

**Minutes of the Board of Commissioners
Multnomah Building, Board Room 100
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd., Portland, Oregon
Thursday, April 16, 2015 @ 9:30 am**

REGULAR MEETING

Chair Deborah Kafoury called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m. with Vice-Chair Jules Bailey and Commissioners Loretta Smith, Judy Shiprack and Diane McKeel.

Also attending were Jenny Madkour, County Attorney, and Lynda Grow, Board Clerk.

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Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING. WELCOME TO THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

CONSENT AGENDA

C.1 BUDGET MODIFICATION # DCM-14-15: Reclassifying an Office Assistant Senior to an HR Technician-Rep in Finance & Risk Management

Chair Kafoury: MAY I HAVE A MOTION ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR?

Commissioner Shiprack: Moved.

Commissioner McKeel: Second.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK MOVES, COMMISSIONER McKEEL SECONDS, APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR, ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE -- [CHORUS OF AYES] THE CONSENT CALENDAR IS APPROVED.

DO WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT THIS MORNING, LYNDA?

PUBLIC COMMENT

Opportunity for Public Comment on non-agenda matters. Testimony limited to three minutes per person. This is a time for the Board to hear public testimony, not for Board deliberation.

Board Clerk: WE HAVE FOUR. WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME, PLEASE COME FORWARD. MR. LIGHTNING, DIANE RICHARDSON, THERESA RAYFORD AND CHARLES JOHNSON, PLEASE COME FORWARD.

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING.

GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LIGHTNING WATCHDOG. I ALSO REPRESENT LIGHTNING HOUSING EX. THERE'S A PROJECT THAT I WOULD LIKE TO GET GOING AT 715 NORTHWEST HOYT, IT'S 13 ACRES. THE U.S. POST OFFICE IS CURRENTLY THERE, THERE WILL BE URBAN MONEY GOING IN THAT DIRECTION TO PURCHASE THE PROPERTY. I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE THAT DESIGNATED TO PEOPLE AT 30% OR BELOW MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME. WE HAVE A SHORTAGE OF HOUSING OUT THERE IN THAT CATEGORY. WE HAVE A SURPLUS AT 30 TO 50% MFI. WE HAVE A PLUS OF 50 TO 80%

MFI. WE ARE NOT FILLING THE NEEDS OF THE MOST VULNERABLE PEOPLE IN THIS CITY. WE NEED TO FOCUS IN THAT AREA. WE NEED TO GET THEM OFF THE STREETS, GET THEM INTO HOUSING. WE CAN DO THAT WITH THAT PROJECT. I WOULD LIKE FOUNDATIONS TO ASSIST ON THAT, VARIOUS COMPANIES TO COME IN AND COORDINATE IT AND DO A LARGE PROJECT ON THIS 13 ACRES. I FEEL WE CAN GET ABOUT 1,000 TO 2,000 UNITS. AS YOU KNOW, WE ALWAYS TALK ABOUT HAVING ONE TO 2,000 PEOPLE CURRENTLY OUT ON THE STREETS. WE NEED TO DEVELOP THIS WHOLE 13 ACRES FOR 30% AND BELOW MFI. WE'VE GIVEN THE PEARL DISTRICT SOME GREAT PROPERTIES TO DEVELOP TO HIGH-END CONDOMINIUMS. WE'VE GIVEN PEOPLE IN NORTH MACADAM AVENUE GREAT PROPERTIES TO DEVELOP TO HIGH-END CONDOMINIUMS. WE ARE NOT MEETING THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING NEEDS AT 30% OR BELOW MFI. IF THE CITY AND MULTNOMAH COUNTY DECIDE TO DO THIS PROJECT AND COORDINATE IT TOGETHER, WITHIN EACH YEAR WE WILL SAVE \$40 MILLION PER YEAR. THAT'S USING A NUMBER OF 20,000 PER PERSON CURRENTLY ON THE STREETS. WE WILL INCREASE TOURISM DOLLARS. WE WILL INCREASE BUSINESS DOLLARS. WE WILL OFFER IMPROVED PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH FOR THE PEOPLE CURRENTLY HOMELESS AND OUT ON THE STREET. WE WILL ALSO OFFER LONGEVITY OF LIFE TO HAVE THEM IN HOUSING. THIS PROJECT CAN BE SELF-SUSTAINING WITH A LOT OF CREATIVE THOUGHT AND WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO DO IS MAYBE DO A SIMILAR PLAN LIKE A SALVATION ARMY AND SOME OF THESE OTHER PEOPLE THAT SELL GOODS OUT OF COMMERCIAL SPACE. THEY BRING IN A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF MONEY PER YEAR. WE NEED TO LOOK AT THAT VERY CLOSELY TO TRY TO MAKE THIS A SELF-SUSTAINING COMMUNITY. WE NEED TO GET THE PEOPLE INTO HOUSING. THAT SHOULD BE THE NUMBER ONE PRIORITY AND THAT WILL SAVE A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF MONEY TO THE CITY AND MULTNOMAH COUNTY. ISSUE NUMBER TWO, SURPLUS PROPERTY. I WANT TO HAVE THAT REFORMED, I WANT TO HAVE THE REAL ESTATE LOOKED VERY CLOSELY. WE HAD A TRANSACTION IN THE PEARL DISTRICT THAT THEY HAD ABOUT A \$5.5 MILLION OFFER ON. THEY STOPPED THE DEAL, CAME IN WITH THE BROKER, IT WENT UP TO \$7.5 MILLION. THEY MADE \$2 MILLION WHICH GOES BACK IN TO THE GENERAL FUNDS, WHICH IS TAXPAYERS' MONEY, JUST ON ONE TRANSACTION. WE NEED TO HAVE PROPER APPRAISALS, WE NEED TO HAVE BROKERS BROUGHT IN, WE NEED TO WATCH THESE CAPITAL ASSETS VERY CLOSELY. WE HAVE APPROXIMATELY \$35 BILLION IN THE CITY OF PORTLAND ALONE. WE HAVE A LOT OF SURPLUS PROPERTIES COMING ON THE MARKET. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THEY'RE DONE BY COMPETENT REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND WE GET THE HIGHEST VALUE FOR THE PUBLIC. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING.

MR. JOHNSON: GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS. HAVING A WONDERFUL DAY, I'M SORRY YOU'RE STUCK INSIDE AND HAVE TO LOOK AT THE LOVELINESS OUTSIDE AND I'M ALSO AWARE THAT YOUR SITUATION IS SOMETIMES MORE COMPLICATED THAN THAT WHEN WE ADDRESS CITY COUNCILLORS BECAUSE TODAY, WHEN WE GET DOWN TO TALKING ABOUT HOW WE AS CITIZENS AND COUNCILORS CAN DO BEST FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME, YOU HAVE TO WORK WITH INDEPENDENT ELECTED OFFICIALS LIKE THE SHERIFF AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY, WHEREAS IN THE CITY, WE CAN SAY MAYOR HALES, MAKE THE POLICE DO RIGHT AND FIRE THEM. I WILL ALSO ADDRESS YOU WHEN DISTRICT ATTORNEY UNDERHILL IS UP HERE AND WE TALK ABOUT THE IMPORTANT WORK OF RESTORING VICTIMS OF CRIME TO WHOLENESS. BUT ONE REASON THAT IT'S DIFFICULT AND CHALLENGING IS BECAUSE MANY PEOPLE IN THIS COUNTY FEEL THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY IS MISMANAGING HIS TIME AND MAKING POOR

DECISIONS ON VICTIMLESS CRIME. I DO WANT TO CONGRATULATE HIM FOR NOT PUTTING MORE DISTRICT ATTORNEY RESOURCES INTO PROSECUTION OF MINOR MARIJUANA OFFENSES. BUT PERSONALLY I KNOW FIVE PEOPLE WHO WERE INVOLVED IN CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE ACTIONS WHO ARE CAUGHT UP IN LEGAL ACTION. AND THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY PROSECUTED ACTIONS AGAINST DOZENS OF OCCUPIERS, STARTED BY HIS PREDECESSORS, WASTED PUBLIC RESOURCES FOR THREE YEARS, PROSECUTING DOZENS OF INNOCENT CITIZENS, AND THEN AFTER THREE YEARS, IN TRIPS UP AND DOWN TO THE SUPREME COURT, THE CASES WERE DISMISSED. SO I WANT YOU TO USE YOUR POSITIONS AS ELECTED OFFICIALS JUST TO COMMUNICATE WITH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY SO THAT THE PROSECUTIONS THAT HE DECIDES TO DO REFLECT GOOD USE OF PUBLIC FUNDS AND THE TIME OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY SO THAT WE CAN FOCUS ON BRINGING RESTORATIVE JUSTICE TO PEOPLE WHO HAVE ACTUALLY SUFFERED INJURY FROM CRIMINALS. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

Board Clerk: TWO THAT I CALLED UP DID NOT RESPOND, BUT WE HAVE ONE MORE. RON SWAREN, PLEASE COME FORWARD.

GOOD MORNING.

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING.

Mr. Swaren: I LIVE AT 1543 SOUTHEAST YUMATILLA STREET AND I'VE BEEN A TAXPAYER IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY FOR 42 YEARS ON THAT PROPERTY. I WANTED TO RAISE THE ISSUE OF THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN. I DON'T KNOW HOW ACCURATE THE NEWS STORIES HAVE BEEN AND I READ THE \$1.3 BILLION FIGURE. I DON'T KNOW IF THAT'S SETTING OUT OUR BOUNDARIES FOR WHAT THE COUNTY COULD SPEND, OR IF YOU'RE TRYING TO PREPARE FOR OTHER CONTINGENCIES. AND I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH IS SPECIFICALLY BEING CONSIDERED FOR SEISMIC IMPROVEMENTS ON THE BRIDGES MENTIONED THAT MULTNOMAH COUNTY OWNS, BUT I WANTED TO PASS ALONG SOMETHING THAT I BECAME FAMILIAR WITH WHEN I WAS LIVING IN SEATTLE, THAT THEY HAD PASSED A LEVY THAT WAS APPROVED BY THE VOTERS THAT WAS FOR \$365 MILLION, SO ABOUT A QUARTER OF WHAT APPARENTLY -- ACCORDING TO THE NEWS STORIES, MULTNOMAH COUNTY IS CONSIDERING. AND I THINK PROBABLY A LOT OF THE PROJECTS WERE COMPARABLE. THERE WERE SEISMIC IMPROVEMENTS ON -- WELL, IT SAYS THREE TO FIVE BRIDGES REPLACED OR REHABILITATED AND RETROFITTED FIVE ADDITIONAL BRIDGES, RESTORE 144 BLOCKS OF SIDEWALKS, QUITE A NUMBER OF OTHER PROJECTS, SO I'M SURE IT'S SIMILAR TO THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY'S CIP PLAN. BUT I'VE FOLLOWED SOME OF THE SPECIFICS, THE BALLARD BRIDGE, FOR EXAMPLE, WAS SEISMICALLY RETROFITTED FOR ABOUT \$15 MILLION AND THE AURORA AVENUE, WHICH IS THE HIGHWAY 99 BRIDGE WAS RETROFITTED FOR ABOUT \$6 MILLION. SO FROM MY EXPERIENCE IN THE CARPENTERS UNION, THAT'S PROBABLY A PRETTY TYPICAL SEISMIC UPGRADE PROJECT. I REALIZE THAT THIS LEVY WAS PASSED ABOUT 10 YEARS AGO. SO COSTS HAVE CHANGED. BUT I'M CONCERNED THAT THIS COUNTY COULD CONSIDER SPENDING HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS FOR SEISMIC RETROFITS. I DON'T THINK THAT'S REALLY WARRANTED AND ONE THING THAT I'VE SEEN, TOO, IS THAT SEISMIC UPGRADE TECHNOLOGY IS IMPROVING, SO THE LONGER WE CAN BUY TIME, THE BETTER TECHNOLOGY WILL BE AVAILABLE THAT WILL BE MORE EFFECTIVE. SO I HOPE THAT YOU'LL CONSIDER A MUCH SMALLER SUM AS A PARAMETER ON THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

REGULAR AGENDA

County Management – 9:30 am

R.1 RESOLUTION Certifying an Estimate of Expenditures for Fiscal Year 2015-2016 for Assessment & Taxation in Accordance with ORS 294.175. Presenters: Randy Walruff, Division Director (5 min)

Chair Kafoury: MAY I HAVE A MOTION?

Commissioner Shiprack SO MOVED.

Commissioner Smith: SECOND.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK MOVES, COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.1.

GOOD MORNING, CHAIR KAFOURY, I'M RANDY WALRUFF, YOUR DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF ASSESSMENT AND TAXATION. WE ARE HERE BEFORE YOU, REQUESTING A RESOLUTION FOR A GRANT SO THAT WE CAN APPLY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE COUNTY ASSESSMENT FUNDING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. AND AS YOU MAY REMEMBER THIS PROGRAM WAS STARTED IN 1989 TO ASSIST IN MAINTAINING THE STATEWIDE SYSTEM, AND IN THIS PROGRAM, \$9 OUT OF EVERY RECORDING DOCUMENT GOES INTO THE FUND, 4% OF DELINQUENT INTEREST, ALL THESE FUNDS GO DOWN TO THE STATE OF OREGON AND THEY DISTRIBUTE IT BACK TO THE COUNTIES BASED ON A FORMULA AND THE FORMULA IS BASED ON OUR SHARE OF ASSESSMENT TAXATION SPENDING COMPARED TO THE STATEWIDE AVERAGE. NOTE THAT OVER THE PAST -- SINCE 2009, WE'VE RECEIVED BACK ABOUT 70% OF THE MONEY WE CONTRIBUTE. WE ARE A DONOR COUNTY BUT WE'RE UP TO ALMOST 90% THIS YEAR AND PART OF THAT IS BECAUSE OF THE SUPPORT OF ASSESSMENT AND TAXATION IN THIS COUNTY SO WE CAN FIND ALL PROPERTY AND PUT IT ON THE PROPERTY TAX ROLLS. I THANK YOU FOR THAT. THIS GRANT DOCUMENT IS A CURRENT SERVICE LEVEL BUDGET AGAIN. IT REFLECTS WHAT YOU WILL HEAR IN THE CHAIR'S BUDGET NEXT WEEK AND WHY WE'RE HERE BEFORE THE CHAIR TO PRESENT THIS BUDGET IS THIS GRANT AND ALL THE SIGNATURES AND EVERYTHING NEEDS TO BE TO THE STATE BEFORE MAY 1st AND BY JUNE 15th THEY'LL LET US KNOW WHAT OUR GRANT IS AND WHAT SHARE OF THE FUNDS WE WILL HAVE. WE ARE ANTICIPATING AROUND \$3.5 MILLION FOR THIS NEXT YEAR AGAIN AND THAT WILL REPRESENT AROUND 22 TO 25% OF OUR BUDGET FOR ASSESSMENT AND TAXATION FUNCTIONS AND I CAN TAKE ANY QUESTIONS.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. ANY QUESTIONS?

Commissioner Smith: I HAVE A QUESTION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR REPORT. JUST SO THAT I HAVE THIS CORRECTLY, IS \$879,000 GOING BACK TO OUR GENERAL FUND?

