPOINT, I'M ABSOLUTELY AGREEMENT BRINGING RACK IN ON THIS AND I THINK WE'VE HAD DISCUSSIONS IN THE PAST ON THAT. I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WHAT I CALL THE WELLNESS CENTER TYPE SERVICES IN THE ADDICTION SERVICES ARE PROVIDED TO THIS SHELTER WHETHER YOU HAVE TRAUMA CARE SPECIALISTS COME IN, I WOULD LIKE A MORE APPROACH ON WORKING WITH THE UNITY CENTER UP FRONT. IF YOU HAVE TO TRANSPORT PEOPLE TO UNITY CENTER, HOW ARE WE GOING TO DO THAT? I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE CITY OR THE COUNTY PURCHASE A VEHICLE THAT ALLOWS TRANSPORTING PEOPLE IF THEY FEEL THE NEED TO GO TO THE UNITY CENTER. I THINK THAT'S VERY IMPERATIVE IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS IN THESE TYPE OF PROJECTS TO ASSIST THE PEOPLE THE BEST WE CAN ON THE TRANSPORTATION NEEDS. AND I THINK A VEHICLE ON SITE WHICH IS WHAT I CALL A WELLNESS CENTER TRANSPORTATION VEHICLE IS NEEDED TO MAYBE BE PUT INTO THE PROCESS. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

Joe Walsh: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS JOE WALSH. I REPRESENT INDIVIDUALS FOR JUSTICE. WE DON'T LIKE SHELTERS. THEY'RE NECESSARY. WE HAVE TO HAVE THEM. WE HAVE TO TAKE PEOPLE FROM THE STREET AND PUT THEM SOME PLACE SAFE. SHELTERS DO THAT. THEY SHOULD BE TEMPORARY. THEY SHOULD NOT BE PERMANENT. YOU ARE ENTERING INTO A 20-YEAR COMMITMENT. THAT'S PERMANENT. NOT TEMPORARY. YOU'RE SPENDING MILLIONS OF DOLLARS ON SOMETHING AT THE END OF THE ROAD, YOU'LL HAVE NOTHING. NOTHING. WE'VE BEEN DOING THIS FOR 40 YEARS THAT I KNOW OF. I'VE BEEN INVOLVED HERE FOR 14 YEARS. THE 10-YEAR PLAN, YOU DO THE SAME THING OVER AND OVER AND OVER AGAIN! YOU HIRE PROFESSIONALS TO DO SHELTERS AND YOU DO 120 PEOPLE AND WE HAVE ANYWHERE FROM 5,000 PEOPLE ON THE STREET! IT'S FRAUD. THIS IS FRAUD. THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE INVOLVED IN. YOU SHOULD NOT VOTE ON THIS TODAY. WE ARE ASKING YOU TO POSTPONE THIS AND GET MORE INFORMATION. YOU'VE HEARD YOUR TESTIMONY TO STOP THIS VOTE BUT YOU'LL DO IT ANYWAY. BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT POLITICIANS DO. YOU DO IT ANYWAY. SAY WELL, WE'RE DOING SOMETHING. 120 PEOPLE. WE GOT THIS WONDERFUL THING THAT WE'RE GOING TO BUILD. AND IT WILL BE USELESS AFTER 20 YEARS BECAUSE YOU WON'T OWN THIS! IT WON'T BELONG TO YOU. OR THE OWNERS CAN PULL THE LEASE FROM YOU FOR CAUSE OR SOME OTHER LEGAL THING.

YOU ARE ENTERING \$3 MILLION WHEN ORIGINALLY IT WAS A MILLION. AND LET'S BLAME THE CITY. AND WHEN WE ARGUE WITH THE CITY, THEY WILL BLAME YOU. AND THAT'S THE BEAUTY OF THIS JOINT FRAUD. THAT'S WHAT THIS IS. FRAUD! AND I KNOW YOU ARE GOOD PEOPLE. WOULD YOU JUST LOOK IN THE MIRROR AND SAY WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON WITH THIS JOINT OPERATION WE'RE DOING? WHEN WE START OUT WITH A MILLION AND WE OPEN UP TO \$3 MILLION AND THEN THE FACT IS AS YOU DO OPERATING PROCEDURES OVER 20 YEARS AND YOU DO ALL THE OTHER STUFF, YOU'RE OUT TO 17, \$20 MILLION. WHAT THE HELL? I USED TO GO TO THE TROPICANA CASINO. YOU GUYS SHOULD START ONE. WHAT IS IT WITH YOU? POLITICIANS. THAT WILL NOT SIT DOWN AND SAY WE DON'T NEED COMMITTEES. WE'RE PROFESSIONALS. WE NEED COMMITTEES WITH THE CLIENTS THAT ARE AFFECTED BY THIS FRAUD. THAT'S WHAT IT IS. FRAUD.

