

**ANNOTATED AGENDA FOR THE  
MEETINGS OF THE  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Tuesday, October 14, 2008 - 10:00 AM**

Multnomah Building, First Floor Commissioners Boardroom 100  
501 SE Hawthorne Boulevard, Portland

**BOARD BRIEFING**

Chair Ted Wheeler convened the meeting at 10:07 a.m., with Vice-Chair Jeff Cogen and Commissioners Lisa Naito, Lonnie Roberts and Maria Rojo de Steffey present.

**B-1 Update on Chair's Priorities. Presented by Joanne Fuller and Dave Houghton.**

CHAIR WHEELER EXPLAINED TODAY'S PRIORITIES PRESENTATION IS ON MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, CASCADIA AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

DEPUTY CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER JANA MCLELLAN INTRODUCTION, ADVISING CASCADIA CONTINUES TO HAVE MONEY TO STAY IN BUSINESS. IN RESPONSE TO COMMENTS OF COMMISSIONER ROBERTS, COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES DIRECTOR JOANNE FULLER REPORTED THAT THE COUNTY CONTINUES TO MONITOR AND BE IN CLOSE CONTACT WITH ITS PARTNERS; THAT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ARE NOW STABLE IN TERMS OF SYSTEM OPERATION; THAT EMERGENCY SERVICES ARE OPEN AND THAT CLIENTS ENTITLED TO SERVICES ARE RECEIVING SERVICES. MS. FULLER STATED THIS IS A HUGE ACCOMPLISHMENT AND EXPRESSED HER APPRECIATION FOR THE EFFORTS OF COUNTY FINANCE AND BUDGET STAFF. MS. FULLER REPORTED THE CLINIC IN GRESHAM WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO LIFEWORKS; THAT SUN IS TRANSFERRED ALREADY AND THAT THEY ARE WORKING WITH CENTRAL CITY CONCERN TO REACH AN AGREEMENT TO TRANSFER THE DOWNTOWN CLINIC FROM CASCADIA TO CENTRAL CITY CONCERN.

MS. MCLELLAN PRESENTED THE FINANCIAL UPDATE, ADVISING CASCADIA CONTINUES TO DILIGENTLY MONITOR ITS FINANCIAL PROCESSES SUCH AS ACCOUNTS PAYABLE; THAT THERE ARE FEWER ERRORS; THEY ARE SENDING BILLS AND RECEIVING MONEY BACK SOONER FOR REIMBURSEMENT; AND THAT CASCADIA HAS CONTRACTED WITH NEW AUDITORS ADAMS AND MOSS THANKS TO COUNTY CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER MINDY HARRIS.

MS. FULLER DISCUSSED CASCADIA'S BUSINESS PLAN AND FUTURE, ADVISING CASCADIA BROUGHT TO MULTNOMAH COUNTY AND THE STATE THE PROVISIONS OF ITS BUSINESS PLAN; THAT CASCADIA HAS BEEN FOCUSING ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE CONSULTANT SINCE THE BEGINNING OF SEPTEMBER, INCLUDING BILLING PRACTICES, FINDING OUT WHY BILLS WERE

REJECTED AND WORKING ON BACK LOG; HELPING CLINICAL PRACTICES BECOME ALIGNED WITH THE PRACTICES PROVIDED; REORGANIZING CLINICAL SERVICES; HAVING A CENTRAL SCHEDULING SYSTEM; A REMINDER SYSTEM OF APPOINTMENTS FOR CLIENTS; FOCUSING ON TEAM GOALS; AND DEVELOPING A SET OF INDICATORS TO HELP CASCADIA KNOW THEY ARE MEETING THEIR TARGETS AND THAT THEY ARE GOING TO BRING THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES THAT THEY NEED. MS. FULLER ADVISED THE DEPARTMENT IS INVOLVED WITH THE NEEDS OF CONSUMERS AND FUNDING, ADVISING THIS IS STILL AN UNDERFUNDED SYSTEM, BUT THEY ARE WORKING ON IT.

