



## MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

(Revised: 6/24/13)

### Board Clerk Use Only

Meeting Date: 12/11/14  
Agenda Item #: C.5  
Est. Start Time: 9:30 am  
Date Submitted: 12/2/14

**Agenda Title:** **Approval of Appointments to the County Comprehensive Plan Update Community Advisory Committee**

*Note: Title should not be more than 2 lines but sufficient to describe the action requested. Title on APR must match title on Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation.*

### Requested

**Meeting Date:** December 11, 2014 **Time Needed:** Consent Agenda

**Department:** Non-Departmental **Division:** Chair's Office

**Contact(s):** Aaron Ridings

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### Presenter

**Name(s) &**

**Title(s):** N/A

## General Information

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

Appointments to the County Comprehensive Plan update Community Advisory Committee.

### 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.

With support from the Board of County Commissioners through the budget approval, the County has committed the resources to update the Comprehensive Plan. The project will also amend the County Zoning Ordinance to align with new policies and combine individual chapters of the zoning code to simplify and streamline the land use permit process.

A Community Advisory Committee will assist with development of policies and strategies as part of the updated comprehensive plan. Recruitment for committee members occurred over three weeks in late October/early November including a press release, advertisement on the County's website and mailings to interested organizations. The Chair's office and the Commissioners for Districts 1 and 4 also suggested community members they knew that would potentially be interested. An Open House held mid-way through the open recruitment period allowed staff to talk to community members and encourage their applications. Further recruitment occurred by contacting people directly, explaining the committee role and encouraging an application. This helped to fill gaps of geographic representation and areas of interest. 31 applications were received and 16 community members are being recommended who represent a balance of perspectives and the rural geographic areas of the County. The recommended list includes 7 community members each from the rural east and west sides of the County and 2 community members who

reside in the City of Portland. The 2 non-rural residents include a member of the County's Bike and Pedestrian Community Advisory Committee and a land use attorney who has expressed interest in the process.

The following people are recommended to be appointed to the Community Advisory Committee for the Comp Plan Update:

East County: Aaron Blake, Lindin Burk, Rayford Davenport, Catherine Dishion, Sara Grigsby, Stephanie Nystrom and Kathy Taggart

West County: Martha Berndt, Marcy Cottrell Houle, Jerry Grossnickle, Tim Larson, Will Rasmussen, George Sowder and Paula Sauvageau

Non-rural residents: Andrew Holtz and Karen Nashiwa

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

The adopted budget includes funding through FY 2016 for both staff and a consultant to carry out the Plan update project. Staff will manage the project including the work of the committee.

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

The Comprehensive Plan must comply with statewide land use planning goals, policies and rules. The update project will ensure that it does and will also evaluate the plan against any Metro land use requirements that may apply. Additionally, a number of County initiatives are applicable to the comprehensive plan such as the Climate Action Plan, Health Equity Initiative, the Food Action Plan, the Equity and Diversity Lens, and the Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan. These will be consulted and factored into the plan update project.

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

Public participation is a key component of the plan update process. Two public open houses have already been held to provide opportunities for the public to learn about the project and to offer comments. The community advisory committee represents another element of public participation by creating a special purpose advisory group that will assist County staff and the consultant team in developing a plan that reflects the vision and desires of the rural community.

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**Required Signature**

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**Elected  
Official or  
Department**

**Director:** Nancy Bennett /s/ **Date:** December 2, 2014

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