Chair Kafoury: THANKS FOR COMING. ANY OTHER PUBLIC COMMENTS?

Board Clerk: NO, MADAM CHAIR.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: I WANTED TO GET MORE INFORMATION. WE HAVE A PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AT EVERY MEETING AND WE ALWAYS EXTEND IT AND IT OFTEN GOES MUCH LATER THAN 10 MINUTES. AND THEN I ALSO WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT THE GOOD NEIGHBOR AGREEMENT THAT'S

BEING DRAFTED BY THE COMMITTEE, IT'S NOT ANY GEOGRAPHIC LIMITATION. IT'S REALLY TO INCLUDE PARTIES THAT ARE GOING TO BE IMPACTED IN ANY WAY AS PART OF THE COMMUNITY FOR THE STEERING COMMITTEE. AND THE JOINT OFFICE OF HOMELESS SERVICES WILL BE ONE OF THE SIGNATORIES ON THE GOOD NEIGHBOR AGREEMENT. THAT IS ALL.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU FOR CLARIFYING THOSE QUESTIONS. STEGMANN?

Vice-Chair Stegmann: THANK YOU, CHAIR. I JUST WANTED TO GET SOME MORE CLARIFICATION ABOUT THE PURCHASING AND LIKE DOESN'T SOUND LIKE THE CURRENT OWNER IS VERY MOTIVATED TO SELL AT A REASONABLE PRICE. AND SO I JUST KIND OF WANTED TO KNOW CAN WE HAVE A LITTLE MORE EXPLANATION ABOUT WHY IT'S BETTER TO LEASE VS. PURCHASE AND JUST MAKE SURE THAT WE'VE EXPLORED ALL OF OUR OPPORTUNITIES AS SOME OF THE OTHER COMMISSIONERS HAVE MENTIONED?

Henry Alaman: SO I KNOW WHEN WE HAD TO ENGAGE WITH THE OWNER, THEY WERE AN OFF-SHORE OWNER. REALLY INTERESTED IN JUST HAVING SOME REGULAR CASH FLOW, WASN'T REALLY INTERESTED IN GETTING RID OF THE PROPERTY SO THEY WERE JUST MORE INCLINED TO WANT THE LONG-TERM LEASE WITH 7-ELEVEN AND LONG TERM LEASE WITH MULTNOMAH COUNTY.

Marc Jolin: AS I UNDERSTOOD THE FEEDBACK, WE CAN DO IT. WE SHOULD CONTINUE TO LOOK AT IT. THERE ISN'T AN URGENCY TO DO IT RIGHT NOW. THERE ISN'T AN ADVANTAGE TO DOING IT RIGHT NOW, GIVEN WHAT'S GOING ON THE MARKET AND GIVEN WHAT'S GOING ON WITH 7-ELEVEN THAT IT WASN'T DON'T DO IT OR DO IT. IT WAS YOU DON'T NEED TO DO IT NOW. AND TAKE THESE THINGS AND LET'S KEEP LOOKING AT THE QUESTION. I THINK THAT'S HOW I UNDERSTOOD THE FEEDBACK.

Chair Kafoury: THIS WAS DON'T DO IT NOW.

Marc Jolin: DON'T DO IT NOW. RIGHT, RIGHT.

Chair Kafoury: YOU WEREN'T CLEAR. IT WAS DON'T DO IT NOW. YOU ALWAYS HAVE THE OPTION TO DO IT AT A DIFFERENT TIME. WITH AN UNWILLING SELLER, IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT A COST OR WHAT THE -- EXCUSE ME. YOU KNOW WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT. IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT IT'S APPRAISED AT, IT MATTERS WHAT IT IS GOING TO BE SOLD FOR. AND HE DOESN'T DESIRE TO SELL IT.

Marc Jolin: YEP.