Mr. Walruff: COMMISSIONER SMITH, THE ENTIRE AMOUNT OF MONEY HERE GOES INTO THE GENERAL FUND. IT IS DEPOSITED DIRECTLY INTO THE GENERAL FUND. SO YOU ARE APPROVING OUR BUDGET, WE RECEIVE OUR BUDGET AND THEN WHEN THE MONEY COMES IN, IT GOES INTO THE GENERAL FUND SO IT'S ACTUALLY THE ENTIRE

\$3.5 MILLION WILL BE DEPOSITED INTO THE GENERAL FUND AS THE MONEY COMES IN FROM THE STATE OVER THE YEAR.

Commissioner Smith: AND HOW DOES THAT TRICKLE IN?

Mr. Walruff: QUARTERLY.

Commissioner Smith: OKAY.

Chair Kafoury: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [CHORUS OF AYES] RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. THANK YOU.

Community Services – 9:35 am

R.2 First Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 13 - Animal Services. Presenter: Mike Oswald, Director, Animal Services (15 min)

Chair Kafoury: MAY I HAVE A MOTION?

Commissioner Shiprack: SO MOVED.

Commissioner McKeel: SECOND.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK MOVES, COMMISSIONER McKEEL SECONDS, APPROVAL OF THE FIRST READING. CAREFUL. WE DON'T WANT ANY INJURIES THIS MORNING.

GOOD MORNING, CHAIR KAFOURY AND COMMISSIONERS. MIKE OSWALD WITH ANIMAL SERVICES DIVISION. R.2 IS AN ORDINANCE THAT AMENDS THE COUNTY CODE, CODIFYING CHANGES THAT WERE MADE IN THE LEGISLATURE BACK IN 2013. AND BRIEFLY, THE LEGISLATURE IN 2013 PASSED A BILL THAT CREATED REGULATIONS AND PROVISIONS FOR ANIMAL RESCUE ENTITIES AND ANIMAL RESCUE ENTITIES ARE ANY ORGANIZATION OR AGENCY, INCLUDING THE COUNTY, WHO HAS IN THEIR CONTROL 10 OR MORE ANIMALS. AND THIS PARTICULAR BILL IS DESIGNED TO IDENTIFY THOSE PRIMARILY NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS IN THE COMMUNITY THAT ARE IN THE BUSINESS OF DOING ANIMAL RESCUE WORK. AND THIS BILL IN THE LEGISLATURE CREATED NEW PROVISIONS IN THE STATE LAW THAT REQUIRES COUNTIES TO CREATE A LICENSING SYSTEM FOR ANIMAL RESCUE ENTITIES AND TO ENFORCE THOSE REGULATIONS AND DO COMPLAINT INVESTIGATIONS AND SO FORTH. THIS ORDINANCE BEFORE YOU TODAY SIMPLY CODIFIES THE CURRENT STATE LAW INTO CHAPTER 13 OF THE COUNTY CODE, WHICH IS WHERE ALL OF THE ANIMAL ORDINANCE ENFORCEMENT WORK GOES ON IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. OF INTEREST I THINK TO YOU WOULD BE THAT NUMBER ONE, THAT THIS ANIMAL RESCUE ENTITY REQUIREMENT ALSO APPLIES TO THE COUNTY AND SO WE, TOO, HAVE TO APPLY FOR AND HAVE A LICENSE AND ANY ISSUES, COMPLAINTS OR REGULATORY ACTIVITIES THAT GO ON RELATED TO THIS ORDINANCE REQUIRE AN INVESTIGATION AND I'VE SPOKEN WITH THE UNDERSHERIFF, TIM MOORE, ABOUT HAVING THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE CONDUCT ANY INQUIRIES INTO COMPLAINTS THAT MIGHT BE RAISED ABOUT OUR ANIMAL SHELTER OPERATIONS TO ENSURE THAT THERE'S, YOU KNOW, A THIRD PARTY THAT WOULD BE LOOKING AT ANY COMPLAINTS REGARDING US, BUT IN OUR ROLE AS AN ENFORCEMENT AGENCY, UNDER THIS CODE, WE WOULD BE THE ONES TO CREATE A LICENSING SYSTEM, PROCESSING LICENSING AND THEN DO ANY COMPLAINT INVESTIGATIONS THAT MIGHT

COME UP. TYPICALLY THE WAY IN WHICH THE COUNTY CODE IS RELATED TO THE STATE LAW IS THAT THE COUNTY AND HERE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY SIMPLY INCORPORATES AND CODIFIES STATE LAW INTO THE COUNTY CODE AND THAT'S WHERE THEN WE CARRY OUT ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES. THAT'S WHERE PEOPLE HAVE RIGHTS TO APPEAL ANY ACTIONS THAT WE TAKE AND THAT'S HANDLED ADMINISTRATIVELY BECAUSE THESE ARE ALL CIVIL MATTERS SO THEY'RE VIOLATIONS THAT CARRY CIVIL PENALTIES. SO IT SIMPLY INCORPORATES THIS NEW DEFINITION OF ANIMAL RESCUE ENTITY INTO OUR CURRENT CODE, OUR CURRENT PROVISIONS AND REGULATIONS FOR LICENSING OTHER KINDS OF ANIMAL FACILITIES. SO IT'S REALLY MORE OF A HOUSEKEEPING MATTER TO ENSURE THAT OUR CODE IS UP TO DATE AND CURRENT WITH THE STATE LAW. SO I'LL ENTERTAIN ANY QUESTIONS.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. QUESTIONS?

Commissioner McKeel: THANKS, MIKE. I UNDERSTAND THIS IS THE HOUSEKEEPING SITUATION FOR US AND MAYBE YOU DON'T KNOW THE ANSWER TO THIS QUESTION. BUT I FEEL LIKE THE STATE WAS TRYING TO ADDRESS SOMETHING HERE WHEN THEY PASSED THIS LEGISLATION. DO YOU KNOW WHAT THEY WERE TRYING TO ADDRESS?

Mr. Oswald: YES, COMMISSIONER. BACK IN 2013, THERE WAS A SITUATION THAT OCCURRED DOWN THE VALLEY IN ANOTHER COUNTY. THERE WAS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION THAT HAD A LARGE NUMBER OF ANIMALS AND THERE WAS SOME COMPLAINTS AND CONCERNS ABOUT IT AND THERE WERE NO PROVISIONS IN THE STATE LAW THAT WOULD ADDRESS THE ACTIVITY OF RESCUING ANIMALS, WHERE DO THEY COME FROM, WHERE ARE THEY GOING, DESCRIPTIONS OF THESE ANIMALS. SO WHEN THE STATE LEGISLATURE WAS LOOKING AT THIS ISSUE IN 2013, IT WAS TRYING TO ESTABLISH SOMETHING FOR THE STATE AND ONCE THAT'S IN PLACE, THEN THE WAY IN WHICH MULTNOMAH COUNTY WE DEAL WITH THE STATE LAWS, WE SIMPLY CODIFY IT INTO OUR LOCAL CODE.

Commissioner McKeel: SO THIS WILL BE HELPFUL AROUND SOME OF THOSE HORRIFYING ISSUES WE HEAR OF SOMETIMES?

Mr. Oswald: WELL, IT'S REALLY JUST A LICENSING PROGRAM SO IF THERE'S ORGANIZATIONS OUT THERE THAT ARE ENGAGED IN THIS ACTIVITY, WHICH IS COMPLETELY, YOU KNOW, A LEGITIMATE LEGAL ACTIVITY, THEY JUST NEED TO APPLY FOR A LICENSE AND BE LICENSED. WE HAVE THEM ON RECORD, AND IT'S MOSTLY A RECORDKEEPING INVENTORY OF ANIMALS AND WHERE THEY COME FROM. AND SO THAT REALLY GIVES US THE ABILITY TO HAVE A GOOD SENSE OF WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE COMMUNITY WITH ANIMALS.

Commissioner McKeel: THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [CHORUS OF AYES] OPPOSED? THE FIRST READING IS APPROVED AND THE SECOND READING IS THURSDAY, APRIL THE 30th. THANK YOU. WILL YOU BE HERE FOR THAT?

Mr. Oswald: YES, I WILL.

Chair Kafoury: EXCELLENT. WE'LL SEE YOU THEN.

District Attorney – 9:50 am

R.3 PROCLAMATION Proclaiming the Week of April 19-25, 2015 as National Crime Victims' Rights Week in Multnomah County, Oregon. Presenters: Rod Underhill, District Attorney; Liesl Wendt, Director, Department of County Human Services; Scott Taylor, Director, Department of Community Justice; and, Susan, a Survivor of Domestic Violence (20 min)

Chair Kafoury: MAY I HAVE A MOTION?

Commissioner McKeel: SO MOVED.

Commissioner Smith: SECOND.

Chair Kafoury: WHO MOVED? COMMISSIONER McKEEL MOVED, COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.3.

GOOD MORNING EVERYONE, ROD UNDERHILL YOUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY HERE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. PLEASED TO BE BEFORE YOU WITH A TALENTED GROUP OF INTERESTED FOLKS RELATIVE TO CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS. LET ME KICK IT OFF WITH A RECOGNITION THAT ONE WEEK IN APRIL EVERY YEAR WE CELEBRATE CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHT WEEK. THIS YEAR'S THEME IS ENGAGING COMMUNITY AND EMPOWERING VICTIMS. IT'S A OPPORTUNITY TO ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SUCCESSES AND REDEDICATE OUR EFFORTS TO HELP AND SUPPORT VICTIMS OF CRIME. BY WORKING TOGETHER, COMMUNITY LEADERS, ORGANIZATIONS, LOCAL PARTNERS AND VICTIMS CAN LEVERAGE EXISTING COMMUNITY RESOURCES TO SUPPORT THOSE CRIME VICTIMS, ENGAGING THE ENTIRE COMMUNITIES ENABLES US TO REACH OUT MORE TO VICTIMS AND EXPAND THEIR OPTIONS FOR SERVICES. EACH YEAR, THOUSANDS OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY RESIDENTS EXPERIENCE THE TRAUMA, THE PAIN, HUMILIATION, PERSONAL AND FINANCIAL LOSSES OF BEING A VICTIM OF CRIME. TOO OFTEN CRIME VICTIMS AND WITNESSES, UNFORTUNATELY ARE OVERLOOKED IN OUR SYSTEM OF JUSTICE AND IN EFFORTS TO APPREHEND AND PROSECUTE CRIMINAL OFFENDERS. IN OREGON WE'RE FORTUNATE TO BE ABLE TO SAY THAT OUR CONSTITUTION AND OUR STATE STATUTES GIVE CRIME VICTIMS OVER 60 RIGHT, LEGAL RIGHTS. WE EACH HAVE A ROLE IN TREATING CRIME VICTIMS WITH COMPASSION AND IN HONORING THEIR RIGHTS AND WE RECOGNIZE THAT DAILY IN THE WORK THAT WE DO. NOW, AS I MENTIONED, THOUSANDS OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN OUR -- WELL IN OUR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, EACH YEAR, SUFFER THE STATUS OF BEING A CRIME VICTIM. MANY OF THOSE CITIZENS UNFORTUNATELY ALSO FALL IN THE CATEGORY OF SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIMS. OREGON IS NOW ON ITS WAY TO PROTECTING COMMUNICATIONS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIMS AND COMMUNICATIONS THAT THEY MAKE TO THEIR ADVOCATES, KEEPING THOSE COMMUNICATIONS CONFIDENTIAL. I'M PLEASED TO REPORT THAT YESTERDAY, THE OREGON HOUSE UNANIMOUSLY PASSED HB 3476, WHICH IS NOW ON ITS WAY TO THE SENATE FOR WHAT WE HOPE IS A QUICK ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND SUPPORT OF THE PROTECTIONS OF VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT AND THEIR COMMUNICATIONS TO THEIR ADVOCATES AND SUPPORT SYSTEMS. ALSO YESTERDAY, THE HOUSE UNANIMOUSLY AGAIN PASSED H.B. 2317, WHICH EXTENDS THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS FOR CERTAIN SEX-RELATED CRIMES FROM SIX YEARS TO 12 YEARS, DOUBLING THAT PERIOD OF STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS AFTER THE COMMISSION OF A CRIME. AND IF THAT VICTIM HAPPENED TO BE UNDER 18 AT THE TIME OF THE COMMISSION OF THE CRIME, THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS IS INCREASED UNTIL THEY ARE 30 YEARS OF AGE. SO IT COULD BE, IN FACT, IN ADDITION

TO 12 YEARS IF THEY WERE UNDER 18. THOSE ARE TREMENDOUS MOVEMENTS IN FAVOR AND SUPPORTING OF CRIME VICTIMS IN THE AREA, SPECIFICALLY OF SEXUAL ASSAULT.

