

**Minutes of the Board of Commissioners
Multnomah Building, Board Room 100
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd., Portland, Oregon
Thursday, May 31, 2018**

REGULAR MEETING

Chair Deborah Kafoury called the meeting to order at 9:39 a.m. with Vice-Chair Lori Stegmann and Commissioners Sharon Meieran and Jessica Vega Pederson present. Commissioner Loretta Smith arrived at 9:45 a.m.

Also attending were Jenny M. Madkour, County Attorney, Marina Baker, Board Clerk, and Taja Nelson Assistant Board Clerk.

CONSENT AGENDA

- C.1 BUDGET MODIFICATION # DCM-06-18: Reclassification of two Finance Specialist 1 positions to Finance Specialist 2 positions.
- C.2 NOTICE OF INTENT to submit a grant application to HRSA for \$100,000 for capital improvement for Student Health Centers.
- C.3 BUDGET MODIFICATION # HD-37-18: Authorizing one position reclassification within the Health Department.

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING. WELCOME TO MULTNOMAH COUNTY. TODAY IS A BIG DAY, BUDGET ADOPTION DAY, IT IS THURSDAY, MAY 31. WE WELCOME YOU ALL HERE TODAY. MAY I HAVE A MOTION ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR. COMMISSIONER MEIERAN MOVES, COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON SECONDS APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, VOTE AYE. THE CONSENT CALENDAR IS APPROVED.

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 FIVE PEOPLE SIGNED UP. PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME. [READS NAMES]

Injured And Pissedoff: MY NAME IS INJURED AND PISSEDOFF. AND I WILL START WITH YESTERDAY'S DATE. I CALLED MY BROTHER, ABOUT HOME FORWARD. I SPOKE WITH THE CITY COUNCIL MAY 23, WEDNESDAY, A.M. SESSION. IT IS ONLINE. ANYWAY, MY -- I CALLED MY BROTHER YESTERDAY AND FUND OUT FROM HIM THAT HE WENT BEFORE A JUDGE TO -- FOR AN EVICTION. HE EXPLAINED TO THE JUDGE THAT HE'D ALREADY BEEN ARRESTED YESTERDAY, THE DAY BEFORE, THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN TUESDAY. THEY ARRESTED HIM IN HIS APARTMENT FOR BEING A VAGRANT. HE PAID HIS RENT. HE EXPLAINED

THAT TO THE JUDGE ON TUESDAY, AND WEDNESDAY. THE JUDGE THAT HE WAS BEFORE THE EVICTION NOTICE THAT THE JUDGE SAID AFTER HEARING THAT, WELL THE JUDGE SAID, ACCUSED HIM OF -- THERE SEEMS TO BE A REPORT OF NEEDLE USE. OF COURSE, MY BROTHER, AS I HAVE SAID, IS DIABETIC. THE JUDGE SAID WELL, AFTER HEARING THAT, THAT HE'D REFERRED THE MATTER TO HIM LATER. LATER THE SEMESTER. JUST CHARGED THE CASE. AND ANYWAY, THEY SCREWED UP AGAIN. HOME FORWARD. AND SATURDAY MORNING I RENT MY HOME FORWARD. THERE WAS A FIRE OUTSIDE OF MY APARTMENT. I WAS WOKE UP BY THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AT 3:00 IN THE MORNING. AND I HAD EXPLAINED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING THAT THEY ARE BECOMING SLUMLORDS WITH THE BUG INFESTATIONS AND THE LAUNDRY FACILITIES. THERE IS ONLY ONE, TWO WASHERS AND TWO DRYERS IN THE APARTMENT BUILDING THAT'S WORKING NOW THAT ONE FLOOR, THAT, FOR 153 APARTMENTS THAT I DIDN'T GET TO EXPLAIN AT THE CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS BECAUSE OF THE 182ND LIMITATIONS. THAT'S THREE MINUTES OF TIME. AND I AM THE ONLY PERSON THAT'S EVER HAD THE ARTICLE WRITTEN UP ABOUT HIM BEING UNINVITED GUESTS. AT LEAVE NOW IF THEY WRITE ANOTHER ONE IT WILL BE FOR INJURED AND PISSED OFF. PUBLICLY SPEAKING. IS MY TIME UP?

Board Clerk: 12 SECONDS.

Injured And Pissedoff: WHAT'S THAT?

Board Clerk: 12 SECONDS.

Injured And Pissedoff: ANYWAY, A FRIEND OF MY CALLED ME YESTERDAY.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

Lightning Super Creativity Watchdog: YES, MY NAME IS LIGHTNING, AND I REPRESENT LIGHTNING SUPER CREATIVITY WATCHDOG. AGAIN, I WANT TO EMPHASIZE ON THE METRO REGIONAL HOUSING BOND, AGAIN, THEY ARE GETTING VERY CLOSE TO MAKING THEIR FINAL DECISION TO PROCEED FORWARD WITH THE MEASURE ON THIS. THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE A PUBLIC FORUM ON JUNE 7. I RECOMMEND ANYBODY ATTEND THAT TO GET A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT'S GOING ON. AGAIN, THE NUMBER THAT THEY ARE COMING BACK WITH IS \$652 MILLION. AGAIN THIS WILL BE GOING TOWARDS AFFORDABLE HOUSING. AGAIN, THERE IS AN AMENDMENT THAT THEY ARE TRYING TO DO ON THE CONSTITUTION. IF THEY GET THE AMENDMENT PASSED, THEY WILL BE ABLE TO BUILD POSSIBLY UP TO 3,900 HOMES, UNITS. IF THEY DON'T, THEY ARE TALKING POSSIBLY 2,400 HOMES WITHOUT THE AMENDMENT. AGAIN, WE'RE TALKING 45% AT 30%, MFI. WE ARE TALKING 45% OF THE UNITS AT FAMILY-SIZED UNITS, FOR THE FAMILIES AND THEIR CHILDREN. THIS COVERS A LOT OF THE AREA THAT WE'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT ON THE BOUNDARIES OF WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE.

Lightning: AGAIN, THIS WOULD BE A HISTORIC BOND, OR HOUSING. FOR GETTING A LOT OF THE PEOPLE AT THE ZERO TO 30% INTO HOUSING. THIS WILL BE A GREAT VICTORY, NOT ONLY FOR THE CITY, BUT FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, AND THE FUNDS BEING DESIGNATED ON THIS PARTICULAR BOND, 45% WILL GO TO MULTNOMAH COUNTY. SO I WANT PEOPLE TO UNDERSTAND WHAT'S BEING SAID HERE. WE PASSED A 528 MILLION BOND IN THE CITY OF PORTLAND. THIS BOND WILL OVERSHADOW THROUGH THE METRO AREA, WHICH WILL, IN TURN, GIVE MULTNOMAH COUNTY 45% OF THIS BOND, WHICH IS APPROXIMATELY 326 MILLION. SO IF YOU ADD THAT TOGETHER, WE'RE TALKING 500 PLUS MILLION FOR THE CITY OF PORTLAND AND MULTNOMAH COUNTY, SO AGAIN, THIS BOND NEEDS TO BE PASSED. IT NEEDS, IT'S NEEDED AT THIS TIME. IT'S CREATING FAMILY-SIZED UNITS, AND AGAIN, MY MAIN FOCUS IS ON THE HOMELESS CHILDREN'S STUDENTS. WE ARE IN A CRISIS RIGHT NOW.

WE NEED TO FOCUS ON GETTING THEM INTO PERMANENT HOUSING NEAR THEIR SCHOOLS. WE WILL HAVE THE ABILITY TO BUILD APARTMENT UNITS IN VARIOUS LOCATIONS THROUGH THE METRO AREA, NEAR SCHOOLS, TO GET THE HOMELESS CHILDREN, STUDENTS, INTO PERMANENT HOUSING SO THEY CAN GO TO THE SCHOOLS THAT THEY WANT TO GO. THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT BOND TO GET PUSHED THROUGH. I HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT PEOPLE VOTE YES ON THIS. WE ARE NOT TALKING A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF MONEY ON AN ANNUAL PAYMENT. YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT MAYBE \$50 UP ON AN ANNUAL BASIS ON THIS TYPE OF A BOND. SO REMEMBER, BE THERE ON JUNE 7, VOTE YES ON THIS BOND. THIS IS A HISTORIC MOMENT, AND DO NOT PASS THIS OPPORTUNITY UP. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING. YOU CAN GO.

Kenneth Carr: GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS. MY NAME IS KENNETH CARR. CARR CONSTRUCTION. WE ARE HERE AGAIN WITH JOHN RUDY, MY PARTNER, IN THE PROJECT, SELLWOOD BRIDGE. WE ARE HERE AGAIN TO HIGHLIGHT OUR FRUSTRATION AND THE LACK OF THE RETENTION THAT WE HAVE NOT BEEN PAID, ABOUT A MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE BRIDGE THAT HAS BEEN SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLETE WITH OUR WORK SINCE SEPTEMBER OF 2016. WE ARE HERE TO LET YOU KNOW THAT WE HAVE DONE EVERYTHING THAT THEY HAVE ASKED, AND WE HAVE GIVEN OUR DOCUMENTATION. WE OPENED OUR BOOKS, AND WE'VE BEEN TALKING TO THEM, AND THE COUNTY AND THE LAWYERS, AND WE HAVE FILED A CLAIM. IT HAS BEEN FILED AGAINST THE J.V., WHO IS [INAUDIBLE] SLATEN, AND THEY FILED A CLAIM AGAINST THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY HERE ABOUT A MONTH AGO. MAYBE A LITTLE LESS THAN A MONTH. THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE RETENTION THAT WE ARE OWED, AND THAT WE HAVE PAID OUR MATERIAL SUPPLIERS, OUR WORKERS, AND WE ARE HERE TO ASK THAT SOMEONE CAN STEP UP AND JUST ASK THEM WHY THEY WILL NOT GIVE A THIRD LETTER TO THE JOINT VENTURE, SO THEY CAN -- WHICH DEEMS THEM ACCEPTING THE PROJECT. IAN CANNON WAS HERE ABOUT A YEAR AGO IN JANUARY, HAILING SUCCESS

ON THIS PROJECT. 99% THAT IT WAS COMPLETE. SO TODAY THEY ARE SAYING THAT THEY ARE STILL NOT ACCEPTING SOME OF OUR WORK. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT THAT IS. WE HAVE DONE EVERYTHING THAT THEY HAVE ASKED.

John Rudy: IT'S ALSO.

Chair Kafoury: I'M SORRY, COULD YOU STATE YOUR NAME.

John Rudy: JOHN RUDY. PRESIDENT OF OUR COMPANY. [INAUDIBLE] AWARDED THE TOP STEEL BRIDGE IN THE UNITED STATES SOME OF THE UNITED STATES. IT'S AN AMAZING AWARD FOR COMPANIES OF OUR SIZE AND ALSO FOR THIS COUNTY. IT'S INCONCEIVABLE TO ME THAT THE CONTRACTS HAVE STILL NOT BEEN CLOSED. THE REASON THAT WE WERE TOLD FROM THE J.V. IS PENDING CLAIMS, BOTH FROM THE J.V. AND TMF AND CARR, AS WELL AS SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION. I GOT A LETTER FOR ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTATION WAS FOR MATERIAL THAT THE COUNTY HAD FOR MONTHS OR EVEN YEARS THAT WE NEEDED FOR RESUBMIT TO THEM. BASICALLY THEY HAVE BEEN INSPECTING OUR BOOKS AT THE BRIDGE DIVISION, WHICH BY THE WAY, THEIR REQUESTS WERE FAR OVERREACHING THE CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS. WE SUBMITTED AND COMPLIED WITH ALL OF THOSE, AND IT HAS BEEN OVER A YEAR, AND WE STILL CAN'T GET THEM TO MAKE A JUDGMENT. WE WERE TOLD THAT OH, POSSIBLY WE WILL HAVE AN ANSWER FOR YOU IN JUNE. THAT WILL BE 14 MONTHS AFTER THEY NOTIFIED US THAT THEY WERE GOING TO DO AN INSPECTION.

WE HAVE NOTHING TO HIDE HERE. WE HAVE BEEN FUNDING THIS OVERAGE AND REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONAL WORK NOT TO MENTION OUR RETENTION THAT KEN AND I ARE TALKING ABOUT FOR OVER FOUR YEARS. IT'S RIDICULOUS. NOT ONLY THAT, IT'S UNFAIR TO ASK SMALL BUSINESS TO PUT THAT KIND OF A BURDEN ON THEIR FINANCES. I WAS TOLD BY THE J.V. WELL, IT'S A STRATEGY OF THE COUNTY'S BRIDGE DIVISION TO BLEED YOU OUT. BLEED US OUT? THAT'S A STRATEGY? HOW IS THAT RIGHT? I MEAN, MAYBE CONTRACTUALLY YOU HAVE THE RIGHT FOR THAT, BUT HOW IS THAT FAIR? I GET THAT EMAILS ALL THE TIME ABOUT HOW WE'RE LOOKING AFTER SMALL BUSINESS, WE'RE LOOKING AFTER MINORITY CONTRACTORS, WE'RE LOOKING AT VETERAN CONTRACTORS. RIGHT HERE YOU HAVE A MINORITY CONTRACTOR AND A VETERAN CONTRACTOR. AND THE STRATEGY IS TO BLEED US OUT SO YOU CAN GET A BETTER DEAL. THAT'S NOT RIGHT. PLEASE LOOK INTO YOUR BRIDGE DIVISION, GET IN THERE AND GET SOMEBODY IN THERE THAT CAN STRAIGHTEN THIS OUT AND CLEAR THERE. YOU HAVE A MARKEY PROJECT, DON'T RUIN IT PEOPLE KIM PEOPLES IS OUR DEPARTMENT DIRECTOR, AND HE'S HAPPY TO CHAT WITH YOU RIGHT NOW. THANK YOU.