Vice-Chair Stegmann: EXACTLY. IT SOUNDS LIKE TO ME IF WE LOOK AT PURCHASING, WE WOULD BE PAYING A SUBSTANTIAL PREMIUM WHICH IS NOT IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE COUNTY. AND BY DOING A 10-YEAR LEASE, IT'S

10 YEARS. IT DOESN'T LOCK US IN TO 20 YEARS. WE HAVE THE OPTION TO CONTINUE IT ON. AND UNFORTUNATELY, THE COST TO HOUSE PEOPLE IS EXPENSIVE. AND FOR ME, THE ALTERNATIVE IS OK, THEN LEAVE THEM ON THE STREETS. OR WE HAVE TO PROVIDE SHELTER. SO I'M SUPPORTIVE OF THIS. IT COSTS MONEY. BUT IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO.

Commissioner Smith: MADAM CHAIR, I HAVE A QUESTION. DO WE NORMALLY DO 10-YEAR LEASES? BECAUSE I'VE SEEN THEM WHERE WE RENEW THEM AFTER FIVE YEARS. THAT JUST BINDS US INTO A REALLY, REALLY LONG TERM LEASE THAT MAY OR MAY NOT, IF WE DO OUR JOB PROPERLY AND DECREASE HOMELESSNESS ON THE STREETS, I THINK THAT CAN BE DONE IN FIVE YEARS PARTICULARLY WITH THE ROBUST AND AGGRESSIVE PLANS THAT YOU ALL HAVE THROUGH THE JOINT OFFICE. SO PUTTING A 10-YEAR LEASE ON THIS SEEMS A LITTLE TOO LONG. AND I HAVEN'T SEEN MANY 10-YEAR LEASES THAT WE'VE DONE HERE.

Henry Alaman: WE KIND OF ADJUST TO THE NEED OF THE PROGRAM. THERE ARE SOME PROGRAMS THAT ONLY NEED IT FOR SHORT TERM. THERE'S ALSO SOME BENEFIT TO A LONGER TERM LEASE VS. A SHORT LEASE. SO WE KIND OF WEIGH ALL OF THOSE THINGS, THE NEED OF THE PROGRAM AND THE SERVICE DELIVERY AND WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF LONGER AND SHORTER TERM LEASE?

Chair Kafoury: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD? I WANT TO APPRECIATE ALL THE HARD WORK THAT YOU HAVE BOTH DONE ALONG WITH YOUR TEAM AND I CAN'T HELP BUT NOTICE THE CRUEL AND VINDICTIVE IRONY THAT'S AT PLAY HERE. IT'S THIS VERY MARKET THAT'S DRIVING PEOPLE OUT OF THEIR HOMES AND ON TO THE STREETS WHERE THE AVERAGE MINIMUM WAGE WORKER ANYWHERE IN THE COUNTRY CAN'T AFFORD TO RENT A TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT. IT'S THAT VERY MARKET THAT'S CREATING THIS SCENE WHERE CONSTRUCTION COSTS ARE ESCALATING RAPIDLY AND THEN AS A RESULT, PUTTING PEOPLE BACK OUT ON THE STREET. SO I REALIZE AND I FEEL FOR MY COLLEAGUES AND OUR TEAM WHO REALIZES THIS IS AN EXPENSIVE INVESTMENT. BUT I JUST WANTED TO THANK COMMISSIONER STEGMANN FOR SAYING THAT. IT'S A LOT MORE EXPENSIVE TO HAVE PEOPLE SLEEPING OUT ON THE STREETS AND THIS IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED.

BOARD COMMENT

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

Chair Kafoury: NOW WE HAVE COME TO THE TIME ON OUR CALENDAR FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS. DO WE HAVE ANYTHING? I KNOW THERE'S A LOT GOING ON THIS WEEKEND.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: I HAVE A COUPLE OF THINGS. I HAVE A TOWN HALL MEETING STARTING AT 6:00 P.M. INVITE EVERYONE TO COME HERE ON TWO PUBLIC TRANSIT LINES AND THEY HAVE SOME PARKING AVAILABLE THERE. THE OTHER THING THAT I DID WANT TO MENTION IS THAT I AM HOPING THAT WE CAN HAVE THE COMMISSIONERS EACH OF US SIGN ON TO A LETTER ASKING TRIMET TO MAKE A COMMITMENT TO CLEAN ENERGY AND ELECTRIC BUSES THROUGH THE TRI-MET BOARD TO DO THAT. I HAVE COPIES OF THE LETTER THAT I'M HAPPY TO SHARE WITH YOU. WE HAVE NEIGHBORS ALL AROUND US, KING COUNTY, ACROSS THE COUNTRY, NEW YORK CITY HAS ANNOUNCED THAT THEY'RE GOING TO BE CONVERTING THEIR BUS SYSTEMS TO ALL ELECTRIC OR CLEAN ENERGY FLEETS AND I THINK THAT AS A LEADER WE SHOULD BE A PART OF THAT. RIGHT NOW, WE HAVE A PILOT OF FIVE BUSES THAT TRI-MET IS DOING, AND THEY'RE MAKING STEPS IN THAT DIRECTION. I THINK THAT FOR THE COMMITMENT THAT WE'VE MADE AS A COUNTY, AS A CITY, IN DEDICATING OURSELVES TO 100% RENEWABLE ENERGY BY 2050, WE NEED TO HAVE GOOD PARTNERSHIPS WITH OUR PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSIT SYSTEMS TO DO THAT AS WELL. SO THAT'S WHAT IS MOTIVATING THIS LETTER. AND I WILL SHARE THAT WITH YOU AND HOPEFULLY WE CAN GET THAT SIGNED ON TO. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. ANYBODY ELSE? COMMISSIONER STEGMANN?

