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### **APRIL 24 & 26, 2007 BOARD MEETINGS FASTLOOK AGENDA ITEMS OF INTEREST**

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Tuesday, April 24, 2007 - 9:00 AM  
Multnomah Building, Sixth Floor Commissioners Conference Room 635  
501 SE Hawthorne Boulevard, Portland

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- E-1 The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners will meet in Executive Session Pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(d),(e) and/or (h). Only Representatives of the News Media and Designated Staff are allowed to attend. News Media and All Other Attendees are Specifically Directed Not to Disclose Information that is the Subject of the Session. No Final Decision will be made in the Session. Presented by County Attorney Agnes Sowle. 15-30 MINUTES REQUESTED.
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Tuesday, April 24, 2007 - 9:30 AM  
Multnomah Building, First Floor Commissioners Boardroom 100  
501 SE Hawthorne Boulevard, Portland

## **BUDGET WORK SESSION**

- WS-1 Multnomah County 2007-2008 General Government Budget Work Session. This meeting is open to the public however no public testimony will be taken. 2.5 HOURS REQUESTED.

- Introductions
- Central Citizen Budget Advisory Committee Presentation
- Non-Departmental Presentations
- County Management Presentation
- Community Services Presentation
- Library Services Presentation

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Tuesday, April 24, 2007 - 6:00 PM  
Multnomah County East Building, Sharron Kelley Conference Room  
600 NE 8th, Gresham

## **BUDGET HEARING**

PH-1 Public Hearing on the 2007-2008 Multnomah County Budget. Testimony is limited to three minutes per person. Fill out a speaker form available in the conference room and turn it into the Board Clerk. The conference room will be open one hour prior to the hearing.

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Thursday, April 26, 2007 - 9:30 AM  
Multnomah Building, First Floor Commissioners Boardroom 100  
501 SE Hawthorne Boulevard, Portland

## **REGULAR MEETING**

### **CONSENT CALENDAR - 9:30 AM**

#### **NON-DEPARTMENTAL**

C-1 Appointment of Joseph Barcott to the Multnomah County BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

#### **SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

C-2 New Full On Premises Sales Liquor License for THE VIEW POINT INN, 40301 E Larch Mountain Road, Corbett, OR 97019

### **DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY MANAGEMENT**

C-3 RESOLUTION Authorizing Cancellation of Uncollectible Personal Property Taxes for Tax Years 1992/93 through 2006/07

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

## **PUBLIC COMMENT - 9:30 AM**

Opportunity for Public Comment on non-agenda matters. Testimony is limited to three minutes per person. Fill out a speaker form available in the Boardroom and turn it into the Board Clerk.

## **SERVICE DISTRICTS - 9:30 AM**

(Recess as the Board of County Commissioners and convene as the governing body for **DUNTHORPE RIVERDALE SANITARY SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 1**)

- R-1 Appointment of Lane Hickey to Serve a Three-Year Term on the Dunthorpe-Riverdale Sanitary Service District No. 1 Budget Committee
- R-2 Appoint Dunthorpe-Riverdale Sanitary Service District No. 1 Budget Committee Chair and Secretary for Fiscal Year 2007-2008
- R-3 Dunthorpe-Riverdale Sanitary Service District No. 1 Budget Message Presentation followed by Public Hearing and Consideration of Approval of the 2007-2008 Dunthorpe Riverdale Sanitary Service District No. 1 Proposed Budget for Submittal to Tax Supervising and Conservation Commission

(Adjourn as the governing body for Dunthorpe Riverdale Sanitary Service District No. 1 and convene as governing body for **MID-COUNTY STREET LIGHTING SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 14**)

- R-4 Appoint Mid-County Street Lighting Service District No. 14 Budget Committee Chair and Secretary for Fiscal Year 2007-2008
- R-5 Mid-County Street Lighting Service District No. 14 Budget Message Presentation followed by Public Hearing and Consideration of Approval the 2007-2008 Mid County Street Lighting Service District No. 14 Proposed Budget for Submittal to Tax Supervising and Conservation Commission

(Adjourn as the governing body for Mid-County Street Lighting Service District No. 14 and reconvene as Board of County Commissioners)

## **DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY SERVICES – 9:45 AM**

- R-6 Budget Modification LIB-06 Adding a 0.5 FTE Position at Central Library-John Wilson Room of Department of Library Services

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – 9:50 AM**

- R-7 Budget Modification HD-15 Appropriating \$10,000 from the National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC) for the Health Department to Participate in NACHC's Hepatitis C Virus Initiative
- R-8 NOTICE OF INTENT to Apply for a \$40,000 Grant Funding from the Patterson Foundation to Support the Purchase of Dental Equipment

**PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE – 9:55 AM**

- R-9 Update on 2007 Legislative Activities. Presented by Gina Mattioda. 30 MINUTES REQUESTED.

**DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY MANAGEMENT – 10:20 AM**

- R-10 Adopting Multnomah County's Affirmative Action Plan for 2007-2009

**NON-DEPARTMENTAL - 10:40 AM**

- R-11 RESOLUTION Consenting to Department of State Lands Lease Under the New Sauvie Island Bridge
- R-12 RESOLUTION Adopting County Policies to Reduce Benzene Pollution. Presented by Commissioner Jeff Cogen, Lisa Arkin-Oregon Toxics Alliance, Kevin Downing-DEQ, Molly Chidsey-Sustainability Office, and Niki Hruska, Temp-Control. 20 MINUTES REQUESTED.

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Thursday, April 26, 2007 - 1:30 PM  
Multnomah Building, First Floor Commissioners Boardroom 100  
501 SE Hawthorne Boulevard, Portland

**REGULAR MEETING - CONTINUED**

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES - 1:30 PM**

- PH-1 Public Hearing to consider and possibly act upon a Measure 37 Claim for Charles Maxson for up to \$385,000 in compensation or relief from land use regulations to allow the partition of each lot into two lots with four residential home sites overall on properties located at 38755 and 39062 E.