DA Underhill: THERE IS ANOTHER -- YESTERDAY WAS A BUSY DAY DOWN AT THE STATE LEGISLATURE. ONE OF MY FOREMOST PROSECUTORS IN THE AREA OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING GAVE SOME COMPELLING TESTIMONY BEFORE THE HOUSE ON HOUSE BILL 3040, 3-0-4-0. THAT BILL PROVIDES IN THE AREA OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS THAT CERTAIN HEARSAY STATEMENTS, AS LONG AS IT'S RELATED TO CERTAIN SEX CRIMES, WOULD BE ADMISSIBLE, EVEN IF THE DECLARANT IS AVAILABLE AS A WITNESS. I'M WORKING VERY AGGRESSIVELY WITH LEGISLATORS, ALMOST AS WE SPEAK AND FRANKLY, I'M GOING TO LEAVE HERE AND GO DOWN AND CONTINUE THE CONVERSATION IN THE AREA OF GRAND JURY RECORDATION. GRAND JURY RECORDATION AND ASSOCIATED LAWS AND PRACTICES WILL ASSIST THE MICK IN CONTINUING TO HAVE CONFIDENCE IN THEIR PUBLIC SAFETY SYSTEM. MYSELF AND THE OREGON DISTRICT ATTORNEYS ASSOCIATION SUPPORTS SENATE BILL 822-1, THE AMENDED VERSION, WHICH WILL RESULT IN OREGON HAVING A RESPONSIBLE STATE GRAND JURY RECORDATION LAW. WE HAVE CAREFULLY THOUGHT OUT THE NEEDS AMONG OTHER THINGS OF SENSITIVE CRIME VICTIMS TO INCLUDE CHILD VICTIMS AND OTHER SPECIAL WITNESSES AND VICTIMS AND WE BELIEVE THAT SENATE BILL 822-1 WILL ACCOMMODATE AND MAKE NECESSARY ADJUSTMENTS TO THAT GRAND JURY RECORDATION LAW WHICH WE BELIEVE AND SUPPORT IN CERTAIN AREAS OF THE PRACTICE THAT GOES BEFORE THE GRAND JURY. FURTHER, I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH LEGISLATORS AND OTHERS AT THIS TABLE AND SOME AT THIS TABLE, CERTAINLY, ANNIE NEAL IN THE AUDIENCE, WORKING TO TAKE GUNS OUT OF THE HANDS OF ABUSERS, TAKE GUNS OUT OF THE HANDS OF ABUSERS. SENATE BILL 525 IS LEGISLATION THAT PROHIBITS POSSESSION OF FIREARM OR AMMUNITION BY A PERSON WHO'S SUBJECT TO A RESTRAINING ORDER, ISSUED BY A ORDER, UNDER FAMILY ABUSE PREVENTION ACT AND ALSO SUPPORTS DISPOSSESSION OF FIREARMS RELATIVE TO CERTAIN MISDEMEANORS RELATED TO CRIMES OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE. FINALLY, I'M VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE A DEEPLY COMMITTED AND KNOWLEDGEABLE STAFF AT THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS, MANY OF WHOM ARE IN THIS ROOM. NOT JUST WHEN IT COMES TO THE LAWS BUT IMPLEMENTING THE LAWS WITH THE PHILOSOPHICAL BACKGROUND THAT WE ALL WANT ADVOCATES AND FOLKS IN OUR PROFESSION TO HAVE WHEN WE WORK WITH CRIME VICTIMS. IT'S A DEEP PHILOSOPHICAL AND CARING PRODUCT THAT WE GET IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. ELLIE WORKS WHO HELPS RUN THE SHOP DOES THE BOOTS ON THE GROUND WORK FOR ME AND MY OFFICES HERE AND SO I WANT TO RECOGNIZE HER ATTENDANCE, SITTING NEXT TO ANNIE NEAL, A GOOD SYSTEM PARTNER OF OURS. SO WE DEEPLY APPRECIATE THE HARD WORK AND THE COMMITMENT OF THE ADVOCATES IN THIS COMMUNITY AND ARE VERY PROUD TO ASK YOU TO PROCLAIM THAT APRIL 19th THROUGH THE 26th IS CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SUSAN WALTERS AND I WAS A VICTIM OF CRIME IN 2006. I HAD MARRIED A MAN WHO ACKNOWLEDGED THAT HE WAS NOT SURE WHAT HAPPINESS WAS OR THAT HE HAD EVER BEEN HAPPY. I HAD HAD A PROFESSIONAL AND A PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN TERMS OF PHYSICAL BATTERING BUT I WAS THE CAUTIONARY TALE THAT BECAME NATIONAL NEWS WHEN MY THEN-ESTRANGED HUSBAND HIRED A MAN TO KILL ME IN MY HOME. I RETURNED HOME FROM MY WORK AS A NURSE TO MY LOCKED AND ALARMED HOME WHERE A

MAN BEGAN TO BEAT ME IN THE FACE AND HEAD WITH A HAMMER. HE NEVER ONCE SAID WHERE ARE THE DRUGS, DO YOU HAVE ANY MONEY, IT WAS CLEAR TO ME IMMEDIATELY THAT HE WAS THERE TO KILL ME. FORTUNATELY, MY WORK AS A NURSE AND THE TRAINING THAT NURSES SPOKE OUT FOR HELPED ME SURVIVE A 15-MINUTE DEADLY FORCE ENCOUNTER AND I PREVAILED. I DID NOT CHOOSE MY ATTACKER'S DEATH, I CHOSE MY LIFE AND IN THE DAYS AHEAD I HEARD FROM MANY PEOPLE WHO WANTED ME TO TELL MY STORY ABOUT HOW I HAD SURVIVED. 15 MINUTES IN THE HALLWAY WAS A LOT EASIER THAN EVERYTHING THAT CAME AFTER. THE PAIN OF BETRAYAL, THE FEAR OF A SECOND ATTACK BY SOMEONE ON HIS BEHALF OR EVEN HIM - BEFORE HE WAS ARRESTED BEGAN TO DEFINE MY LIFE. AS I MOVED ALONG THROUGH THE PROCESS OF PRETRIAL HEARINGS, A SENTENCING OF WHICH HE AGREED TO AVOID MEASURE 11 CHARGES, A CIVIL CASE BECAUSE AS A VICTIM WHO HAD BEEN HARMED BY SOMEBODY WHO WAS WILLING TO PAY ANOTHER TO SEE ME DEAD, I FELT IT WAS CRITICAL FOR ME AND MY SAFETY TO LIMIT THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS HE HAD AVAILABLE. I FILED A CIVIL CASE. AND AS A RESULT, I WAS DIVORCED AFTER THE CRIMINAL PORTION OF THE PROCEEDINGS, THE CIVIL PORTION, AND I WAS ABLE TO WALK AWAY WITH FUNDS THAT OTHERWISE I WOULD HAVE BEEN GIVING HIM IN A DIVORCE SETTLEMENT. THE FARTHER YOU ARE AWAY FROM TRAUMA, THE BETTER YOU FEEL BUT THE CLOSER YOU BECOME -- THIS TIME LAST YEAR I WAS A MESS. I HAD BEEN HOPING TO GET INFORMATION FROM THE PAROLE BOARD ABOUT WHAT MY RIGHTS AS A VICTIM WERE, WHAT PART I WOULD PLAY IN PLANNING OF PAROLE AND BASICALLY, I FELT LIKE I WAS NOT HEARD. I THEN IN JANUARY OF LAST YEAR GOT HELP FROM THE OREGON CRIME VICTIMS LEGAL CENTER WHO WERE ABLE TO GET IMMEDIATE RESPONSE FROM THE PAROLE BOARD WHICH I FELT WAS UNFORTUNATE AS A VICTIM BUT AFTER THAT POINT, I BEGAN TO BE CONNECTED WITH PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY WHO HELPED ME BECOME A PART OF A PLAN. TOGETHER WE MAPPED OUT WHAT WAS IMPORTANT TO ME, THAT HE WOULD BE FAR AWAY, THAT HE WOULD BE MONITORED CLOSELY. THEY BEGAN TO MAKE PLANS FOR HIM TO BE RELEASED IN ROSEBURG, TO HAVE AN ANKLE BRACELET BECAUSE HIS CANCER HAD METASTASIZED. I WAS CONCERNED ABOUT MONEY. HE WAS COMING OUT OF PRISON WITH A PENSION AND IT WAS SIZABLE. MY KARMA IS WONDERFUL. MY NOW-EX IS DECEASED. HE PASSED AWAY ON JUNE 13th OF LAST SUMMER. AND I DID NOT HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE ISSUES OF PAROLE. I SUPPORT THE WORK OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY AND CRIME VICTIM SERVICES AND CONTINUING THE WORK THAT THEY ARE DOING. THIS IS A NEW AND GROWING PROGRAM FOR THOSE OF US THE HALF LOST AND AFRAID, THE HALF UNPREPARED AND OVERWHELMED WHEN TRYING TO ENSURE THAT OUR RIGHTS AS VICTIMS ARE MET THROUGH AN OFTEN-DISJOINTED PROCESS. I APPRECIATE AND APPLAUD THE WORK OF EVERYONE HERE TODAY WHO HAS SUPPORTED ME. EVERYONE WANTED TO KNOW HOW I SURVIVED IN THE HALLWAY. BUT I CAN TELL YOU HOW I SURVIVED EVERYTHING THAT CAME AFTER. WITH THE SUPPORT AND CONCERN OF FAMILY, FRIENDS AND COMMUNITY. AND I THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF CRIME VICTIMS IN OUR COMMUNITY.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

GOOD MORNING, I'M LIESL WENDT, THANK YOU FOR THAT MOVING STORY. I WANTED TO TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE ROLE FOR HUMAN SERVICES WHEN IT COMES TO CRIME VICTIMS, PARTICULARLY SOME OF THE WORK THAT YOU MIGHT NOT SEE BEHIND THE SCENES. WHEN WE LOOK AT OUR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES PROTECTIVE SERVICES TEAM AND OUR AGING DISABILITY AND VETERAN SERVICES TEAM, WE DO A LOT OF THE PREVENTIVE WORK IN HELPING IDENTIFY ISSUES,

SOMETIMES, BEFORE THEY HAPPEN. OUR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES PROTECTIVE SERVICES TEAM IS RESPONSIBLE FOR INVESTIGATING ABUSE AGAINST ADULTS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, INCLUDING PHYSICAL, SEXUAL AND VERBAL ABUSE, NEGLECT, FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION, SECLUSION, RESTRAINT, ABANDONMENT AND EVEN DEATH. THE UNIT RECEIVES APPROXIMATELY 1300 SERIOUS EVENT REFERRALS AND OPENS 260 ABUSE INVESTIGATIONS EVERY YEAR. IN OUR AGING DISABILITY AND VETERANS PROTECTIVE SERVICES TEAM IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ADDRESSING ABUSE AGAINST OLDER ADULTS AND ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES. THEY INVESTIGATE ABUSE AND RULE VIOLATIONS IN 96 CARE FACILITIES AND 631 ADULT CARE HOMES. THIS TEAM RECEIVES NEARLY 9,000 CALLS AND COMPLETES ABOUT 2800 OF THESE INVESTIGATIONS EVERY YEAR. ANOTHER IMPORTANT ROLE THAT DCS PLAYS IS THROUGH OUR PUBLIC GUARDIAN PROGRAM, IT SUPPORTS SOME OF OUR MOST VULNERABLE IN OUR COMMUNITY. THEY SERVE MORE THAN 160 PEOPLE WHO HAVE DIMINISHED CAPACITY, OR OFTEN ARE RECENT VICTIMS OF PHYSICAL ABUSE, NEGLECT OR FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION. AND THROUGH THIS PROGRAM WE PARTICULARLY WORK WITH THE D.A.'S OFFICE AND LAW ENFORCEMENT TO SUPPORT PROSECUTION WHEN THAT'S THE APPROPRIATE MEANS. THE IMPORTANT PIECE FOR HUMAN SERVICES, YOU'VE HEARD THE COMPELLING STORY ABOUT THE WORK THAT OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS DO SUPPORTING PEOPLE IN REALTIME AND HUMAN SERVICE FOLKS ARE OFTEN ON THE FRONT LINES OF ADVOCATING AND SEEING WHAT SOME OF THESE ISSUES ARE, AND THEN INTERFACING WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT. WE ARE PROUD TO BE HERE WITH OUR PARTNERS AND SUPPORT TODAY'S PROCLAMATION.

GOOD MORNING. SCOTT TAYLOR, I'M THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY JUSTICE AND WE APPRECIATE BEING INVITED TO THE TABLE AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO DEMONSTRATE OUR SUPPORT FOR CRIME VICTIMS. WITH YOUR SUPPORT, ABOUT TWO AND A HALF YEARS AGO, WE CHANGED UP OUR PROCESS AND HAVE INITIATED A FAIRLY AGGRESSIVE VICTIMS UNIT WITHIN DCJ AND WE HAVE DENISE AND I DON'T SEE ANITA, ALL WHO ARE TRYING A DIFFERENT APPROACH, TO WORK WITH ALL OF OUR OFFICERS, OUR PROBATION OFFICERS AND OUR JUVENILE CORRECTIONAL COUNSELORS TO ENHANCE THEIR KNOWLEDGE OF WHAT VICTIMS EXPERIENCE AND WHY IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO TAKE CARE OF THE ASSIGNMENTS AND TASKS THAT COME WITH ACTUALLY MANAGING THOSE INDIVIDUALS. SO THEY'VE DONE AN OUTSTANDING JOB. WE ACTUALLY -- SUSAN'S STORY POINTS OUT WE OFTEN GET PEOPLE ON POSTPRISON SUPERVISION OR PAROLE YEARS AFTER THE CRIME. AND THIS UNIT HAS BEEN WORKING VERY HARD TO MAKE SURE THAT WE START REACHING OUT TO THE VICTIMS EARLY AND THAT WE ACTUALLY ENGAGE IN SAFETY PLANS OR OTHER CONVERSATIONS AND CONCERNS AND SO I KNOW DENISE WORKED WITH SUSAN QUITE A BIT WHEN WE THOUGHT WE WERE HAVING SOMEONE COME OUT. WE ALSO SUPPORT AND WORK WITH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT ON A VARIETY OF ISSUES. DENISE SITS ON THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S TASK FORCE ON MY BEHALF. SO IT'S AN AREA WE HOPE TO KEEP EXPANDING AND KEEP WORKING TOWARDS A SYSTEM APPROACH BECAUSE OF THE LENGTH OF TIME IT TAKES FOR PEOPLE TO WORK THROUGH THE VICTIMIZATION AND IT'S NOT JUST THE INDIVIDUAL, IT'S THEIR FAMILY, IT'S A VARIETY OF OTHER IMPACTED INDIVIDUALS. WE'RE KIND OF EXCITED IN THAT DENISE PUT TOGETHER AND WE'VE SUPPORTED -- WE'VE JUST RECEIVED A GRANT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF CORRECTIONS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS FOR US TO DEVELOP A STATEWIDE INFORMATION AROUND POST-SENTENCING AND WHAT VICTIMS SERVICES SHOULD LOOK LIKE AND WE'LL BE WORKING WITH DOC AND ALL OF OUR OTHER

PARTNERS IN DEVELOPING A STATEWIDE MAP THAT CAN IDENTIFY THE DIFFERENT ROLES THAT PARTNERSHIP PLAYS IN WORKING WITH THE VICTIMS AND WHAT WE'RE EXCITED ABOUT, IF WE DO THIS WELL, THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF CORRECTIONS WILL USE US AS A NATIONAL BLUEPRINT ON HOW OTHER STATES MIGHT ACHIEVE THE SAME KIND OF IMPACT FOR VICTIMS AND WE'LL BE OUT THERE AND CONVENING A NATIONAL PANEL TO CONTINUE TO WORK ON HOW TO PROVE THAT. WE'RE EXCITED THAT WE GOT TO BE PART OF THAT AND DENISE LED THAT CHARGE. JUST TO GIVE YOU SOME IDEA, WE CONTINUE TO TRAIN OUR ADULT AND JUVENILE STAFF AND TRYING TO CONTINUE TO WORK ON OUR RESTITUTION AND OUR RESTITUTION COLLECTION. WE ARE ON THE VERGE OF LAUNCHING AN ADULT RESTITUTION WORK CREW THAT ALLOWS US TO HAVE PEOPLE THAT AREN'T EMPLOYEE AND AREN'T IN TREATMENT ACTUALLY DO WORK TO GENERATE THEIR RESTITUTION PAYMENTS. WE DO THAT ON THE JUVENILE SIDE. WE HOPE TO MOVE THIS INTO THE ADULT SIDE. AND EACH YEAR, MY CREW DEALS WITH ABOUT 1800 NEW VICTIMS THAT COME ON TO SUPERVISION AND OUR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE UNIT PARTICULARLY IS VERY ENGAGED DAILY WITH THE VICTIMS AND THE PEOPLE WE MANAGE. SO THANK YOU VERY, VERY MUCH. WE HOPE THAT THE FUNDING FOR VICTIMS, PARTICULARLY OUR AREA WHERE WE SEE OUR SHORT TERM EMERGENCY NEEDS THAT VICTIMS HAVE FOR HOUSING AND SUPPORT WHILE WE'RE WORKING ON RESTABILIZATION. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT. OUR UNIT THANKS YOU VERY MUCH AND I'M SURE THE VICTIMS ALL THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. DO WE HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD?