Steve Entwistle: GOOD MORNING. YOU ARE PROBABLY WONDERING WHY I AM SITTING HERE WITH A STICK. I AM STEVE ENTWISTLE, BY THE WAY. I FOUND THIS ON THE WILLAMETTE RIVER WALKING NONCHALANTLY TRYING TO

BREAK UP THE TENSION HERE. I NOTICED SOMETHING. I USED TO GO TO THE BEACH WITH MY GRANDMA AND WE USED TO LOOK FOR WALKING STICKS FOR THE HECK OF IT. SO THIS ONE KIND OF CAUGHT MY EYE. I WAS LIKE WOW, THIS IS OLD. YOU CAN SEE THE NUBS. GROUND DOWN, AND THEN I SAW SOMETHING REALLY STRANGE. I SAW TEETH MARKS ON BOTH ENDS. SO, I AM THINKING WOW, AND IT'S LIKE REALLY OLD. IT'S LIKE LIGHTWEIGHT, IT'S LIKE -- I AM THINKING THIS IS PREHISTORIC MADE BY A PREHISTORIC BEAVER IN THIS AREA THAT HAD BEEN ROLLING AROUND IN THE WILLAMETTE RIVER FOR WHO KNOWS HOW LONG. IT'S LIKE AN ARTIFACT OF HISTORY. WHAT REALLY IS SURPRISING IS THE FACT THAT THERE IS TEETH MARKS ON BOTH SIDES. IT'S A PERFECT SIZE OF A WALKING STICK. IT WAS CUT WHEN IT WAS STILL ALIVE. ANYWAY. THAT'S MY FIRST STORY. THE SECOND STORY IS, THIS IS THE AN ANNIVERSARY, 50TH AN ANNIVERSARY OF BOBBY KENNEDY COMING TO PORTLAND, AND I WAS ABLE TO MEET HIM OUT IN BEAVERTON. KIND OF DO THE BEAVERTON THING HERE.

Steve Entwistle: ONE THING THAT I NOTICED WAS HOW NICE THAT HE WAS. HOW AUTHENTIC AND HE ACTUALLY CARED. I WAS EIGHT. WELL, I WAS 8.5. THAT MEANT THAT I WAS A BIT OLDER THAN EIGHT. THAT WAS A BIG DEAL WHEN YOU ARE EIGHT YEARS OLD. ANYWAY, MY MOTHER ASKED ME, WHEN BOBBY KENNEDY IS HERE, DO YOU WANT TO GIVE HIS AUTOGRAPH, AND DO YOU WANT TO GO WITH ME, AND WE SAID SURE. IT WAS A RAINY DAY, PLAY 31, AND WE GO OUT TO BEAVERTON, AND IT'S WHERE CHUCK-E-CHEESE IS NOW. LONG STORY SHORT. SHE COULDN'T GO OUT AND GET THE AUTOGRAPHS. SHE SENT ME OUT WITH A PAPER BUT I DID NOT HAVE A PEN. I WENT THROUGH THE CROWD AND I NOTICED THE SHOES GOT SHINIER AS THEY GOT CLOSER TO WHERE HE WAS. IT WAS RAINING. YOU CAN SEE THE WATER BEATING UP ON HIS SHOES. I WAS ON THE WRONG SIDE. AND SOMEBODY CAME UP TO ME AND SAID, DO YOU WANT TO GET HIS AUTOGRAPH? AND HE PULLS ME THROUGH THE CROWD, THROUGH THE BLACK SEATS, AND UP ALONG THE PODIUM. THERE WAS LIKE A WHOLE LINE OF PEOPLE, ALL THE WAY ACROSS. AND I WAS LIKE ALL BY MYSELF HERE, AND ANYWAY, HE DROPPED HIS PEN, AND I PICKED IT UP AND I GAVE IT TO HIM. HE ASKED ME WHAT I WANTED TO BE. WHO I WAS. I TOLD HIM, NOW I WAS IN SHOCK. HE GOES, DO YOU WANT TO BE A DOCTOR, A LAWYER? AND I GO NO. HE GOES, WHAT DO YOU WANT TO BE? I WANT TO BE AN ICE CREAM MAN. WHY DO YOU WANT TO BE AN ICE CREAM MAN? WHEN HE SMILED, HE HAD THIS SUN BURNED FACE FROM HIS CAMPAIGNING. I GO BECAUSE I CAN GIVE FREE ICE CREAM TO THE KIDS. I HAD CONTROL OF THE ICE CREAM. ANYWAY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING.

Yu Tay: GOOD MORNING CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS. I AM YU TAY. I SERVE ON THE COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE THAT WAS ESTABLISHED BY THE VOTERS IN 1984 IN MEASURE 25. WE'VE BEEN GOING THROUGH REJUVENATION. REDEFINING WHAT OUR MISSION IS. WE HAVE HAD SOME

CHALLENGES IN THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS IN THE COMMITTEE. IN THE PAST YEAR WE HAVE HAD A TURNING POINT WITH RECENT LEADERSHIP THAT HAS -- FROM THE COMMUNITY, THAT'S ON THE CIC. THAT'S REPRESENTATIVE OF OUR DIVERSE COMMUNITY. WE ARE HELPFUL THAT THINGS WILL IMPROVE. I GUESS TODAY, I WANTED TO CONTINUE ON MY CONTINUING ADDRESS TO YOU GUYS, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, ON GOOD GOVERNANCE AND HOW THE CIC COULD FIT IN IT, AS WELL. IN THE PAST, THE CIC HAS BEEN USED AS RUBBER STAMPS WHEN NEEDED AND DISCARDED, AND NEGLECTED. AND THERE IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE CIC TO BE VERY EFFECTIVE AND NOT JUST TO BE AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE LIKE ANY OTHER ADVISORY COMMITTEE, BUT TO BE -- TO FULFILL THE MISSION. IT'S THE ONLY COMMITTEE THAT'S WRITTEN INTO THE CHARTER.

Yu Tay: SO THE OPPORTUNITY IS FOR THE MEMBERS TO BE EFFECTIVE IN BEING COMMUNITY ADVOCATES AND HAVING A HIGH LEVEL OF AN ABILITY TO GO OUT AND TO TALK WITH THE COUNTY RESIDENTS, THE OTHER COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS ARE NOT ABLE TO DO. BECAUSE OF OUR, BECAUSE WE'RE APPOINTED FROM OUR REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICTS AND ALSO FROM THE VARIOUS POSITIONS THAT WE HOLD IN THE SOCIETY. NOT HAVING A WAGE OR AN AGENDA TO BE ON THE COMMITTEE FOR EMPLOYMENT REASONS, BUT TO BE A DIFFERENT VOICE OF THE PEOPLE'S NEEDS. THERE IS RECENT HISTORY, RECENT EVENTS HAVE PROVEN A NEED FOR AN ALTERNATIVE VOICE FOR OUR COMMUNITY WITH WHAT'S HAPPENING NATIONALLY AND LOCALLY. WE NEED TO HAVE A NEW WAY OF WAKING UP AND GETTING PEOPLE INVOLVED AND AWARE OF WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH HOW THEY CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY WITH UNDERSTANDING THE LAW AND NOT GOING OUT AND DEMONSTRATING, BUT UNDERSTANDING HOW THE LAW WORKS AT THE COUNTY AND THE CITY, THE LOCAL LEVEL AND BEING ABLE TO AFFECT CHANGE. SO HE LOOK FORWARD TO DOING THAT. WE HAVE A COPY, A CHARTER READING GROUP THAT MEETS AFTER THE HEARING, SO I WELCOME ANYBODY TO COME AND JOIN. THANK YOU.

REGULAR AGENDA

R.1 Public Hearing and Consideration of a RESOLUTION Adopting the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget for Multnomah County and Make Appropriations Thereunder, Pursuant to ORS 294.456. Presenters: Michael Jaspin, Budget Director, Department of County Management

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON MOVES, COMMISSIONER STEGMANN SECONDS APPROVAL OF R1. WE WILL START WITH PUBLIC COMMENT.

Board Clerk: WE HAVE FIVE PEOPLE SIGNED UP. PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME. [READS NAMES]

Chair Kafoury: YOU CAN BEGIN, GARY.

Gary Withers: GOOD MORNING AND THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR COMMISSIONERS AND MADAM CHAIR. IT'S A PLEASURE TO BE HERE. WE ARE VERY DEEPLY APPRECIATIVE OF YOUR CONSIDERATION OF THE AMENDMENT FOR SUPPORT OF THE THREE PH.D. INITIATIVE. AS YOU KNOW THIS IS AN INITIATIVE THAT IS A COLLABORATION AMONG CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY WHERE I HAD THE PLEASURE OF SERVING AS PRESIDENT OF THE FOUNDATION, PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS, FABIAN SCHOOL, KAISER PERMANENTE HEALTH CARE, BASICS FOOD CLUB AND OUR FRIENDS AT TRILLIUM FAMILY SERVICES. OUR VISION FOR THIS INITIATIVE AND FUNDS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE ADOPTION OF THE AMENDMENT WOULD SUPPORT THE BUILDING AND CREATING OF THE SAFER, HEALTHIER, AND MORE EDUCATED COMMUNITIES. IT IS A UNIQUE IN THE NATION INITIATIVE. IN FACT, I HAVE HAD THE PLEASURE OF TRAVELING THE COUNTRY RECENTLY SPEAKING WITH A NUMBER OF GROUPS WITH MORE GROUPS TO COME, AND CITY AFTER CITY COMES UP TO US AND SAYS, THIS IS AMAZING. HOW DO YOU DO IT? WE DON'T THINK THAT WE COULD DO IT HERE, ALTHOUGH WE ARE WORKING WITH THE FOUNDATION ABOUT POSSIBLY DOING IT IN DETROIT AT THIS POINT IN TIME.

IT'S DESIGNED TO PURPOSELY SERVE THE MOST VULNERABLE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WITHIN AND BEYOND IN SOME CASES THE FABIAN, THE HUGE FABIAN SCHOOL CATCHMENT AREA. IT IS DESIGNED TO INVITE AND EMPOWER THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN DISENFRANCHISE FROM MAINSTREAM COMPETITION, RATHER MAINSTREAM JOINING US AS MEMBERS OF THE ECONOMY, THIS REALLY WILL BE AN INVITATION FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE BEEN MARGINALIZED TO JOIN IN AND PARTICIPATE FULLY IN THE ECONOMY STARTING AS YOUNG AS CHILDREN SIX WEEKS OLD THROUGH OUR EARLY CHILDHOOD CENTER AND CONTINUING EVEN AFTER CHILDREN GRADUATE FROM FABIAN SCHOOL BY STAYING CONNECTED IN WAYS WHICH WILL ALLOW SOME OF THESE STUDENTS TO RETURN TO CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY AND PURSUE CAREERS IN ACCOUNTING, NURSING, MARKETING, AND SOCIAL WORK, ALONG WITH OTHERS. WE ARE VERY DEEPLY APPRECIATIVE OF YOUR CONSIDERATION OF IT TODAY. I KNOW THAT AS WE TRAVEL THE COUNTRY AND PEOPLE ASK, HOW ARE YOU ABLE TO DO IT, IN PORTLAND, OREGON, WE WILL SAY, CONTINUE TO SAY THAT PORTLAND IS DIFFERENT. WE KNOW THAT WE'RE BETTER TOGETHER. WE ARE ALL IN IT TOGETHER. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

Britt Conroy: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS BRITT CONROY. I AM A PUBLIC POLICY DIRECTOR AT ECUMENICAL MINISTRIES OF OREGON. WE ARE A STATE-WIDE ASSOCIATION OF CHRISTIAN DENOMINATIONS, CONGREGATIONS, PARTNERS, and 150 MEMBERS STATEWIDE. SCORES OF MEMBERS HERE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION TODAY OF COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON'S AMENDMENT

TO FUND UNIVERSAL REPRESENTATION. TO GIVE FOLKS WHO FACE DEPORTATION A CHANCE AT STAYING CONNECTED WITH THEIR FAMILIES, STAYING IN THEIR JOBS, STAYING CLOSE TO THEIR LOVED ONES. TODAY WHEN A RESIDENT OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY IS SEIZED FOR DEPORTATION, THAT ACT IS JUST THE FIRST OF MANY TRAGIC, TRAGIC MOMENTS IN THE DAYS AHEAD. THAT PERSON'S FAMILY WILL REACH OUT TO OTHER FAMILIES, OFTEN THOSE OTHER FAMILIES LIVING IN POVERTY THEMSELVES, SEEKING FUNDS FOR THAT INDIVIDUAL'S DEFENSE. EMPLOYERS WILL LOSE AN EMPLOYEE. KIDS COULD END UP IN FOSTER CARE. AND IN OUR PROGRAM WE OFFER TEN DIRECT SERVICE PROGRAMS IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY AND ELSEWHERE.

WE HAVE AN IMMIGRATION LEGAL DEFENSE PROGRAM WHERE MY COLLEAGUES WITNESSED THE HEARTACHE OF FAMILIES TORN APART. WE HAVE A FOOD PANTRY WHERE FAMILIES WHO HAVE BEEN TORN APART COME TO SUPPLEMENT, TO TRY TO PUT ON THE TABLE WHEN THEY LOST AN INCOME EARNER, AND WE OFFER A PROGRAM CALLED SECOND HOME THAT LINKS HOMELESS YOUTH TO VOLUNTEER HOME PROVIDERS. SADLY WE HAVE SERVED STUDENTS WHO HAVE PREVIOUSLY LIVED ON THE STREETS WHO NOW HAVE HOMES, AND THEY LIVE ON THE STREETS BECAUSE THEIR FAMILY HAS BEEN TORN APART. SO IT'S CLEAR THAT NO ONE SHOULD FACE DEPORTATION WITHOUT AN ATTORNEY, AND I AM REALLY, REALLY GRATEFUL FOR THIS COMMISSION FOR CONSIDERING THE FUNNY PACKAGE IN FRONT OF YOU FOR A REPRESENTATION.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

Carmen Rubio: GOOD MORNING CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS. I AM CARMEN RUBIO. I AM FROM LATINO NETWORK. I AM HERE ALSO TO ECHO THE COMMENTS THAT WERE JUST MADE NOW. WE ARE VERY APPRECIATIVE OF YOUR CONSIDERATION OF OUR VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES, AND WE HAVE BEEN WORKING HARD, OUR COLLEAGUES THAT YOU HAVE INVESTED IN, THE COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS LIKE IRCO AND [INAUDIBLE], AND THEN THE INCREDIBLE WORK OF THE COLLABORATIVE OF LAWYERS AND ADVOCATES THAT HAVE COME TOGETHER TO REALLY WEAVE TOGETHER A VERY IMPORTANT SYSTEM THAT HELPS THE MOST VULNERABLE IN OUR COMMUNITY. I KNOW THAT THIS IS A CHALLENGING TIME FOR OUR COMMUNITY NOT ONLY IN PORTLAND AND IN OREGON, MULTNOMAH COUNTY, IN THE NATION, AND YOU ARE FACED WITH THESE DIFFICULT DECISIONS AND PRIORITIES. I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW MUCH IT MEANS TO US TO KNOW THAT YOU ARE TAKING SERIOUSLY YOUR CHARGE TO REALLY CARE FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE AND TO PRIORITIZE THIS REALLY CRITICAL SERVICE. IN PARTICULAR OUR ROLE IS AROUND NAVIGATION SERVICES, AND WE'RE HOPING TO PROVIDE SEAMLESS SUPPORT SO THAT FOLKS EXPERIENCING THE FEARS CONNECTED WITH DEPORTATION, THE CLIMATE OF HARASSMENT AND ANTI-IMMIGRANT AND A PHOBIA TARGETING, AND HAVING TO DEAL WITH THE AFTERMATH OF DEPORTATION OR ARRESTS BY ICE OF THEIR LOVED

ONE AND THE DISRUPTION IT CAUSES IN THEIR FAMILIES. THAT'S WHERE OUR ROLE COMES IN. SO WE'RE ABLE TO ACTUALLY BE RESPONSIVE IN A WAY THAT DOES NOT PULL FROM OUR EXISTING CAPACITY TO SERVE THE EXISTING VULNERABLE COMMUNITY, AS WELL. I JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU KNEW HOW MUCH WE APPRECIATED YOUR LEADERSHIP AND COURAGE ON THIS ISSUE. AGAIN ISSUE THAT YOU HAD TO REALLY PRIORITIZE AND THINK DEEPLY ABOUT HOW TO DO THIS, AND WE APPRECIATE YOUR RESPONSIVENESS. THANK YOU.