Knieriem Rd., Corbett [T1N, R4E, Sec 36C, TL 300 & 400] (Case File T1-06-095). Presented by Ken Born and Sandra Duffy.

PH-2 Public Hearing to consider and possibly act upon a Measure 37 Claim by Sandra Baker et al and Barkers Five LLC for \$33.6 million in compensation or relief from regulations to allow the claimants to construct 3 additional single family dwellings then subdivide and sell 2-acre lots for properties located in the vicinity of 15610 NW Germantown Road, Portland (Case File T1-06-098). Presented by Derrick Tokos and Sandra Duffy

PH-3 Public Hearing to consider and possibly act upon a Measure 37 Claim by George Raymond Smith, The Raymond Smith LLC, and Shirlee Lenske, Lenske Properties LLC, for \$8.5 million or relief from regulations to allow mining of all economically viable sources of gravel, followed by subdivision of the 206 acre property into 75-100 buildable single family dwelling lots, Corbett (Case File T1-06-124). Presented by Derrick Tokos and Sandra Duffy.

PH-4 Public Hearing to consider and possibly act upon a Measure 37 Claim by George Raymond Smith, The Raymond Smith LLC, Raymond Smith Trusts, and Lenske Properties LLC, for \$20.3 million in compensation or relief from regulations to allow the claimants to subdivide 561 acres (17 properties) into 90-104 residential lots and to log riparian buffers along Howard Creek and a tributary. The properties are located south of Corbett, in the vicinity of the Howard Canyon Quarry, Corbett (Case File T1-06-087). Presented by Derrick Tokos and Sandra Duffy

### **BOARD COMMENT**

Opportunity (as time allows) for Commissioners to provide informational comments to Board and public on non-agenda items of interest or to discuss legislative issues.



## MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST (short form)

### Board Clerk Use Only

Meeting Date: 04/24/07  
Agenda Item #: PH-1  
Est. Start Time: 6:00 PM  
Date Submitted: 04/20/07

**Agenda Title:** Public Hearing on the 2007-2008 Multnomah County Budget

*Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title.*

Requested Meeting Date: April 24, 2007 Amount of Time Needed: 2 hours  
Department: Non-Departmental Division: Chair Ted Wheeler  
Contact(s): Rhys Scholes  
Phone: 503 988-3308 Ext. 85273 I/O Address: 503/600  
Presenter(s): The Board of Commissioners will hear public testimony.

### General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?  
Opportunity for Board to hear public comment on the proposed 2007-2008 Multnomah County Budget.
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.  
Multnomah County's FY 2008 Budget Website is located at  
<http://www2.co.multnomah.or.us/Public/EntryPoint?ch=07901510ac25e010VgnVCM1000003bc614acRCRD> Chair Ted Wheeler's Budget Message can be accessed from  
<http://www2.co.multnomah.or.us/Public/EntryPoint?ch=9d5092db6421e010VgnVCM1000003bc614acRCRD>
3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).
4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.
5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.  
Several hearings soliciting public testimony on the proposed County Budget are scheduled between now and June 7, 2007.

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**Required Signature**

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

*TED WHEELER*

**Date:** 04/20/07



## **2007 – 2008 Budget Process Highlights**

On June 7, 2007 the Multnomah County Board of County Commissioners will adopt a final budget for the fiscal year that begins on July 1, 2007 and ends on June 30, 2008. Between now and then, you can share your opinions about the proposed budget by letter, email, phone call or by testifying at a budget hearing. Opportunities for testimony include:

**Tuesday, April 24**

**6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Multnomah County East Building (Sharron Kelley Conference Room)  
600 NE 8th, Gresham 97030

**Tuesday, May 8**

**6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

North Portland Library (Second Floor Conference Room)  
512 N Killingsworth, Portland 97217

**Monday, May 14**

**6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Communities of Color Coalition Budget Forum with the Multnomah County Commissioners  
Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization (IRCO) Gymnasium  
10301 NE Glisan, Portland 97220

**Tuesday, May 22**

**6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**

Multnomah Building (Commissioners Boardroom 100)  
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd, Portland 97214

**Thursday, June 7**

**10:00 a.m. to Noon**

Multnomah Building (Commissioners Boardroom 100)  
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### **Questions about the budget hearings?**

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Chair Ted Wheeler

## A message from Chair Ted Wheeler

On April 19 I presented my first Executive Budget to the Board of County Commissioners and to the people of Multnomah County. My full budget message is available at these links as an [HTML page](#) and a [PDF document](#). I hope you will take a look at it and let me know what you think.



I am proposing that we take strong action to stabilize our financial condition and focus on urgent priorities. The two most critical elements of Multnomah County's mission are maintaining an accountable and efficient public safety system and meeting the basic needs of the most vulnerable people in our community. My spending choices have been heavily influenced by those two critical missions and by the need for the County to live within our means.

In the coming weeks, the Board of County Commissioners will hold hearings to get public input leading up to a June 7 vote. Check the [schedule of budget hearings](#) if you want to present testimony to the Board or you can get [contact information](#) for the Commissioners if you would like to provide your thoughts via phone, letter or email.

Thank you for your interest in our community. I look forward to hearing from you.

### Ted Wheeler

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## Chair's Budget Message: Executive Summary April 19, 2007

I am pleased to present my Executive Budget for fiscal 2007-2008. I am confident that this budget will serve as an effective blueprint for my administration during the coming fiscal year and beyond.

