



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 12/09/2010

Agenda Item #: R-3

Est. Start Time: 9:50 am

Date Submitted: 12/01/2010

Agenda Title: **Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement No. 26,901 between Multnomah County and the Oregon Department of Transportation for Right-of-Way Services for the Sellwood Bridge Project**

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title sufficient to describe the action requested.

Requested Meeting Date:	<u>December 9, 2010</u>	Amount of Time Needed:	<u>10 minutes</u>
Department:	<u>Community Services</u>	Division:	<u>Bridges</u>
Contact(s):	<u>Ian Cannon, Chuck Maggio</u>		
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General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

We are requesting that the Board of County Commissioners approve the agreement with the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) describing the functions to be performed to acquire real estate property interests for the demolition of the existing Sellwood Bridge and the construction, operation, and maintenance of a new Sellwood Bridge.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.

Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) No. 26,901 establishes those tasks to be performed by Multnomah County and ODOT to acquire the right-of-way necessary to demolish and remove the existing Sellwood Bridge and construct and maintain a new Sellwood Bridge. The IGA is required by ODOT as a first step in the property acquisition process. For this project, Multnomah County and its project team will be performing the tasks necessary to identify and acquire the needed property. ODOT will certify the right-of-way at the completion of the project.

The primary purpose of the Sellwood Bridge Project is to construct a new bridge to provide safe and efficient access for people, goods, and service vehicles across the Willamette River. After 80 years, the existing bridge has reached the end of its useful service life. The bridge is a vital regional transit link along the County's southern boundary serving citizens from Lake Oswego, Sellwood, Milwaukie, Portland, and other towns within Multnomah and Clackamas Counties. The project is

located approximately 4.25 miles south of downtown Portland OR, immediately west of Sellwood and carries SE Tacoma Street across the Willamette River, where it connects to State Route 43.

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

The IGA limits ODOT participation to \$10,000.00 over the length of the project. Any additional expenditure must be agreed upon by both parties.

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

Both agencies will strictly follow the rules, policies, and procedures of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 as amended, ORS Chapter 35, and the "State Right of Way Manual."

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

The Sellwood Project has had an extensive public outreach program. The County conducted 33 public meetings to solicit public concerns before starting the planning process. During the planning process, a Community Task Force held 25 meetings that were open to the public and had public comment periods. At six major decision points during the planning phase, a public open house was held, and a web-based survey was taken.

In 2010, during the Pre-Design Phase, a Community Advisory Committee (CAC) was appointed, with 17 community members representing various stakeholder groups. The CAC held 12 open public meetings. A public open house and online survey were also held to gather public input.

The project also has a Public Stakeholder Committee (PSC) consisting of elected officials from Multnomah County, Clackamas County, Metro, Portland, Milwaukie, the Oregon House of Representatives, Oregon Senate, and the office of U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley. Officials from the Oregon Department of Transportation, TriMet, and the Federal Highway Administration are included on the PSC. The Sellwood Project has involved numerous local, state, and federal regulatory agencies. The public and agency involvement will continue throughout the design and construction phases of the project.

Required Signature

**Elected Official or
Department/
Agency Director:**



Date: 11/17/10
