

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR
MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-041

Appointing a Community Advisory Committee for the Sellwood Bridge Project

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:

- a. Multnomah County maintains the Sellwood Bridge in the City of Portland, which is nearing the end of its service life and is in need of replacement.
- b. The County has secured funds to perform the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) planning process for replacement of the Sellwood Bridge. The County has produced Draft and Final Environmental Impact Statements and is expecting the Federal Record of Decision (ROD) on its plan in late summer 2010.
- c. Currently, in advance of the ROD, the County is performing the following activities as part of the NEPA compliance process: environmental studies, related engineering studies, agency coordination, and public involvement.
- d. To fulfill the public involvement component, the County is proposing a Community Advisory Committee (CAC) made up of local citizens representing different points of view and interests be established. County staff has recruited fifteen (15) interested local citizens to participate in the CAC.
- e. The County is, in addition, developing a screening process that is intended to produce information about alternative approaches that could be incorporated into a bridge replacement project. The CAC members will assist in this screening process. The County has also developed a structured decision-making process to help build consensus among different groups with an interest in the Sellwood Bridge, of which the CAC will play a key part as well.
- f. The County will also, in the near future, convene a Public Stakeholder Committee (PSC) made up of elected and appointed representatives of jurisdictions with an interest in the Sellwood Bridge Project to review the recommendations of the Community Advisory Committee and provide oversight and policy guidance to the Community Advisory Committee. The Public Stakeholder Committee will provide direct advice to the Board of County Commissioners.
- g. The establishment of the Community Advisory Committee and the Public Stakeholder Committee provide for the necessary public and community involvement on behalf of the County to comply with federal regulations applicable to the Sellwood Bridge Project.

The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:

1. That a Community Advisory Committee be convened to assist the County with establishing criteria and developing information about alternatives for the Sellwood Bridge Project.
2. To appoint Barbara Barber, Tom Brown, Marie Dodds, Patricia Gallagher, Laura Jackson, Heather Koch, Ken Love, Richard Marantz, Lidwien Rahman, Marissa Seiler, Jeff Swanson, Scott Thayer, Paddy Tillett, Daniel Weiland, and Sharon Wood Wortman to the Sellwood Bridge Project Community Advisory Committee.
3. The County Chair is authorized to appoint new members to the Community Advisory Committee as necessary.

ADOPTED this 8th day of April, 2010.



BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON



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