This year's budget reflects hard choices and significant spending reductions. Reasonable people will disagree over individual funding decisions, but it is my hope that the community will agree that the Executive Budget process was inclusive, fair and consistent. This budget will bring intensified fiscal restraint to a jurisdiction that is already struggling to cope with the impact of the six previous consecutive years of budget cuts. On the other hand, it also lays out a clear path toward financial security and stability for Multnomah County government.

### Goals of My Executive Budget

This budget accomplishes two key objectives: 1) it stabilizes the County's financial condition, and 2) it focuses my administration's priorities providing clear strategic direction for the coming year and beyond.

### **Financial Stability**

My Executive Budget ensures that Multnomah County will live within its means. This balanced budget includes over \$15 million in general fund reductions representing one of the largest single-year reductions ever taken by a local jurisdiction in Oregon. These cuts are necessary for two reasons: first, the County must reduce its spending to account for the expiration of the Multnomah County temporary income tax which supported nearly \$32 million in program spending. **This budget will bring expenditures back into line with revenues over a two-year period by offering \$15 million in cuts this year, and identifying another \$10 million in next year's Executive Budget.**

Additionally, the cost of providing our core services continues to rise at a faster rate than our revenue. Unlike the City of Portland, Multnomah County has a limited range of revenue options. The growth of our single largest source of revenue – property taxes – was capped at three percent by Oregon voters with the passage of Measure 50 in 1997. On the other hand, our costs (especially employee costs, public health services and public safety costs) continue to grow at about six percent per year. This creates a structural deficit which grows worse each year. **This budget takes specific steps to reduce the structural deficit by investing in technologies that will improve worker productivity, creating an "innovation fund" that will support programs that bring in more than one dollar in savings for every dollar invested, and identifying specific reductions in administrative overhead.**

### **Focus and Strategic Direction**

Multnomah County has historically been charged with providing an unusually wide array of services that include, among other things: public libraries, correctional facilities, health centers, elections, emergency management, senior programs, health inspections, after-school programs, bridges, mental health services, river patrol, energy assistance, animal services, land use planning and marriage

licenses. In many cases, Multnomah County is required by statute to provide specific services. Multnomah County has outstanding employees who are accomplishing great things on behalf of the community in each of these and other areas and each will receive my full attention and support as the County's Chief Executive Officer.

**This budget does, however, focus attention on two areas that are urgent priorities for my administration: human services and public safety.** More specifically, Multnomah County will provide a system of accountable services to those who are the *most* vulnerable in our community, and we will provide a system of accountable public safety services to the community as a whole. Program enhancements reflected in this budget are largely concentrated in these two areas.

### **Focus on Public Safety**

**Multnomah County spends more than half of its General Fund budget on services that are directly related to public safety and that will not change with my proposed budget.** The changes I propose will help us cope with budget cuts while we prioritize the services that can have the biggest impact on overall community safety.

### **Public Safety Study**

My Executive Budget will fund a county-wide public safety study which will commence during the current fiscal year with the voluntary participation of all jurisdictions in Multnomah County. It will take a hard look at the current resources in our public safety system, evaluate their effectiveness, identify specific gaps, evaluate treatment options and alternatives to incarceration, and recommend future investment strategies in the public safety system. This study may be useful to identify specific strategies that might be funded through a possible county-wide public safety levy in 2008.

### **Jail Beds**

With the support of the Multnomah County Sheriff, I am shifting jail resources to reflect best practices and to maximize the impact on public safety. **Overall, the system capacity will remain largely unchanged.** Although we will reduce the overall level of jail beds in the County by reducing the level of double bunking at the Multnomah County Detention Center (MCDC) by 170 (but adds beds at MCIJ for a net reduction of 114.), the funds will be directed toward both **a new work-release furlough program** and **30 additional residential treatment beds** in the community. These new services will free up approximately the same number of beds that are closed at MCDC, but will provide a greater reduction in the recidivism rate. In sum, we will be paying less for a greater reduction in crime.

### **Wapato Jail**

The best long term use for the Wapato Jail is to house local, general population prisoners with treatment capacity just as the voters intended when they voted to fund its construction in 1996. In the short-term, we are in discussions with Clark County to use part of the treatment capacity of the facility and we are also pursuing the possible use of the facility to house state inmates in the last year of their sentence who will return to Multnomah County upon their release. I am asking the Board to hold \$2.5 million in contingency so that we will be ready to act quickly. My administration has set a deadline of November 2008 to identify funding to open the Wapato facility.

### **Law Enforcement**

The Sheriff and I and our staff have developed an excellent working relationship. The overall need to reduce the County budget is understood and supported by the Sheriff. The most difficult reductions include deputies in special investigations, several county wide task forces, and enforcement records. The need for continuing law enforcement coverage is driven largely by the size of geographical areas within the Sheriff's responsibility and the need for capacity to respond to emergencies. At the same time, Gresham and other East County cities are moving toward assuming full responsibility for

criminal activity in their urban areas. The long term answer is a single police force for East County. That has the promise of both greater efficiencies and/or higher service levels.

### **Focus on Human Services**

The general strategy on human services for my administration will be to support intervention and prevention programs first because they are more cost-effective than after-the-fact treatment or remedies and encourage desired behaviors. We will invest with an eye toward the future, which means that generally early childhood programs will be prioritized. Above all else, we will support those who have nowhere else to turn – our most vulnerable citizens – and we will prioritize programs where Multnomah County is the only agency that can provide the service

### **Reducing Racial and Ethnic Disparities**

In Multnomah County, African Americans and increasingly Latinos, Native Americans and Asians experience lower life expectancies, higher rates of disease, poverty, and overrepresentation in the criminal justice and mental health systems. The Health Department's Program Offer 40045 which is funded through my Executive Budget, is a primary example of how we will address health outcomes disparities but it is only one part of the effort. My office will create a framework to address disparities with an explicit focus on justice, equity and the relationship of inequities to economic and educational attainment. During my administration, Multnomah County will work to eliminate disparities based on race and ethnicity that exist in our community and we will challenge other community institutions to work with us to make this happen.