CASCADIA CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER DERALD WALKER ADVISED HE REMAINS CAUTIOUSLY OPTIMISTIC. IN RESPONSE TO COMMISSIONER ROBERTS ASKING WHETHER ARRANGEMENTS INCLUDE REPAYMENT OF THE COUNTY'S LOAN, MR. WALKER ADVISED THE FIRST STEP IS TO COME AFLOAT. CHAIR WHEELER STATED HE WOULD LIKE TO SEE A PLAN FOR LOAN REPAYMENT.

COMMISSIONER COGEN EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION TO ALL AND ASKED HOW THE DEPARTMENT IS PLANNING TO FACE DIRE CUTS. MS. FULLER ADVISED IT IS NOT YET KNOWN WHERE THE CUTS WILL COME, THAT THIS IS MEDICAID MONEY AND IT DEPENDS WHETHER THE GOVERNMENT WILL MATCH AND HOW THEY WANT US TO SPEND THE MONEY. COMMISSIONER NAITO EXPRESSED HER APPRECIATION, ADVISING THE COUNTY'S MAJOR CONCERN IS FOR THE CLIENTS. COMMISSIONER NAITO THANKED CHAIR WHEELER FOR HIS LEADERSHIP ON THIS ISSUE. IN RESPONSE TO COMMISSIONER NAITO'S SUGGESTION THAT THERE ARE OTHER MEASURES TO GET REVENUE, CHAIR WHEELER ADVISED HE IS VERY RELUCTANT TO PUT THE WHOLE MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM ON MULTNOMAH COUNTY'S SHOULDERS AND THAT HE WANTS TO MOVE IT TO A HIGHER LEVEL WHERE OTHER DECISIONS CAN BE MADE. COMMISSIONER NAITO ADVISED SHE WOULD LIKE A BRIEFING ON CHILDRENS' MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES.

JANA MCLELLAN INTRODUCED DAVID HOUGHTON, ACTING DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, AND EXPRESSED HER APPRECIATION FOR HIS WORK ON RESTORING RELATIONSHIPS IN THE COMMUNITY. MR. HOUGHTON THANKED JANA, CHAIR WHEELER AND THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT STAFF. MR. HOUGHTON REPORTED HE IS WORKING WITH THE LEADERSHIP TEAM, DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS AND OTHERS AS WELL AS WORKING WITH DOCUMENTATION TO ASSURE THAT THEY MEET EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REQUIREMENTS. MR. HOUGHTON ADVISED THAT HE IS VISITING AND MEETING WITH LEADERSHIP IN GRESHAM AND TROUTDALE AND OTHERS. MR. HOUGHTON ADVISED THEY ARE WORKING ON UPDATING THE WEB PAGE AND DISCUSSED THE GOALS HE HAS FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AND THE ACTIVITIES THEY PLAN TO BE INVOLVED IN.

IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION OF COMMISSIONER ROBERTS, MR. HOUGHTON REPORTED THAT FAIRVIEW, MAYWOOD PARK AND WOOD VILLAGE ARE ON HIS LIST TO VISIT. COMMISSIONER NAITO ADVISED SHE RESPECTS MR. HOUGHTON, ADMIRES HIS DEMEANOR AND IS VERY IMPRESSED. CHAIR WHEELER ADVISED THESE ARE THE SAME PRIORITIES HE HAD A YEAR AND A HALF AGO AND DIRECTED MS. MCLELLAN TO HELP MR. HOUGHTON REACH THOSE GOALS WITH A TIMELINE, ADVISING HE WANTS TO KNOW WHERE THE STICKING POINTS ARE IN WORKING WITH HIS POLITICAL COUNTERPARTS.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:02 a.m.