Commissioner Smith: I HAVE A COMMENT AND A QUESTION. THANK YOU, MR. TAYLOR, MS. WENDT, D.A. UNDERHILL AND MS. WALTERS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HAVING THE COURAGE TO COME AND TELL YOUR STORY. I KNOW YOU'VE HAD TO TELL IT AGAIN AND AGAIN AND AGAIN. IT DOESN'T GET ANY EASIER BUT IT'S IMPORTANT THAT WE HAVE THIS PROCLAMATION SO THAT WE CAN TRULY DRIVE HOME THE POINT THAT THERE ARE FOLKS WHO ARE BEING MISTREATED AND THE VIOLENCE THAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR COMMUNITY, IT'S VERY REAL AND THE CHALLENGE TO GET OUR ARMS AROUND THAT IS REAL, AS WELL. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH.

THANK YOU.

Commissioner Shiprack: JUST ONE COMMENT, THANKS, MADAM CHAIR AND ALSO SUSAN I APPRECIATE YOU -- I'VE HEARD YOU TELL YOUR STORY, IT NEVER FAILS TO BE SO CHILLING AND REALLY MOVING. AND I WANT TO SAY THAT IF THERE IS ANY SILVER LINING IT IS THAT YOU ARE NOT A VICTIM. YOU ARE A STRONG WOMAN AND YOU REALLY WERE VICTIMIZED TWICE. ONE TIME, I'M SORRY TO SAY WAS BY THE SYSTEM. AND I AM REALLY PLEASED THAT THE AWARENESS OF CRIME VICTIMS CONTINUES TO GROW, CONTINUES TO BE SUPPORTED BY THIS PART OF THE SYSTEM AND BY THE SYSTEM REPRESENTATIVES WHO ARE SITTING WITH YOU AT THE DAIS THIS MORNING. I THANK ALL OF YOU.

Commissioner McKeel: THANK YOU, VERY MUCH. THANK YOU FOR THIS PRESENTATION AND THANK YOU FOR TELLING US YOUR STORY. IT'S VERY COMPELLING AND WE APPRECIATE YOU SHARING THAT WITH US. I ALSO I WANT TO RECOGNIZE THAT WITH THIS PRESENTATION, THE CROSS-DEPARTMENTAL THINGS THAT ARE GOING ON HERE. I THINK THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE REALLY UNDERSTAND HOW EACH OF OUR DEPARTMENTS IS WORKING IN A SPECIFIC AREA TOGETHER. IMPORTANT INFORMATION

FOR US. AND I APPRECIATE THAT AND APPRECIATE YOUR SYSTEM'S APPROACH THAT YOU'RE TAKING TO THIS AND ON A MORE PERSONAL LEVEL, I REALLY AM HAPPY TO HEAR ABOUT HOUSE BILL 3040 MOVING FORWARD ON THE TRAFFICKING AND JUST WANT TO SAY THAT J.R. AND KELLY BEING DOWN AT THE LEGISLATURE, HELPING WITH THESE BILLS, IS VERY, VERY IMPORTANT AND ALSO THE WORK OF OUR COLLABORATIVE WHICH HAS REPRESENTATIVES FROM ALL OF YOUR DEPARTMENTS THAT SIT ON OUR COLLABORATIVE, AND IT MAKES US A STRONG DEPARTMENT TO BE ABLE TO EFFECT SOME CHANGES DOWN AT THE LEGISLATURE SO THANK YOU FOR THAT, AS WELL.

THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER.

Commissioner Bailey: A LOT OF GOOD POINTS HAVE BEEN MADE. I WOULD ADD THAT I THINK ALL OF US FROM TIME TO TIME STRUGGLE WITH WHY BAD THINGS HAPPEN TO GOOD PEOPLE, AND I THINK YOURS IS A STORY THAT SHOWS US HOW IN THOSE SITUATIONS THE GOOD CAN SHINE THROUGH SO MUCH BRIGHTER AND A PROCLAMATION IS MERELY A SYMBOL BUT I HOPE THAT IT'S AN IMPORTANT SYMBOL THAT SAYS THAT YOUR STORY AND STORIES LIKE YOURS IS SOMETHING THAT WE TAKE SERIOUSLY, THAT WE ARE ENSURING IT'S INTEGRATED INTO OUR PUBLIC POLICY MAKING AND THAT WE ARE COMMITTED TO MAKING SURE THAT VICTIMS AND WE'VE GOT TO FIND A BETTER WORD, BUT VICTIMS, SURVIVORS, CHAMPIONS, ARE TREATED WITH THE RESPECT AND DIGNITY THAT YOU DESERVE.

Commissioner Smith: I HAVE ONE LAST QUESTION. D.A. UNDERHILL, YOU TALKED ABOUT A SENATE BILL IN REGARDS TO SEXUAL ASSAULT, DOES THAT LANGUAGE COVER PARENTS WHO SEXUALLY ASSAULT THEIR CHILDREN? THE BILL, YOU TALKED ABOUT THE BILL THAT PASSED YESTERDAY AND THERE'S A COMPANION BILL IN THE SENATE YOU SPOKE OF.

DA Underhill: SO THERE WAS A BILL THAT PASSED IN THE HOUSE YESTERDAY, RELATIVE TO DOUBLING THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS. IS THAT YOUR QUESTION ON THAT BILL?

Commissioner Smith: AND THEN YOU TALKED ABOUT A SENATE BILL AFTER THAT, SOME SORT OF COMPANION BILL?

DA Underhill: MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THE SENATE BILL OR THE HOUSE BILL 2317 DOUBLED THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS, IT WOULD APPLY REGARDLESS OF THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE VICTIM AND THE OFFENDER.

Commissioner Smith: THERE WERE SOME ISSUES AROUND THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING THAT PARENTS WHO WERE HUMAN TRAFFICKING THEIR CHILDREN, THEY WEREN'T BEING CHARGED AS SOMEONE WHO WAS A STRANGER AND SO I WAS TRYING TO FIGURE OUT IF THIS LANGUAGE WOULD COVER PARENTS, AS WELL.

ABSOLUTELY.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU.

AS I WAS LISTENING, THERE WAS A PIECE AND YOU'VE BEEN VERY SUPPORTIVE OF OUR 3194 AND THE POTENTIAL FUNDING, AND I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT BECAUSE OF ALL THE WORK THAT'S GONE ON AT THE LEGISLATURE, IN THIS NEXT

FUNDING, 10% OF THAT FUNDING WILL BE DIRECTED TOWARDS VICTIMS SERVICES, AND I THINK THAT WAS A MAJOR STEP FORWARD THAT A LOT OF PEOPLE EXPANDED TO MAKE SURE THAT THE FUNDING SUPPORTS THE OTHER THINGS.

Chair Kafoury: IT'S AN IMPORTANT PIECE OF THE LEGISLATION. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THE BILL GOES THROUGH, PASSES WITH AS MUCH FUNDING AS POSSIBLE. WOULD YOU LIKE TO READ THE PROCLAMATION?

YES, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. (PROCLAMATION READ INTO THE RECORD.)

Chair Kafoury: ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [CHORUS OF AYES] PROCLAMATION IS ADOPTED. THANK YOU.

THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

Human Services – 10:10 am

R.4 BUDGET MODIFICATION # DCHS-47-15: Increasing the Fed/State Appropriation by \$147,615 and 4 new full-time positions in the DCHS. Presenters: Neal Rotman, Manager Senior - MHASD, Lee Girard Manager Senior – ADVDS

Chair Kafoury: MAY I HAVE A MOTION?

Commissioner McKeel: SO MOVED.

Commissioner Shiprack: SECOND.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER McKEEL MOVES, COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK SECONDS, APPROVAL OF R.4. GOOD MORNING.

GOOD MORNING CHAIR KAFOURY AND BOARD MEMBERS. I'M LEE GIRARD, SENIOR MANAGER WITH COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES, AGING DISABILITY AND VETERAN SERVICES DIVISION AND I'M HERE TODAY WITH NEAL ROTMAN AND I'M SPECIFICALLY HERE TO SHARE BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT FOR THIS BUDGET MODIFICATION REQUEST, INCLUDING WHY WE'RE COMING BEFORE YOU AT THIS TIME WITH THIS BUDGET MODIFICATION. THIS LAST YEAR'S LEGISLATIVE SESSION, THERE WAS A SPECIAL PURPOSE APPROPRIATION ESTABLISHED FUNDS THAT WERE AVAILABLE AS A RESULT OF SETTING LIMITS TO OREGON'S SENIOR MEDICAL TAX DEDUCTION. THE INTENT OF THE LEGISLATURE AT THAT TIME, WAS TO ENSURE THAT A PORTION OF THESE STATE GENERAL FUNDS WOULD BE REINVESTED INTO SERVICES THAT MEET THE NEEDS OF OLDER ADULTS. FOLLOWING THAT, THE STATE DEVELOPED A WORK GROUP AND ALSO CONTRACTED WITH PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY INSTITUTE ON AGING TO CONDUCT A STUDY TO LOOK AT BARRIERS THAT OLDER ADULTS IN OREGON FACE AS THEY TRY TO ACCESS BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES. FROM THIS WORK GROUP AND THE RESULTS OF THAT STUDY, THE STATE ELECTED TO INVEST FUNDING IN OLDER BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SPECIALISTS THAT WOULD BE LOCATED IN LOCAL COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH PROGRAMS. THE FOCUS FOR THIS NEW INITIATIVE IS TO ADDRESS PREVENTION AND HEALTH PROMOTION, TO ASSIST IN COORDINATING URGENT PLACEMENT SERVICES AND TO FOCUS ON COORDINATION, PLANNING AND EDUCATION IN LOCAL COMMUNITIES. THERE ARE REALLY VERY SPECIFIC OUTCOMES THAT ARE EXPECTED FROM THIS NEW INITIATIVE AND THE POSITIONS THAT WILL BE HIRED IN LOCAL AND REGIONAL COMMUNITIES. THOSE OUTCOMES INCLUDE

PROMOTING AND FACILITATING THE EFFECTIVE COORDINATION ACROSS MULTIPLE SYSTEMS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS IN WHAT WE KNOW TO BE A VERY COMPLEX SYSTEM, PROMOTING EFFECTIVE PREVENTION AND WELLNESS PRACTICES FOR OLDER ADULTS WHO EXPERIENCE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ISSUES, AND BUILDING COMMUNITY CAPACITY AT THE LOCAL AND REGIONAL LEVEL THROUGH ORGANIZATIONAL AND SYSTEMS CULTURE CHANGE. IN DECEMBER OF THIS CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, 2014, THE OREGON DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES NOTIFIED MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES DIVISION THAT FUNDS WOULD BE AWARDED THIS FISCAL YEAR FOR THIS NEW INITIATIVE. MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES IN OUR DIVISION, AGING AND DISABILITY AND VETERANS SERVICES, AGREED WITH OUR COUNTERPARTS IN CLACKAMAS AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES THAT A REGIONAL APPROACH WOULD BE MOST PRODUCTIVE FOR OUR AREA. THE REALITY IS FOR MOST OF THE OLDER ADULTS IN OUR COMMUNITIES, THE COUNTY LINES DON'T REALLY MEAN ALL THAT MUCH TO THEM. SO WE BEGAN MEETING IN JANUARY OF THIS YEAR TO PLAN FOR THE NEW FUNDING AND WE DEVELOPED VERY QUICKLY ACTUALLY IN ONE MEETING, WE DEVELOPED CONSENSUS ACROSS OUR REGION TO HAVE POSITIONS EMBEDDED IN BOTH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND OUR AGING AND DISABILITY PROGRAMS IN OUR RESPECTIVE COUNTIES, THEREBY ENSURING STRONG COORDINATION ACROSS OUR TWO SYSTEMS. AND THEN IN FEBRUARY OF THIS YEAR, MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES ACTUALLY RECEIVED THE CONTRACT AND AWARD FROM THE STATE FOR THIS NEW FUNDING INITIATIVE AND NEAL IS GOING TO TALK ABOUT THE DETAILS.

GOOD MORNING, CHAIR KAFOURY, COMMISSIONERS. NEAL ROTMAN, COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM MANAGER IN MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES. 2015-2017 BUDGET FOR THIS PROGRAM IS \$828,000 OF STATE GENERAL FUNDS. THE BUDGET WILL FUND TWO POSITIONS IN MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES AND TWO POSITIONS IN AGING, DISABILITIES AND VETERANS SERVICES. ADVS WILL ADD ONE FULL-TIME PROGRAM SPECIALIST SENIOR POSITION WHICH WILL SERVE AS THE OLDER ADULT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH REGIONAL COORDINATOR AND WILL LEAD THE REGIONAL INITIATIVE IN MULTNOMAH, CLACKAMAS, AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES TO BENEFIT CLIENTS WITH MULTIPLE SERVICE NEEDS. THE POSITION WILL PROVIDE REGIONAL LEADERSHIP AND PROJECT MANAGEMENT TO DEVELOP A REGIONAL MULTISYSTEM WORK PLAN, SERVE AS A REGIONAL LIAISON TO COORDINATION STAFF, ENHANCE COORDINATION, COMMUNICATION, AND COLLABORATION BY ORGANIZING AND FACILITATING MEETINGS THAT ADDRESS UNMET NEEDS AND CAPACITY ISSUES. ADVS WILL ALSO ADD A FULL-TIME CLINICAL SERVICES SPECIALIST WHO WILL WORK WITHIN THIS MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM TO IDENTIFY OLDER ADULT RESOURCES AND SERVICES FOR MENTALLY ILL OLDER ADULTS NOT CURRENTLY RECEIVING ADVS SERVICES. THEY WILL COORDINATE OLDER ADULT SERVICE PROVISION AND CREATE PLANS FOR SUCCESSFUL TREATMENT, INTEGRATION AND ENGAGEMENT AND POSITIVE OUTCOMES. MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICES WILL ADD TWO FULL-TIME CLINICAL SERVICES SPECIALIST POSITIONS TO WORK WITHIN THE MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM. ONE WILL SERVE AS THE OLDER ADULT MENTAL HEALTH COORDINATOR AND THE OTHER AS THE OLDER ADULT ADDICTIONS COORDINATOR. BOTH POSITIONS WILL IDENTIFY RESOURCES AND SERVICES FOR THE SPECIFIC SERVICE AREAS FOR OLDER ADULTS NOT CURRENTLY RECEIVING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR THEIR IDENTIFIED NEEDS. THEY WILL COORDINATE MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION SERVICE PROVISION AND CREATE PLANS FOR SUCCESSFUL MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS TREATMENT INTEGRATION AND ENGAGEMENT AND POSITIVE OUTCOMES. THE BUDGET WILL ALSO FUND AN ESTABLISHED PROGRAM OFFER WITH ADVS PROTECTIVE

SERVICES THAT PROVIDES CRISIS COUNSELING INTERVENTION FOR OLDER ADULTS NOT CURRENTLY RECEIVING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH TREATMENTS. THESE SERVICES PROVIDE TEMPORARY TREATMENT UNTIL LONG-TERM SERVICES CAN BE ESTABLISHED IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN RESIDENTIAL PLACEMENT. REMAINING FUNDING WILL SUPPORT CLIENT ASSISTANCE TO MAINTAIN HOUSING OR ESTABLISH SERVICE PROVISION. WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS.