### **SUN Service System**

My Executive Budget provides base level funding for the SUN sites across the county and for the new SUN Coordinating Council. It will broaden the "ownership" of the SUN service system by giving our partners a clear role in shaping the initiative. The creation of this Council was a major recommendation of the task force which studied SUN in the wake of last year's budget controversy. I am also recommending that we put money in our contingency fund and work with the Coordinating Council and our partners to identify gaps and leverage additional funding.

### **Partnerships for School-Based Services**

The county lacks the funding to continue to provide a wide variety of school-based services that vary greatly by district placement and by results. Rather than continue to be the sole judge of the effectiveness and importance of these services, we are asking the school districts to partner with us in selecting from a menu of services that the County can provide if the District can defray the County's unreimbursed costs.

For this year, we focused on the following services: school-based mental health services, middle and elementary school clinics, Touchstone, child care slots, teen pregnancy prevention program, East County teen health clinic, summer hours at existing high school clinics and gender based training. We have discussed these reductions (totaling \$3.8 million) with the superintendents of the school districts within the county and will be providing them with information on the cost to purchase these services, if they wish to retain them. By way of assistance to the districts in the first year, the County will be able to allocate an unanticipated \$2.1 million of delinquent ITAX collections due these districts under our agreement.

### **Partnerships for Quality-of-Life Services**

There are several reductions that are driven by our desire to respond first to the more serious public safety threats. Some of our work is currently directed to chronic users of systems or more minor criminal or nuisance activity.

Given the difficult trade offs inherent in this process, this budget eliminates funding for the sobering portion of the Hooper Detox Center, the majority of the addictions outreach services, some prosecutors

who work closely with police precincts in the City of Portland, and the portion of Animal Control field services that responds to neighborhood nuisances and dead animals.

Because of the overlapping jurisdictional and programmatic charges of the City of Portland and Multnomah County, I have briefed the Mayor and City Council about my budget and asked them to consider funding these services within the City of Portland. This \$2.6 million request was graciously received and the Mayor has asked for continued discussion as part of the budget process.

### **Other Budget Highlights**

#### **System of Accountability**

The Chair's Office will work with the County Budget Office to champion the "MultStat" initiative during the coming budget year. MultStat will be an outcomes-based and results-oriented program that evaluates programs against specific performance measurements and benchmarks on an ongoing basis.

#### **Technology Investments**

After years of budget cuts, Multnomah County has neglected to invest in enterprise technology and core IT systems that make us innovative, cost-effective and more productive. My Executive Budget makes substantial one-time-only investments in IT systems, Assessment and Taxation systems, our land use planning system, electronic medical records and other systems which are greatly needed. My goal is to invest in core technologies that will make us more productive, embrace new technologies that will give our employees the tools they need to do their jobs, and utilize open source platforms wherever advantageous to maximize our access to current information.

#### **County Administration**

In an effort to gather as many options as possible, I asked department administrators and agency heads to prioritize how they would take reductions. From those conversations, we identified small administrative savings in many areas. Collectively they total \$2.6 million. The most significant of these will involve reductions in our internal services rate in future years, focused primarily on changes in how we provide internal services.

#### **Strategic Planning for Next Year**

Unfortunately, this is only the first of two steps. Next year, we will return with additional reductions. We anticipate approximately \$10 million at this time but that number could easily grow to \$15 million or higher depending on the outcomes from the state budget, health care costs and/or fluctuations in BIT revenues. I will be discussing strategies with the Board in the upcoming weeks and asking for their support and assistance in doing this policy work together, cooperatively over the next few months.

#### **Appreciation for My Colleagues**

This budget reflects a great deal of work and support from Board members, their staffs, our department directors and workers throughout the county. Many of the ideas included in here came from conversations with those people who know first hand the painful impact of these reductions. I want to thank them all for their assistance. I particularly want to thank Karyne Dargan and the staff of the budget office whose diligence and professionalism make it possible for us to truly focus our efforts on the policy questions.

The process has left me with a more in depth understanding of the benefits of services provided by the county, the dedication of the people who deliver them, and the passion that those that receive these services have for their continuance. Together, we need to continue our resolve to work together to minimize the impact of these cuts in service and to think and rethink creatively how we can provide our core services most effectively.

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**MULTNOMAH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
PUBLIC TESTIMONY SIGN-UP**

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Please complete this form and return to the Board Clerk

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MEETING DATE: April 24, 2007

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

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SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: ADS Budget

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FOR: \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

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SPECIFIC ISSUE: Supports CHAIR Wheeler's

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Proposed Budget - Fiscally Sound.

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MEETING DATE: 4/24/07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

COUNTY BUDGET

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: SHERIFF'S BUDGET

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST: ☒ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: DAVID M FULLER

ADDRESS: 24121 N.E HOLLADAY

CITY/STATE/ZIP: WOOD VILLAGE 97060

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: 503 666 6343 EVES: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: 514 BUDGET

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: \_\_\_\_\_

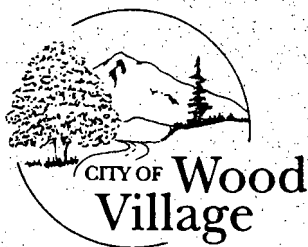
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*Mayor*  
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Todd Sturdavant

Patricia Smith

Mark Clark

April 20, 2007

Chair Ted Wheeler  
Multnomah County Board of County Commissioners  
501 SE Hawthorne, Suite 600  
Portland, Oregon 97214

Dear Chair Wheeler,

I was dismayed and disappointed to learn of the proposed budget cuts to the Special Investigations Unit (SIU) of the Multnomah County Sheriffs Office.

