



# MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

(revised 12/31/09)

### Board Clerk Use Only

**Meeting Date:** 8/12/2010  
**Agenda Item #:** R-5  
**Est. Start Time:** 10:00 am

**Agenda Title:** Ordinance Terminating the Intergovernmental Agreement with Washington County, Dissolving the Multnomah-Washington Regional Investment Board, and Repealing Special Ordinance 1091

*Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title sufficient to describe the action requested.*

**Requested Meeting Date:** August 5, 2010      **Amount of Time Needed:** 5 minutes  
**Department:** Non-Departmental      **Division:** Chair's Office  
**Contact(s):** Warren Fish  
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**Presenter(s):** Warren Fish, Sandra Duffy

## General Information

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

Approve first reading of an ordinance terminating the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Multnomah County and Washington County, dissolving the Multnomah-Washington Regional Investment Board (Mult-WA RIB) and repealing Special Ordinance 1091 effective on September 15, 2010.

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

In September 2000, Multnomah County and Washington County first created the Mult-WA RIB via IGA. In 2007, another IGA was passed by the two counties to create the Mult-WA RIB, an ORS 190 intergovernmental entity. This distinct public body with its own public budget and staff was formed to develop and implement a regional strategy for economic development using lottery funds to support small business. Regional strategy funding was subsequently discontinued by the Oregon Legislature and the IGA should be terminated as mutually agreed by the counties.

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

The Mult-WA RIB does not have any assets. According to the contract between the Mult-

WA RIB and the Oregon Economic and Community Development Department (a.k.a. Business Oregon), the RIB shall return un-obligated funds to the State. The RIB's final accounting is scheduled to be completed by the end of July 2010 to determine the exact amount, but it is estimated that approximately \$50,000 will be returned to the State. A final audit of the Mult-WA RIB is expected by the end of August 2010.

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

The decision by the State not to continue Regional Strategy funding has had a negative impact on small businesses throughout Oregon.

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

Washington and Multnomah Counties mutually agreed there was not a specific reason to keep the RIB in place given that the funding source it was designed to administer is no longer available. Members of the Mult-WA RIB have been notified of and are in concurrence with the decision to dissolve the entity. Multnomah County and Washington County will continue to work together on regional investment strategies and regional economic development issues.

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**Required Signature**

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**Elected Official or  
Department/  
Agency Director:**

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**Date:**