Chair Kafoury: QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

Commissioner Smith: I HAVE A QUESTION. WHEN DO WE GET THIS MONEY INTO THE COUNTIES?

Mr. Rotman: WE RECEIVE THE CONTRACT FOR THESE FUNDS IN FEBRUARY.

Commissioner Smith: FEBRUARY 2015?

YES.

Commissioner Smith: AND WAS THERE SOME SORT OF REASON WHY WE WAITED SO LATE TO PUT THEM IN AS A MODIFICATION?

Mr. Rotman: WELL, AT THIS POINT, WE ALREADY STARTED THE PROCESS WITH OUR REGIONAL PARTNERS AS WELL AS OUR HIRING PROCESS.

Commissioner Smith: WE'VE BEEN IN PROCESS OF USING THE FUNDS?

Mr. Rotman: OH, YES.

Commissioner Smith: OKAY, THAT'S WHAT I WANTED TO FIND OUT. THANK YOU.

Mr. Rotman: SURE.

Chair Kafoury: OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [CHORUS OF AYES] THE BUDGET MODIFICATION IS APPROVED.

Non-Departmental – 10:15 am

R.5 PROCLAMATION Proclaiming the Month of April as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Multnomah County, Oregon. Sponsor: Commissioner Smith, D-2. Presenter: Susan Lindauer, Executive Director, Children's Trust Fund of Oregon (20 min)

Chair Kafoury: MAY I HAVE A MOTION?

Commissioner Shiprack: SO MOVED.

Commissioner Bailey: SECOND.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK MOVES, COMMISSIONER BAILEY SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.5.

Commissioner Smith: I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND OF OREGON AND TO MY COLLEAGUE COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK FOR COSPONSORING WITH ME THIS PROCLAMATION THIS MORNING. CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ALL CITIZENS OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY, PROVIDING CHILDREN WITH THE TOOLS THEY NEED AND FAMILIES TO HAVE A SAFE AND NURTURING ENVIRONMENT IS ONE OF THE WAYS THAT WE CAN REDUCE THE RISK OF ABUSE OF CHILDREN. WHEN FAMILIES BECOME ISOLATED AND STRESSED WITHOUT COMMUNITY SUPPORT, THE LIKELIHOOD OF CHILD ABUSE INCREASES. WHILE IT IS SO IMPORTANT TO HAVE SERVICES IN PLACE TO RESPOND TO VICTIMS OF ABUSE, I BELIEVE THE PREFERABLE GOAL IS PREVENTION. I'M HAPPY TO SUPPORT THIS PROCLAMATION THIS MORNING AND AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION AND I WILL TURN IT OVER TO OUR PRESENTERS AND SUSAN, CAN YOU START? THANK YOU.

Ms. Lindauer: THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER SMITH. GOOD MORNING, CHAIR KAFOURY AND COMMISSIONERS. I'M DELIGHTED TO BE HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT THIS PROCLAMATION. WE OBVIOUSLY ALL CARE ABOUT THE PROTECTION, SAFETY AND CARE THAT OUR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES RECEIVE. AS COMMISSIONERS, YOU'RE IN A VERY UNIQUE POSITION TO ENSURE THAT THEY RECEIVE THE SERVICES, SUPPORT AND SAFE COMMUNITIES TO ACHIEVE THIS VISION FOR ALL OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY CITIZENS. AT THE CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND, WE'RE SOLELY COMMITTED TO THE PREVENTION OF ABUSE AND NEGLECT FOR THE PAST 30 YEARS. RECENTLY OUR BOARD ADOPTED A NEW STRATEGIC DIRECTION WITH THE VISION OF REDUCING ABUSE AND NEGLECT STATEWIDE BY 40%. THAT'S A VERY SIGNIFICANT GOAL BUT I THINK IN WORKING WITH PARTNERSHIPS SYSTEMWIDE, WE CAN ACHIEVE THAT. AND WE WORK IN THREE CORE AREAS TO ACCOMPLISH THAT VISION. WE PROVIDE 700,000 IN STRATEGIC INVESTMENTS IN COMMUNITY BASED PROGRAMS AND CULTURALLY SPECIFIC PROGRAMMING ACROSS THE STATE THAT REACHES UPWARDS OF 46,000 FAMILIES EACH YEAR. LOCALLY WE ARE VERY PROUD TO INVEST IN SEVERAL PROGRAMS IN THE COUNTY, SELF-ENHANCEMENT, INC., NATIVE AMERICAN YOUTH ASSOCIATION, VOLUNTEERS OF AMERICA, AND METROPOLITAN FAMILY SERVICES TO NAME JUST A FEW OF THEM. THESE FAMILY PROGRAMS INCREASE PARENTAL RESILIENCE, KNOWLEDGE OF HEALTHY CHILD DEVELOPMENT AND SCHOOL READINESS. THE SECOND AREA OF OUR WORK IS AROUND PUBLIC AWARENESS AND EDUCATION. WE WORK WITH OUR GRANTEEES AND OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS TO INCREASE AWARENESS THROUGH THE NATIONAL PINWHEELS FOR PREVENTION CAMPAIGN TO ENCOURAGE THE PUBLIC AND CITIZENS THAT WE ALL HAVE A ROLE TO PLAY TO CREATE SAFE, HAPPY CHILDHOODS FOR OUR CHILDREN AND WE WANTED TO BRING PINWHEELS FOR YOU TODAY BUT WE'VE HAD A LITTLE HOLDUP AT THE PORT WITH GETTING THE PINWHEELS TO US. SO NEXT YEAR, WE'LL MAKE SURE THAT YOU ALL HAVE PINWHEELS. AND FINALLY, I WANTED TO BRING TO YOUR ATTENTION SOME RECENT RESEARCH THAT WE'VE DONE CALLED STRENGTHENING OREGON FAMILIES, AND I THINK THAT YOU HAVE ON -- THERE IT IS, BEAUTIFUL. SO WHAT WE DID IS WE WORKED WITH THE PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY TO LOOK AT THE PREVALENCE OF ABUSE AND NEGLECT WHICH HAD NEVER BEEN DONE IN THE STATE. WE ALSO LOOKED AT THE RISK FACTORS AS WELL AS THE CHILDREN WHO ARE IN POVERTY WHO WERE RECEIVING THESE SERVICES AND UNFORTUNATELY, THERE'S SOME VERY -- WE HAVE A LONG WAYS TO GO TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE REALLY SUPPORTING AND STRENGTHENING OUR FAMILIES AND PAMELA WILL BE TALKING ABOUT THAT IN A FEW MINUTES BUT I JUST WANTED TO SAY WE'VE HEARD FROM PARENTS THAT NO ONE REALLY HELPS US UNTIL SOMEBODY TAKES OUR KIDS AWAY. WE REALLY WANT TO REVERSE THAT CYCLE. WE NEED TO BE DOING EVERYTHING WE CAN TO SUPPORT

FAMILIES UP FRONT AND EARLY ON IN CHILDHOOD AS WE POSSIBLY CAN. WE KNOW FROM BRAIN RESEARCH THAT IT'S JUST ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL THAT WE AVOID ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES AND EARLY TRAUMA. SO I'M GOING TO LET PAMELA TALK A FEW MINUTES ABOUT MULTNOMAH COUNTY'S STATISTICS.

Ms. Pamela: THANK YOU, CHAIR KAFOURY. I'M THE CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION SPECIALIST AT THE CHILDREN'S TRUST FUND AND I'M GOING TO TELL YOU A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT THE DATA FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY AND ACROSS THE STATE. IN 2013, THERE WAS 1300 KIDS WHO WERE VICTIMS OF CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT IN THIS COUNTY. ACCORDING TO OUR ANALYSIS, THE LIFETIME COST OF CHILD ABUSE PER CASE IS ABOUT \$210,000 PER CHILD. SO JUST FOR THE KIDS ABUSED LAST YEAR ALONE, THAT'S \$2.7 MILLION THE COST TO OUR STATE, OUR ECONOMY, HIGHER COSTS IN THE JUSTICE SYSTEM, FOSTER CARE DOWN THE ROAD FOR THOSE CHILDREN AND THE LOST ECONOMIC AND EDUCATIONAL SUCCESS OF THOSE KIDS AS A RESULT OF SOME OF THE ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES. MULTNOMAH COUNTY BASED ON OUR RESEARCH HAS A MODERATE RATE OF ABUSE AND NEGLECT BUT IT'S HOME TO OVER 12% OF ALL THE ABUSE AND NEGLECTED KIDS IN THE STATE. THE OTHER FINDING WAS THAT THEY ARE ONLY SERVING IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY A THIRD OF THE KIDS WHO REALLY COULD USE THE SUPPORT IN THEIR FAMILIES AND THAT'S BASED ON 12 EVIDENCE-BASED PREVENTION PROGRAMS THAT WE ANALYZED. SO ABOUT 33% OF THE KIDS HERE HAVE ACCESS TO SOME OF THAT AND THE REST ARE STILL STRUGGLING.

WE KNOW WE HAVE THIS GROUNDBREAKING RESEARCH, BOTH STATEWIDE AND NATIONALLY AND WE ARE IN AN EXCITING PLACE TO KNOW WHAT WORKS BUT WE CAN ONLY DO THIS TOGETHER. AS INDIVIDUALS, PROVIDERS, COMMUNITIES CARING AND SUPPORTING CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. AND THE PROCLAMATION BROUGHT FORWARD TODAY IS A SMALL STEP IN INCREASING GREATER AWARENESS OF THE ISSUE OF ABUSE AND NEGLECT AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO PARTNER WITH MULTNOMAH COUNTY AND OTHER INDIVIDUALS, ORGANIZATIONS AND AGENCIES, STATE AGENCIES TO MEET OUR GOAL OF REDUCING ABUSE AND NEGLECT BY 40% BY 2020. WE WANT TO WORK TOGETHER TO SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE THE NUMBERS OF VICTIMS IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY AND TO MORE THAN THAT AND INCREASE EVIDENCE-BASED SERVICES AND CULTURALLY SPECIFIC PROGRAMS AND SUPPORTS AVAILABLE TO ACHIEVE THAT GOAL. SO WE THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR WHAT YOU DO IN THIS COUNTY TO SUPPORT AND STRENGTHEN OUR FAMILIES AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING TOGETHER WITH YOU IN THE FUTURE TO CREATE A GOAL OF SAFE, STABLE NURTURED FAMILIES IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY.

Chair Kafoury: DO WE HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE BOARDS?

Commissioner Shiprack: I WANT TO THANK COMMISSIONER SMITH FOR BRINGING THE PROCLAMATION FORWARD TODAY AND THE WORK THAT WE DO WITH PUBLIC SAFETY AND ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES ALL IS COMING INTO ALIGNMENT AND THIS WORK THAT YOU DO WITH PREVENTION IS TREMENDOUSLY VALUABLE, TREMENDOUSLY VALUABLE IN THE LIFE OF THE CHILD AND THE COMMUNITY.

Chair Kafoury: DID YOU WANT TO READ THE PROCLAMATION? OR DO YOU HAVE A COPY? GREAT.

(Proclamation read into the record.)

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [CHORUS OF AYES] THE PROCLAMATION IS ADOPTED. THANK YOU, VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

R.6 PROCLAMATION Proclaiming the Month of May as Creating Safe and Healthy Streets Month in Multnomah County, Oregon. Co-Sponsors: Commissioner Smith, D-2 and Commissioner McKeel, D-4. Presenters: Katherine McQuillan, Transportation Planner, Multnomah County Land Use and Transportation Planning; Joanna Valencia, Senior Transportation Planner, Multnomah County Land Use and Transportation Planning with Invited Guests: Noel Mickelberry, Executive Director of Oregon Walks; Margi Bradway, Active Transportation Division Manager for the Portland Bureau of Transportation; and, Julie Mack, Healthy Active Schools Coordinator for Centennial School District

Chair Kafoury: MAY I HAVE A MOTION?

Commissioner Shiprack: SO MOVED.

Commissioner McKeel: SECOND.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK MOVES, COMMISSIONER McKEEL SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.6. IT'S ACTUALLY PROCLAMATION DAY AT MULTNOMAH COUNTY.

Commissioner Smith: GOOD MORNING EVERYONE AND THANK YOU FOR PRESENTING TODAY. I'M REALLY EXCITED ABOUT THIS BECAUSE IT'S SOMETHING THAT I'VE BEEN PAYING CLOSE ATTENTION TO FOR THE PAST YEAR AND CREATING SAFE AND HEALTHY STREETS MONTH THROUGH A PROCLAMATION IS HUGE AND I KNOW THAT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF EVENTS THAT WILL TAKE PLACE ACROSS MULTNOMAH COUNTY TO ENCOURAGE ALL OF US TO BE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COUNTY TO WORK ACTIVELY WITH THE PUBLIC PARTNERS AND CITIZEN PARTNERS TO CREATE SAFE AND HEALTHY STREETS. AND I'LL BE PARTICIPATING IN THE BIKE WALK TO SCHOOL EVENT PERSONALLY WITH THE OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND LIKE THE REST OF THE NATION, MULTNOMAH COUNTY EXPERIENCES TOO MANY FATAL AND SERIOUS ROAD RELATED CRASHES AND BICYCLISTS AND PEDESTRIANS IN PARTICULAR ARE DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECTED IN OUR COUNTY FOR ABOUT 20% OF PORTLAND'S REGION'S FATAL AND SERIOUS CRASHES, AND ALONG THOSE LINES, OUR PARTNERS, WE ARE COMMITTED TO REDUCING THAT NUMBER AND I'M HAPPY TO SUPPORT THIS COLLABORATION THAT I SEE IN FRONT OF ME AND THANK YOU FOR COMING. THANK YOU.