Recently a "Safety Summit" was convened by Gresham Mayor Shane Bemis, acknowledging that they have a growing problem with crime and gang activities in their City. For the same reason, Officials in Fairview and Troutdale have also stated they need increased law enforcement officers. In general, East Multnomah County, including the unincorporated area that is the Sheriff's responsibility, has insufficient police coverage to provide the citizens and business owners with their most basic right to public safety. You might remember the recent crime spree in the Columbia River Gorge where dozens of cars were vandalized and thousands of dollars worth of items were stolen.

As you are aware, Wood Village pays for contracted services of the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office for our police coverage. They have done an excellent job in our City and we believe their presence here enhances the capability of our adjoining cities in combating crime.

The increase in property crime, car prowling and person-to-person crimes, I am told, is most related to drug use and the need of addicts to feed their addiction. Therefore, the root cause of most crimes in our area would seem to be drug related. For that reason, it is unconscionable and unreasonable to reduce the Sheriffs budget for the proactive SIU that is a key deterrent to the manufacture and distribution of dangerous drugs.

It appears the budget goal is to enhance spending on social programs. Since those needing these programs are the most likely victims of crime, the reduction of law enforcement would increase the need of further spending for victims, producing a snowball effect of increased costs for the County.

The first order of business for government at any jurisdictional level is to provide public safety. Therefore, on behalf of Wood Village City Council, I implore you and the other County Commissioners to reverse your decision on cutting the budget of the Sheriff's Special Investigations Unit.

Respectfully,

David M. Fuller  
Mayor

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MEETING DATE: 7/24/07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: East County Teen Clinic

FOR: X AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: CYNTHIA THOMAS

ADDRESS: 11737 SE GLDER

CITY/STATE/ZIP: PORTLAND, OR 97216

PHONE: DAYS: 503.702.8982 EVES: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: Cynthiat@metfamily.org FAX: 503.232.9178

SPECIFIC ISSUE: CLOSING OF CLINIC

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: \_\_\_\_\_

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MEETING DATE: 4-24-07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: Law Enforcement Budget Cuts

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST: X THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Mark Clark - Councilor - Wood Village

ADDRESS: 23730 NE Shamrock Ct.

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Wood Village, Oregon 97060

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: 503-491-3284 EVES: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: MARK.SCLARK@Comcast-net FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: Law Enforcement Budget cuts - specifically  
Drug Enforcement + Gang Enforcement

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: Please do not cut these two  
areas of Law Enforcement.

Thank you,  
Clark

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MEETING DATE: 4/24/07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: Touchstone

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Cindy Saban

ADDRESS: 5120 SE Bybee Blvd

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Portland, OR 97206

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: 503-952936 EVES: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: Touchstone

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: \_\_\_\_\_

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SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

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SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: Touchstone Program Budget Cut

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST: X THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: TADD GESTRIN "Guestrin"

ADDRESS: 900 SE 5th St

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Gresham, OR 97080

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: 503 661-6050 EVES: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: Restoration of budget to support  
continued operation of Touchstone Program.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: \_\_\_\_\_

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MEETING DATE: 4-26-07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: SHERIFF'S MARINE PATROL

FOR: ✓ AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: DOUG WALKER

ADDRESS: 60003 RIDGEWAY LOOP

CITY/STATE/ZIP: ST. HELEN'S OR 97051

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: 503 201 5045 EVES: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: CR4AEXECVP@YAHOO.COM FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: \_\_\_\_\_

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: \_\_\_\_\_

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MEETING DATE: 4-24-07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

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SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: MCSO SIU

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST: X THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Crystal Taylor

ADDRESS: 5726 NE Prescott Apt B

CITY/STATE/ZIP: POX OR 97218

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: 933 7672 EVES: 933 7672

EMAIL: Crytay007@yahoo.com FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: \_\_\_\_\_

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY: YES

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April 24, 2007

Dear Ted Wheeler:

My name is Crystal Taylor-Stuebner. I don't know if you remember meeting me while you toured the Letty Owings Residential Treatment Center. I gave you a brief description of all the things Letty Owings helped me accomplish. I learned that later that week you took a tour of Sunrise Place, Crime and Drug-Free housing through Central City Concern. I live there now with my 9 year old son and 15 month old daughter.

I never told you how I got to Letty Owings. On March 7, 2006 after 13 years of using methamphetamines, 7 of those years selling it, I finally got noticed and got my wake up call.

**Multnomah County Sheriffs Office Special Investigations Unit Narcotics Division** saved my life. This interrupted my road to death. Oh I did try to escape them but they could go anywhere I could go. They are not rookies they know what they are doing and do it well. My children have there mother back, one who doesn't break promises, sleeps every night, doesn't put them in danger anymore, and actually able to set a good example for them now. Without the **MCSO SIU** doing there job I would not be able to write this letter today or be any of those things to my children or myself.

I noticed you want to fund 30 residential treatment beds. That is awesome. An active user won't even recognize that until they get a wake-up call. A majority of the people I had met in treatment had mentioned having a run in with the **MCSO SIU** and that's what ended there run with drugs. I am deeply saddened for the people who will not be fortunate enough to have a run in with the **MCSO SIU** and the children who will suffer also.

Please reconsider this cut. You stated in your budget message that this budget focuses on two areas that are urgent priorities for your administration: human services and public safety. I really don't agree that taking away funding from a highly trained and skilled unit that saves lives is focusing on public safety. I want to help my children live a drug-free life, without the professionals (**MCSO SIU**) out there doing there job, it wouldn't be easy. Methamphetamines hit news headlines every night. These guys make a great impact on the amount taken in off of the streets.

