

**Minutes for the Board of Commissioners
Multnomah Building, Board Room 100
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd. Portland, OR 97214
Tuesday, August 28, 2012**

BOARD BRIEFINGS

Chair Jeff Cogen called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. with Vice-Chair Loretta Smith and Commissioners Judy Shiprack and Diane McKeel present. Commissioner Deborah Kafoury was excused.

Also present was Marina Baker, Assistant Board Clerk.

B.1 Informational Board Briefing on Multnomah Youth Commission's Work on Youth Violence, Data Collected and Policy Recommendations. Presenters: Ana Meza, Multnomah Youth Commissioner (MYC), Marc Fernandes, Youth Development Coordinator.

Commissioner Shiprack provided the opening remarks. Ms. Meza explained the purpose and mission of the MYC and discussed MYC focus groups, their demographics and results. These focus groups are created for youth to share their experiences and provide the MYC with information to develop potential policy recommendations. Next, she spoke about the Ingram Youth Summit Against Violence which brings diverse youth and adults from across the region together to share ideas, experiences and resources to stop violence and build a youth movement for social change. Ms. Meza provided an overview of the summit agenda, and Mr. Fernandes discussed the summit demographics and policy recommendation process.

Ms. Meza extended an invitation to the Board to attend the 2013 summit to the Board. Ms. Meza and Mr. Fernandes responded to Board questions and comments. The Board thanked them for their hard work and presentation.

B.2 Informational Board Briefing Regarding Land Use Planning Fee Study. Presenters: Peter Moy, Principal, Financial Consulting Solutions (FCS) Group and Chuck Beasley, Land Use Planning.

Mr. Beasley provided the opening remarks and explained that the County awarded a contract to the FCS Group at the end of 2011 to conduct a full cost of services fee study for the land use planning (LUP) division. The purpose of this study is to provide an analysis that will enable the County to determine what fees should be charged to achieve a desired level of cost recovery. Mr. Moy discussed the results of the study. He spoke about cost of services and cost recovery methodology; data sources; the 2011 cost of services; 2011 cost of non-fee services; 2011 cost recovery; potential new fees; potential and actual cost recovery scenarios; and cost recovery considerations.

Messrs. Moy and Beasley responded to Board questions and comments. The Board thanked them for their presentation.

B.3 Informational Board Briefing on Summer Youth Connect Program. Sponsor: Commissioner Smith, D-2. Presenters: Paige Hendrix, Policy Advisor, D-2; De’Ontria McFerson, D-2 Intern; Cardeana Burton, Department of County Management Intern; Tim Luo, Department of County Management Intern; Andrew McGough, Executive Director, Worksystems, Inc.; and Heather Ficht, Director of Youth, Worksystems, Inc.

Vice-Chair Smith provided the opening remarks. Ms. Hendrix explained that the Summer Youth Connect (SYC) program is a public and private partnership that provides youth with an opportunity to get their first work experience through a paid summer internship. This summer, the County employed 51 interns, who have worked approximately 7,600 hours and will make about \$67k by the end of the summer. The demographics of the interns from summer 2011 were between the ages of 16-21; 73% were youth of color; 96% were low income; and 80% received public assistance and food stamps. To become an intern, the youth applied online. Job coaches screen the applicants and match their interests and skills to open positions. Ms. Hendrix thanked Ms. Burton for creating the slideshow.

Mr. Luo showed a video he made about SYC. Mr. McGough and Ms. Ficht spoke about their experience as a SYC partner program. They thanked the Board for their commitment to SYC.

Ms. McFerson spoke about her experience as an intern for Vice-Chair Smith’s office. The presenters responded to Board questions and comments. The Board thanked Vice-Chair Smith, the interns, and community partners for their time and efforts.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:37 a.m.

Please note:

The minutes reflect the actions of the Board. For more detail, you are welcome to view the presentation material and/or video at: http://multnomah.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=3

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