GOOD MORNING CHAIR, GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS. I'M SO PLEASED TO BE HERE, AND THANK YOU COMMISSIONER SMITH AND COMMISSIONER McKEEL FOR COSPONSORING THIS PROCLAMATION. I'M KATHERINE McQUILLAN AND I MANAGE THE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN PROGRAM. SO IN MY WORLD, MAY IS A MONTH TO CELEBRATE. IT'S NATIONAL BIKE MONTH. WE CALL THAT PDX BIKE MONTH HERE, THERE'S A LOT OF FUN EVENTS GOING ON, VERY WORTHY TO CELEBRATE. AND SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL, THE MAY WALK AND BIKE CHALLENGE. WE'RE VERY FAMILIAR WITH CELEBRATING THIS MONTH. BUT THIS PROCLAMATION IS A NEW OPPORTUNITY, A NEW TWIST TO FOCUS ON NOT ONE PARTICULAR MODE BUT CREATING HEALTHY AND SAFE STREETS FOR EVERYONE. SO I'VE INVITED SOME COLLEAGUES AND FRIENDS HERE TODAY TO HELP SHARE WHAT'S GOING ON IN THIS REGION AND HOW WE'RE WORKING TOGETHER TO HELP CHANGE THE CONVERSATION A LITTLE BIT ON HOW

WE'RE GOING TO CREATE SAFE AND HEALTHY STREETS FOR EVERYONE. I WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT A COUPLE OF STATISTICS, COMMISSIONER SMITH YOU HIT ON ONE, THAT BICYCLES AND PEDESTRIANS ARE -- ACCOUNT FOR 20% OF THE CRASHES. THEY DON'T ACCOUNT FOR 20% OF THE TRAFFIC SO THAT'S PRETTY TELLING. WE NEED TO DO BETTER THAT RECOGNIZING THAT BICYCLISTS AND ESPECIALLY PEDESTRIANS ARE THE MOST VULNERABLE USERS OF THE ROADWAY. SEVERAL STUDIES HAVE CONCLUDED THE MORE PEOPLE YOU HAVE WALKING AND BIKING, IT ACTUALLY REDUCES YOUR RATE OF CRASHES, PARTICULARLY THE SERIOUS INJURIES AND THE FATAL CRASHES. AND SO HOW WE TALK ABOUT THIS CONVERSATION IS REALLY GOING TO IMPACT WHAT WE ACTUALLY DINE CREATING SAFE STREETS SO WE WANT TO START A NEW DISCUSSION THAT ROAD SAFETY ISN'T JUST FOR ROAD ENGINEERS. ROAD SAFETY IS SOMETHING THAT AFFECTS EVERYONE AND SO I GIVE YOU A FUN CHALLENGE TO THINK ABOUT ALL THE DIFFERENT WAYS YOU GOT HERE THIS MORNING, THE DIFFERENT MODES OF TRANSPORTATION. JUST QUICKLY I HAVE THREE GUESTS HERE TO HELP ME TALK ABOUT THIS. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF OREGON WALKS, THE HEALTHY ACTIVE SCHOOLS DIRECTOR WITH CENTENNIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION DIVISION MANAGER AT THE PORTLAND BUREAU OF TRANSPORTATION SO I'LL LET THEM SHARE WITH YOU THEIR PERSPECTIVES ON WHY IT'S IMPORTANT WE RAISE AWARENESS AND CELEBRITY THIS MONTH.

Ms. Mickelberry: GOOD MORNING. GOOD MORNING CHAIR KAFOURY AND GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS. I'M NOEL MICKELBERRY, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF OREGON WALKS. WE'RE THE STATE'S PEDESTRIAN ADVOCACY ORGANIZATION. WE WORK TO MAKE WALKING AND THE CONDITIONS FOR WALKING SAFE, CONVENIENT AND ATTRACTIVE FOR EVERYONE. WE'RE EXCITED TO BE HERE TODAY AND ESPECIALLY THANKFUL TO COMMISSIONER SMITH AND McKEEL FOR COSPONSORING THIS PROCLAMATION. AND WE'RE ALSO EXCITED TO BE WORKING TOWARDS CREATING SAFE STREETS BY REDUCING FATALITIES TO ZERO. ABOUT A THIRD OF ALL PEDESTRIAN FATALITIES HERE IN PORTLAND OCCUR ON OUR 10 BUSIEST AND MOST DANGEROUS STREETS WHICH ARE ALSO CALLED OUR HIGH CRASH CORRIDORS. THESE STREETS MAKE UP 3% OF OUR STREET SYSTEM BUT ACCOUNT FOR 51% OF ALL TRAFFIC FATALITIES. MANY OF THESE CORRIDORS RUN THROUGH THE PARTS OF OUR COMMUNITIES WITH THE HIGHEST CONCENTRATION OF LOW-INCOME FAMILIES, COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, CHILDREN, AND OLDER ADULTS. IMPAIRED DRIVING, HIGH SPEEDS, AND RECKLESS DRIVING ARE THE BIGGEST CONTRIBUTORS TO CRASHES IN OUR REGION. FOR PEDESTRIANS IN PARTICULAR, SPEED IS A HUGE FACTOR IN WHERE A CRASH END UP FATAL OR NOT WITH SURVIVAL RATES AT JUST 30% WHEN A CAR IS TRAVELING AT 40 MILES PER HOUR AND THAT CHANCE OF SURVIVAL JUMPS TO 80% WHEN CARS ARE SLOWED DOWN TO 20 MILES AN HOUR. WE BELIEVE THAT THE CONDITIONS THAT MAKE OUR ROADS UNSAFE CAN AND MUST CHANGE AND THAT IT'S EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY TO CREATE A TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM THAT IS SAFE AND ACCESSIBLE FOR EVERYONE. THIS IS A KEY COMPONENT FOR HEALTHIER AND MORE CONNECTIVE COMMUNITIES. ON MARCH 30th, OREGON WALKS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION ALLIANCE LAUNCHED A REPORT THAT'S FILLED WITH RESEARCH AND RECOMMENDATIONS TO LEAD OUR REGION AND OUR STATE TOWARDS VISION ZERO, TO REDUCE TRAFFIC FATALITIES TO ZERO. VISION ZERO IS A SHIFT IN HOW WE VIEW THE STREET SYSTEM AND SAFETY. IT DOES NOT TREAT ANY LEVEL OF FATALITIES ON OUR ROAD AS ACCEPTABLE. IT REQUIRES US TO CHANGE THE STATUS QUO. WITH AN AVERAGE OF 50 DEATHS ON OUR ROADS IN THE REGION EVERY YEAR, WE HAVE THE CHANCE TO KEEP 50 FAMILIES TOGETHER, TO PREVENT 50

HEART-BREAKING LOSSES TO OUR COMMUNITY AND TO NEVER AGAIN HAVE TO TELL SOMEONE THAT THEY LOST THEIR CHILD, THEIR PARTNER, THEIR FAMILY MEMBER OR THEIR FRIEND ON OUR STREETS. TO DO THIS, IT STARTS WITH THE KIND OF LEADERSHIP THAT WE'RE SEEING TODAY FROM THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS. VISION ZERO REQUIRES PARTNERSHIP AND COLLABORATION ACROSS JURISDICTIONS, MUNICIPALITIES, AND REQUIRES LEADERSHIP ACROSS THE STATE FROM POLICE DEPARTMENTS TO TRANSPORTATION BUREAUS TO HEALTH DEPARTMENTS. ALL NEED A UNIFYING VISION THAT THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE, THAT THIS MUST CHANGE, THAT WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER AND THAT EVERY LIFE MATTERS. WE'RE TRULY THANKFUL FOR YOUR DEDICATION TODAY TO CREATE SAFE STREETS IN THIS PROCLAMATION. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING VISION ZERO BECOME A REALITY AND TO WORKING ON THIS TOGETHER. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

Ms. Bradway: HI, THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME HERE TODAY, CHAIR KAFOURY AND COMMISSIONERS. I AM MARGI BRADWAY, THE DIVISION MANAGER FOR ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION AND SAFETY AT THE PORTLAND BUREAU OF TRANSPORTATION. I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF OVERSEEING A WIDE RANGE OF PROGRAMS FROM SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL TO SUNDAY PARKWAYS, THE FEEL GOOD PROGRAMS, TO SOME OF WHAT I WOULD SAY ARE THE MORE CHALLENGING PROGRAMS ON SAFETY, MULTI-MODAL EDUCATION, DEALING WITH OUR SAFETY TRAFFIC COMMITTEE WHO ALSO DIVES INTO DUI ISSUES, SPEEDING ISSUES AND EVERYTHING ELSE THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE WITH OUR PARTNERS, PORTLAND POLICE, TO REACH VISION ZERO. THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME HERE TODAY. MY DIRECTOR AS MADE VISION ZERO HER PRIORITY AND QUITE SIMPLY VISION ZERO IS THE IDEA THAT NO NUMBER OF DEATHS IS ACCEPTABLE ON OUR ROADS. IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE CAN PREVENT AND AS MY COLLEAGUES HERE HAVE LAID OUT, I THINK THEY LAID OUT ALL THE STATISTICS, ALTHOUGH I WILL CLARIFY THAT WE DID GET THE 2014 STATISTICS FOR PORTLAND'S FATALITIES AND DEATHS. THE GOOD NEWS IS THEY'RE SLIGHTLY LOWER, THE NUMBER IS 28. THE BAD NEWS IS HALF OF THEM ARE PEDESTRIANS. MOSTLY CONCENTRATED IN EAST PORTLAND. SO WE KNOW PEDESTRIAN FATALITIES IS A PROBLEM. WE HAVE ADOPTED A VISION ZERO POLICY AND WE'RE PUTTING THE PIECES IN PLACE SO THAT WE CAN MOVE FORWARD A SAFETY ACTION PLAN AS WELL AS ADOPT LANGUAGE AND DRAFT A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AND LANGUAGE IN OUR TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PLAN THAT PROVIDES THE POLICY BACKGROUND TO GET WHERE WE NEED TO BE. WE KNOW THAT EUROPEAN COUNTRIES HAVE FATALITY RATES MUCH, MUCH LOWER THAN OURS. STOCKHOLM IS A COMPARABLE SIZE TO PORTLAND. THEIR AVERAGE RATE OF FATALITIES AND SERIOUS INJURIES IS 1. A YEAR. SO WE LOOK AT STOCKHOLM. WE ALSO LOOK AT BERLIN. THERE'S GOOD EXAMPLES IN EUROPE OF COMPARABLE COUNTRIES THAT HAVE RATES FOUR OR FIVE TIMES LESS THAN OURS. AND WHEN WE LOOK AT THOSE COUNTRIES AND WE LOOK AT WHAT THEY'RE DOING IN THOSE CITIES, THEY ARE ATTACKING THIS PROBLEM AT ALL LEVELS. DUIs ARE UNACCEPTABLE IN STOCKHOLM. YOU GO TO JAIL PERIOD OR WORSE. THERE'S AN ENGINEERING PHILOSOPHY THAT YOU CAN ENGINEER FOR THE PEDESTRIAN FIRST. AND SO WE'RE LOOKING AT WHAT ALL THESE EUROPEAN CITIES ARE DOING IN TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT IS THAT GAP ANALYSIS, WHAT DOES PORTLAND HAVE TO DO. THAT'S A PLANNING PROCESS WE HAVE UNDERWAY. I ALSO WANT TO TELL YOU WHAT WE'RE DOING UNDER THE DIRECTOR'S LEADERSHIP ON THE ISSUE OF SPEED AND INFRASTRUCTURE. AS NOEL MENTIONED, IT'S A MATTER OF PHYSICS. THE HIGHER PEOPLE DRIVE, THE MORE LIKELY YOU ARE TO DIE. SO WE'VE TAKEN SEVERAL STEPS

RECENTLY. WE HAVE A BILL IN THE OREGON LEGISLATURE, H.B. 2621 THAT WOULD GIVE PORTLAND THE AUTHORITY TO USE FIXED PHOTO RARE CAMERAS. PORTLAND POLICE ARE UNDERSTAFFED AND MOST OF OUR CRASHES ARE HAPPENING ON THESE HIGH-CRASH CORRIDORS AND WE BELIEVE THAT HAVING A FIXED PHOTO RADAR WOULD PROVIDE EXTRA ABILITY TO CONTROL SPEED. AND WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH REPRESENTATIVE REARDON TO MAKE SURE THAT THIS PROGRAM WOULD BE IMPLEMENTED IN AN EQUITABLE AND FAIR WAY. THE GOAL OF THE PROGRAM WOULD NOT BE TO RAISE MONEY BUT RATHER TO INCREASE SAFETY. WE'VE ALSO PUT IN A FORMAL REQUEST UNDER AN ADMINISTRATIVE RULE AT ODOT TO GIVE PORTLAND THE AUTHORITY TO SET SPEEDS ON OUR LOCAL ROADS THAT ARE NOT ARTERIALS. WE WILL BE PRESENTING IN FRONT OF THE STATEWIDE SPEED ZONE CONTROL BOARD NEXT MONTH ON THIS REQUEST. IF GRANTED, IT WILL BE THE FIRST TIME EVER THAT A LOCAL JURISDICTION WILL BE ABLE TO SET SPEEDS ON A LOCAL ROAD AND THIS PAST YEAR WE REQUESTED AND APPROVED TO REDUCE SPEED ON SEVERAL KEY ROADS, INCLUDING BURNSIDE, GLISAN AND DIVISION. WE ARE ALSO WORKING ON SAFETY INFRASTRUCTURE. WE'RE DOING WHAT WE CAN WITH THE MONEY WE HAVE AND WE ALL KNOW THERE'S TRANSPORTATION FUNDING, IT'S SCARCE THESE DAYS, BUT WE HAVE WITH THE FUNDING AVAILABLE INSTALLED 20 RAPID FLASH BEACONS, THEY WORK. THEY'RE 95% EFFECTIVE TO SLOW CARS DOWN. WE HAVE 26 MORE FUNDED THAT WILL BE INSTALLED THIS YEAR. AT THE END OF THIS YEAR, WE WILL HAVE 26 RAPID-FLASH BEACONS. WE'RE DOING PROJECTS WE CAN TO MAKE PEDESTRIAN IMPROVEMENTS AND PUTTING CROSSWALKS IN, ONE MORE RECENT EXAMPLE IS ON NORTHEAST BURNSIDE. SO GOING FORWARD, WE WILL BE LOOKING TO OUR PARTNERS, ALL OF OUR STAKEHOLDERS, PARTNERS WITH ME HERE TODAY AS WELL AS YOU TO ENGAGE IN THIS PLANNING PROCESS. OUR SAFETY ACTION PLAN WILL HAVE 10, FIVE AND TWO-YEAR ACTION ITEMS THAT WE WILL ACCOMPLISH IN ORDER TO REACH OUR VISION. THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME HERE TODAY.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

HI, GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU SO MUCH. I'M JULIE MACK, THE HEALTHY ACTIVE SCHOOLS PROGRAM COORDINATOR FOR CENTENNIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT. BASICALLY, THE DISTRICT WELLNESS COORDINATOR AND PART OF WHAT CENTENNIAL DOES IS LOOK AT THE SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL AND GETTING OUR STUDENTS TO AND FROM SCHOOL SAFELY. WE'RE REALLY THANKFUL THAT CENTENNIAL WAS ASKED TO BE PART OF THIS AND THANK YOU COMMISSIONERS FOR SPONSORING A HEALTHY AND SAFE STREETWAY. I APPRECIATE THAT. SO CENTENNIAL HAS BEEN REALLY ACTIVE IN JUST LOOKING AT HOW OUR STUDENTS AND FAMILIES GET TO AND FROM NOT ONLY SCHOOL BUT LOCAL BUSINESSES, GROCERY STORES, ALL THAT PIECE. IN CENTENNIAL, WE'RE IN EAST COUNTY, SO OFTEN PEOPLE STOPPED A 122nd BUT KEEP GOING. WE'RE AT 181st, WE'RE BORDERLINE WITH PORTLAND AND GRESHAM IN DISTRICT FOUR. AND WE HAVE SOME LIMITED SIDEWALK ISSUES. WE HAVE SOME LIMITED PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION ISSUES THAT WE HAVE TO DEAL WITH, WHICH AS WE ALL HAVE TO DEAL WITH. SO ONE OF THE THINGS THAT MANY FAMILIES HAVE TO WALK THEIR STUDENTS TO AND FROM SCHOOL AND IF YOU HAVE LITTLE KIDS AND YOU HAVE TO BUNDLE EVERYBODY UP AND WALK A MILE WITH A FIRST GRADER, IT'S A SOLID 25-MINUTE WALK AND THAT'S JUST ONE DAY. SO OFTENTIMES, UNSAFE WAYS TO SCHOOL ARE A BARRIER TO ATTENDANCE. STUDENTS ARE MISSING ENTIRE DAYS OF SCHOOL BECAUSE THEY JUST CAN'T MAKE IT. THEIR FAMILIES CAN'T WALK THEN, THEY DON'T HAVE A RIDE, THEY LIVE WITHIN THAT ONE MILE ZONE WHERE THEY DON'T GET BUSSED OR IF THEY MISS THEIR BUS, THEY JUST DON'T MAKE IT TO SCHOOL, WHICH IS