Lee Po Cha: GOOD MORNING CHAIR. I AM LEE PO CHA, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF IRCO. I AM TAKING THE PLACE OF MY COLLEAGUE, BUT I AM GRATEFUL FOR THE OPPORTUNITY. AGAIN I WOULD LIKE TO ECHO WHAT MY COLLEAGUE HAD JUST SAID. AS A FORMER REFUGEE MYSELF, I JUST WANTED TO REALLY TAKE AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS MY -- OUR GRATITUDE AND APPRECIATION FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AT THESE CRITICAL TIMES. HAVING FUNDING FOR THESE SERVICES, IT'S SO CRITICAL, EVEN THOUGH THEY REALIZE THAT THIS MAY BE A ONE-TIME FUNDING, BUT THESE WOULD PROVIDE THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEVERAGE OTHER RESOURCES, AND LOOKING AT OUR COUNTY LEADERSHIP TO ALSO PROVIDE THAT CRITICAL LEADERSHIP FOR ALL TO FOLLOW. THIS IS A VERY, VERY SIGNATURE DIFFERENCE FOR OUR COMMUNITY, FOR THOSE OF US THAT WERE REFUGEES OR IMMIGRANTS TO REALIZE ALSO THAT THIS IS A NATION OF IMMIGRANTS, AND THAT TODAY WE OVERCOME THE CHALLENGE THAT WE HAVE TODAY, TOMORROW WILL BE THE GREAT CITIZENS, SO THE SERVICE MEANS A WHOLE LOT TO OUR FAMILIES, OUR INDIVIDUALS, OUR CHILDREN. YOUR LEADERSHIP AND WHAT YOU DO TODAY IN HELPING TO PROVIDE THE CRITICAL RESOURCES TO HELP ON THIS PARTICULAR CRITICAL SERVICE NEED FOR OUR POPULATION, IT'S GREATLY APPRECIATED, SO I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU AND EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE AND APPRECIATION FOR OUR LEADERSHIP. THANK YOU. THANKS FOR COMING THIS MORNING.

Board Clerk: THAT'S ALL THE PUBLIC TESTIMONY.

Mike Jaspin: GOOD MORNING. MIKE JASPIN FROM THE BUDGET OFFICE.

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING.

Mike Jaspin: YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU A RESOLUTION WITH THREE AT ATTACHMENTS AND TWO SECTIONS WITHIN ATTACHMENT A TO ADOPT THE FY-20-19 BUDGET. IT SETS THE UPPER LIMIT ON DEPARTMENTAL SPENDING DURING THE YEAR. THE BOARD MAY INCORPORATE AMENDMENTS THAT DECREASE THE BUDGET BY ANY AMOUNT OR INCREASE ANY FUND UP TO 10%. OUR ADOPTION PROCESS IS A BIT COMPLICATED, AND THERE ARE A FEW MORE STEPS THAN A NORMAL RESOLUTION FOR A GOOD REASON. WE HAVE DESIGNED THE PROCESS SO A COMMISSIONER HAS THE ABILITY TO VOTE NO ON AN INDIVIDUAL AMENDMENT, PROGRAM OFFER, OR BUDGET

NOTE, AND STILL VOTE TO ADOPT THE OVERALL BUDGET. IT ALSO ALLOWS A COMMISSIONER, TO RECUSE HIMSELF FROM VOTING ON A SPECIFIC ITEM IF THERE IS A CONFLICT OF INTEREST, WHICH HAS OCCURRED IN THE PAST.

Mike Jaspin: TO ACCOMMODATE THIS, I WILL BE ASKING YOU TO VOTE ON EACH ATTACHMENT SEPARATELY, AND I WILL ALSO ASK IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PULL OUT ANY ITEM FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION. I WILL BE WALKING YOU THROUGH EACH STEP AND JENNY WILL BE SURE THAT WE DON'T MISS ANYTHING ALONG THE WAY. SO WITH THAT I WOULD LIKE TO JUMP TO ATTACHMENT A, WHICH IS THE AMENDMENT. ATTACHMENT A IS A SUMMARY OF THE AMENDMENTS AND HAS TWO SECTIONS. THE FIRST SECTION IS BOARD AMENDMENTS. THE BLUE SECTIONS REFLECT THE AMENDMENTS PROPOSED BY THE BOARD THROUGH TUESDAY'S WORK SESSION. THE PURPLE COLUMNS REFLECT STAFF'S RECOMMENDED PACKAGE OF AMENDMENTS FOR APPROVAL. IT IS INTENDED TO REFLECT AND BALANCE EACH COMMISSIONER'S PRIORITIES WITH THE LIMITED ADDITIONAL RESOURCES THAT WE HAVE AVAILABLE, NAMELY THE FY-2018 UNUSED FEDERAL, STATE, RAMP DOWN FUNDS OF 1.7 MILLION.

SEVERAL NOTES AND HIGHLIGHTS. THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION COVERS THE 191,000 COST FOR THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING POSITION IN THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE. IT PROVIDES \$319,000 FOR REDUCING HEALTH AND EDUCATIONAL DISPARITIES. PROVIDES 340,000 FOR LEGAL AID SERVICES FOR IMMIGRANTS AND REFUGEES. IT PROVIDES 350,000 FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND TREATMENT FACILITY, AND FUNDS ARE EARMARKED IN THE GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY FOR A MUNICIPAL BROADBAND FEASIBILITY STUDY, FOR THE COUNTER POINT OUTPATIENT PROGRAM, AND FOR LEGAL SERVICES TO REDUCE THE BARRIERS TO EMPLOYMENT AND HOUSING. I WOULD SUGGEST APPROVING ATTACHMENT A AND THEY RECOMMENDED STAFF PACKAGE IN ITS ENTIRETY UNLESS THE BOARD WOULD LIKE ANY ITEMS PULLED OUT FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION.

Chair Kafoury: ANYBODY NEED SOMETHING TO BE PULLED OUT FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION?

Commissioner Smith: MADAM CHAIR, WE IDENTIFIED ALL 11 THAT ARE IN THIS OMNIBUS PACKAGE THAT WE ALREADY IDENTIFIED, IN ATTACHMENT A.

Chair Kafoury: THAT'S WHAT WE WILL BE VOTING ON RIGHT NOW.

Commissioner Smith: DID WE IDENTIFY THEM INDIVIDUALLY?

Mike Jaspin: YES. THEY ARE IDENTIFIED ON THE PURPLE COLUMN.

Chair Kafoury: WE JUST READ THEM OUT.

Commissioner Smith: OKAY.

Chair Kafoury: I NEED A MOTION. ATTACHMENT A. COMMISSIONER MEIERAN MOVES. COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDS APPROVAL OF ATTACHMENT A BOARD AMENDMENTS. ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, VOTE AYE. THE ATTACHMENT A BOARD AMENDMENTS ARE APPROVED.

Mike Jaspin: NEXT WE WILL MOVE TO DEPARTMENTAL AMENDMENTS. THE DEPARTMENTAL AMENDMENTS INCLUDE TECHNICAL STAFF REVENUE CARRY-OVER AND PROGRAM AMENDMENTS. THERE HAS BEEN NO CHANGES SINCE WE REVIEWED WITH THESE WITH YOU ON MAY 23. I WOULD SUGGEST THAT YOU VOTE ON THESE AS A GROUP.

Chair Kafoury: MAY I HAVE A MOTION ON THE ATTACHMENT A, DEPARTMENTAL AMENDMENT? COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVES. COMMISSIONER STEGMANN SECONDS APPROVAL OF ATTACHMENT A, DEPARTMENTAL AMENDMENTS. ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, VOTE AYE. THE ATTACHMENT A, DEPARTMENTAL AMENDMENTS ARE APPROVED.

Mike Jaspin: NOW WE WILL MOVE TO ATTACHMENT B WHICH IS THE FY-20-19 SCHEDULE. THE SCHEDULE AUTHORIZES A SCHEDULING LIMIT BY DEPARTMENT BY FUND. THE NUMBERS REFLECT THE APPROVED BUDGET, WE WILL UPDATE THE SCHEDULE TO INCORPORATE THE ATTACHMENT AN AMENDMENTS YOU JUST APPROVED.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER STEGMANN MOVES, COMMISSIONER MEIERAN SECONDS APPROVAL OF ATTACHMENT B, APPROPRIATION SCHEDULE. QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, VOTE AYE. THE ATTACHMENT B APPROPRIATION SCHEDULE IS APPROVED.

>> Mike Jaspin: WE WILL NOW JUMP TO OUR FINAL ATTACHMENT, AND THAT IS ATTACHMENT C FOR BUDGET NOTES. WE HAVE FIVE BUDGET NOTES. THREE OF THESE EXPLAIN THE PURPOSE OF FUNDS YOU HAVE PLACED IN THE GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY. THE OTHER TWO COVER THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE USE OF OVERTIME AND PREMIUM PAY AND THE PERFORMANCE MEASURE USED IN THE PUBLIC SAFETY SYSTEM. THESE WERE PROPOSED ON TUESDAY, AND WE HAVE CIRCULATED A DRAFT FOR YOU TO REVIEW. UNLESS THE BOARD WOULD LIKE TO PULL OUT A NOTE FOR SEPARATE CONSIDERATION, I WOULD SUGGEST APPROVING ATTACHMENT C IN THE ENTIRETY.

Chair Kafoury: A MOTION? COMMISSIONER MEIERAN MOVES, COMMISSIONER STEGMANN SECONDS APPROVAL ATTACHMENT C.

Commissioner Smith: I WANT TO MAKE SURE THE BUDGET NOTES WE INCLUDED THAT I PUT IN A COUPLE DAYS AGO WAS A PART OF THIS?

Mike Jaspin: IT IS.

Commissioner Smith: IT WAS NOT CLEAR BEFORE.

Chair Kafoury: DO YOU WANT TO READ IT?

Commissioner Smith: YES, MA'AM. IN JANUARY OF 2019 THE BOARD REQUESTS A REVIEW OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE, DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY COMMUNITY JUSTICE AND THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE METRICS AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES USED IN BUDGET PROGRAM OFFERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDRESSING EQUITY, INCLUSION, FAIRNESS, HARM REDUCTION, AND PUBLIC SAFETY IN RESPONSE TO CONCERNS RAISED BY PUBLIC SAFETY AND PUBLIC HEALTH NONPROFIT. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THAT SOUNDS RIGHT. YEAH.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS ON BUDGET NOTES? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, VOTE AYE. THE ATTACHMENT C BUDGET NOTES ARE APPROVED.

Mike Jaspin: THERE WERE NO OBJECTIONS OR RECOMMENDATIONS FROM [INAUDIBLE] TO ADDRESS ADOPTING RESOLUTIONS SO YOU WON'T SEE ATTACHMENT D THIS YEAR. THERE IS TIME FOR COMMENTS AND THE FINAL VOTE.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. EVERY SUPERSONIC THIS BOARD HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO USE THE RESOURCES THAT WE HAVE TODAY TO HELP SOLVE PROBLEMS IN OUR COMMUNITY AND TO KEEP PROBLEMS FROM STARTING IN THE FIRST PLACE. WE MAKE THESE DECISIONS CAREFULLY, GUIDED BY OUR VALUES AND BY LISTENING TO MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY. WE TRY TO BE STRATEGIC BECAUSE THERE ARE SIMPLY IS NOT THE DOLLARS TO DO EVERYTHING THAT WE WANT TO DO. WE HAVE TO PRIORITIZE. WE HAVE TO LOOK AT WHERE WE, AS A COMMUNITY, WANT TO BE LONG-TERM, AND WE HAVE TO USE THE EVIDENCE OF WHAT WE KNOW WORKS AND WHAT WE KNOW WE CAN SUSTAIN. IT IS NOT EASY, ESPECIALLY TODAY IN THE FACE OF SO MUCH FEDERAL UNCERTAINTY. WHAT HAS BEEN ASSURING TO ME IS THAT THIS BOARD HAS OVER AND OVER AGAIN SHOWN IT IS COMMITTED TO EQUITABLE OUTCOMES TO MULTNOMAH COUNTY BEING THERE IN A CRISIS, AND TO SERVING THOSE WHO NEED OUR HELP THE MOST. OUR FINANCIAL PICTURE TODAY IS NOT WHAT WE WOULD LIKE IT TO BE. WE HAVE TO PREPARE OURSELVES FOR EVEN TOUGHER TIMES AHEAD.

I SAID IT WHEN I INTRODUCED THE BUDGET FIVE WEEKS AGO, AND I REPEATED IT AT OUR PUBLIC HEARINGS, AND EACH TIME THAT I HAVE SAT

WITH THE CONSTITUENTS, ADVOCATES, AND PARTNERS THIS SPRING. THE ECONOMIC FORCES THAT HAVE LED OUR COUNTY TO HAVING EXPANDED RESOURCES FOR THE LAST FEW YEARS ARE CHANGING. OUR FORECAST SHOWS A STRUCTURAL DEFICIT IN THE COMING YEARS THAT WILL REQUIRE US TO CAREFULLY BALANCE THIS BUDGET WITH THE BEAUTIFUL IN MIND. THAT HAS MEANT THE BEGINNING OF SOME DIFFICULT TRADE-OFFS. STRATEGIC REDUCTIONS TO PROGRAMS THAT HAVE BEEN IN PLACE FOR YEARS. FOR SOME OF OUR EMPLOYEES AT MULTNOMAH COUNTY, THIS BUDGET WILL HAVE VERY PERSONAL IMPLICATIONS, AND I THINK THAT WE ALL TAKE THAT VERY SERIOUSLY. I WANT TO THANK EVERY MULTNOMAH COUNTY EMPLOYEE FOR THEIR HARD WORK AND THEIR DEDICATION. IN THE FACE OF THESE TOUGH DECISIONS, IT HAS BEEN MORE IMPORTANT TO HAVE VALUES THAT ANCHOR US AND PRIORITIES THAT GUIDE OUR WORK.

