



**MULTNOMAH COUNTY**  
**AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST**  
(revised 12/31/09)

**Board Clerk Use Only**

**Meeting Date:** 10/7/2010  
**Agenda Item #:** R-3  
**Est. Start Time:** 9:40 am

**Agenda Title:** FIRST READING of an Ordinance Terminating the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Portland, Dissolving the Sustainable Development Commission, Repealing Special Ordinance 972 and Amending MCC Chapter 3 to Establish the Advisory Committee on Sustainability and Innovation

*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:** October 7th, 2010 **Amount of Time Needed:** 5 minutes  
**Department:** Non-Departmental **Division:** Chair's Office  
**Contact(s):** Warren Fish  
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**Presenter(s):** Warren Fish, Tim Lynch

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**General Information**

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**1. What action are you requesting from the Board?**

Approval of a first reading to create a new advisory committee on sustainability and innovation, along with some housekeeping for the wind-down of a prior advisory body. Approve first reading of an ordinance terminating an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Portland, Dissolving the Sustainable Development Commission (SDC), Repealing Special Ordinance 972 and Amending MCC Chapter 3 to Establish the Advisory Committee on Sustainability and Innovation. Note that the Board recently adopted County Ordinance 1170/City Ordinance 184046 (on Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010), which amended the county land use code to adopt Portland's recent land use code revisions creating the Planning and Sustainability Commission in Compliance with Metro's Functional Plan. That separate but related action formally approved Portland's decision to combine sustainability advisory functions into their long-standing Planning Commission.

**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.**

In 2002 the Board ratified an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Multnomah County and the City of Portland (the Jurisdictions) to form an intergovernmental entity known as the "Sustainable Development Commission" (Commission). The purpose of the Commission was to promote sustainable policies and actions and advise and represent the Jurisdictions for regional, state

or national sustainability policy matters. The City has broadened the charge of its Planning Commission to include sustainability, and the County has created its own Office of Sustainability. There is no longer a specific reason to keep the IGA in place and the Jurisdictions are in agreement that the Commission should be dissolved. The Chair and Board wish to continue having a citizen advisory committee to harness community expertise in sustainability and drive innovation by bringing new ideas and best practices to the County.

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

None.

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

None.

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

Volunteer members will drive the ACSI. Their time commitment and interest make possible a cross-flow of ideas and energy between the community and county government. Multnomah County and the City of Portland have mutually agreed to dissolve the old Sustainable Development Commission and replace its functions at the jurisdiction level. Multnomah County and the City of Portland will continue to work collaboratively on sustainability issues, including implementation of the jointly adopted Multnomah County/City of Portland Climate Action Plan. Staff support and partnership between jurisdictions will continue as we work together to move our city, county, state and nation toward a more sustainable future.

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**Required Signature**

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



**Date: 9-29-2010**