



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 7/13/17
Agenda Item #: R.5
Est. Start Time: 11:00 am
Date Submitted: 6/20/17

Agenda Title: **Amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement supporting the Levee Ready Columbia Program**

Requested

Meeting Date: July 13, 2017 **Time Needed:** 5 minutes

Department: Community Services **Division:** Transportation

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Allison Boyd, Levee Project Manager, DCS; Tom Hansell, Business Services

Presenters: Division Director, DCS

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Approval to authorize the Chair to execute an amendment to an Intergovernmental Agreement for supporting the Levee Ready Columbia work program that commits the County to contributing in-kind services for FY18 and FY19 in the amount of \$106,648.

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

In 2015, the Board of County Commissioners agreed to support the Levee Ready Columbia partnership to certify and maintain accreditation for the Columbia River levee systems within Multnomah County (Resolution 2015-122). The intergovernmental agreements that were executed in 2016 by the partners of Levee Ready Columbia provided funding for engineering analysis contracts and two years of project management, communications, and facilitation required for implementing the program.

The proposed amendment (Amendment 1) to the Intergovernmental Agreement for Cost-Sharing of Levee Ready Columbia Expenses Not Covered by IFA Loans (Multnomah County Contract #4400002889) commits the partners to two more years of funding contributions for program implementation. The County's proportionate share of expenses will be covered by contributing in-kind services in the form of 0.3 FTE over FY18 and FY19. This expense is covered by the 1 FTE included in FY18 Program Offer # 91014 – Levee Ready Columbia.

In addition to adding FY18 and 19 partner contributions, Amendment 1 to the IGA also updates the IGA to allow for additional program expenses that are budgeted for the next two years that were not included in the original Intergovernmental Agreement and adding additional partners to the agreement.

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

This amendment will have no unbudgeted fiscal impact in the current year. The \$52,278 in in-kind services will be conducted by the Levee Project Manager position funded in Program Offer # 91014. The FY19 commitment of \$54,370 of in-kind services will be included in the Department of Community Services FY19 budget offer for Levee Ready Columbia. The commitments for FY 18 and 19 are expected to cover the transition period from completing the engineering analysis required for certification of the levees through the start of implementing required remediation for certification. Consideration of future governance options for Levee Ready Columbia is currently underway and will inform how the project is funded in future years beyond FY19.

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

Failure to achieve recertification and maintain accreditation of the levees may result in a re-mapping of flood prone areas behind the levees as a "Significant Flood Hazard Area". Such a designation would severely impact the economic value and economic viability of protected properties, potentially decreasing property tax revenues and the level of services that the County would be able to provide.

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

Levee Ready Columbia is a partnership of over 20 organizations in the region including Multnomah County; the Cities of Fairview, Gresham, Portland, Troutdale, and Wood Village; Metro; Port of Portland; five drainage districts; State of Oregon; Federal Emergency Management Agency; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; and several businesses, neighborhood associations, and non-governmental organizations. These partners have been involved in decisions regarding the Levee Ready Columbia program budget and funding contributions that led to this IGA amendment. The Levee Ready Columbia program has conducted, and will continue to conduct through the amendment's funding commitments, public and stakeholder outreach to raise awareness of flood risk and importance of the levee systems.

Required Signature

**Elected
Official or
Department
Director:**

Kim Peoples /s/

Date:

June 20, 2017