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**Thursday, October 16, 2008 - 9:30 AM**

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### **REGULAR MEETING**

Vice-Chair Jeff Cogen convened the meeting at 9:37 a.m., with Commissioners Lisa Naito, Lonnie Roberts and Maria Rojo de Steffey present, and Chair Ted Wheeler arriving at 9:42 a.m.

COMMISSIONER ROJO WELCOMED MEMBERS OF THE SAUVIE ISLAND GRANGE. PENNIE TRUMBULL REPORTED ON THE BACKGROUND OF THE BRIDGE, THE PROCESS, HISTORY OF HOW THIS HAPPENED, THE HISTORY OF SAUVIE ISLAND FARMERS, AND FUNDRAISING EFFORTS WITH THE PRODUCTION OF THE SAUVIE ISLAND BRIDGE CALENDAR. GRANGE MASTER KEITH STEENSLID PRESENTED CALENDARS TO THE BOARD. LYNDA STEENSLID THANKED THE BOARD FOR THEIR SUPPORT.

Chair Wheeler arrived at 9:42 a.m.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

UPON MOTION OF COMMISSIONER ROBERTS, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER COGEN, THE CONSENT CALENDAR (ITEMS C-1 THROUGH C-5) WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. [5-0]

C-1 BUDGET MODIFICATION DCM-06 Reclassifying Three Positions in Sustainability and Facilities Management as Determined by the Class/Comp Unit of Central Human Resources

- C-2 Amendment 2 to Intergovernmental Non-Expenditure Agreement 0506025 with the City of Portland for a Citizen Advisory Commission on Sustainability
- C-3 BUDGET MODIFICATION HD-04 Authorizing Two Position Reclassifications within Various Divisions of the Health Department as Determined by the Class/Comp Unit of Central Human Resources and the Modification of FTE between Various Other Existing Positions
- C-4 RESOLUTION Authorizing the Execution of a Contract Between Multnomah County, Seller, and Slabtown Properties LLC, Purchaser of a Tax Foreclosed Property Sold at Public Auction and Deed to Purchaser at Contract Completion

RESOLUTION 08-138

- C-5 BUDGET MODIFICATION DCHS-11 Reclassifying One Administrative Secretary position to Administrative Analyst Senior Position in the Developmental Disabilities Services Division, as Determined by Class/Comp Unit of Central Human Resources

**REGULAR AGENDA**  
**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comment was made and received for the file.

**R-1 Appointment of Brad McLean and Alexander Ben-Israel to the Audit Committee**

COMMISSIONER COGEN MOVED AND COMMISSIONER ROBERTS SECONDED, APPROVAL OF R-1.

AUDITOR LAVONNE GRIFFIN-VALADE EXPRESSED HER APPRECIATION TO ALEXANDER BEN-ISRAEL AND ACKNOWLEDGED KATHLEEN TODD FROM CITIZEN INVOLVEMENT FOR HER GREAT WORK ASSISTING IN THIS APPOINTMENT.

COMMISSIONER NAITO EXPRESSED HER APPRECIATION TO MR. BEN-ISRAEL. IN RESPONSE TO CHAIR WHEELER'S REQUEST TO TELL THE BOARD WHAT HIS GREATER CONTRIBUTION WILL BE, MR. BEN-ISRAEL ADVISED OBJECTIVITY.

APPOINTMENT UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. [5-0]

**R-2 Appointment of Michael Mace, Sharon Cowley, Basil N. Panaretos, William N. Ross, Robert Heimbucher, Neal Galash and Judy Knowls Boyer to the 2008-2009 Board of Property Tax Appeals**

COMMISSIONER NAITO MOVED AND COMMISSIONER ROJO SECONDED, APPROVAL OF R-2.

CINDY SWICK, MANAGER OF ASSESSMENT AND TAXATION CUSTOMER SERVICE RECORDING OWNER, EXPLANATION AND INTRODUCTION OF APPOINTEES.