Vice-Chair Stegmann: WANTED TO SAY HOPEFULLY I'LL SEE YOU ALL AT THE PRIDE PARADE ON SUNDAY AT 11:00.

Chair Kafoury: WE WILL BE THERE! WITH OUR SASHES ON.

Commissioner Smith: MADAM CHAIR? I WILL BE AT THE PRIDE PARADE AND JUNETEENTH PARADE THIS SATURDAY. NORMALLY I HAVE A LOVING DAY PROCLAMATION AND I WOULD JUST LIKE TO TAKE THE TIME TO ACKNOWLEDGE WHAT LOVING DAY WAS. IT ORIGINATED WITH THE LANDMARK U.S. SUPREME COURT CASE LOVING VS. VIRGINIA WHICH INVALIDATED LAWS PROHIBITING INTERRACIAL MARRIAGE. THE CASE WAS BROUGHT BY MILDRED LOVING JEETER WHO WAS A BLACK WOMAN AND RICHARD LOVING, A WHITE MAN WHO FIRST MET WHEN SHE WAS 11 AND HE WAS 17. HE WAS A FAMILY FRIEND AND OVER THE YEARS THEY COURTED AND AFTER SHE BECAME PREGNANT, THEY MARRIED IN WASHINGTON, D.C. IN 1958. WHEN SHE WAS 18. REPORTEDLY MILDRED DID NOT REALIZE THAT INTERRACIAL MARRIAGE WAS ILLEGAL. AND THEY WERE ARRESTED A FEW WEEKS AFTER THEY RETURNED TO THEIR HOMETOWN NORTH OF RICHMOND, VIRGINIA.

THEY PLEADED GUILTY TO CHARGES OF COHABITATING AS MAN AND WIFE AND THEY AVOIDED JAIL TIME BY LEAVING VIRGINIA AND AGREEING NOT TO RETURN TO THE STATE FOR 25 YEARS. AND THEN THE LOVINGS MOVED TO WASHINGTON, D.C. AND BEGAN LEGAL ACTION BY WRITING TO U.S. ATTORNEY

GENERAL ROBERT KENNEDY AND KENNEDY REFERRED THE CASE TO THE ACLU AND AFTER THE WARREN COURT UNANIMOUSLY RULED IN FAVOR OF THE YOUNG COUPLE, THEY RETURNED TO VIRGINIA WHERE THEY LIVED WITH THEIR THREE CHILDREN. AND THIS WAS AN ENORMOUS ACCOMPLISHMENT AND LEGAL BATTLE THAT HAS HELPED MANY IN OUR COMMUNITY TODAY BE ABLE TO HAVE LOVING RELATIONSHIPS WITH FOLKS WHO ARE FROM DIFFERENT ETHNIC BACKGROUNDS AND, UNFORTUNATELY, IN 1975, RICHARD LOVING DIED IN A CAR ACCIDENT AND MILDRED LOVING DIED MAY 5, 2008 AT THE AGE OF 68. BUT THIS LOVING DAY SUIT REALLY HAS HELPED MANY IN OUR COMMUNITY. I WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT AGAIN TODAY. BECAUSE JUNE 12TH IS LOVING DAY.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. ANYTHING ELSE? ALL RIGHT, SEEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, WE'RE ADJOURNED. [GAVEL]

ADJOURNMENT – 12:41 p.m.

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