You stated the long term answer is a single police force for East County. Wouldn't it be more expensive to start something new rather than to keep something going? Also why replace professionals with rookies?

Thank You for your time, Crystal Taylor-Stuebner

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MEETING DATE: 4-24-07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: School Based Health Clinics

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST: X closure THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Jan Niemeyer

ADDRESS: 1112 S.W. Ivory Ln

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Gresham, OR 97080

PHONE: DAYS: 503-674-2312 EVES: None

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: Proposed closure of elementary & middle schools health-based clinics

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: The student population at Lincoln Park School receives free breakfast due to the poverty level of our population. I personally have referred many students to the clinic who otherwise would have no access to health care. This clinic was funded by a federal grant, what has happened to the \$ from the grant?

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MEETING DATE: 4-24-07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: School Based Health Centers

FOR: XXX AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Janet M Gillespie

ADDRESS: 9045 SE Morrison

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Portland Oregon 97216

PHONE: <sup>Eves</sup> ~~DAYS~~ (503) 257-7483 <sup>Days</sup> ~~EVES~~ \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: Janet\_gillespie@dclouglas.k12.OR.US FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: I work in a school with the only elementary school-based Health Center in the county. The clinic works in harmony

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: With the staff at my school, to provide comprehensive health and mental health support to our large population

of children, who would otherwise not likely receive help (Health care, etc). at all. The Elementary Schoolbased Health Clinic supports our Elementary

Schools and our 3 Middle schools & is a vibrant part of the David Douglas School District

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MEETING DATE: 04.24.07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

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SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: SBAH closure

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FOR: \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Opal Bendele "Bendell"

ADDRESS: 20868 Creekview Pl

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Colton OR

PHONE: DAYS: 503 709 5708 EVES: 503 824 2505

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: Against Closure

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY: School base clinics make it possible  
for those who cannot afford care to keep their  
students in school more days

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MEETING DATE: 04.24.07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: Public Safety

FOR: X AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Ron Clemenson

ADDRESS: 840 SE 156 PL

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Portland, Or. 97233

PHONE: DAYS: (503) 252 3383 EVES: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: budgeting for Public Safety

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: (attached copies for  
Commissioners & I will testify

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copy: Commissioner Lonnie Roberts

Multnomah County Commission Meeting Tuesday April 24, 2007

Good evening I am Ron Clemenson Vice Chairman Centennial Community Assn.

On behalf of CCA and it's members and the general community of outer east Portland I am here to express our concern and our hopes for a County budget that will support PUBLIC SAFETY not take away from it.

Today's Oregonian Editorial page certainly expresses both from their staff and the public views and concerns about the criminal justice system and it's ability to keep pace with rising costs of incarceration, drug and mental health treatment and how we need to stay focused on how best to deal with criminal activities in our communities throughout the State. It is a huge problem and it is not going away and never will until this is given the highest priority among our elected government officials. The other pages of the Metro Section of the Oregonian daily record the crimes related to violent crimes, drugs deals gone bad, gangs, and certainly the various forms of identity theft continue. Many of these crimes are carried out by repeat offenders and those who have been through the revolving doors at our jails. Many of those incarcerated for overnite short stays never do receive timely treatment or the incarceration they need or deserve and are back on the streets, breaking into houses. Recent cooperative efforts by the City of Portland and Multnomah County have opened more jail beds, but Wapato Jail remains closed. Chairman Wheeler early on said he would do all he could to get Wapato open and I am hearing that is still your priority Mr. Chairman. Good! Cooperative agreements between local governments are essential in a time when dollars are scarce and demands are high.

However, when we hear that the County Sheriff budget may take a cut, this does not sound like Public Safety is PRIORITY ONE! We know that the Criminal Justice System is a large and costly one, from the courts, to the drug treatment facilities, the jails and the men and women to run them. But without all these parts working together and financially supported our problems will only get worse and very soon we will become the Los Angeles of this large and expanding community of Multnomah County and the greater Portland area. We are growing by the thousands daily and community without adequately funded PUBLIC SAFETY facilities and manpower to deal with the criminals, drugs, gangs and all the rest, we are going to pay a very high price both in human and monetary costs. THAT IS NOT ACCEPTABLE.

I believe, and I trust that it is not acceptable to you either, and that as you deliberate this process of the budget you will not cut any of the pieces of the PUBLIC SAFETY net and will work with all those so involved, whoever and wherever that may be, to insure that Multnomah County is a model of a cooperative and efficient Criminal Justice System and which, creates a safer place in which we all live.

If in your final analysis and all the numbers are crunched and you are still short of the money to do the job right, you need to come to the people of Multnomah County and bring us a revenue proposal, levy, whatever, and let us decide how important Public Safety really is to us!

Thank you.

Ron Clemenson

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MEETING DATE: April 24, 2007

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: School Based Health Center Closures

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST: ☒ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Grace Walker

ADDRESS: 1823 NE 55<sup>th</sup> Ave

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Portland, Or, 97213

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: 503-988-3554 EVES: 503-282-2138

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: Closure of these clinics

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: As an ONA representative I would like to advocate for the children of the David Douglas School District. We are the only resource for the uninsured, underinsured and those unable to access care.

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SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: Touch Stone

FOR: ☒ AGAINST: ☐ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Rose Reyna

ADDRESS: 187 SW Eastman PKwy #77

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Gresham Or. 97080

PHONE: DAYS: 503) 666-4462 EVES: 503) 666-4462

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: \_\_\_\_\_

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: Fund Touch Stone Program  
After School Program for students that need help  
in there school work, for Parents there are  
also many program that are offered to  
us.