Chair Kafoury: AT MULTNOMAH COUNTY WE HAVE HUNDREDS OF LINES OF WORK, AND THROUGH THEM ALL OUR VISION REMAINS THE SAME. TO HELP TO CREATE A COMMUNITY WHERE ANYONE WHO NEEDS HELP CAN FIND IT, WHERE EVERYONE SHARES AN OPPORTUNITY, AND THE MOST VULNERABLE ARE PROTECTED. THAT VISION HAS LED ME TO DEVELOP A BUDGET THAT PRIORITIZES INVESTMENTS IN EQUITABLE OUTCOMES AND ELIMINATING THE DISPARITIES. STRENGTHENS THE COUNTY'S ABILITY TO RESPOND TO CRISIS AND CRITICAL EMERGING NEEDS. IT BUILDS PATHWAYS FOR FAMILIES TO ACHIEVE SAFETY AND STABILITY, AND ULTIMATELY, TO THRIVE. I AM VERY PROUD TO BE SERVING ALONGSIDE THIS FABULOUS TEAM OF WOMEN WHO SUPPORT AND SHARE THESE VALUES. I WANT TO THANK COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON FOR HER COMMITMENT TO OUR BABIES. THE CHILDREN IN OUR COMMUNITY WHO NEED ACCESS TO SAFETY, STABILITY, AND A SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL, AND ACADEMIC TOOLS THAT SET THEM UP FOR SUCCESS IN LIFE. I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO THE STRATEGIES AND OPPORTUNITIES THAT EMERGE FROM THE UNIVERSAL PRESCHOOL TASK FORCE. COMMISSIONER STEGMANN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEADFAST COMMITMENT TO INSURING WE CONTINUE TO CONNECT OUR POLICY PRIORITIES AND OUR INVESTMENTS TO AREAS OF CRITICAL NEED IN EAST MULTNOMAH COUNTY.

I THINK THAT WE ARE ALL LOOKING FORWARD TO BUILDING ON THIS SUCCESS OF THE INCREASED VOTER OUTREACH AS WELL AS HELPING TO DESIGN A FUTURE FOR THE ASSET THAT [INAUDIBLE] IS IN OUR COMMUNITY. COMMISSIONER MEIERAN, THANK YOU FOR THE WAY YOU HAVE QUICKLY AND PASSIONATELY STEPPED UP, PARTICULARLY ON ISSUES OF MENTAL HEALTH AND PHYSICAL HEALTH. I LOOK FORWARD TO THE NEXT STEPS THAT ARE COMING FROM THE ANALYSIS OF OUR MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM AND THE OPPORTUNITIES TO MAKE SUBSTANTIVE IMPROVEMENTS THAT WILL HELP US TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY EVEN BETTER. PARTICULARLY CHILDREN, FAMILIES, COMMUNITIES OF COLOR AND THOSE FACING HOUSING AND STABILITY.

Chair Kafoury: AND FINALLY, I WANT TO THANK COMMISSIONER LORETTA SMITH FOR HER UNWAVERING DEDICATION TO SUPPORTING YOUNG PEOPLE WHO OFTEN FACE INEQUITABLE ACCESS TO EDUCATION AND WORK OPPORTUNITIES. FOR NEARLY EIGHT YEARS YOU HAVE BEEN A FIERCE CHAMPION FOR OUR CHILDREN AND THE WRAP-AROUND SERVICES THAT PROVIDE THE CONFIDENCE, SKILLS, AND THE PATHWAYS TO SUCCESS. THANK YOU FOR ALWAYS REMINDING US THAT INVESTMENT IN OUR YOUTH TODAY IS A SURE BET ON A BRIGHTER FUTURE FOR OUR COMMUNITY. THROUGHOUT THIS BUDGET THE VALUES THAT BIND US TOGETHER SHOW THROUGH, AND I BELIEVE THAT THE RESIDENTS OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY WILL SEE AND FEEL THE IMPACT. WE ARE DEVOTING 20 MILLION IN TARGETED INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS THAT WILL REDUCE OUR NEED TO BORROW IN THE FUTURE, PROVIDE FAMILY WAGE JOBS, AND REPLACE OUTDATED AND UNSAFE BUILDINGS. WE ARE MAKING AN UNPARALLELED INVESTMENT OF OVER 700,000 IN WORKFORCE EQUITY, AND IMPLEMENTING OUR CONSULTANT'S RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WILL SHIFT THE ORGANIZATIONAL POLICY, PRACTICE, TRAINING, AND CULTURE AT MULTNOMAH COUNTY. THIS BUDGET ENSURES WE CAN RESPOND QUICKLY AND EFFECTIVELY IN CRISIS. THAT'S OUR OBLIGATION AND RESPONSIBILITY.

WE ADDED A DEPUTY MEDICAL EXAMINER AND INVESTED MORE STAFF IN OUR EMERGENCY PLANNING COUNTY-WIDE AND SPECIFICALLY IN THE JOINT OFFICE OF HOMELESS SERVICES. CHILDREN SHOULD BE IN A HOME AND NOT IN A SHELTER. WE HAVE SEEN FAR TOO MANY OF OUR YOUNGEST RESIDENTS UNCERTAIN AS TO WHERE THEY WILL SLEEP AT NIGHT. THIS BUDGET INCLUDES 600,000 FOR A NEW PROGRAM THAT CREATES LONGER TERM RENT ASSISTANCE VOUCHERS AND SUPPORT SERVICES TO MOVE FAMILIES FROM SHELTER TO PERMANENT HOUSING. ADDITIONALLY, WE ARE INCREASING OUR CAPACITY TO DIVERT FAMILIES FROM SHELTER IN THE FIRST PLACE. INSURING THAT CHILDREN WHO ARE IN SHELTER HAVE ACCESS TO ACTIVITIES THAT SUPPORT THEIR SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL, AND ACADEMIC SUCCESS. AS WE RESPOND TO THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC, WE HAVE HEARD THE INCREASED CONCERNS ABOUT SYRINGES, AND WE KNOW THAT THERE ARE COMMON SENSE SOLUTIONS. WE ARE INVESTING IN MORE SYRINGE DISPOSAL BOXES AND WORKING FOR THE FIRST TIME WITH OUR REGIONAL PARTNERS ON OPTIONS THAT ARE SAFE AND ACCESSIBLE.

I AM ALSO PROUD TO WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THIS BOARD TO INCREASE OUR INVESTMENT IN LEGAL AID AND SUPPORT FOR IMMIGRANTS AND REFUGEES. WHILE WE WORK TO FIGHT THE HATEFUL POLICIES THAT ARE COMING OUT OF WASHINGTON D.C., WE MUST DO WHAT WE CAN LOCALLY TO REDUCE THE OBSTACLES, THE CONCERN, AND PANIC THAT ARE PLAGUING OUR NEIGHBORS AND FORCING THEM TO LIVE IN FEAR. WE ARE ALSO INVESTING IN A NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITY THAT GATHERS LONG, OVERDUE QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE DATA TO IDENTIFY HEALTH NEEDS, ASSETS, AND CHALLENGES IN THAT COMMUNITY, AND TO LAY THE GROUNDWORK FOR

COMMUNITY-BASED SOLUTION. WE ARE MAINTAINING OUR CORE SUN SCHOOL SERVICES THAT HELP TO KEEP THE KIDS IN SCHOOL AND READY TO LEARN. AND THIS YEAR, WE ARE COMMITTING TO OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CENTENNIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BY KEEPING TWO CURRENT SUN SITES OPEN AND OPENING TWO NEW MUCH ANTICIPATED SITES IN PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS THIS FALL. FINALLY, WE KNOW THAT THE SOLUTIONS TO SOME OF OUR COMMUNITY'S TOUGHEST PROBLEMS CAN ONLY BE IMPLEMENTED THROUGH COLLABORATION AND PARTNERSHIP ACROSS THE DEPARTMENTS AND ACROSS THE LOCAL JURISDICTIONS.

Chair Kafoury: THAT'S WHY WE CONTINUE TO PRIORITIZE AND FUND PROGRAMS LIKE LEED, THE HOPE TEAM AND DIVERT AND MANY OTHER ACRONYMS, AS WELL. I AM CONTINUING TO FOCUS ON THE WORK AHEAD, AND I SEE THIS BUDGET AS A DETAILED ROAD MAP FOR THE NEXT 12 MONTHS. BUT I ALSO BELIEVE THAT IT IS IMPORTANT TO PAUSE AND ACKNOWLEDGE OUR COMMUNITY IS STRONG TODAY. WE FACE CHALLENGES, BUT NONE ARE LARGER THAN OUR COMMITMENT TO MAKING THIS PLACE BETTER. NONE ARE LARGER THAN OUR CARE FOR ONE ANOTHER'S CHILDREN OR OTHER BELIEF THAT EVERYONE MATTERS. I WANT TO THANK ALL OF OUR EMPLOYEES AND OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS FOR CHANGING LIVES AND SAVING LIVES. I WANT TO THANK ALL OF THE COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO HELP US IN OUR DECISIONS AND OUR WORK, AND I ESPECIALLY WANT TO THANK THE WOMEN ON THIS BOARD FOR SHOWING HOW STRONG LEADERS CAN WORK TOGETHER AND GET THINGS DONE. COMMISSIONER STEGMANN.

Commissioner Stegmann: THANK YOU, CHAIR. AS A BUSINESS OWNER I UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF SOUND FISCAL MANAGEMENT. WITH THE BUDGET CONSTRAINTS WE FACE THIS YEAR AND INTO THE NEXT FIVE YEARS WE WILL CONTINUOUSLY BE LOOKING FOR WAYS TO DELIVER SERVICES MORE EFFICIENTLY AND EFFECTIVELY. WHILE AT THE SAME TIME NEVER LOSING SIGHT OF WHY WE ARE HERE. WE ARE HERE TO SERVE OTHERS. OUR DEDICATED DEPARTMENTS AND STAFF ARE THE BACKBONE OF WHAT WE DO. THEY ARE THE HOW OF WHAT WE DO. THEY PROVIDE THE EXPERT HE'S AND PROFESSIONALISM NEEDED TO CARRY OUT OUR MISSION. IT'S EASY TO SIT HERE AND TAKE CREDIT FOR THE WORK THAT OUR COUNTY STAFF DOES EVERY DAY. I WANTED TO NAME EVERY HIGHLIGHT FROM EVERY BUT MY CHIEF OF STAFF SAID NO, KEEP IT SHORT AND SWEET. WHEN I AM OUT IN THE COMMUNITY, IT IS SO REWARDING TO SEE THE IMPACT THAT THE COUNTY HAS HAD ON PEOPLE'S LIVES. FROM THE EAGLE CREEK FIRE RESPONSE TO THE SUN SYSTEM AND THE WORK OF LPSCC JUST TO NAME A FEW. FINALIZING THE BUDGET IS A CHALLENGING PROCESS.

IT IS A MONUMENTAL AMOUNT OF WORK, AND TO SEE IT IN ITS ENTIRETY PROVIDES A CLEAR PICTURE OF THE VASTNESS OF THE COUNTY SERVICES THAT WE PROVIDE. DEVELOPING THE BUDGET IS AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF WORK, AS WELL. WORK THAT CONTINUES YEAR-ROUND, MUCH OF IT BEHIND

THE SCENES, WITHOUT FAIL. THE RESULTS HIGHLIGHT THE DEDICATION AND THE COMMITMENT MULTNOMAH COUNTY HAS TO OUR RESIDENTS. EXEMPLIFYING THE CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION IT TAKES TO DO THIS WORK WITH FEWER AND FEWER RESOURCES. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK OUR DEPARTMENTS AND COUNTY STAFF WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THE BUDGET FOR MONTHS. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BUDGET OFFICE AND THE BUDGET TEAMS IN EACH OF OUR DEPARTMENTS BECAUSE WITHOUT YOU, WE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO VOTE ON THE BUDGET TODAY. AND BECAUSE OF THE SOUND FINANCIAL PRACTICES YOU HAVE EMPLOYED, WE WILL BE ABLE TO WEATHER THE STORMS COMING OUR WAY.

