

**Minutes of the Board of Commissioners  
Multnomah Building, Board Room 100  
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd., Portland, Oregon  
Tuesday, May 23, 2012**

**Budget Work Session #10.b & 11**

Chair Jeff Cogen called the meeting to order at 1:40 p.m. with Vice-Chair Loretta Smith and Commissioners Deborah Kafoury, Judy Shiprack, and Diane McKeel present.

Also present were Jenny M. Morf, County Attorney, and Lynda Grow, Board Clerk.

**BWS-10b Finance & Budget Policies – DCM. Presenters: Karyne Kieta, Budget Director; Mark Campbell & Christian Elkin.**

Ms. Kieta opened the session and gave an overview of where we are in the budget process.

Ms. Elkin reviewed the reviewed the financial policies and Government Finance officers Association (GFOA) recommended practices. She compared the current and proposed policies and what has changed.

Mr. Campbell reviewed the banking, cash management and investment program and discussed what has changed between current and proposed policies. He then reviewed the short-term and long-term debt financing policies.

**BWS-11 Departmental Budget Amendment Follow Up. Presenters: Karyne Kieta, Mark Campbell, Christian Elkin, Mary Li, Kim Toevs, Susan Myers, David Hidalgo and Scott Taylor.**

Ms. Busby reviewed the Master Fee Schedule which will be published to the County's website of fees charged to the public by Multnomah County. She gave the breakdown by department and included Human Services, Community Justice, County Management, County Assets, Community Services, Health Department, Library and the Sheriff's Office. She said the Master Fee Schedule was created as a resource for the general public and an informational source for internal management of revenue streams. Going forward, the Budget Office will work with departments to normalize fees for similar services across departments and to continue evaluating and potentially updating stale fees. Additionally, the Budget Office is looking into creating a new administrative procedure for Board approved fee changes to standardize the process of updating fees.

Ms. Kieta reviewed the Board amendments. The first two proposed by the Board are proposed funding sources. She reviewed the six proposed new expenditures to date. Then Ms. Kieta reviewed the departmental amendments in all 5 categories, including technical, staffing, revenue, carryover (none), and program amendments

Ms. Kieta reviewed the four FY 2013 Budget Notes received to date, including the Southeast Health Center, Couch Street Houses, Corrections Deputy Hiring, and high priority building projects.

Ms. Myers made opening remarks. Ms. Li reviewed the matrix about housing and beds funded by DCJ and DCHS. She covered funding sources, populations served, service types and how funding is broken down between housing, related services and shelter/transitional housing.

Ms. Toevs discussed high school healthy relationships and the feedback from students. She reviewed prevention and control of disease; promotion of mental social and emotional health; promotion of sexual health; and violence and suicide prevention. She reviewed comprehensive maps including Adolescent Health Program, Teen Births among African Americans, Hispanics and Native Americans. She reviewed Teen Population Density Estimate; Teen sexually transmitted diseases: gonorrhea and chlamydia; high school diplomas earned; free and reduced lunch eligibility.

Ms. Kieta asked if there were any more budget amendments before they close for the day. Commissioner Shiprack proposed the following:

**Amendment Language for Long Term Care:**

There are 7,000 Long Term Care service clients with a projected growth rate of 6% in the coming fiscal year. Current case loads are very high at approximately 1 worker to 100 clients. Commissioner Shiprack propose a One Time Only amendment to increase the Long Term Care Program Offer (Program # 25023) by \$154K of County General Fund. The increase allows the County funds to be matched by Medicaid funds and gives the department the opportunity to hire additional staff to serve this population. The funds will come out of unspent contingency from FY 2012.

**Budget Note for CCFC:**

In 2012, the Oregon Legislature passed HB 4165 abolishing the State Commission on Children, Families and Communities (CCFC) and established a new model for delivering early childhood services. The new model calls for the creation of Community Based Coordinators of Early Learning Services, which will replace the work of local Commissions on Children Families and Communities. Multnomah County's Government Relations Office is leading an internal Early Learning Council (ELC) workgroup to look at this new system and review the County's roles and responsibilities. The Government Relations Office will work with this work group and the Budget Office to develop a transition plan from our existing local commission model to the new Early Learning Council model. The Government Relations Office should report to the Board by September 1, 2012 with recommendations for a transition plan.

**Budget Note for PERS Funding:**

She proposed a Budget Note for the Chief Finance Officer to prepare a briefing and identify opportunities for the county to mitigate the impact of PERS rate increments on direct services and offer specific recommendations as to how to manage PERS liability.

The briefing could include legislative changes, issuance of pension obligation bonds or other financing alternatives. The CFO should report back to the Board by November of 2012.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

**The minutes reflect the actions of the Board. For more detail, you are welcome to view the presentation material and/or video at:**

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