



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 12/10/15
Agenda Item #: C.3
Est. Start Time: 9:30 am
Date Submitted: 12/3/15

Agenda Title: **Requesting Approval of Amendment to an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Department of Transportation due to Legislative Changes**

Note: Title should not be more than 2 lines but sufficient to describe the action requested. Title on APR must match title on Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation.

Requested

Meeting Date: December 10, 2015 **Time Needed:** Consent Agenda

Department: Community Services **Division:** Transportation

Contact(s): Tom Hansell

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Presenter

Name(s) &

Title(s): N/A

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

The Department of Community Services is asking the Board to approve an amendment to an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Oregon Department of Transportation, Driver and Motor Vehicle Services (DMV) Division for collection of county vehicle registration fees on behalf of the County.

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.

The amendment performs some housekeeping on points-of-contact between the State and County, adjusts the administrative processing fee and responds to changes from the passage of Senate Bill 943 during the 2015 Legislative Session; as further identified in Chapter 404, Oregon Laws 2015.

Senate Bill 943 added an exemption from the county-levied vehicle registration fee for the replacement of the Sellwood Bridge. ORS 801.041, the statute that authorizes the county registration fee prior to the amendment identified 12 exemptions; there will now be 13 exemptions under the statute amended by the adoption of Senate Bill 943.

DMV administers a program that allows law enforcement officers and many other public officials to use their work addresses on their DMV record instead of their residence addresses. In some instances, these public officials work in a different county than the one

in which they live. Because the local registration fee is assessed based on the DMV record, such an official could be required to pay the local registration fee despite not living in that county. Senate Bill 943 adds an exemption for those public officials who work in a county that levies a county registration fee but do not live in that county. The anticipated reduction in revenue from this legislative update will be minimal and will not impact the debt repayment of the Sellwood Bridge project. Only Multnomah County has a county vehicle registration fee.

Under the IGA, DMV is authorized to charge a transaction fee to cover the costs incurred by DMV for collection processing. DMV's original calculation of eight (8) cents per transaction is proving to be insufficient. This amendment increases the per transaction processing fee under the IGA to ten (10) cents. The additional two (2) cent charge will amount to approximately an increase of \$5,750 per year.

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

The fiscal impacts from this IGA amendment change are minimal. The County anticipates based on discussions with DMV that less than 100 vehicle registrations per year will be affected by this new fee exemption. The loss in revenue to the Sellwood Project is negligible and will not harm the County's ability to fulfill repayment of the bond financing.

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

The effective date of the legislative amendment brought about by Senate Bill 943 is January 1, 2016.

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

See discussion in Sections 2 and 3 above.

Required Signature

**Elected
Official or
Department**

Director: Kim Peoples /s/

Date: November 30, 2015

Note: Please submit electronically. Insert names of your approvers followed by /s/ - we no longer use actual signatures. Please insert date approved.