Commissioner Stegmann: I HAVE APPRECIATED WORKING ALONGSIDE ALL OF YOU TO HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF OUR COUNTY TOGETHER. THANK YOU TO OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS AND RESIDENTS WHO TOOK THE TIME TO SHARE THEIR CONCERNS AT THE PUBLIC BUDGET HEARINGS. I WAS ESPECIALLY MOVED BY THE COMPELLING TESTIMONY OF SO MANY RESIDENTS DURING THOSE HEARINGS. WHILE MANY ADVOCATED FOR PARTICULAR PROGRAMS, MANY CAME JUST TO SAY THANK YOU. HEARING FIRST HAND HOW PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED BY THE COUNTY MADE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIVES OF OUR RESIDENTS, REMINDED ME OF WHY I BECAME A COUNTY COMMISSIONER. TO THE HUNDREDS OF VOLUNTEERS WHO GIVE UP THEIR EVENINGS AND WEEKENDS TO SERVE ON THE COMMITTEE, CARE FOR BABY KITTENS, WORK IN OUR SHELTERS DURING A SNOW STORM, GO TO DOOR TO DOOR DURING A FIRE OR RESCUE SOMEONE FOR THE GORGE, THANK YOU FOR SERVING. I AM PROUD TO SAY WE ARE MAKING CRITICAL INVESTMENTS IN PUBLIC SAFETY, INCREASING SUPPORT FOR OUR MOST MARGINALIZED COMMUNITIES, BUILDING SYSTEMIC CHANGE TO SUPPORT EQUITY ACROSS OUR ORGANIZATION, AND MAINTAINING OUR COMMITMENT TO LONG RANGE PLANNING AS WE FACE THE FUTURE. I AM GRATEFUL FOR OUR COUNTY LEADERSHIP AND FOR MY COLLEAGUES. ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENTS, AND EVERY ONE OF OUR EMPLOYEES WHO SHOW UP EACH DAY WITH A DEEP SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY. IT IS AN HONOR TO SERVE WITH ALL OF YOU.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: THANK YOU CHAIR. I WANTED TO THANK YOU, ACTUALLY, FOR THE LEADERSHIP WITH THIS BUDGET. I THINK COMPARED WITH LAST YEAR THERE ARE FEWER OVERALL AMENDMENTS TO THE PROPOSED BUDGET, AND I THINK THAT THAT'S A TESTAMENT TO BOTH YOUR LEADERSHIP AND ALSO THE LEADERSHIP OF OUR DEPARTMENTS WHO WORK SO HARD FOR SO MUCH LONGER THAN WE HAVE BEEN CONSIDERING THE BUDGET ON PUTTING THIS TOGETHER. ALSO THE HARD WORK OF ALL OF OUR MULTNOMAH COUNTY EMPLOYEES IN ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENTS. I ALSO WANTED TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES FOR THE WORK ON THIS BUDGET. I THINK THAT THE SHARED VISION AND VALUES AMONG THE WOMEN SERVING ON THIS BOARD ARE OBVIOUS IN THE WORK THAT WE CAME TOGETHER TO DO DURING THIS BUDGET PROCESS. IT'S A PLEASURE TO WORK WITH YOU

ON THIS. I ALSO WANTED TO THANK THE MEMBERS OF OUR PUBLIC WHO CAME AND TESTIFIED AT THE PUBLIC HEARINGS.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: YOUR INPUT REALLY MATTERS, AND I THINK THAT THAT'S APPARENT IN THE AMENDMENTS THAT WE HAVE CONSIDERED TODAY, AND WE MOVED INTO THIS BUDGET. IT DIRECTLY REFLECTED WHAT WE HEARD FROM PEOPLE WHO CAME TO TESTIFY ON PROGRAMS AND SERVICES THAT WERE VERY IMPORTANT TO THEM. AND OF COURSE, I CAN NEVER FORGET TO ACKNOWLEDGE AND THANK THE BUDGET OFFICE FOR ALL OF YOUR HARD WORK AND RESPONSIVENESS TO US AS WE WORK THROUGH THIS PROCESS. THIS BUDGET IS SOMETHING THAT WE CAN ALL BE PROUD OF, BUT WE KNOW THAT ROUGHER WATERS AND DIFFICULT BUDGET TIMES ARE AHEAD. WE ARE GOING TO CONTINUE TO NEED TO WORK TOGETHER TO SCRUTINIZE PROGRAMS TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY ARE WORKING AND ADDRESSING OUR COMMUNITY'S MOST PRESSING NEEDS. I FEEL LIKE THE THREE NEWEST COMMISSIONERS, WE NOW HAVE TWO BUDGETS UNDER OUR BELT.

I THINK WE'RE ALL LOOKING FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO DIG DEEPER INTO THE BUDGET TO LOOK AT THOSE GOALS OF EACH DEPARTMENT AND DIVISION. WHILE ALSO ALLOTING TIME TO LOOK MORE CLOSELY AT THE PROGRAM OFFERS SO WE CAN REALLY MAKE THE SMART DECISIONS WE KNOW WE ARE GOING TO NEED TO DO. THIS BUDGET CYCLE, I CHOSE TO FOCUS ON THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY'S CORE ISSUE AREAS. PROTECTING OUR IMMIGRANT COMMUNITIES, INVESTING IN OUR YOUTH, CONTINUING TO ADJUST, TO ADDRESS OUR ONGOING HOUSING CRISIS, AND GETTING PEOPLE THE SKILLS THEY NEED TO SUCCEED. I AM PROUD TO SAY WE HAVE DONE THAT. I AM PLEASED WHERE WE ARE WITH OUR BUDGET, BUT I KNOW BEFORE TOO LONG WE WILL NEED TO BE THINKING ABOUT AND TALKING ABOUT THE FY-2020 BUDGET. WITH AN EYE ON BOTH THE POTENTIAL CUTS HAPPENING, BUT ALSO WITH AN EYE TOWARDS HAVING A CONVERSATION ON REVENUE AND WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO ABOUT THAT SHORTFALL. IT'S CLEAR THE NEEDS WON'T BE ABLE TO BE MET IN FUTURE BUDGETS, AND THE NEEDS CERTAINLY ARE NOT GOING TO DECREASE TO FIT INTO THE PROJECTED REVENUE WE HAVE FOR NEXT YEAR. SO I AM LOOKING FORWARD TO CONVENING A TABLE AND WORKING WITH YOUR OFFICES TO TALK ABOUT HOW WE CAN CLOSE THAT GAP. TODAY WE GET TO CELEBRATE THE MILESTONE THAT WE HAVE. I WANT TO THANK EVERYONE FOR THIS PROCESS AND LOOK FORWARD TO VOTING ON THIS BUDGET.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR. I AM FEELING A LITTLE NOSTALGIC BECAUSE NOW THIS IS MY EIGHTH BUDGET CYCLE. THIS IS GOING TO BE MY LAST BUDGET. I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND THE BOARD FOR ALL OF THE SHARED VALUES THAT WE HAVE TOGETHER. AS EACH OF THE COMMISSIONERS HAVE SAID IT MAKES IT REALLY EASY FOR US TO DO THIS KIND OF WORK WHEN WE SHARE THE SAME VALUES. NOW WHAT GETS PERSNICKETY IS THE STRATEGIES TO

GET THESE FOLKS ACROSS THE FINISH LINE, BUT IT'S THE SAUSAGE-MAKING OF THIS BUDGET PROCESS THAT REALLY SHOWS US THAT WE ALL HAVE THE SAME VALUES. I REMEMBER SITTING HERE IN 2011, ABOUT SOME EIGHT YEARS AGO THINKING THIS IS HUGE. THIS IS BIG. AM I GOING TO BE ABLE TO DO THIS? IT HAS BEEN SUCH A GREAT HONOR TO REPRESENT ALL OF YOU AS A MULTNOMAH COUNTY COMMISSIONER. AS YOU KNOW I AM THE SECOND AFRICAN-AMERICAN IN THE HISTORY OF THIS 165 YEARS TO SIT HERE. I AM VERY PROUD OF THAT. I THINK OUR BUDGET REFLECTS THE SAFETY NET GOVERNMENT THAT WE ARE.

Commissioner Smith: I ABSOLUTELY LOVE, LOVE, LOVE MULTNOMAH COUNTY. I CAN TELL YOU THAT. I LOVE THE PEOPLE THAT WE HELP WITH OUR RESOURCES. I LOVE THE PROGRAMS. I THOUGHT I KNEW EVERYTHING ABOUT MULTNOMAH COUNTY BEFORE I GOT HERE. I WAS A MULTNOMAH COUNTY REP FOR SENATOR WYDEN. AND I THOUGHT I KNEW EVERYTHING YOU DID. THE EMPLOYEES OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY, YOU DO THE WORK. YOU GET IT DONE. YOU HELP OUR MOST VULNERABLE CITIZENS IN PORTLAND AND IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY, SO I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THAT. THANK YOU FORGIVING US THE SERVICE IN THE COMMUNITY, THE SERVICE THAT YOU DO. I TELL YOU WITHOUT YOU PEOPLE WOULDN'T KNOW THE -- PEOPLE WOULD KNOW THE DIFFERENCE IN THIS COMMUNITY. WHAT'S BEEN REALLY FUN FOR ME TO WATCH OUR EVOLUTION AROUND EQUITY AND LEADERSHIP, AND THANK YOU CHAIRWOMAN KAFOURY AND THE BOARD.

WE CREATED THIS POLICY THROUGH THE BUDGET AND STRATEGIES FOCUSING ON EQUITY, FAIRNESS, INCLUSION, AND HARM REDUCTION, AND MOST RECENTLY THOSE DISCUSSIONS HAVE CENTERED ON OUR HUMAN RESOURCES ACTIVITY. BY THAT I MEAN RECRUITMENT, HIRING, STAFF DEVELOPMENT, AND TRAINING, PROMOTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES, DISCIPLINARY AND COMPENSATION PRACTICES AND ACTIONS. AND THE BOARD'S POLICY DIRECTIVES HAVE BEEN INCLUSIVE OF ALL COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. AS WE WORK THROUGH THIS BUDGET TODAY, I NOTE THAT THE DEPARTMENTS HAVE PLACED AN EVEN MORE CRITICAL EYE AND STRATEGIC EMPHASIS ON CREATING EQUITY MANAGEMENT POSITIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATION OPERATIONS, AND THESE POSITIONS WILL SPEARHEAD THE DEVELOPMENT OF EQUITY AND INCLUSION HERE AT THE COUNTY. IT WILL DIRECT THE PRACTICES AND STRATEGIES THROUGHOUT THE ORGANIZATION, AND RIGHTLY SO. IT IS THROUGH THE LENS OF EQUITY AND THROUGH THE LENS OF INCLUSION, HARM REDUCTION, AND PUBLIC SAFETY THAT I BRING THIS BUDGET AND THE POLICIES INSIDE OF IT FORWARD.

IT IS MY BELIEF AND THE BELIEF OF MANY COMMUNITY PARTNERS THAT THE RESOURCES PROVIDED TO US BY THE TAXPAYERS MUST BE USED IN A MANNER THAT IS TRANSPARENT, AS WELL AS THE FUNDS SHOULD BE ACCOUNTED FOR, AND WE SHOULD ADDRESS THE USE OF THOSE FUNDS AS WE CONDUCT OUR BUSINESS. WE SHOULD BE PREPARED TO ASK THE

QUESTION AND PROVIDE ANSWERS AS WELL ON THE EFFECT THESE DOLLARS HAVE ON OUR CLIENTS. ARE WE PROMOTING EQUITY AND FAIRNESS AND HARM REDUCTION IN THE MANNER THAT WE CONDUCT BUSINESS? ARE WE EXAMINING THE IMPACT OF CERTAIN POLICIES AND PRACTICES ON CERTAIN POPULATIONS IN THE COMMUNITY? ARE WE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND THE TRENDS IDENTIFIED BY THE DATA THAT WE PRODUCED? DO WE USE THAT DATA TO ANALYZE THE RESULTS OF SERVICES DELIVERED BY THE COUNTY? THEN WE MUST ASK OURSELVES WHETHER OUR POLICIES PRODUCE EFFECTS THAT ARE SUPPORTIVE OR CHALLENGING TO THE COMMUNITY.

IT IS MY BELIEF THAT COMMITTED ORGANIZATIONS UTILIZE THEIR BUDGET PROCESS AND DEVELOPMENT PROCESS TO EXAMINE THE PERFORMANCE, THE REVIEW, AND ESTABLISH APPROPRIATE METRICS AND MAKE COURSE ADJUSTMENTS BASED ON THE DATA AND THE ANALYSIS, AND WE NEED TO SEEK THE ASSISTANCE OF ADVOCATES AND STAKEHOLDERS TO ENSURE PROGRAM OFFERS AND ALL OF OUR POLICIES ARE CONSISTENT WITH OUR ORGANIZATION'S COMMISSION, VISION, AND VALUES. AND I THINK THAT WE HAVE DONE THAT IN THIS YEAR'S BUDGET, MIKE. IT PROMOTES THE EQUITY AND INCLUSION THAT WE HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT BECAUSE IF THERE IS ONE DAY THAT I WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER ABOUT FISCAL YEAR 2018, IT WAS ON SEPTEMBER 14 WHEN WE SAT HERE AND WE LISTENED TO EMPLOYEES TALK ABOUT THE EXPERIENCES THAT THEY HAVE HAD IN THE DEPARTMENTS, AND YOU KNOW, I LISTENED TO EMPLOYEE AFTER EMPLOYEE, AND I THINK THAT WE HAVE DONE OUR JOB. WE HEARD THEM LOUD AND CLEAR. THE CHAIR HAS IDENTIFIED THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR US TO COURSE CORRECT. I AM REALLY PROUD OF THAT. THAT VERY LONG WINDED ASSESSMENT OF THE BUDGET, IT IS REALLY GREAT, AND I DO PLAN TO SUPPORT IT. THANK YOU.

Commissioner Meieran: THANK YOU. THANK YOU CHAIR. SO YEAH. SOME OF OUR SECOND BUDGET CYCLE AS COMMISSIONERS, I LEARNED A LOT LAST YEAR DURING THIS PROCESS. I CONTINUE TO LEARN FROM IT. AS THE CHAIR HAS MENTIONED AND AS MY COLLEAGUES HAVE MENTIONED, THE NEED IN OUR COMMUNITY IS GREAT. IT'S MUCH GREATER THAN THE RESOURCES THAT WE HAVE AT OUR DISPOSAL TO MEET THOSE NEEDS. AND AS ALSO HAS BEEN ALLUDED TO, SINCE I AM GOING LIKE THIS, I WILL BE ALLUDING TO THINGS A LOT. THINGS ARE NOT GOING TO BE GETTING BETTER FROM A FINANCIAL STANDPOINT OVER THE NEXT FEW YEARS. THAT'S WHY IT IS SO IMPORTANT TO FOCUS ON THE THINGS THAT WE CAN DO, THAT WE CAN DO EFFICIENT, AND HOW WE CAN IMPROVE OUR SYSTEMS. WE USE OUR RESOURCES WISELY TO TRULY HELP THE MOST PEOPLE IN OUR COUNTY.

I HAVE SAID IT BEFORE BUT I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO EMPHASIZE MY PERSONAL PROCESS IN DOING THIS. THESE ARE HARD DECISIONS, ALL OF THEM. I LOOK AT THREE MAIN ELEMENTS IN MAKING MY BUDGET DECISIONS, AND THOSE ARE HOW CLOSELY A GIVEN PROGRAM OR A SERVICE ALIGNS WITH THE COUNTY'S MISSION TO SERVE THOSE WHO ARE MOST

VULNERABLE. WHETHER THE PROGRAM OR SERVICE OR SOMETHING SIMILAR AT LEAST IS PROVIDED ELSEWHERE OR WHETHER WE ARE THE ONLY SOURCE FOR PROVIDING THAT SERVICE FOR PEOPLE. AND THEN THE BALANCE OF THE COST AND THE BENEFIT FROM THE PROGRAM OR SERVICE, INCLUDING THE SCALE OF IMPACT, WHETHER IT REACHES OUR ENTIRE COUNTY. WHETHER IT REACHES A FEW. BALANCING ALL OF THOSE THINGS TOGETHER TO DO WHAT, IN MY HEART, I FEEL IS RIGHT.