COMMISSIONER ROJO THANKED APPOINTEES FOR THEIR SERVICE.

APPOINTMENT UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. [5-0]

**R-3 BUDGET MODIFICATION NOND-02 Appropriating \$78,954 of County General Fund Contingency to Fund FY 2009 Salary Commission Recommendations for the Board of County Commissioners and the Sheriff**

COMMISSIONER ROBERTS MOVED AND COMMISSIONER COGEN SECONDED, APPROVAL OF R-3.

HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR TRAVIS GRAVES EXPLANATION.

CHAIR WHEELER ADVISED HE IS NOT GOING TO TAKE AN INCREASE, THAT HE WILL VOTE IN FAVOR FOR HIS COLLEAGUES AND THAT THE NEXT CHAIR IS WELCOME TO TAKE A SALARY INCREASE.

BUDGET MODIFICATION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. [5-0]

**R-4 BUDGET MODIFICATION NOND-06 Transferring Funds from Multnomah County Health Department to Commission on Children, Families & Community for the Provision of Video and New Media Services for the Health Equity Initiative**

COMMISSIONER COGEN MOVED AND COMMISSIONER NAITO SECONDED, APPROVAL OF R-4.

JOSHUA TODD, COMMISSION ON CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY, AND TRICIA TILLMAN, MANAGER OF THE HEALTH EQUITY INITIATIVE, EXPLANATION OF HOW MONEY WILL BE USED FOR CREATION OF VIDEO AND WEB PAGE.

COMMISSIONER COGEN SAID THIS IS A GOOD PARTNERSHIP. CHAIR WHEELER SAID IT'S A GREAT IDEA FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO PROVIDE THIS SERVICE.

BUDGET MODIFICATION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. [5-0]

**R-5 PUBLIC HEARING and Consideration of a RESOLUTION Authorizing Transfer of a Tax Foreclosed Property to a Non Profit, Oregon Sustainable Agriculture Land Trust (OSALT) for Perpetual Public Use**

COMMISSIONER COGEN MOVED AND COMMISSIONER ROJO SECONDED, APPROVAL OF R-5.

TAX TITLE SUPERVISOR GARY THOMAS EXPLANATION. WILL NEWMAN AND SYBIL KELLEY OF OREGON SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE LAND TRUST DISCUSSED HOW THE PROPERTY WILL BE USED AND EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR THE GREAT OPPORTUNITY.

COMMISSIONER COGEN ADVISED THE COUNTY ACQUIRED THIS FORECLOSED PROPERTY IN 1991 AND NOW IT CAN BE A MODEL TO CLEAN THE PROPERTY, CREATE A GARDEN AND BE A WIN-WIN SITUATION FOR THE COMMUNITY. COMMISSIONER NAITO EXPRESSED HER APPRECIATION TO OSALT FOR STICKING WITH IT, AND FOR INVOLVING KIDS IN THE PROJECT. IN RESPONSE CHAIR WHEELER ASKING WHY THIS HAS TAKEN 17 YEARS, MR. THOMAS AND ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY MATT RYAN EXPLAINED THEY HAD TO GO THROUGH ALL THE PROCESSES AND COMPLIANCE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND DEVELOP A MODEL AGREEMENT TO PRESENT TO THE BOARD BEFORE MOVING FORWARD.

RESOLUTION 08-139 UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED. [5-0]

**R-6 PROCLAMATION Declaring the Week of October 20, 2008 Save for Retirement Week in Multnomah County, Oregon**

COMMISSIONER ROBERTS MOVED AND COMMISSIONER ROJO SECONDED, APPROVAL OF R-6.

MINDY HARRIS ADVISED THE COUNTY HAS A VOLUNTARY DEFERRED COMPENSATION SAVINGS PLAN THAT OFFERS EMPLOYEES A WIDE VARIETY OF INVESTMENT OPTIONS AND A ROBUST EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM AND REPORTED ON HOW COUNTY IS INFORMING EMPLOYEES ABOUT RETIREMENT SAVINGS.

