

**Minutes of the Board of Commissioners
Multnomah County, Oregon
March 3, 2011
Multnomah Building, Commissioners Board Room 100
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd., Portland, OR**

Chair Jeff Cogen convened the meeting at 9:35 a.m. with Vice-Chair Deborah Kafoury and Commissioners Loretta Smith and Judy Shiprack present, and Diane McKeel excused.

I REGULAR MEETING

II. CONSENT AGENDA

- C.1 BUDGET MODIFICATION # DCJ-11 Reclasses a 1.00 FTE Records Technician to an Office Assistant Senior in the Adult Services Division, as Determined by the Class/Comp Unit of Central Human Resources.
- C.2 BUDGET MODIFICATION # NOND-12, Reclassifying One Position in Information Technology.
- C.3 BUDGET MODIFICATION # LIB-05 Reclassifying One Vacant Position in the Library Youth Services Division.
- C.4 Amendment to Lease R-39 Between Multnomah County, as Lessor, and Friends of the Multnomah County Library, as Lessee, for a Three (3) Year Lease Extension and Successive Renewals for Space Occupied in the Central Library.

Upon motion made by Vice-Chair Kafoury and seconded by Commissioner Smith the consent calendar was unanimously approved.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

- PC.1 Opportunity for Public Comment on non-agenda matters. Testimony limited to three minutes per person unless otherwise designated by the presiding officer.

Testimony was given and received for the record.

IV. REGULAR AGENDA

- R.1 **PUBLIC HEARING and Second Reading of an ORDINANCE Amending MCC Chapters 33-36 Relating to Variances and Adjustments and Alternative Energy Systems; and Housekeeping Amendments to MCC Chapters 11.15, 11.45 and 33-38 to Update the**

Zoning Code. Presenter: Don Kienholz, Land Use Planner.

Vice-Chair Kafoury moved and Commissioner Shiprack seconded approval of the second reading.

Mr. Kienholz provided the explanation and responded to Board questions and comments. He stated that no public input had been received since the first hearing last week. These amendments have been recommended to the Board for approval by the Planning Commission.

Time for public testimony was advertised, but no one chose to testify.

The second reading was unanimously approved, and Ordinance 1176 was adopted.

R.2 RESOLUTION Approving a Deed for Right of Way (ROW) Purposes & Temporary Construction Easement to the City of Portland. Presenters: Bob Thomas, FPM Dir. & Mike Sublett, FPM Strategic Projects.

Commissioner Shiprack moved and Vice-Chair Kafoury seconded approval of R-2.

Messrs. Thomas and Sublett provided the explanation and responded to Board questions and comments. The City has requested a perpetual easement for public street and right of way purposes for construction of public improvements. It is in conformance with the terms and conditions required by the County. The City will pay a total of \$48,930 for the area easement and compensation will cover landscaping, irrigation, and curb repairs after the fence re-installation.

Resolution No. 2011-020 was unanimously adopted.

R.3 General Fund Forecast Update. Presenters: Karyne Kieta, Budget Director; Mike Jaspin, Economist; Nancy Bennett & Claudia Black, Govn't Relations.

Opening remarks were made by Chair Cogen. Ms. Kieta provided an overview and introductions.

Mr. Jaspin presented a 5 -year General Fund revenue and expenditure forecast so that the Board is able to assess the long-term financial implications of current and proposed policies and programs. This update included a comprehensive economic overview and review of Fiscal Year 2011 including revenue, contingency and one-time only funds for FY 2012. He covered the FY 2012 General Fund 5-year Forecast including the outlook, what has changed, the revenue gap, indirect expenses and expenditure assumptions. He then provided a summary of forecast risks and issues and responded to Board members' questions and comments.

Ms. Kieta provided an overview of the Governor's Proposed Budget. The State has a \$3.5 billion shortfall; the combined General Fund and Lottery revenue has gone up \$1.2 billion from the previous biennium, or about 8%, but it will only help offset the drop in Federal and other funds. The gap is made up of backfilling OTO funds; increased debt service; increased PERS statewide, caseload growth, phase-ins, and inflation increases. There are concerns centered on school days, health care, prison costs and employee compensation. The Governor's budget relies on major policy changes to balance and give lawmakers time to make the necessary reforms. This could lessen the impact to the County for FY 2012. The order and magnitude of the state cuts will influence the size and scope of the rebalance process later this year. The greater impact is anticipated in FY 2013.

Ms. Bennett and Ms. Black spoke of their meetings in Salem to ascertain how they are going to handle the State's budget and whether they will move to an even more conservative level. There is concern to the accuracy of the budget forecast. The Governor's plans for restructuring government include major changes in early childhood, public safety, health and human services, and transformations in health care.

Ms. Kieta said in anticipation of this, proposed budget will create budget placeholder for what the County does and proposing to bridge those over for a short period of time with some one-time only revenue in order to get enough information from State and allow Board to have those policy discussions and determine choices, and be able to react to the State proactively. Some reductions are expected in 2012, with greater reductions in 2013.

The Board discussed their concerns about what the magnitude of state cuts means to the County; when those cuts will occur and the timing of these cuts after the County has adopted its budget for the next fiscal year.