NOT AN OKAY BARRIER FOR US. CENTENNIAL'S BEEN WORKING WITH THE CITY AND SOME OF OUR PARTNERS HERE TO REALLY HELP LIKE CREATE SOME SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL PROJECTS. WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON HOW TO GET MORE WALKING TOGETHER, ORGANIZING PARENTS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO HELP ENSURE THAT STUDENTS ARE WALKING TO AND FROM SCHOOL SAFELY, AS WELL AS THE FLASHING PEDESTRIAN LIGHTS, WE LOVE THOSE, THANK YOU SO MUCH. WE UNFORTUNATELY HAVE SOME BAD INSTANCES EARLIER ON 182nd WITH FOUR OF OUR STUDENTS BEING HIT WITHIN A CROSSWALK BECAUSE IT'S STARK AND PEOPLE AREN'T USED TO IT AND SOME OF THOSE FLASHING LIGHTS ARE NOT AS FAR OUT AS THEY NEED TO BE AND THESE STREETS, PEOPLE MOVE QUICKLY. SO WE'VE HELPED INSTALL SOME CROSSWALKS, STUDENTS ARE USING THEM, MUCH SAFER. IT'S REALLY NICE TO HAVE THE PARTNERSHIP AND PEOPLE RESPONDED REALLY RAPIDLY, AS SOON AS THESE ISSUES HAPPENED WHICH, UNFORTUNATELY, THESE ISSUES HAPPEN AND THEN THE RESPONSE HAPPENS. SO THE VISION ZERO PROGRAM, WE WANT TO LOOK AT HAVING NOT THIS ISSUE BE THE CATALYST BUT JUST OUR REALIZATION THAT HEALTHY, SAFE STREETS ARE REALLY IMPORTANT TO US AS A COMMUNITY. WE'VE ALSO BEEN LOOKING AT 174th WHICH ALSO HAS A VERY HIGH TRAFFIC RATE. IT'S RIGHT IN BETWEEN AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, OUR HIGH SCHOOL, A GREAT CUT-THROUGH FOR EVERYBODY TO GET TO HIGH SCHOOL, AS WELL AS OUR BUS BARN IS RIGHT THERE AS WELL SO THERE'S JUST A HIGH TRAFFIC AREA BUT UNFORTUNATELY, IT STILL DOESN'T MEET THE CRITERIA FOR THE FLASHING PEDESTRIAN CROSSWALK. SO WE'RE LOOKING AT WAYS THAT WE CAN USE OUR SCHOOL STAFF TO MAYBE ACT AS CROSSING GUARDS, AT LEAST DURING THE HIGH-TRAFFIC AREAS AND MAKE IT A LITTLE BIT SAFER. WE ARE WORKING WITH TRAINING OUR STUDENTS ON HOW TO USE THE CROSSWALKS, AS WELL. SOMETIMES, HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS FORGET TO PUSH THE BUTTON SO WE'RE HELPING THEM TO REMEMBER THAT PART. AND ALSO JUST SORT OF LOOKING AT OTHER WAYS THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO CREATE THE INFRASTRUCTURE TO ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO WALK AND BIKE TO SCHOOL BECAUSE IT'S A GREAT ACTIVITY AND ENSURING THEY KNOW THE SAFE ROUTES TO GET THERE AS WELL AS KEEPING OUR FAMILIES IN SCHOOL, COMING TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY AND HAVING THESE GREAT ACCESS POINTS. AND AGAIN, CENTENNIAL IS REALLY EXCITED TO CONTINUE WORKING WITH THE PLANS THAT THE COUNTY HAS AND CONTINUE LOOKING AT SAFE ROUTES AND HEALTHY STREETS AS SORT OF A LARGER INDICATOR FOR OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

THANK YOU.

Commissioner Bailey: I'M VERY HAPPY THAT YOU ARE PRESENTING ON THIS TODAY. THIS IS AN ISSUE THROUGHOUT MULTNOMAH COUNTY AND PARTICULARLY IN DISTRICT ONE. WE HAVE A LOT OF AREAS ON THE WEST SIDE WHERE YOU HAVE HILLS, WHERE YOU HAVE CURVY ROADS AND YOU HAVE NO SIDEWALKS AND ON A MAP IT LOOKS LIKE TWO PLACES ARE VERY CLOSE TOGETHER AND WHEN YOU TRY TO WALK IT, YOU CAN'T AT ALL. THESE ARE VERY UNSAFE AREAS AND THEY MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR KIDS TO GET TO SCHOOLS AND FOR COMMUNITIES TO CONNECT IN GENERAL AND I HEAR ABOUT IT A LOT. WHEN I WAS KNOCKING ON DOORS IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD, I HEARD ABOUT IT QUITE A BIT. THERE'S BEEN SOME PROGRESS OVER THERE BUT WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE SAFE AND ACCESSIBLE WALKING ROUTES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY.

Commissioner McKeel: THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE TODAY. PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IS A VERY IMPORTANT ISSUE IN OUR COMMUNITY AND I'M PROUD TO COSPONSOR THIS

PROCLAMATION WITH COMMISSIONER SMITH AND THANK YOU FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. AND I CERTAINLY WANT TO THANK OUR PRESENTERS FOR TODAY AND THE WORK THAT YOU ALL ARE INVOLVED IN EVERY DAY AROUND THESE ISSUES. PART OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY'S MISSION IS TO PROMOTE A HEALTHY, SAFE AND PROSPEROUS COMMUNITY FOR ALL. A CRITICAL COMPONENT OF THAT IS SAFE STREETS, WHETHER YOU ARE A CHILD GOING TO SCHOOL, A NEIGHBOR GOING TO YOUR LOCAL LIBRARY OR OTHER COUNTY FACILITY, OR AN ADULT TAKING BIKE OR TRANSIT TO WORK, WE ALL RELY ON SAFE STREETS. AND ONE PROGRAM I ESPECIALLY WANT TO HIGHLIGHT IS ONE YOU TALKED ABOUT, SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL. THIS PROGRAM REALLY MAKES AN IMPACT AND IT WAS AN HONOR FOR ME TO PARTICIPATE IN THE WALKING SCHOOL BUS EVENT AT TROUTDALE ELEMENTARY A FEW DAYS BACK AND I WANT TO RECOGNIZE ALL THE STAFF THAT HAS MADE THIS PROGRAM SUCH A SUCCESS IN OUR COUNTY. SO WHEN MY 4-YEAR-OLD GRANDSON WALKS UP TO AN INTERSECTION WITH AN ADULT, HE KNOWS TO STOP AND HE HAS A LITTLE SAYING. LOOK LEFT, LOOK RIGHT, NO CAR COMING. THIS IS A CRITICAL SKILL FOR ANYONE TO HAVE AND ESPECIALLY OUR KIDS, BUT SOMETIMES, WE NEED TO GO A STEP FURTHER TO ENSURE THAT WE HAVE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY. MULTNOMAH COUNTY RECENTLY INSTALLED THREE RAPID FLASHING BEACONS IN TROUTDALE AND THEY ARE AT BUCKSTON ROAD AND SOUTHWEST 7th ROAD, CHAPMAN ROAD AND TROUTDALE ROAD, CHERRY PARK ROAD IN FRONT OF REYNOLDS HIGH SCHOOL. THESE BEACONS ARE PEDESTRIAN ACTIVATED AND ALERT DRIVERS TO PEDESTRIANS CROSSING. THEY WERE INSTALLED UPON RECOMMENDATION FROM SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL AND ARE GOOD EXAMPLES OF THE WORK THAT'S BEING DONE AROUND THE ISSUE. SO I WANT TO THANK YOU AGAIN AND I LOOK FORWARD TO A SAFE AND HEALTHY MONTH FOR OUR CHILDREN AND OUR FAMILIES ON MULTNOMAH COUNTY STREETS. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? WOULD YOU LIKE TO READ THE PROCLAMATION?

(Proclamation was read into the record.)

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR COMING TODAY. ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [CHORUS OF AYES] THE PROCLAMATION IS ADOPTED. THANK YOU.

County Assets – 10:55 am

R.7 RESOLUTION and Public Hearing on Selecting Site for New Central Courthouse; and Authorizing Issuance of RFPs for Architectural & Engineering Services and for a Construction Manager/General Contractor for Courthouse Project. Sponsor: Commissioner Shiprack, District 3. Presenters: Ken Elliott, Asst. County Attorney; JD Deschamps, Central Courthouse Project Manager; Henry Alaman – Director, Facilities & Property Management; and Mike Day, Day CPM – Owner's Representative (60 min)

Chair Kafoury: MAY I HAVE A MOTION?

Commissioner Shiprack: SO MOVED.

Commissioner Smith: SECOND.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK MOVES, COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.7. GOOD MORNING.

GOOD MORNING, CHAIR KAFOURY AND COMMISSIONERS, I'M KEN ELLIOT FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. I'M HERE THIS MORNING WITH OUR COURTHOUSE PROJECT MANAGER AND MIKE DAY OF THE COUNTY'S OWNERS' REPRESENTATIVE ON THE PROJECT. THIS IS A BIG DAY. IT'S BEEN THE RESULTS OF A LOT OF WORK ON THE COURTHOUSE TEAM AND A LOT OF SUPPORT FROM THE BOARD. WE'RE HERE TODAY TO GIVE THE TEAM'S RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE SITE OF THE FUTURE CENTRAL COURTHOUSE.

FEBRUARY 12th THE BOARD AUTHORIZED AN EXEMPTION FROM THE COMPETITIVE BID REQUIREMENTS FOR PUBLIC CONTRACTING, TO AUTHORIZE THE TEAM TO PROCURE A CONSTRUCTION MANAGER/GENERAL CONTRACTOR FORM OF PROJECT DELIVERY. AND THE SECOND PART OF OUR TEAM'S REQUEST TODAY IS TO AUTHORIZE US TO MOVE FORWARD WITH REQUESTS FOR PROPOSAL FOR BOTH ARCHITECTURAL AND ENGINEERING SERVICES AND FOR A CM/GC CONTRACTOR. ONE TWEAK I WANT PROPOSED, RESOLUTION, BOTH THE APR AND THE FINDINGS DISCUSSED THE RFP ISSUE DATES AS BEING ON OR AFTER APRIL 17th AND ON OR AFTER MAY 1st. I NEGLECTED TO PUT THE "OR AFTER" LANGUAGE IN THE RESOLUTION. SO I WOULD REQUEST THE BOARD TO ADD THOSE WORDS BY INTERLINEATION IN CASE WE MISS PUBLICATION BY A DAY OR TWO. IT JUST GIVES US FLEXIBILITY TO DEAL WITH THE DAILY JOURNAL OF COMMERCE AND MEETING PUBLICATION DEADLINES. WE'RE PREPARED TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU HAVE AND WE APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT.

I HAVE A QUICK QUESTION. DO WE NEED TO MAKE A MOTION TO MAKE THOSE CHANGES AND AMENDMENT?

MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THERE WAS GOING TO BE A SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT AMENDMENT TO ADD THE ACTUAL SITE INTO THE RESOLUTION.

THAT'S CORRECT. MR. RYAN, THE RESOLUTION ITSELF IS LEFT BLANK. SO IN ADDITION TO THE ON OUR AFTER LANGUAGE, AFTER THE BOARD'S DELIBERATION AND HEARING PUBLIC COMMENTS, WE WOULD ASK THE BOARD TO NAME THE SITE SELECTED AND WE WOULD PLUG THAT INTO THE BLANK ON THE RESOLUTION.

SO THE ANSWER TO THE CHAIR'S QUESTION, WE COULD DO A FORMAL AMENDMENT FOR THIS TWEAK, DO THE OTHER ONE THE OTHER WAY, I WOULD LEAVE THAT TO THE BOARD'S DISCRETION HOW BEST THEY WANT TO PURSUE THAT.

THANK YOU.

MADAME CHAIR, I THINK IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO MOVE THE AMENDMENT NOW SO WE CAN DISCUSS THE ACTUAL RESOLUTION WE WILL BE VOTING ON. I MOVE THAT WE AMEND THE RESOLUTION TO STATE THAT THE DATES SUBMITTING THE RFP FOR&& E SERVICES ARE ON OR AFTER APRIL 17th; AND THE RFP FOR CM/GC ON OUR AFTER MAY 1st, THE SECOND PART OF OUR RESOLUTION. AND UNDER PART 1, THE BOARD SELECTS THE HAWTHORNE BRIDGEHEAD BLOCK 8. SITE FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE COURTHOUSE PROJECT. SO THAT IS MY MOTION, MADAME CHAIR.

DO WE HAVE A SECOND?

Commissioner Bailey: SECOND.

Chair Kafoury: I HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND. SO WE CAN BEGIN DISCUSSION ON THE ON OR AFTER PIECES AND THE MOST IMPORTANT PIECE, THE SELECTION OF THE HAWTHORNE BRIDGEHEAD SITE AS THE SITE. ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [CHORUS OF AYES]

Chair Kafoury: OPPOSED? THE AMENDMENT PASSES.

Chair Kafoury: LET'S HAVE A DISCUSSION. DO WE HAVE QUESTIONS ON THE PROPOSED RESOLUTION THAT WE ARE HEARING RIGHT NOW?

Commissioner Smith: MADAME CHAIR, DO WE HAVE TO HAVE SOMETHING IN THIS RESOLUTION IN TERMS OF WHAT KIND OF OPERATING BUDGET WE'RE GOING TO BE WORKING WITH? IS THIS WHERE THIS SHOULD BE? I KNOW WE'RE NOT AT THE CM/GC LEVEL BUT DO WE HAVE TO PUT A NUMBER IN THIS RESOLUTION OF COST?

THERE IS EXISTING AUTHORITY IN THE 2015 BUDGET FOR THE ACTIVITIES THAT WE WILL BE INVOLVED IN, THROUGH THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR. AND THEN THERE WILL BE, WE UNDERSTAND AND HOPE, ADDITIONAL AUTHORITY FOR THE 2016 FISCAL YEAR. SO THE CONTINUING ACTIVITIES TO ISSUE THE RFPs, TO EVALUATE THE CANDIDATES, ARE FUNDED. WE ARE -- OUR INTENT WOULD BE TO COME BACK EITHER TOWARD THE END OF JUNE OR EARLY JULY WITH THE TEAM'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND REQUESTING AT THAT TIME FOR THE BOARD'S AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE THOSE TWO CONTRACTS, AND IN EACH CONTRACT THERE WOULD BE A FEE STATED FOR THE BOTH THE ARCHITECTURE SERVICES AND THEN THE CM/GC FOR THE PRECONSTRUCTION SERVICES.