Commissioner Meieran: I HAVE BEEN PROUD TO ADVOCATE AGAIN FOR SOME OF THE PRIORITIES THAT ARE REALLY IMPORTANT TO ME AND TO THE COUNTY. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CONTINUES TO BE ONE OF MY TOP PRIORITIES, AND THIS BUDGET MAKES SIGNATURE INVESTMENTS TO SUPPORT MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT, CARE, AND PREVENTION IN OUR COMMUNITY. THE BUDGET INCLUDES FUNDING TO CONTINUE WORK ON THE MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEM'S ANALYSIS MY OFFICE HAS BEEN FACILITATING. I CAN'T TELL YOU CHAIR HOW MUCH I APPRECIATE YOUR REALLY GETTING IT AND YOUR DEDICATION TO MENTAL HEALTH AND RECOGNIZING HOW IMPORTANT THOSE SERVICES ARE IN OUR COMMUNITY, THAT IT WAS IN YOUR BUDGET TO CONTINUE THIS WORK, AND IT'S IN OUR FINAL BUDGET. WE ARE GOING TO WORK IN OUR NEXT STEPS TOWARDS IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MENTAL HEALTH SYSTEMS' ANALYSIS THAT MY OFFICE HAS BEEN FACILITATING. AND WE WILL HAVE A DRAFT REPORT TO SHARE PUBLICLY SOON.

I AM VERY EXCITED TO SEE THE WORK CONTINUE TO DEVELOP. WE HAVE ALSO MADE TARGETED INVESTMENT IN MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR LGBTQ PLUS INDIVIDUALS IN OUR COMMUNITY. AS I HAVE SEEN FIRST HAND WORKING IN THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT AND HAS SO MANY PEOPLE HAVE DESCRIBED TO ME FROM THEIR OWN EXPERIENCE IMPROVED AVAILABILITY OF TREATMENT FOR THIS COMMUNITY IS DESPERATELY NEEDED. WE ARE MAKING EXPANDED INVESTMENTS IN HIGH QUALITY SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT. I BELIEVE THAT ACCESS TO QUALITY SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT SERVICES, RESIDENTIAL, OUTPATIENT, AND ONGOING RECOVERY SUPPORTS FOR INDIVIDUALS AND THEIR FAMILIES IS FUNDAMENTALLY IMPORTANT TO VIRTUALLY ALL WE DO AT THE COUNTY, ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT OF THE EPIDEMIC OF OPIOID ABUSE, ADDICTION, AND DEATH. I AM SO GLAD TO SEE WE HAVE INVESTED IN EXPANDING CAPACITY AND QUALITY OF THESE SERVICES. AND SEVERAL OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT BUDGETS AS THE CHAIR MENTIONED.

I AM VERY KIND OF LASER FOCUSED ON SOME HEALTH CARE AND THE JOINT OFFICE OF HOMELESS SERVICES AS WELL. RECOGNIZING AND UNDERSTANDING THAT HOUSING AND HEALTH ARE DEEPLY CONNECTED. THEY ARE INEXTRICABLY LINKED, AND I AM SO PLEASED TO SEE OUR INVESTMENTS IN SUPPORT OF THE HOUSING AND OTHER BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SUPPORTS TIED TO OUR SHELTER AND HOUSING STRATEGIES. IN ADDITION TO THESE SPECIFIC PRIORITIES OUR BUDGET PROCESS

PRESENTS AN OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE STOCK OF OUR COMMUNITY AND THE BROADER SOCIAL AND POLITICAL LANDSCAPES WE LIVE AND OPERATE IN. I FEEL MORE STRONGLY THAN EVER ABOUT OUR POWER AT THE LOCAL LEVEL TO DO THE RIGHT THING AND MAKE SOUND POLICY DECISIONS, WHETHER IN RESPONSE TO OR IN SPITE OF WHAT'S HAPPENING AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL. SINCE LAST YEAR OUR CURRENT FEDERAL ADMINISTRATION'S ANTI-IMMIGRANT AND ANTI-REFUGEE RHETORIC HAS ONLY INTENSIFIED. ACTIONS TO UNDERMINE DACA RAMPED UP ICE ACTIVITY, REPORTS OF INCREASED HATE CRIMES AND INTIMIDATION AND HORRENDOUS ACCOUNTS OF VIOLENCE AND FAMILY SEPARATION AT OUR BORDERS THIS PAST YEAR HAVE LEFT MANY IN THE COMMUNITY LIVING MORE FEARFUL AND VULNERABLE LIVES THAN EVER.

Commissioner Meieran: I THINK BACK TO MY FAMILY AND MY MOM IS HERSELF AN IMMIGRANT. MANY OF MY RELATIVES FIRST WERE SEGREGATED AND THEN WERE KILLED IN THE HOLOCAUST. I FEEL THIS VERY DEEPLY. I AM SO HAPPY TO SEE THIS YEAR'S BUDGET CONTINUE TO FUND THE SUPPORT SERVICES NEEDED FOR THIS COMMUNITY. ALSO ON THE THEME OF OUR AGENCY AND OUR IMPACT LOCALLY, AT THIS POINT IN TIME ACCESS TO RELIABLE, HIGH-SPEED INTERNET IS ESSENTIAL NOT JUST TO GET AHEAD, BUT TO FUNCTION IN DAILY LIFE. TO FILE A JOB APPLICATION FOR A KID TO DO REQUIRED HOMEWORK, TO JUST ACCESS BASIC SERVICES MORE AND MORE AND MORE. EQUAL ABILITY TO ACCESS THE INTERNET SHOULD BE CONSIDERED LIKE A UTILITY. LIKE WATER OR ELECTRICITY. IT'S AN ISSUE OF BASIC EQUITY AND INCLUSION. WITH THE CURRENT EFFORTS AGAIN AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL TO DISMANTLE NET NEUTRALITY WE NEED TO STAND UP AND TAKE ACTION WHERE WE CAN. I AM SO GLAD THAT WE DO HERE. THIS BUDGET SETS ASIDE THE FUNDS FOR FEASIBILITY TO EVALUATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF A PUBLICLY OWNED, HIGH-SPEED BROADBAND INTERNET UTILITY FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY.

SO I AM GRATEFUL TO ALL OF THE PEOPLE, ORGANIZATIONS, SERVICE USERS, AND OTHERS WHO HAVE TAKEN THE TIME TO CONTACT ME TO TESTIFY AT OUR BUDGET HEARINGS AND EMAIL ME AND ADVOCATE TO ME AND TO US ABOUT THE THINGS THAT TRULY MATTER TO THEM. I REALLY, AS EVERYONE HERE HAS SAID, SO DEEPLY APPRECIATE AND VALUE THE REAL WORK ON THE GROUND THAT OUR STAFF AND OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS DO EVERY DAY TO SERVE THE MOST VULNERABLE AND THOSE WHO ARE IN NEED IN OUR COMMUNITY. IT REALLY IS AN INSPIRATION TO WALK IN THE DOORS EVERY DAY AND TO SEE YOU ALL AND TO KNOW WHAT IS HAPPENING. YOU ARE AT -- HERE AT THE COUNTY, AND ONE THING THAT I REALLY JUST HAVE BEEN SO GRATIFIED ABOUT WHEN PEOPLE SAY SO, HOW IS IT GOING AT THE COUNTY? I FEEL SO FORTUNATE TO BE HERE WITH THIS PARTICULAR GROUP OF WOMEN WHOSE VALUES ARE SO ALIGNED AND WHO I FEEL COLLABORATE SO WELL TOGETHER. WE ARE NOT ALWAYS GOING TO AGREE ON EVERY SPECIFIC ISSUE, AND IT WOULD BE WEIRD IF WE DID.

Commissioner Meieran: WHEN IT COMES TO THE BIG PICTURE AND DOING WHAT'S RIGHT FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE, I FEEL THAT WE REALLY DO ACT AS A TEAM. I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE MY APPRECIATION FOR THAT. SO IT'S DIFFICULT TO ME, AND I AM ENDING. IT'S DIFFICULT TO MAKE SOME OF THE DECISIONS ABOUT HOW TO INVEST OUR COUNTY'S LIMITED RESOURCES, AND THERE ARE SO MANY FANTASTIC PROGRAMS AND SERVICES AND SO MUCH NEED. THE BUDGET SEASON FILLS ME WITH AWE FOR WHAT WE CAN ACCOMPLISH AND FOR WHAT WE CAN PROVIDE AND WITH RESPECT FOR THIS INCREDIBLE ORGANIZATION AND THE DEDICATION OF SO MANY PEOPLE WHO WORK FOR AND PARTNER WITH THE COUNTY. THE RESULT OF ALL OF THIS WORK IS A BUDGET THAT I AM INCREDIBLY PROUD TO SUPPORT.

Commissioner Smith: MADAM CHAIR, I JUST HAVE ONE LAST COMMENT. MANY OF YOU NOTICED I DID NOT HAVE LIKE 10 GAZILLION AMENDMENTS ON THIS BUDGET. AND I THINK JESSICA ACKNOWLEDGED THAT. IT'S BECAUSE OF THE GOOD WORK THAT WE ALREADY HAD IN THE BIGGER BUDGET. I WANT TO NOTE THAT I DID HAVE ONE. AND IT WAS ONLY ONE. PEOPLE WERE ASKING ME, DO YOU HAVE ANY MORE AMENDMENTS? AND I SAID NO. THIS ONE AMENDMENT WAS THREE TO PH.D. FOR ME IT'S A TRAIL-BLAZING EDUCATIONAL MODEL TO CREATE A SAFER, HEALTHIER, AND MORE EDUCATED COMMUNITY THROUGH EARLY LEARNING THROUGH PURSUING ONE'S HIGHEST DREAMS. FOR ME THE GOAL IS TO CLOSE THE OPPORTUNITY GAP. I THINK THAT THAT'S WHAT WE DO HERE. CLOSING THE OPPORTUNITY GAP THROUGH THREE TO PH.D. FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE CHILDREN AND FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY. IT IS PROBABLY ONE OF THE HIGHEST THINGS THAT WE CAN DO FOR THE FUTURE OF THIS CITY. SO I JUST WANT TO THANK MY COLLEAGUES FOR SUPPORTING AN INITIATIVE THAT I THINK IS GOING TO TAKE US VERY, VERY FAR INTO THE FUTURE. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. NOW IS THE TIME. GET HER DONE. ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. THE RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2019 BUDGET IS ADOPTED.

Commissioner Smith: YEAH. [APPLAUSE] BUT WE ARE NOT DONE YET. [LAUGHTER]

Chair Kafoury: R2.

R.2 RESOLUTION Levying Ad Valorem Property Taxes for Multnomah County, Oregon, for Fiscal Year 2019. Presenter: Michael Jaspin, Budget Director

Chair Kafoury: WE ARE DONE WITH THAT PIECE OF THE BUDGET. NOW WE HAVE TO IMPLEMENT THE FUN TAX PART. WHO MOVED? Commissioner Vega Pederson MOVES, COMMISSIONER MEIERAN SECONDS APPROVAL OF R2.

Mike Jaspin: GOOD MORNING, MIKE JASPIN FROM THE BUDGET OFFICE AGAIN. THIS IS HOW YOU PAY FOR WHAT YOU JUST APPROVED. THIS IS THE NEXT STEP IN ADOPTING THE FY-2019 BUDGET. IT PROVIDES FOR AD VALOREM TAXES TO BE LEVIED ON ALL PROPERTY, [INAUDIBLE] FOR THE GENERAL FUND AT \$4.34 PER THOUSAND OF ASSESSED VALUE AND 5 CENTS PER THOUSAND OF ASSESSED VALUE FOR THE HISTORICAL, LOCAL OPTION LEVY.

Chair Kafoury: QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

Commissioner Smith: I HAVE A COMMENT, MADAM CHAIR. I WANT TO THANK -- TAKE A SECOND AND TAKE A MOMENT TO THANK THE PROPERTY OWNERS, RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY OWNERS OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY. I KNOW THAT TAXES ARE OFTEN SEEN AS THE DEVILISH DEAL, UNFAIR, UNNECESSARY, AND A STONE AROUND THE NECK OF THE PROPERTY OWNER, YET WITHOUT THESE TAXES AND THESE RESOURCES WE COULD NOT PROVIDE THE NECESSARY SERVICES THAT MAKE US A COMMUNITY. LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY, MENTAL HEALTH, PUBLIC HEALTH, SENIOR AND ELDERLY SERVICES ORGANIZATIONS. SO I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU FOR THAT, AND THIS IS HOW WE PAY FOR IT.

Chair Kafoury: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED.

R.3 RESOLUTION Adopting and Defining the Various Funds to be Used in Fiscal Year 2019 and Repealing Resolution 2017-037. Presenters: Mark Campbell, Chief Financial Officer; and, Mike Jaspin, Budget Director

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER STEGMANN MOVES, COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON SECONDS OF R.3.

Mark Campbell: THANK YOU. MARK CAMPBELL, CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER, AND NOW THIS RESOLUTION DEFINES THE FUNDS INCLUDED WITHIN THE BUDGET YOU ALL JUST ADOPTED. WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO SAY ABOUT THAT IS THAT WE HAVE 38 FUNDS INSIDE BUDGET. THEY RANGE IN SIZE FROM THE GENERAL FUND IS ROUGHLY \$640 MILLION TO THE RECREATION FUND WHICH IS JUST SLIGHTLY OVER \$50,000. AND THEN JUST WANT TO POINT OUT THAT WE HAVE TWO NEW FUNDS THAT WE ARE BUDGETING FOR. ONE IS A SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FUND AND THE OTHER ONE IS THE BURNSIDE BRIDGE FUND. AND I WILL TAKE ANY QUESTIONS.

Chair Kafoury: QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FOR MARK? ALL RIGHT. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED.

R.4 RESOLUTION Adopting the Financial and Budget Policies to be Used in Fiscal Year 2019 and Repealing Resolution 2017-038. Presenters: Mark

Campbell, Chief Financial Officer; Michael Jaspin, Budget Director, County Management

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON MOVES. COMMISSIONER STEGMANN SECONDS APPROVAL OF R4.

Mark Campbell: AGAIN, THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTS THE FINANCIAL AND BUDGET POLICIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019. AS YOU KNOW WE HAVE 15 POLICY STATEMENTS THAT SERVE AS THE FRAMEWORK FOR OUR BUDGET PROCESS. THOSE POLICIES HAVE THE FOLLOWING GOALS, TO PRESERVE CAPITAL THROUGH BUDGETING AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, TO ACHIEVE THE MOST PRODUCTIVE USE OF COUNTY FUNDS THAT MEETS THE GOALS OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. TO ACHIEVE A STABLE BALANCE BETWEEN THE COUNTY'S ONGOING FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS AND CONTINUING REVENUES AVAILABLE TO THE COUNTY. TO LEVERAGE LOCAL DOLLARS WITH FEDERAL, STATE FUNDING GRANTS, AND TO SUPPORT GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY TO THE RESIDENTS OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY. AND AS WE DISCUSSED IN THE BRIEFING THAT WE HELD EARLIER WE ARE PROPOSING NO CHANGES TO THE FINANCIAL AND BUDGET POLICIES THIS YEAR. AS I NOTED WE WILL BE CONSIDERING SOME CHANGES AS THEY RELATE TO OUR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW ERP SYSTEM. SO A PURVIEW FOR NEXT YEAR, I GUESS, AND AGAIN I WILL TAKE QUESTIONS.