CHAIR WHEELER ADVISED HE SUPPORTS THE PROCLAMATION, AND THAT JUST AS WITH NATURAL DISASTERS, PEOPLE NEED TO BE PREPARED FOR EMERGENCIES. CHAIR WHEELER STATED IT IS THE COUNTY'S RESPONSIBILITY TO PROVIDE EMPLOYEES GOOD OPTIONS AND TO HOLD THOSE INVESTMENT PROVIDERS ACCOUNTABLE.

PROCLAMATION 08-140 UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED. [5-0]

**R-7 BUDGET MODIFICATION DCM-08 Requesting Use of \$85,000 of Facilities Fund Contingency for Multnomah County Costs Associated with Metro's Gleason Boat Ramp Project**

COMMISSIONER NAITO MOVED AND COMMISSIONER COGEN SECONDED, APPROVAL OF R-7.

INTERIM FACILITIES DIRECTOR BOB THOMAS EXPLANATION, ADVISING THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE OPERATES A RIVER PATROL FACILITY ON THE COLUMBIA RIVER AT THE GLEASON BOAT RAMP TRANSFERRED OVER TO METRO IN 1996 THROUGH AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT.

IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION OF COMMISSIONER ROBERTS, MR. THOMAS ADVISED THAT METRO PLANS TO REBUILD THE PIER AND WAVE ATTENUATORS AT THE BOAT RAMP AND HAS OBTAINED NECESSARY PERMITS TO PERFORM THE WORK IN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS. IN RESPONSE TO A QUESTION OF COMMISSIONER ROJO; MR. THOMAS ADVISED THE ONE-TIME ONLY \$85,000 WILL BE FOR THE TEMPORARY RELOCATION OF THREE SHERIFF'S OFFICE BOAT HOUSES AND PILINGS ASSOCIATED WITH THE MOORINGS IN ORDER TO PERFORM WORK ON THE MAIN PIER.

BUDGET MODIFICATION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. [5-0]

**R-8 BUDGET MODIFICATION HD-06 Appropriating \$172,870 from the Department of Health and Human Services Health Resources and Services Administration for "Special Projects of National Significance - Ryan White Part A Program"**

COMMISSIONER ROJO MOVED AND COMMISSIONER NAITO SECONDED, APPROVAL OF R-8.

Commissioner Roberts was excused at 10:38 a.m.

HIV/HEP C COMMUNITY PROGRAM MANAGER GRAHAM HARRIMAN EXPLANATION.

BUDGET MODIFICATION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. [4-0]

**R-9 BUDGET MODIFICATION HD-07 Appropriating \$25,000 in Revenue for the Fiscal Year 2009 Meaningful Care Conference**

COMMISSIONER ROJO MOVED AND COMMISSIONER COGEN SECONDED, APPROVAL OF R-9.

GRAHAM HARRIMAN EXPLANATION.

Commissioner Roberts returned at 10:42 a.m.

BUDGET MODIFICATION UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. [5-0]

**R-10 NOTICE OF INTENT to Submit a Grant Application to Kaiser Permanente Requesting \$50,000 to Expand Access to Dental Services for Uninsured Medically Compromised Patients**

COMMISSIONER ROJO MOVED AND COMMISSIONER NAITO SECONDED, APPROVAL OF R-10.

INTEGRATED CLINICAL SERVICES, MULTICARE PROGRAM MANAGER PAM OLBRICH EXPLANATION AND RESPONSE TO QUESTION OF CHAIR WHEELER ADVISING THE GRANT IS FOR EXPANDING SERVICES ONLY.

NOTICE OF INTENT UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. [5-0]

**R-11 NOTICE OF INTENT to Submit a \$10,000 Grant Request to the Oregon Community Foundation to Support Cultural Competency Training for Nurses**

COMMISSIONER ROJO MOVED AND COMMISSIONER NAITO SECONDED, APPROVAL OF R-11.