The Board thanked the presenters for their report.

R.4 PROCLAMATION Declaring March 2011 as Purchasing Month for Multnomah County. Presenters: Brian Smith, Purchasing Manager; Mindy Harris, CFO & Interim Department Director.

Commissioner Shiprack moved and Vice-Chair Kafoury seconded approval of R-4.

Ms. Harris provided the explanation, recognized Mr. Smith and his staff, and responded to Board questions and comments.

Chair Cogen commended the department and thanked Mr. Smith and Ms. Harris for bringing this before the Commissioners.

Mr. Smith read the Proclamation into the record.

Proclamation No. 2011-021 was unanimously adopted.

R.5 NOTICE OF INTENT to Apply for Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women Transitional Housing Assistance Grant. Presenter: Chiquita Rollins, Domestic Violence Coordinator.

Commissioner Shiprack moved and Vice-Chair Kafoury seconded approval of R-5.

Ms. Rollins provided the explanation and responded to Board questions and comments.

The NOI was unanimously approved

R.6 Informational Board Briefing on the Family & Neighborhood Gang Violence Prevention Project. Presenters: Scott Taylor, DCJ Director; Rob Halverson, Community Justice Manager; Joanne Fuller, Interim COO; & Kathy Tinkle, Interim DCHS Director.

Introductions and opening remarks were made by Ms. Fuller. The presenters updated the Board and responded to Board questions and comments. DCJ and DCHS wish to align services to more effectively prevent gang violence. Services have focused on case management for youth in supervision, but services for siblings and parents were not a focus. This will allow for holistic, culturally-specific prevention/intervention services to African-American and Latino youth, who are overrepresented in the justice system, and their families currently involved in the juvenile justice system and highly at risk to continue. Some amount of prevention funding will continue for the Asian and Native American populations. This project changes target populations, program model approaches, services offered and impacts current providers of services. New procurement is required for culturally-specific intervention contracts. The RFPs going out the end of the month, will give our partners the opportunity to make decisions for their own organizations, including combining efforts with existing contractors. It is intended to have these contracts in place July 1st.

The Board thanked the presenters for their report.

R.7 NOTICE OF INTENT to Apply for the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention "Comprehensive Anti-Gang Strategies and Programs" Grant. Presenter: Robert Halverson, Community Justice Manager.

Commissioner Shiprack moved and Vice-Chair Kafoury seconded approval of R-7.

Mr. Halverson provided the explanation and responded to Board questions and comments.

The NOI was unanimously approved

R.8 Informational Board Briefing on Granicus System. Presenter: Sherry Swackhamer, CIO & Josh Mitchell, Applications Mgr.

Introductions were made by Ms. Swackhamer. Mr. Mitchell presented an update and responded to Board questions and comments. He showed the Board the Granicus website and talked about what this new technology will mean to the public who can now search by subject or date and view the agenda, video and minutes all in one area.

The Board thanked the Presenters for their presentation.

R.9 PROCLAMATION in Support of National Women & Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day. Sponsor: Commissioner Smith. Presenters: Mariotta Gary-Smith, AASHEP Health Educator, Health Dept. & Invited Guests.

Commissioner Shiprack moved and Vice-Chair Kafoury seconded approval of R-9.

Ms. Gary-Smith provided the explanation and responded to Board questions and comments. Other speakers included: Michael Kaplan, Executive Director, Cascade AIDS Project Programs and Services; Maricela Berumen, Bilingual Community Health Worker, Cascade AIDS Project, Living with AIDS; Marian Gilmore, President, Portland Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority; and, Jackie Gethner, LMT, CADC1, Women of a Certain Age.

Chair Cogen commended the presenters, acknowledged their work, and thanked them for bringing this before the Commissioners.

Ms. Gary-Smith read the Proclamation into the record.

Proclamation No. 2011-022 was unanimously adopted.

R.10 RESOLUTION Approving the Proposed Settlement to Acquire Real Property Interests for the Purpose of Constructing a New Sellwood Bridge and Removing the Existing Bridge. Sponsor: Commissioner Kafoury. Presenter: Ian Cannon, Program Manager, Sellwood Bridge Project.

Commissioner Shiprack moved and Vice-Chair Kafoury seconded approval of R-10.

Mr. Ryan requested an amendment to substitute updated documents because they are still finalizing negotiations. He added that the Resolution will give the Chair the authority to sign the agreement once the terms are finalized.

The Chair requested a motion to consider substituting the revised documents.

Commissioner Shiprack moved and Vice-Chair Kafoury seconded, a motion to consider the substituted documents.

Mr. Cannon provided the explanation and responded to Board questions and comments.

Public comment was given by Mr. Mela, owner of the property, and received for the record.

The amended Resolution No. 2011-023 and exhibits were unanimously adopted.

V. BOARD COMMENT

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

Chair Cogen reminded the audience that the first CIC Budget forum will be held tonight, here in the Commissioners' Chambers, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. He invited everyone to attend and participate.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Submitted by:
Lynda J. Grow, Board Clerk and
Marina Baker, Assistant Board Clerk
Board of County Commissioners
Multnomah County