Chair Kafoury: QUESTIONS?

Commissioner Smith: JUST A COMMENT. I WANT TO THANK YOU, MARK, FOR ALL OF YOUR STEADY HAND IN THE BUDGET AND KEEPING US ALL CORRECT OVER THE LAST EIGHT YEARS. IT HAS BEEN A PLEASURE TO WORK WITH YOU.

Mark Campbell: THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED.

R.5 RESOLUTION Adopting the Multnomah County Investment Policy and Repealing Resolution 2017-039. Presenter: Mark Campbell, Chief Financial Officer

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON MOVES, COMMISSIONER STEGMANN SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.5.

Mark Campbell: AGAIN THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTS THE INVESTMENT POLICY THAT IS THE INVESTMENT PROGRAM. THE ADOPTION IS THE REQUIREMENT OF THE STATE OF OREGON, AND AS WE DISCUSSED AT THE BRIEFING EARLIER THIS MONTH, WE HAVE NO CHANGES TO THE COUNTY'S

INVESTMENT POLICY TO BRING FORWARD AT THIS TIME. AND AGAIN I WILL TAKE QUESTIONS.

Commissioner Smith: I HAVE IS A QUESTION. A QUESTION OR A COMMENT. IN THE FUTURE AS WE ARE BONDING FOR DIFFERENT PROJECTS, I THINK THAT WE HAVE HAD AN UNPRECEDENTED NUMBER OF INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS. I JUST WANT TO NOTE ONE OF THE IDEAS AND BUDGET NOTES THAT WE HAD TALKED ABOUT OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS. YOU IMPLEMENTED IN TRYING TO IDENTIFY FOLKS WHO COULD DO BONDING FROM MINORITY FIRMS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND IN TAKING THIS IDEA AND RUNNING WITH IT AND ACTUALLY YOU KNOW, WE COME UP WITH A LOT OF THINGS AS COMMISSIONERS. WE HAVE A VISION ABOUT THIS OR THAT, BUT AT LEAST I WILL SPEAK FOR DISTRICT 2. WE MIGHT HAVE SOME UNREASONABLE REQUESTS, BUT IT'S ONLY BECAUSE WE ARE TRYING TO HAVE EQUITY WITHIN OUR SYSTEM, AND SO I REALLY APPRECIATE YOU GOING OUT AND, YOU KNOW, THERE ARE VERY FEW INVESTMENT, MINORITY INVESTMENT FIRMS IN THE STATE OF OREGON, SO YOU HAD TO GO THAT EXTRA STEP AND EXTEND OUR ARMS ALL THE WAY ACROSS THE UNITED STATES TO LET FOLKS KNOW THAT LITTLE OLD OREGON, WE ARE TRYING TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE EQUITY IN OUR SMALL BUSINESSES, AND WHO WE DO BUSINESS WITH, AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THAT. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO US IN DISTRICT 2. THAT WAS REALLY BIG.

Mark Campbell: THANK YOU, AND THAT ACTUALLY WAS ESPECIALLY REWARDING FOR ME AND EDUCATIONAL, AS WELL, AND I THINK THAT IT WILL SERVE US WELL GOING FORWARD IN FUTURE PROJECTS.

Commissioner Smith: I THINK SO, TOO. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED.

R.6 RESOLUTION Authorizing Salary Adjustments for Employees Not Covered by Collective Bargaining Agreements for Fiscal Year 2018-2019. Presenter: Travis Graves, Chief Human Resources Officer

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON MOVES, COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.6.

Travis Graves: GOOD MORNING CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS. I AM TRAVIS GRAVES, COUNTY CHIEF HUMAN RESOURCE OFFICER. EACH YEAR AS PART OF THE PROCESS I BRING TO YOU A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE COMPENSATION PLAN FOR ALL THE EMPLOYEES THAT ARE NOT COVERED BY BARGAINING UNITS. THIS YEAR THIS COMPENSATION PLAN INCLUDES THE 3.6 PERCENT COLA AS IN THE OTHER CONTRACTS YOU HAVE. I AM HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS.

Chair Kafoury: QUESTIONS, COMMENTS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED.

Travis Graves: THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: NOW WE WILL RECESS AS THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND CONVENE AS THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT.

R.7 Public Hearing and Consideration of a RESOLUTION Adopting the Fiscal Year 2019 Budget for Multnomah County Library District and Making Appropriations Thereunder, Pursuant to ORS 294.456. Presenters: Vailey Oehlke, MCLD Director/Budget Officer and Don Allgeier, Library Director of Operations

Board Clerk: MADAM CHAIR WE HAVE ONE PUBLIC TESTIMONY ON THIS MATTER.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER MEIERAN MOVES. Commissioner Vega Pederson SECONDS APPROVAL OF R7. WHY DON'T WE START WITH PUBLIC COMMENT? LIKE WE DID ON THE OTHER ONE.

Board Clerk: CHARLES BRIDGECRANE JOHNSON.

Charles Bridgecrane Johnson: GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS, CHARLES BRIDGECRANE JOHNSON. I AM NOT SURE IF I AM FOR OR AGAINST. I LOVE YOU GIVING THIS TO THE LIBRARIES BUT I WANT YOU TO GIVE MORE. BUT I THINK THAT ONE THING, EVEN THOUGH YOU ARE CONVENED AS THE LIBRARY BOARD, WE OBVIOUSLY KNOW YOU HAVE OTHER DUTIES. I THINK THAT THERE IS ROOM TO IMPROVE. THE LIBRARY IS ONE OF THE LARGEST PROVIDERS OF SERVICES TO THE HOMELESS AND HOUSELESS POPULATION. I THINK THAT EVEN THOUGH THEY ALSO PERFORM A MENTAL HEALTH ROLE, PROJECT RESPOND AT TIMES, WE HAVE HAD PEOPLE THERE FULL-TIME. I THINK THAT HOPEFULLY SOMEWHERE IN ONE OF THESE BUDGETS AS THE LIBRARY BOARD, THE COUNTY BOARD, WE CAN IMPROVE SERVICE PROVISIONS. ONE THING THAT IS -- I HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO CORNER BAILEY OR DAVE ON IS EVEN THOUGH THEY IMPROVED SOME OPTIONS FOR PHONE CHARGING IN THE LIBRARY, THE SIMPLE TRUTH IS IF YOU ARE ON THE COMPUTER, EVEN IF YOU ARE NOT WATCHING THE MOST PRODUCTIVE YOUTUBE VIDEOS FOR TWO HOURS, YOU CAN'T ACCESS A HIGH VOLTAGE PLUG WHICH MIGHT CHARGE YOUR PHONE DURING THE TIME THAT YOU ARE DOING WHATEVER YOU NEED TO DO FOR TWO HOURS.

HE IS TAKING GREAT NOTES, COULD WORK WITH RATLIFF TO REEXAMINE HOW THEY PROVIDE ACCESS TO CITIZENS WHEN THEY ARE SITTING AT THE COMPUTER TO GET ACCESS TO HIGHER POWERED CHARGING THAN THE USB PORTS OF PORTLAND, THAT MIGHT GIVE, ESPECIALLY PEOPLE IN ECONOMIC

DISTRESS OR HOUSELESS, A CHANCE TO BE FULLY CHARGED IN TWO HOURS AND GO AND FACE THE WORLD INSTEAD OF MOVING TO ANOTHER TABLE WITH A FULL SIZE PLUG AND SIT AROUND FOR AN HOUR. SO SMALL TINY THING. DOESN'T IMPACT THE BUDGET. THE BUDGET PICTURE JUST, WE HAVE THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE IN DISTRESS SLEEPING IN TENTS AND UNDER BRIDGES. YOU ARE DOING A GOOD JOB COORDINATING WITH VARIOUS SERVICE PROVIDERS. WE MAY HAVE A HARBOR OF HOPE, NEW SERVICE PROVIDER COMING IN, THAT NEEDS TO PROBABLY BE SOME BUDGETING TOWARDS A PARTIAL FTE OR SOMETHING TO KIND OF CO-MANAGE THOSE SERVICES. THANKS VERY MUCH.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

Vailey Oehlke: GOOD MORNING CHAIR KAFOURY. COMMISSIONERS. NICE TO BE HERE WITH YOU TODAY. I WILL BE BRIEF IN MY REMARKS. ON THE BUDGETED YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU, IT SHOULD BE SOMEWHAT FAMILIAR. IT'S A CURRENT SERVICES LEVEL BUDGET. AS IN YEARS PAST IT REFLECTS OUR COMMITMENT TO THE LONGVIEW. WE HAVE FINANCIAL CHALLENGES AHEAD OF US, JUST AS THE COUNTY DOES. WE ARE COMMITTED TO INSURING THAT WE ARE PROVIDING THE REALLY OUTSTANDING SERVICES LIBRARY PROVIDES TO THIS COMMUNITY IN A WAY THAT WE CAN MANAGE FINANCIALLY NOT JUST IN THE COMING YEARS BUT LONG INTO THE FUTURE. THE LIBRARY HAS A RICH AND LENGTHY HISTORY IN THIS COMMUNITY, AND OUR GOAL IS TO ENSURE THAT IT CONTINUES LONG AND INTO THE COMING YEARS. IT ALSO IS A BUDGET THAT ONCE AGAIN FOCUSES ON THE CHANGING NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY, THE WAYS IN WHICH PEOPLE EXPECT TO EXPERIENCE THE LIBRARY NOT JUST IN TERMS OF THE TECHNOLOGY AND ACCESS TO MATERIALS BUT ALSO IN TERMS OF THE SPACE AND IN TERMS OF THE TYPES OF FOLKS WHO ARE MOVING HERE AND LIVING HERE AND THE LANGUAGES THEY SPEAK AND THE CULTURES THAT THEY REFLECT. I AM PROUD OF THE BUDGET WE PUT BEFORE YOU AND I LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR SUPPORT. THANKS. I WILL TURN IT OVER TO DON ALLGEIER.

Don Allgeier: GOOD MORNING.

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING.

Don Allgeier: YOU HAVE BEFORE YOU A RESOLUTION WITH ONE ATTACHMENT TO ADOPT THE FY-2019 DISTRICT BUDGET LIBRARY DISTRICT. THE RESOLUTION ITSELF CONTAINS THE APPROPRIATION AMOUNT OF \$96.2 MILLION AND \$20.4 MILLION IN THE LIBRARY DISTRICT CAPITAL FUND. ADOPTING THE BUDGET SETS THE UPPER LIMIT ON SPENDING DURING THE COURSE OF THE YEAR. THE DISTRICT BUDGET, OR THE DISTRICT BOARD CAN INCORPORATE AMENDMENTS TO DECREASE THE BUDGET BY ANY AMOUNT AND INCREASE THE FUNDS UP TO 10%. ATTACHMENT A CONTAINS ONE REVENUE AMENDMENT THAT WAS REVIEWED DURING THE BUDGET WORK

SESSION. THERE WERE NO CHANGES TO THE AMENDMENT, SO YOU WILL BE VOTING ON THE RESOLUTION WITH ATTACHMENT A. THANK YOU.

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

Commissioner Smith: JUST ONE COMMENT. THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND ALL THE FOLKS WHO WORK IN THE LIBRARY. IT HAS BEEN GREAT TO HAVE THE LIBRARY AS A PARTNER WITH OUR SUMMER WORKS PROGRAM AND TO MAKING SURE THAT WE HAVE KIDS WHO ARE FROM UNDERSERVED AREAS BE ABLE TO WORK IN THE LIBRARIES AND TO BE ABLE TO SUPPORT THE MISSION OF THE LIBRARY. I JUST WANT TO CORRECT A COUPLE THINGS. I THINK YOU ALL DO AN AMAZING AND OUTSTANDING JOB WITH WORKING WITH PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY WHO ARE HOUSELESS OR HOMELESS, BUT I DO THINK THAT THE JOINT OFFICE, THEY DO THE BULK OF THE HOMELESS. I DON'T KNOW WHERE CHARLES IS AT. HE'S HERE. BUT I THINK THAT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENTS WE ALL TRY TO YOU KNOW, PITCH IN. IT'S BEEN ESPECIALLY GREAT TO GO TO EVERYBODY READS EVERY YEAR. I WAS THINKING THAT, YOU KNOW, MAYBE OUR NEW GOVERNOR OF GEORGIA MIGHT BE ONE OF OUR EVERYBODY READS. SHE HAS A BOOK ON HOW TO LEAD AND MAKE GREAT CHANGE. THAT'S STACEY ABRAMS, SHE'S ALSO A NOVELIST. MAYBE ONE YEAR IN THE NEXT FOUR YEARS WE COULD GET HER TO COME.

Vailey Oehlke I WILL TAKE NOTE OF THAT, COMMISSIONER. THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR SERVICE.

Don Allgeier: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER.

Chair Kafoury: I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOU AND YOUR TEAM. YOU HAVE PUT TOGETHER A REAL STRONG BUDGET THIS YEAR, AND I KNOW YOU TAKE THE HEART, THE LONGVIEW AND CONSTANTLY TRYING TO NAVIGATE HOW WE KEEP THE LIBRARY, THE JEWEL AND THE CROWN THAT IT IS IN OUR COMMUNITY WHILE WE HAVE A CHANGING WORLD, CHANGING NEEDS, CHANGING TECHNOLOGY. WE ARE NOT SURPRISED THE LIBRARY IS ONE OF, IF NOT -- I LIKE TO SAY THE BEST IN THE COUNTRY, BUT BECAUSE YOU HAVE THIS VISION LOOKING AHEAD AND I KNOW THAT WE HAVE SOME HURDLES TO OVERCOME IN THE FUTURE, BUT I AM EXCITED THAT WE ARE GOING TO BE WORKING ON THIS TOGETHER. THANK YOU.

Don Allgeier: THANK YOU, CHAIR.

Chair Kafoury: ALL RIGHT. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED.