Commissioner Smith: GOOD ENOUGH, I WANTED TO KNOW WHERE THAT WOULD TAKE PLACE AT. I'M THINKING WE'RE VOTING ON A COURTHOUSE, BUT WE DON'T HAVE A NUMBER.

Mr. Elliott: AND I THINK COMMISSIONER SMITH WOULD LIKE TO BE ON RECORD FOR DISCUSSING -- WE HAVE TALKED IN THE PAST ABOUT THIS PROJECT BEING IN THE \$250 MILLION RANGE. IF YOU ARE SO INCLINED TO STATE AT THIS TIME FOR THE RECORD, IF YOU HAVE A NUMBER IN MIND THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO DIRECT STAFF TO WORK WITH. I KNOW THEY HAVE THAT AS A TARGET, BUT --

Commissioner Smith: I DON'T HAVE A NUMBER IN MINE AT ALL. BUT I CAN SAY THIS FOR THE RECORD. WHETHER IT BE 250 OR 350, WE NEED TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO DO THE SAME SERVICES THAT WE'RE DOING RIGHT NOW, AND PUT THEM UNDER ONE BUILDING. I'M NOT WEDDED TO A NUMBER BUT I'M WEDDED TO MAKING SURE WE BRING EVERYTHING OVER THAT WE HAVE IN THE COURTHOUSE TODAY INTO THE NEW COURTHOUSE. I'M NOT A BIG FAN OF HAVING OTHER LEASES OUTSIDE OF THE COURTHOUSE. SO THAT IS MY ONLY STIPULATION. NO, I'M NOT GOING SOUTH, I'M STILL IN SUPPORT OF THE COURTHOUSE, YES, I AM. BUT I'D LIKE TO SEE EVERYTHING UNDER ONE ROOF. THE OTHER ISSUE, MADAME CHAIR, ONE OF THE QUESTIONS I'VE GOTTEN FROM MANY CONSTITUENTS, EVEN PEOPLE WHO MAY BE WATCHING THIS,

THEY WANT TO KNOW WHY IS MULTNOMAH COUNTY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE COURTHOUSE AND NOT THE CITY OR THE STATE OR THE FEDS. I WANT TO GO ON RECORD FOR THIS. THE OREGON STATE LAW REQUIRES THAT ALL COUNTIES PROVIDE A PLACE FOR THE FUNCTIONS OF THE COURT. THE LAW IS VERY CLEAR AND IT'S VERY SPECIFIC. THERE MUST BE OFFICES FOR THE COURT AND THE JUDGES AND OFFICERS OF THE COURT AND EMPLOYEES. AND WE AT MULTNOMAH COUNTY MUST PROVIDE MAINTENANCE AND UTILITIES. AND THE BUILDING MUST BE SAFE. THIS IS ONE OF THE ISSUES THAT WE'RE HAVING HERE TODAY. AS THE MOST POPULOUS COUNTY IN OREGON, IT'S A HUGE ISSUE AND IT'S A TALL ORDER. OUR COURTHOUSE IS USED BY MORE PEOPLE. HAVING THE STATE BE A PARTNER IN THIS WHOLE ISSUE AROUND FUNDING, 50/50, IT RELIEVES OUR COSTS. BUT WE STILL HAVE AN OBLIGATION AS A BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO HAVE A SAFE AND FUNCTIONING BUILDING FOR OUR JUDGES, COURT EMPLOYEES, AND THE PUBLIC. AND WE HAVE TO DO IT IN A SAFE, EFFICIENT AND COST-EFFECTIVE WAY AS STEWARDS OF THE PUBLIC DOLLAR. AND MAKING SURE THAT ALL THOSE FUNCTIONS ARE IN THE BUILDING. SO THAT IS -- I WANTED TO CLEAR THAT UP. I GET A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS ABOUT WHY WE ARE INVOLVED IN THIS. I JUST WANTED TO GO ON THE RECORD FOR THAT. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS, ADDITIONAL?

Commissioner Bailey: MADAME CHAIR, JUST A COMMENT. I HAD A CONVERSATION JUST YESTERDAY WITH A PERSON WHO HAS EXTENSIVE EXPERIENCE IN PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT, PROMPT MANAGEMENT, SITE CONSTRUCTION, UNCONNECTED TO THE PROJECT, BUT HAS BEEN FOLLOWING IT. HE PULLED ME ASIDE AND COMMENTED TO ME THAT IN HIS MANY DECADES OF WORK HE HAD SEEN MANY DUE DILIGENCE PROCESSES THAT WERE FAST, MANY THAT WERE THOROUGH AND ACCURATE. THIS WAS THE FIRST TIME HE'D SEEN SOMETHING THAT WAS BOTH. THERE WAS NOTHING BUT KIND WORDS FOR YOUR TEAM AND THE WORK THAT YOU'VE DONE. I APPRECIATE THE TIME YOU'VE PUT INTO THIS. PARTICULARLY WE'VE RECEIVED A COUPLE OF LETTERS WITH PRETTY DETAILED QUESTIONS. I APPRECIATE YOUR TIME IN DIVING INTO AND ANSWERING THOSE QUESTIONS BECAUSE THOSE ARE IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS.

Chair Kafoury: YES.

Commissioner Shiprack: I GUESS I HAVE A PROCESS QUESTION. ARE THERE ANY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SIGNED UP TO COMMENT?

Board Clerk: NO.

Commissioner Shiprack: I KIND OF DON'T WANT THIS MOMENT TO ESCAPE ME AND I BELIEVE THAT IT ALMOST DID. BUT REALLY BRIEFLY, THIS IS A REALLY EXCITING STEP THAT WE'RE TAKING WITH THE FULL ENGAGEMENT OF A VERY ENGAGED COMMUNITY, WITH THE FULL ENGAGEMENT OF THIS BOARD. WE ARE TAKING LOGICAL INCREMENTAL STEPS TO REPLACE THE DOWNTOWN COURTHOUSE. AND TODAY'S DECISION IS GOING TO CONFIRM THE SITE FOR OUR NEW COURTHOUSE, AND IT'S GOING TO AUTHORIZE THE NEXT STEPS OF THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ARCHITECTURE AND ENGINEERING SERVICES, AS WELL AS REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGER/GENERAL CONTRACTOR, WHICH ARE GOING TO RESULT IN A SAFE, FUNCTIONAL COURTHOUSE FOR THE COMMUNITY, WHICH IS THE -- THE FACILITY INTO WHICH WE COMPEL JURORS AND WITNESSES TO ATTEND. AND WE KNOW THAT WE

HAVE OVER 600,000 PEOPLE A YEAR IN AND OUT OF A COURTHOUSE THAT IS INFRASTRUCTURE REALLY AND FUNCTION ALL OBSOLETE, THAT WOULD NOT WITHSTAND THE STRESSES OF WHAT IS ANTICIPATED TO BE A MAJOR SUBDUCTION EARTHQUAKE. THIS IS GOOD WORK, I'M PROUD OF MY COLLEAGUES. AND I'M DELIGHTED THAT YOU'RE BRINGING THIS TO US TODAY.

Board Clerk: MADAME CHAIR, WE DO HAVE JUDGE WALLER HERE THAT WOULD LIKE TO MAKE COMMENTS. I APOLOGIZE.

Chair Kafoury: I THOUGHT SHE SURELY CAN'T SIT HERE IN THE AUDIENCE THIS WHOLE TIME, COME ON UP!

Judge Waller: MY NAME IS NAN WALLER, I'M THE PRESIDING JUDGE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. I CAN'T SIMPLY SIT STILL ON THIS VERY HISTORIC DAY. THAT IS TRULY HISTORIC DAY FOR OUR COMMUNITY AND FOR THE COUNTY. IN PART BECAUSE THE LAST TIME A GOVERNING BODY SITED A COURTHOUSE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY WAS 1864. THE CURRENT COURTHOUSE WAS BUILT RIGHT ON THE SAME SITE. THE ACTION YOU'RE TAKING TODAY IS SOMETHING THAT'S NOT BEEN TAKEN FOR FAR LONGER THAN A CENTURY. THE WORK THAT YOU'VE DONE, THE LEADERSHIP, CHAIR KAFOURY, COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK, THE INCREDIBLE WORK DONE BY THE COUNTY TEAM, BY MIKE DAY'S OPERATION HAS REALLY BEEN PHENOMENAL. THE JUDGES HAVE BEEN INVOLVED. THERE HAS BEEN UNBELIEVABLE COORDINATION AND DUE DILIGENCE. I WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU. I CAN'T BELIEVE WE'RE AT THIS DAY, AND I KEEP ON THINKING, OKAY, ARE WE REALLY GOING GET THERE? I THINK WE WILL GET THERE IN THE NEXT FIVE YEARS. I KNOW THIS IS AN ENORMOUS STEP, AN ENORMOUS INVESTMENT FOR THE COUNTY. THE LEGISLATURE REALLY STEPPED UP IN THE LAST FULL SESSION TO PASS THE ROAD TO FUNDING THAT ALLOWS THIS TO MOVE FORWARD. WE'VE WORKED FOR DECADES, THOSE BEFORE YOU, THOSE BEFORE ME IN THE POSITION OF PRESIDING JUDGES TO PAVE THE WAY AND LOOK FOR A SOLUTION TO A COURTHOUSE THAT REALLY HAS DONE WELL FOR A LONG TIME, BUT IS PAST ITS PRIME. ON BEHALF OF ALL OF THE JUDGES AND MOST IMPORTANTLY ON BEHALF OF OUR COMMUNITY, I THANK YOU FOR TAKING THIS STEP AND MAKING A DECISION. WE SUPPORT THE RESOLUTION. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

COMMISSIONER MCKEEL: CHAIR KAFOURY, THANK YOU. HOW CAN WE NOT BE EXCITED AFTER JUDGE WALLER TALKS ABOUT THE HISTORIC DAY. BUT I REALLY DO WANT TO THANK THE TEAM FOR YOUR THOUGHTFUL PROCESS. AND YOUR STAKEHOLDERS AND PUBLIC INCLUSION IN THIS PROCESS. THAT'S SO IMPORTANT AND I THINK YOU'VE DONE A WONDERFUL JOB AROUND THAT. JUST SO EVERYBODY DOESN'T THINK THE SAFETY OF THIS BUILDING IS ALL ABOUT OTHER PEOPLE. MY CHIEF OF STAFF SERVED JURY DUTY MONDAY AND TUESDAY THIS WEEK SO HE WAS IN THAT BUILDING FOR TWO DAYS. SO WE ALL UNDERSTAND THE SAFETY PART OF THIS ISSUE. BUT THANK YOU ALL VERY, VERY MUCH.

Chair Kafoury: I JUST WANT TO ADD MY THANKS. THIS IS A REALLY EXCITING DAY. AND IT DOES SEEM SOMEWHAT ANTICLIMACTIC, BUT THAT IS BECAUSE I BELIEVE THE WORK, THE GROUNDWORK YOU HAVE DONE BREAKING UP THIS VERY COMPLEX PROJECT INTO SMALL BITE-SIZED PIECES, AND THE THOROUGH WORK THAT GOES INTO MAKING THIS DECISION REALLY IS THE REASON WE DON'T HAVE A PACKED HOUSE OF PEOPLE

HERE TODAY. I AM REALLY EXCITED ABOUT THE SITE, AS WELL. I THINK LIKE MANY PEOPLE I WAS A LITTLE HESITANT AT FIRST BECAUSE CHANGE IS DIFFICULT. AND CHANGING THE SKYLINE OF DOWNTOWN PORTLAND FROM SOMETHING THAT HAS BEEN IN OUR LIFETIME THE WAY IT HAS BEEN IS DIFFICULT. WHEN YOU THINK OF THE POSSIBILITIES AND THE INCREDIBLE ARCHITECTURE AND CONSTRUCTION COMMUNITY WE ARE SO LUCKY TO HAVE HERE, THE POSSIBILITIES OF THIS BUILDING AND WHAT THE SYMBOL AND WHAT IT MEANS FOR OUR COMMUNITY IS JUST -- THAT'S WHAT'S EXCITING FOR ME. I AM VERY MUCH LOOKING FORWARD TO THE NEXT PART WHERE WE GET TO CHOOSE OUR PARTNERS IN THE COMMUNITY WHO ARE GOING WORK WITH US TO BUILD THIS AMAZING BUILDING. I ALSO WANT TO THANK COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK. WE HAVE WORKED ON THIS FOR SO LONG. I'VE BEEN SAYINGS 40 YEARS AND 26 CONSTITUENTS, BUT SURELY IT'S LIKE 44 OR 45 YEARS NOW. AS JUDGE WALLER SAID, I'D LIKE TO REALLY THANK OUR PARTNERS IN THE OREGON LEGISLATURE. IT'S A BIG STEP FOR THEM TO TAKE ON NOT JUST OUR COUNTY COURTHOUSE, BUT ALL OF THE COUNTY COURTHOUSES AROUND THE STATE. I KNOW SOMETIMES THEY FEEL A TEENSY BIT OF REGRET IN THAT DECISION. THEY HAVE BEEN EXCEPTIONALLY AND EXTRAORDINARILY DEDICATED TO ENSURING THAT WE ARE HERE TODAY. LET'S GO FORTH AND CHOOSE AN ARCHITECT AND CONTRACTOR AND LET'S BUILD THIS BUILDING. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [CHORUS OF AYES]

OPPOSED? THE AMENDED RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED.

THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

BOARD COMMENT – 11:55 am

BC.1 Opportunity as time allows, for the Commissioners to provide comment on non-agenda items.

Chair Kafoury: NOW WE HAVE COME TO THE POINT ON OUR AGENDA WHEN THE COMMISSIONERS GET TO PROVIDE COMMENT ON NONAGENDA ITEMS. ANYBODY -- COMMISSIONER MCKEEL?

COMMISSIONER MCKEEL: WE ARE STILL DOING OUR DIAPERS AND BABY WIPES DRIVE TO BENEFIT CHARITIES. I KNOW IT SEEMS A LITTLE COMICAL BUT THIS IS REALLY, REALLY IMPORTANT FOR THE PEOPLE THAT NEED THIS. THEY CANNOT USE WIC AND S.N.A.P. TO PURCHASE DIAPERS AND BABY WIPES AND THEY ARE EXPENSIVE. SO THIS IS REALLY COMICAL BUT IT'S VERY, VERY IMPORTANT. OUR BARREL HERE IN THIS BUILDING IS ALMOST FULL I NOTICED, SO THANKS TO ANYBODY WHO'S PUT STUFF IN THERE. THERE'S ALSO A BARREL AT THE EAST COUNTY BUILDING AND ONE AT THE LINCOLN BUILDING SO THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU FOR DOING THAT. ANY OTHER COMMENTS?

ADJOURNMENT – 11:19 am

Chair Kafoury: SEEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS WE ARE ADJOURNED. [GAVEL POUNDED]

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