



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 04/16/2015
 Agenda Item #: R.6
 Est. Start Time: 10:35 am
 Date Submitted: 04/08/2015

Agenda Title: **PROCLAMATION Proclaiming the Month of May as Creating Safe and Healthy Streets Month in Multnomah County, Oregon**

Note: Title should not be more than 2 lines but be sufficient to describe the action requested.

Requested	<u>04/08/2015</u>	Time Needed:	<u>20 Minutes</u>
Department:	<u>Non-Departmental</u>	Division:	<u>District 2/District 4</u>
Contact(s):	<u>Sean Files, Nicole Rose</u>		
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Presenter Name(s) & Title(s):	<u>Katherine McQuillan, Transportation Planner, Multnomah County Land Use and Transportation Planning; Joanna Valencia, Senior Transportation Planner, Multnomah County Land Use and Transportation Planning</u>		
I/O Address:	<u>503/9</u>		

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Adoption of the proclamation naming May 2015 as Creating Safe and Healthy Streets Month.

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.

Creating safe and health streets are an important component to healthier communities, a stronger economy, and a cleaner environment. Engaging our communities as partners is a critical component to creating our safest and healthiest streets. Like the rest of the nation, Multnomah County experiences too many fatal and serious road-related crashes. Bicyclists and pedestrians in particular are disproportionately affected and are accounted for 20% of the Portland region's fatal and serious crashes.

Safe Routes to School is a national model that provides a multidisciplinary effort for improving the walking and biking conditions in communities. Safe Routes to School also has an important multiplier affect where students who are exposed to safety education inform and teach their families. Oregon celebrates the month of May as the Walk and Bike Challenge month in which over 56,000 students statewide participated in events to promote safer walking and bicycling in 2014.

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

None.

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

None.

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

The City of Portland also participates in various events recognizing walk and bike challenge month as part of Creating Sage and Health Streets Month in May.

Required Signature

Elected

Official or

Department

Commissioner Loretta Smith /s/

Director:

Commissioner Diane McKeel /s/

Date:

04/08/2015

Note: Please submit electronically. Insert names of your approvers followed by /s/ - we no longer use actual signatures. Please insert date approved.