



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 11/30/2010
 Agenda Item #: B-2
 Est. Start Time: 10:30 am
 Date Submitted: 11/19/2010

Agenda Title: Multnomah County Green Team Annual Board Update

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: November 30th, 2010 **Amount of Time Needed:** 20 Minutes
Department: Non-Departmental **Division:** Office of Sustainability
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Presenter(s): Tim Lynch, Office of Sustainability; Grant Swanson, Steve Wright, Terry Baxter, Heidi Leibbrandt, Stuart Farmer – MC Green Team

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

No action is being requested from the Board

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 Multnomah County Green Team was formed to harness the enthusiasm of County staff for the environment, and to transform that energy into actions that ensure a healthy environment, economy, and community. The Green Team is an all volunteer organization that has achieved great success with projects that inspire (Multnomah County Hope Garden), educate (Sustainability Film Series, Green Bag lectures, Earth Day events) and protect (Adopt-a-road cleanup, Reuse-a-shoe collections). The purpose of the annual update is to inform and engage the County Board by highlighting project successes in the past year.

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

The Green Team is an all volunteer effort that does not receive funding from the County. The Green Team conducts fundraisers and receives community donations to support its efforts. No additional funding is being requested at this time, therefore there is no fiscal impact of this briefing.

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

Public recognition and affirmation of the County's leadership role in environmental stewardship supports a number adopted County policies on sustainability, including the 2009 Portland/Multnomah Climate Action Plan.

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

The Green Team seeks to engage the community on issues of sustainability through activities like the Sustainability Film Series and at community events like the City Repair Earth Day celebration. Many of the policies and actions undertaken by Multnomah County in support of sustainability are the result of partnership and collaboration with other local governments and community groups.

Required Signature

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

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