NURSING PROGRAM SENIOR MANAGER BONNIE KOSTELECKY EXPLANATION.

NOTICE OF INTENT UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. [5-0]

**R-12 NOTICE OF INTENT to Submit a \$20,000 Capacity Building Grant Request to the Oregon School-Based Health Care Network**

COMMISSIONER COGEN MOVED AND COMMISSIONER NAITO SECONDED, APPROVAL OF R-12.

SCHOOL BASED HEALTH CENTERS PROGRAM MANAGER JILL DANIELS EXPLANATION AND RESPONSE TO QUESTION OF CHAIR WHEELER, EXPLAINING THIS GRANT WILL PROVIDE INDEPTH TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES AND INCREASE THE SKILLS OF STAFF TO ENHANCE THE QUALITY OF CARE THEY PROVIDE TO STUDENTS AT 13 DIFFERENT SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS.

NOTICE OF INTENT UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. [5-0]

**R-13 RESOLUTION Providing Hacienda Community Development Corporation (Hacienda, CDC) \$36,000 One-Time-Only Grant for Micro-Enterprise Program**

COMMISSIONER COGEN MOVED AND COMMISSIONER ROJO SECONDED, APPROVAL OF R-13.



COMMISSIONER COGEN EXPLAINED ONE OF THE COUNTY'S MISSIONS IS TO SERVE PEOPLE SUFFERING IN POVERTY. COMMISSIONER COGEN ADVISED THAT THE MICRO MERCANTES PROGRAM FOR LOW-INCOME LATINA WOMEN IN THE ORTIZ CENTER HAS BEEN WORKING, BUT A GRANT WILL ALLOW MUCH NEEDED EXPANSION OF THE PROGRAM.

COMMISSIONER ROJO EXPLAINED THIS GRANT WILL HELP PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS REACH FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE AND NOT HAVE TO RELY ON GOVERNMENT SUPPORT. COMMISSIONER ROJO ADVISED AN AGREEMENT WILL BE SIGNED BETWEEN HACIENDA, CDC AND MULTNOMAH COUNTY AS A CONDITION OF RECEIVING THE GRANT FUNDS.

PIETRO FERRARI OF HACIENDA, CDC EXPLAINED THE GRANT WOULD LEVERAGE PRIVATE FUNDS AND IN-KIND DONATIONS TO UPGRADE AN EXISTING KITCHEN IN THE ORTIZ CENTER, NORTHEAST PORTLAND'S LATINO COMMUNITY CENTER. MR. FERRARI ADVISED THE UPGRADE WOULD ALLOW EXPANSION OF THE MICRO MERCANTES PROGRAM TO MORE INDIVIDUALS AND ALLOW PARTICIPANTS TO MAKE AND SELL THEIR PRODUCTS ON A YEAR-ROUND BASIS.

MICRO MERCANTES PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS LOURDES HERNANDEZ AND LUZ MARIA GASTELO SHARED HOW THE PROGRAM HAS HELPED THEIR FAMILIES AND THEIR SELF-ESTEEM AND URGED BOARD SUPPORT FOR KITCHEN UPGRADE AND PROGRAM EXPANSION.

COMMISSIONER ROJO CONGRATULATED MR. FERRARI FOR WORKING ON THIS PROGRAM FOR SO MANY YEARS, ADVISING SHE IS SO PROUD THAT THIS HAS GROWN INTO A WONDERFUL ORGANIZATION. CHAIR WHEELER EXPRESSED HIS APPRECIATION FOR THE TESTIMONY.

RESOLUTION 08-141 UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED. [5-0]

#### **BOARD COMMENT**

No board comments were made.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Submitted by:

Lynda J. Grow, Board Clerk

Marina Baker, Assistant Board Clerk and

Shirley Luo, Intern

Board of County Commissioners

Multnomah County