R.8 RESOLUTION Levying Ad Valorem Property Taxes for the Multnomah County Library District, Oregon, for Fiscal Year 2019. Presenters: Vailey Oehlke, MCLD Director/Budget Officer and Don Allgeier, Library Director of Operations

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON MOVES, COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDS. APPROVAL OF R.8

Don Allgeier: ALL RIGHT. AS FOR THE COUNTY BUDGET THIS IS THE NEXT STEP IN THE ADOPTION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2019 LIBRARY DISTRICT BUDGET. THE ADOPTED BUDGET PROVIDES FOR AD VELOREM PROPERTY TAXES TO BE LEVIED ON ALL PROPERTY THIS ALLOWS THIS ACTION AUTHORIZES THE LIBRARY DISTRICT RATE AT 1.20 PER 1,000 OF ASSESSED VALUE WHICH IS BELOW THE VOTER APPROVED RATE OF 1.24. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. QUESTION OR COMMENTS. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED.

R.9 RESOLUTION Adopting and Defining the Fund to be Used in Fiscal Year 2019 and Repealing Resolution 2017-043. Presenters: Vailey Oehlke, MCLD Director/Budget Officer and Don Allgeier, Library Director of Operations

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER MEIERAN MOVES, COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.9.

Don Allgeier: ALRIGHT THE BUDGET OFFICE IN THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY

Chair Kafoury: I KNOW YOU'VE SAID THIS 15 TIMES BUT YOU STILL HAVE TO SAY YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD.

Don Allgeier: DON ALLGEIER

Chair Kafoury: FOR THOSE OF YOU TUNING IN TO THIS EXCITING MEETING, THEY MIGHT WANT TO KNOW WHO YOU ARE.

Don Allgeier THANK YOU, THE BUDGET OFFICE AND THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT BUDGET OFFICER AND DIRECTOR RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND DEFINING THE GENERAL FUND AND CAPITAL FUND FOR THE LIBRARY DISTRICT. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED.

R.10 RESOLUTION Adopting Financial and Budget Policies for the Multnomah County Library District (MCLD) for Fiscal Year 2019 and Repealing Resolution 2017-044. Presenters: Vailey Oehlke, MCLD Director/Budget Officer and Don Allgeier, Library Director of Operations

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER MEYER MOVES. COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDS APPROVAL OF LAST BUT NOT LEAST R.10.

Don Allgeier: THE BUDGET OFFICE AND LIBRARY DISTRICT RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THIS RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL AND BUDGET POLICIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019. AS THEY PERTAIN TO LIBRARY OPERATIONS. IN ADDITION, WE ARE ASKING YOU TO ADOPT EXHIBIT B WHICH CONTAINS SPECIFIC POLICIES FOR THE LIBRARY DISTRICT CONTINGENCY AND RESERVE ALONG WITH THE LIBRARY DISTRICT CAPITAL FUND. THESE POLICIES ARE IN ALIGNMENT WITH THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL AND BUDGETARY POLICIES. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU! YEA! NOW, WE WILL ADJOURN AS THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT AND RECONVENE AS THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

R.11 Authorizing the County Attorney to Investigate and Pursue Legal Remedies for Sexual Health Equity Program. Presenters: Bernadette Nunley, County Attorney's Office and Kim Toevs, Health Dept.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER VEGA-PEDERSON MOVES, COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVES APPROVAL OF R.11.

Bernadette Nunley: GOOD MORNING. ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY IN THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

Kim Toevs: AND KIM TOEVS, HEALTH DIVISION.

Bernadette Nunley: KIM WILL START US OFF WITH A NUT SHELL OF WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TODAY.

Kim Toevs: WE'RE TALK ABOUT OUR COMPREHENSIVE SEXUALITY EDUCATION FOR YOUTH THAT IS FUNDED FROM THE OFFICE OF ADOLESCENT HEALTH IN THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND OUR FUNDS WERE CUT SHORT TWO YEARS BEFORE THE END OF OUR GRANT, WE'VE GOT A RACIAL EQUITY FOCUSED GRANT THAT SUPPORTS RELATIONSHIP HEALTH OF YOUTH THROUGH CULTURALLY SPECIFIC COMMUNITY PARTNERS WORKING WITH YOUTH IN AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS AND THEIR PARENTS AS WELL AS THROUGH FIVE OF OUR LARGE SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN OUR COUNTY TO SUPPORT THE HEALTH TEACHERS WITH THE MIDDLE SCHOOL AND THE HIGH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SEX ED STANDARDS.

Bernadette Nunley: TODAY, WE'RE ASKING FOR YOUR APPROVAL TO PURSUE LEGAL REMEDIES TO CONTINUE THIS GOOD WORK.

Chair Kafoury: QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD?

Commissioner Smith: WHO ARE WE PURSUING LEGAL REMEDIES FROM?

Bernadette Nunley: I'D BE HAPPY TO ANSWER MORE QUESTIONS AFTER THE MEETING.

Commissioner Smith: THAT'S GOING TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT I VOTE FOR THIS OR NOT. BECAUSE I'M NOT SURE WHAT I'M VOTING FOR.

Chair Kafoury: I THINK WE ARE GOING TO LOOK AT OUR OPTIONS. THAT'S WHAT --

Commissioner Smith: SO WE HAVEN'T IDENTIFIED WHO WE'RE GOING TO SEEK LEGAL REMEDY FOR.

Bernadette Nunley: RIGHT AND I'M HAPPY TO UPDATE YOU AS THE DETAILS COME FORTH.

Commissioner Smith: HERE'S THE ISSUE. YOU WANT ME TO GIVE YOU MONEY TO DO SOMETHING BUT YOU DON'T KNOW WHO WE'RE GOING TO DO IT TO.

Bernadette Nunley: THERE'S NO REQUEST FOR FUNDING AT THIS TIME.

Commissioner Smith: SO THERE IS NO REQUEST FOR FUNDING. WHY DO WE HAVE TO GIVE YOU PERMISSION TO DO THIS IF THERE'S NO REQUEST FOR FUNDING?

Bernadette Nunley: THE BOARD MUST APPROVE ANY PURSUIT LIKE THIS THROUGH THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE.

Commissioner Smith: AGAIN, I DON'T KNOW WHO WE'RE PURSUING. SO WHEN YOU FIND OUT WHO WE'RE PURSUING, COULDN'T YOU COME BACK AND THEN ASK US FOR THAT?

Bernadette Nunley: WE WILL ABSOLUTELY DO THAT AT THAT TIME.

Commissioner Smith: THE PROBLEM THAT I'M HAVING RIGHT NOW, I'M NOT GOING TO GIVE YOU BLANKET APPROVAL TO DO SOMETHING THAT I'M NOT QUITE CLEAR WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO. AND WHO YOU'RE TRYING TO DO IT TO AND FROM. I DON'T GET IT! I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND IT.

Bernadette Nunley: THANK YOU. I'M HAPPY TO ANSWER MORE OF YOUR QUESTIONS AS WE HAVE MORE DETAILS.

Commissioner Smith: I KNOW. SO CAN YOU COME BACK WHEN YOU HAVE MORE DETAILS AND THEN PUT IT BEFORE US AND THEN TELL US WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO DO? BECAUSE I'M NOT CLEAR RIGHT NOW. I'VE NEVER SEEN THIS HAPPEN BEFORE.

Bernadette Nunley: WE NEED THE APPROVAL TO EVEN MOVE FORWARD AT THIS POINT.

Commissioner Smith: WHERE ARE YOU MOVING TO? I'M JUST NOT CLEAR. I DON'T KNOW IF EVERYBODY ELSE KNOWS ABOUT THIS. AND I JUST DON'T.

Chair Kafoury: YEAH, THIS IS A FIRST STEP IN TRYING TO DETERMINE DIRECTION TO HEAD AND I WOULD SAY IT DOES SEEM A LITTLE UNUSUAL. YOUR STAFF HAS BEEN THOROUGHLY BRIEFED ON THIS AND I APOLOGIZE THAT THEY HAVEN'T CLUED YOU IN.

Commissioner Smith: IT'S ME. I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND IT.

Chair Kafoury: WELL, AGAIN, I APOLOGIZE FOR THAT. THIS IS STILL IN THE EARLY STAGES OF LOOKING AT OUR OPTIONS AND OUR DIRECTION AND I THINK AS BERNADETTE HAS SAID, AS WE AS A PATH IS CHOSEN, WE WILL DEFINITELY HAVE ANOTHER CHANCE FOR BOARD COMMENTS AND FOR BOARD QUESTIONS. THIS IS MERELY THE FIRST STEP IN TRYING TO DETERMINE A DIRECTION AND AN OUTCOME.

Commissioner Smith: I HAVE A QUESTION. SO THE COUNTY SEXUAL HEALTH EQUITY AND EDUCATION PROGRAM HAS BEEN RECENTLY INSPECTED BY ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION. COUNTY ATTORNEY IS AUTHORIZED TO INVESTIGATE AND PURSUE LEGAL REMEDIES TO MITIGATE THE EFFECTS OF ADMINISTRATIVE DECISIONS. WHAT DECISIONS ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.

Kim Toevs: I CAN SPEAK BRIEFLY TO THE GRANT THAT HAS BEEN IN PLACE THAT WAS CUT SHORT.

Commissioner Smith: IT WAS CUT SHORT BY WHOM?

Kim Toevs: BY THE FEDERAL AGENCY THAT ADMINISTERS THE GRANT.

Commissioner Smith: WHICH FEDERAL AGENCY? I'M JUST TRYING TO GET A BETTER UNDERSTANDING.

Kim Toevs: OFFICE OF ADOLESCENT HEALTH IS IN THE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FOR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. AND THEY HAVE FUNDED FIVE YEARS OF FUNDING TO US AND

THEY GAVE US A TERMINATION NOTICE. BEFORE CONGRESS HAD CHOSEN TO APPROPRIATE THE FUNDS. CONGRESS DID APPROPRIATE THE FUNDS AND THE TERMINATION CAME FROM THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE TO END OUR GRANT 24 MONTHS EARLY.

Commissioner Smith: ARE WE THINKING THAT THIS IS A POLITICAL DECISION? THAT WAS MADE ON US? THAT THEY STOPPED OUR GRANT BEFORE IT WAS FULLY IMPLEMENTED?

Kim Toevs: THEY ENDED THE FUNDING FOR ALL OF THE GRANTS. NOT JUST MULTNOMAH COUNTY'S. THERE'S 81 THAT WERE PROVIDING EVIDENCE BASED COMPREHENSIVE SEX ED AND ENDED THE FUNDING 24 MONTHS EARLY.

Commissioner Smith: WE'RE LOOKING TO SEE IF WE'RE GOING TO SUE THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT.

Bernadette Nunley: I THINK WE'RE LOOKING --

Commissioner Smith: WE HAVE NO PLACE ELSE TO SUE.

Bernadette Nunley: TO EXPLORE ALL DIFFERENT OPTIONS AT THIS POINT INCLUDING LITIGATION.

Commissioner Smith: IS IT A PASS THROUGH THE STATE?

Kim Toevs: NO, IT'S NOT. DIRECT FUNDING.

Commissioner Smith: SO WE HAVE ONE POSSIBLE COURSE OF ACTION. WE CAN'T SUE ANYBODY ELSE OTHER THAN THE PEOPLE WHO WERE ADMINISTERING THE PROGRAM.

Bernadette Nunley: WE'RE LOOKING AT OUR OPTIONS.

Commissioner Smith: OK. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR, VOTE AYE. OPPOSED? THE AUTHORIZATION IS APPROVED.

BOARD COMMENT

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

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. NOW, THAT WE'RE FINISHED WITH OUR BOARD AGENDA FOR THE DAY, WE HAVE TIME FOR NONAGENDA ITEMS. ANYONE HAVE ANYTHING FOR THE -- GO AHEAD!

Commissioner Meieran: SO I ACTUALLY JUST WANTED TO SAY LET PEOPLE KNOW IF YOU DON'T KNOW ALREADY THAT MY AMAZING CONSTITUENT RELATIONS/COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR/DOES EVERYTHING KYLE SCHWAB IS GOING TO BE MOVING ON WITHIN THE COUNTY BUT MOVING ON FROM HIS POSITION IN MY OFFICE. AND I JUST WANTED TO SAY HOW MUCH I APPRECIATE HIM AND HE'S TOTALLY FREAKING OUT RIGHT NOW. I CAN JUST SEE IT! AND HE HAS DONE SO MUCH. HE'S SINKING THERE. AND IT'S FUNNY, I GET SO MANY COMPLIMENTS. I GO ANYWHERE AND TALK TO ANYONE WHO HAS HAD ANY CONNECTION WITH MY OFFICE AND THEY'RE LIKE, GOD, THAT GUY KYLE IS JUST THE MOST AMAZING. HE'S SO KIND AND POLITE. I'M LIKE WHAT DOES HE DO? DOES HE PAY THEM? I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS THAT HE DOES. BUT THEN YOU SPEND ONE MINUTE WITH HIM AND THEN IT BECOMES VERY CLEAR. HE IS JUST SUCH A KIND, THOUGHTFUL, FUNNY, LOVELY, WONDERFUL PERSON AND I'VE BEEN SO FORTUNATE TO HAVE HIM IN MY OFFICE. AND WE WILL MISS HIM DEEPLY BUT HE IS STILL AT THE COUNTY WITH LPSCC, WHATEVER. SORRY. YEAH! AND THERE WILL BE AN AFTER WORK EVENT TOMORROW NIGHT AND WE WILL SHARE SOME DETAILS TOMORROW EVENING AFTER WORK. EVENING. AND SO HOPE YOU WILL BE ABLE TO JOIN US AND JUST WISH KYLE THE BEST IN HIS NEXT ENDEAVOR. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: CONGRATULATIONS, KYLE.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: THANK YOU, CHAIR. WE WILL ALL MISS KYLE. HOPEFULLY HE'LL COME VISIT US ON THE SIXTH FLOOR. I JUST WANT TO SAY IN LIGHT OF US HAVING PASSED OUR BUDGET, I'M GOING TO BE HOLDING A JOINT TOWN HALL WITH COMMISSIONER EUDALY ON JUNE 14TH FROM 6:00 TO 7:30. I WANTED TO SHARE THAT AND GIVE EVERYBODY A HEADS UP.

Commissioner Stegmann: I WANTED TO SAY THANK YOU, KYLE, SO YOU MIGHT BE LOSING HIM BUT HE'LL STILL BE ONE OF MY CONSTITUENTS. I JUST WANTED TO SAY WHAT A PLEASURE AND HONOR IT HAS BEEN TO WORK WITH YOU AND I WISH YOU

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