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MEETING DATE: 4/10/07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: Touchstone

FOR: ☒ AGAINST: ☐ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Kimberly Bautista Gomez

ADDRESS: 1201 N.E 8th

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Gresham, OR, 97030

PHONE: DAYS: 503 381 3655 EVES: 503 669 7010

EMAIL: Bautista@hotmail.com FAX:

SPECIFIC ISSUE: Keep Funding Touchstone

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: Keep Funding Touchstone  
Cause it helps Latinos a lot in  
School for parents and students  
that have ELL English learner  
language.

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SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: \_\_\_\_\_

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Gean DeMarter

ADDRESS: 12350 SE Powell

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Portland, Ore

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

DAYS: 503

548-0222

EVES: 503

516-7292

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: Support for Human Services funds

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY: \_\_\_\_\_

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SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

Multnomah Touchstone

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: Touchstone

FOR: X AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Sherrie Volenski

ADDRESS: 7370 SE Evergreen St

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Portland OR 97206

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: 503-206-6582 EVES: 360-200-3974

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: I want touchstone Funded

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: NO

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MEETING DATE: 04.24.07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: Support for Human Services

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Erika Silver

ADDRESS: 501 NE Hood, Suite 110

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Gresham OR

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: \_\_\_\_\_

EVES: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: \_\_\_\_\_

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: \_\_\_\_\_

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MEETING DATE: 4/24/07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: TEEN CLINIC CLOSURE

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST: X THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: SUE FAGAN

ADDRESS: 36042 SE LUSTEN RD

CITY/STATE/ZIP: WATER BURY, OR. 97009 (MULT. CE!)

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: \_\_\_\_\_ EVES: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: \_\_\_\_\_

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: \_\_\_\_\_

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MEETING DATE: 4/24/07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: Cuts to Health Clinic

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST: X THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Andrew Baron

ADDRESS: 6029 SE <sup>49</sup> 39<sup>th</sup> Ave

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Portland, OR, 97206

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: 503-348-3715 EVES: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: Cuts to School-based health clinics in this year's Budget.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: \_\_\_\_\_

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Multnomah County Board of Commissioners  
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd., Suite 600  
Portland, Oregon 97214

Dear Commissioners,

I work as a student advocate at 3 schools in the Portland Public School District. I am based primarily out of Binnsmead Middle School, and it came to my attention recently that funding for the Multnomah County Health Clinic at Binnsmead has not been included in the county budget for the coming fiscal year. This concerns me greatly, since in the one year I've worked at this school I have seen the clinic provide invaluable health services to countless students at Binnsmead.

I am aware that there are few things more difficult than deciding which public programs to keep and which to cut during the budget process. However, I am also aware, and I know you are as well, that health care for countless Portland families simply does not exist. Nowhere is this more obvious than in the communities of Southeast Portland, where more than 80% of the students I work with at Binnsmead have no health insurance. For these kids, the school clinic is the only place they can go for health services. I have personally referred as many as 20 students to the clinic, and many have received further referrals from the clinic to services their families would otherwise not be able to access. Let me give a few brief examples.

Last October I referred a 7<sup>th</sup> grade client to the school health clinic because he was having headaches. His family has a very low income and no insurance, and they were concerned about their son's health. At the clinic he got an eye exam, which showed he needed glasses, and it was determined that his headaches were caused by his straining to see the board in class. The clinic gave the student's family a voucher for a program that gave this student a free pair of glasses, and his headaches have gone away.

In January I noticed that several girls on my caseload were not eating at lunch. I knew that food was already scarce at home for each of these girls, and I worried for their health when they wouldn't eat at school. Since anorexia is a concern with girls of this age, I referred them to the clinic, where they each received a free check-up and where it was determined that none of them were significantly under-nourished. I have since followed up on these students with the school nurse to monitor their situation.

Most recently, one of my students had a basic check-up at the clinic, where the nurse discovered a slight heart murmur. She referred him to the clinic at Grant High, where he got an EKG. It was soon determined that his heart was healthy and that the abnormality was nothing serious. But what if there had been a real problem with this kid's heart? He lives with his father in a one-bedroom apartment and his father works 65 hours per week just to support their family. When would they have discovered their son's heart problem? When he went out to play basketball one day, fell down and didn't get up?

There is a tendency sometimes to view the school-based clinics as a luxury, a place where students can go to see the nurse and avoid the hassle of going to the clinic closest to their home. This view seriously underestimates the health crisis we find ourselves in right now. For the vast majority of these kids, the clinic at school is their only option for health care. The numbers before you make this clear. To cut this clinic is to cut the one thread that keeps them connected to some kind of health care. I urge the commission to act now and fund that thread. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Andrew Baron  
Student Advocate  
Binnsmead Middle School



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SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: \_\_\_\_\_

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Asbj Kennedy

ADDRESS: 1224 NE 73rd Ave

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Portland, Or 97213

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: \_\_\_\_\_ EVES: <sup>(503)</sup> 254-1157

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: Aging Services Community department  
of Human Services

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: \_\_\_\_\_

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MEETING DATE: 4-24-07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: Eastside Teen Clinic

FOR: ☒ AGAINST: ☐ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Brittney Jacobsen

ADDRESS: 12115 SE Harold St

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Portland, OR 97060

PHONE: DAYS: 503-998-7104 EVES: 503-998-7104

EMAIL: HeavensATgirl@comcast.net FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: Save the teen clinic

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: \_\_\_\_\_

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SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: Teen Health Clinic

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Jim Buck

ADDRESS: 312 SE 15th St

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Gresham OR

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: 503-667-9468 EVES: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: jimbuck2@verizon.net FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: \_\_\_\_\_

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: \_\_\_\_\_

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SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

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SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: Teen Clinic

FOR: X AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Glorie Wiggins

ADDRESS: 503 SW Victoria Ct

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Busham OR 97080

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: 503 669 8350 EVES: 667 0716

EMAIL: gwiggins@hotmail.com FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: Support Teen Clinic

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY: \_\_\_\_\_

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SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: Eastside Teen Clinic

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Barbara Biedrzycki / New Avenues for Youth

ADDRESS: 5223 NE 33rd / 820 SW Oak

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Portland OR 97211 / 97205

PHONE: DAYS: 503 224 4339 X321 EVES: 503 704 0401

EMAIL: bbiedrzycki@newavenues.org FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: no budget cut to Eastside  
Teen Clinic

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: New Avenues for Youth support ETC  
as it is an imperative resource for the homeless +  
at risk youth we serve. This clinic allows us to serve  
youth in their community of origin instead of uprooting  
them to access services downtown where they become  
at high risk to deep street entrenchment culture.

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MEETING DATE: 4/24/07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: SUN Program - Family Involvement Coordinator

FOR: X AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM Alder/Davis

NAME: Andra R Taylor

ADDRESS: 24 NE 190th Pl.

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Portland, OR 97230

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: (503) 491-5372 EVES: 971-227-1210

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: Continue funding for the Family Involvement Coordinator under the SUN program at Alder/Davis School

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: \_\_\_\_\_

SUN has been a great resource as a new parent to Davis Elementary School. Darrin Sanchez has been very knowledgeable regarding the SUN programs. I have taken a parenting class, weatherization workshop, cooking class and started a community garden

**IF YOU WISH TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:** at Davis

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SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: Touch tone.

FOR: 7 AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM  
NAME: Roberto torres

ADDRESS: 12836 SE Sherman St

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Portland, OR 97212

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: 503.927-8226

EVES: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: I ~~am~~ want Touch tone.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: \_\_\_\_\_

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Community Garden, on property at East end of this  
SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: DA & Community Garden Property,

FOR: \_\_\_\_\_ AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: ROBERT H. PONG SR

ADDRESS: 777 N.E. 8TH ST

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Tresham Oregon

PHONE: DAYS: 503-489-5391

Cell  
EVES: 503-351-7680

EMAIL: RHPONG@Newant.com

FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: \_\_\_\_\_

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: As Chair of the Budget Advisory Committee

For the DA it is Hard to see yet another cut to this  
Dept as we have had this almost every year since Measure 5  
we gained a B.I.T with the 1% TAX. All you have to look  
and you will see some important areas will be lost  
if this Budget cut happens. Garden

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SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: Touchstone Program

FOR: X AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Candi Rowley

ADDRESS: 7452 SE Rural Street

CITY/STATE/ZIP: Portland, Or. 97206

PHONE: DAYS: 503-234-1533 EVES: 503-774-0835

EMAIL: Candirowley@GOL.COM FAX: 503-234-2267

SPECIFIC ISSUE: Touchstone Program

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY: \_\_\_\_\_

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MEETING DATE: April 24, 07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: Teen clince

FOR: X AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Marisela Pacheco

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: \_\_\_\_\_

EVES: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: \_\_\_\_\_

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: It's a mistake to cut a money  
From the teen clince because its help alot  
our communities.

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MEETING DATE: 4-24-07

SUBJECT: Multnomah County 2007-2008 Budget

SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: School Based Health Centers.

FOR: X AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: Kim Gregg

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: \_\_\_\_\_

EVES: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: I Support School Based Health Centers

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: \_\_\_\_\_

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SPECIFIC BUDGET TOPIC: SCHOOL-BASED SERVICES

FOR: X AGAINST: \_\_\_\_\_ THE ABOVE AGENDA ITEM

NAME: RENÉE FUENTES

ADDRESS: P.O. BOX 2398

CITY/STATE/ZIP: PORTLAND, OR. 97208

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ DAYS: (503) 875-9231 EVES: SAME

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIFIC ISSUE: TOUCHSTONE PROGRAM

WRITTEN TESTIMONY: I WAS BORN & RAISED IN GRESHAM  
AND HAVE LIVED HERE MY WHOLE LIFE.

I GOT INVOLVED IN METH USE ABOUT 5 YRS.  
AGO. I HAVE 3 CHILDREN AND WAS IN  
DESPERATE NEED OF HELP & SUPPORT.

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IN THE PAST 5 YRS. I WENT WITH  
MY 3 CHILDREN TO GRESHAM DHS CHILDREN'S  
SERVICES DIVISION ~~AND~~ IN SEARCH  
OF HELP WITH MY DRUG PROBLEM AND WAS  
TURNED AWAY BECAUSE MY CHILDREN WERE  
NOT BEING ABUSED. I WAS DESPERATELY IN  
NEED OF HELP & FINALLY FOUND THE  
TOUCHSTONE PROGRAM AT MY KID'S SCHOOLS  
MY TOUCHSTONE WORKER HELPED US THROUGH  
THE HARDEST TIME IN OUR LIVES. WITH  
FOOD, SHELTER, AND SUPPORT. IN DEC. 06  
MY CHILDREN WERE REMOVED FROM MY  
CUSTODY & MY TOUCHSTONE WORKER CONTINUED  
TO HELP ME THROUGH EVERYTHING.  
I KNOW IF IT WAS NOT FOR MARTA  
RIVERA I WOULDN'T BE WHERE I NOW  
AM. 5 MONTHS CLEAN & SOBER, AND MY  
CHILDREN ARE COMING HOME IN SEPT. 07  
~~ALSO WORKING~~ I HAVE SINCE COMPLETED  
DRUG TREATMENT & AM LOOKING FORWARD TO  
COLLEGE IN THE FALL TO BECOME A DRUG &  
ALCOHOL COUNSELOR. PEOPLE IN THE SITUATION  
I WAS IN NEED PROGRAMS LIKE THIS. WITH  
OUT IT I WOULD PROBABLY BE DEAD!