

**Minutes of the Board of Commissioners
Multnomah Building, Board Room 100
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd., Portland, OR
Thursday, November 17, 2011**

REGULAR MEETING

Vice-Chair Deborah Kafoury convened the meeting at 9:35 a.m. with Commissioners Judy Shiprack, and Diane McKeel present. Chair Jeff Cogen and Commissioner Smith were excused.

Jacquie Weber, Deputy County Attorney and Lynda Grow, Board Clerk, also attended.

CONSENT AGENDA

- C.1 RESOLUTION No. 2011-133 Authorizing the Repurchase of a Tax Foreclosed Property by the Former Owner, James H. Loennig, Sr.
- C.2 BUDGET MODIFICATION DCM-05 Reclassifying four positions as determined by Central Human Resources Classification Compensation unit
- C.3 IGA with City of Portland for Collection of Transient Lodging Tax.

Upon motion made by Commissioner Shiprack and seconded by Commissioner McKeel, the consent calendar was unanimously approved.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Shiprack asked the Commissioners to consider the introduction of a Unanimous Consent item.

Vice-Chair Kafoury explained that Section 6 of our Board Rules allow the Commissioners to act on an item not on the agenda if at least three Commissioners, or a quorum, vote in favor of a motion to immediately consider the matter. For the matter to be adopted, all Commissioners present must vote in favor of the matter.

Commissioner Shiprack moved and Commissioner McKeel seconded approval to consider a Unanimous Consent item. The motion passed unanimously.

UC-1 Approval of an Amendment to an IGA with the State of Oregon through the Department of Transportation (ODOT) for the Sellwood Bridge Project. Sponsor: Vice-Chair Kafoury. Presenter: Ian Cannon, Sellwood Bridge Program Manager.

Commissioner Shiprack moved and Commissioner McKeel seconded approval of UC-1.

Vice-Chair Kafoury made opening remarks. Mr. Cannon explained that this amendment has been reviewed by the County Attorney's office. He said this amendment to the ODOT IGA is urgent and requires action today. ODOT has asked the County to clarify language in the IGA for the Sellwood Bridge. This IGA outlines the role of the County with regard to funding the

future build-out of the interchange and some of the insurance requirements of the project regarding liability. The County is responsible for securing funding in the event that the County builds a temporary interchange and then needs to build the full interchange in the future; actions which were previously approved by the Board. He responded to Board questions and comments.

The IGA was unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Opportunity for Public Comment on non-agenda matters. Testimony limited to three minutes per person unless otherwise designated by the presiding officer.

Testimony was given and received for the record.

REGULAR AGENDA

R.1 Consider Approving Resolution for Comcast Corporation Cable Franchise. Presenters: Carol Studenmund, County MHCRC Representative & Julie Omelchuck, MHCRC Staff.

Commissioner Shiprack moved and Commissioner McKeel seconded approval of R-1.

Ms. Omelchuck provided the explanation. Ms. Studenmund reviewed the highlights of the negotiations and resulting contract. The Mt. Hood Cable Regulatory Commission (MHCRC) administers a cable franchise with Comcast which was to expire December 31, 2010 but was extended one year at MHCRC's recommendation.

MHCRC staff has completed negotiations with Comcast regarding a renewal franchise and recommends the County Board of Commissioners approve a Franchise Agreement for a period of 10 years, effective January 1, 2012 and expiring December 31, 2021. Under the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) creating the MHCRC, only the Board can approve the cable franchise agreement.

The presenters responded to questions and comments from the Board.

Resolution No. 2010-134 was unanimously adopted.

R.2 Public Hearing and Second Reading of ORDINANCE as AMENDED by the Board of County Commissioners Regarding Housekeeping Amendments to MCC Chapters 33-38 and 11.15 Relating to Significant Environmental Concern for Wildlife Habitat, Code Compliance and Applications, Access, and Campground Requirements. Presenter: Lisa Estrin, Planner.

Commissioner Shiprack moved and Commissioner McKeel seconded approval of the second reading.

Ms. Estrin provided the explanation. She said the proposed ordinance incorporates four technical "housekeeping" amendments recommended by the Planning Commission in PC

2011-1400. These changes involve zoning code clarifications and consistency measures related to the *Significant Environmental Concern for Wildlife Habitat, Code Compliance and Applications, Access, and Campground Definitions & Restrictions*. She responded to questions and comments from the Board.

Time for public testimony was announced, but no one chose to testify.

The second reading was unanimously approved, and Ordinance 1187 was adopted.

R.3 Public Hearing and Second Reading to Consider Approving Ordinance Amending County Code Relating to Transient Lodging Tax. Presenter: Jacqueline Weber, Deputy County Attorney.

Commissioner McKeel moved and Commissioner Shiprack seconded approval of the second reading.

Ms. Weber provided the explanation. The Transient Lodging Tax is collected by the City of Portland on behalf of the County. The proposed amendments include a change to the administrative appeal process to allow the City of Portland License Appeals Board to handle administrative appeals regarding tax assessments and delinquencies, and to increase the penalty for delinquent payments from .05% to 1%. The County and the City will also update the 1989 IGA relating to collection and disbursement of the transient lodging tax. She responded to questions and comments from the Board.

Time for public testimony was announced, but no one chose to testify.

The second reading was unanimously approved, and Ordinance 1188 was adopted.

R.4 BUDGET MODIFICATION DCHS12-16 Increases the Domestic Violence Coordination Office County General Fund Appropriation by \$257,480 for Carryover Funds. Presenter: Annie Neal, Program Manager, DVCO.

Commissioner Shiprack moved and Commissioner McKeel seconded approval of R-4.

Ms. Neal explained that this budget modification will increase the federal/state funds by \$257,480. Included in that total, \$218,067 will be from carryover funding from the OVW DVERT grant, \$27,322 will be from carryover funding from the ARRA OVW MOBIS grant; and \$14,091 will be from carryover funding from the OVW FS grant. This will be used to provide services for victims and the family members of victims of domestic violence. She responded to questions and comments from the Board.

BudMod DCHS-12-16 was unanimously approved

R.5 Informational Board Briefing on Partnership between Health Department and Central City Concern (CCC). Presenters: Lillian Shirley, Director; Susan Kirchoff, Health Centers Operations Dir.; Dr. Anthony Melaragno, Board Member; & Ed Blackburn, Exec. Director, Central City Concern.

Opening remarks and introductions were made by Ms. Shirley. She said key strategies for the Health Department (MCHD) are to partner with community service providers to expand services, evaluate current capacity and target expansion of services to areas of unmet need.

Ms. Kirchoff reviewed the proposed plan to expand the partnership between MCHD and Central City Concern (CCC) in serving the downtown's homeless clients. Westside Health Center has experienced a decreased demand for services because of a population shift away from that area. Collaboration with CCC would allow MCHD to redirect clinic resources to meet other community health needs, particularly in southeast Portland.

Mr. Blackburn discussed CCC's commitment to expanding its physical capacity and giving access to additional homeless clients. They provide comprehensive wrap-around services not provided at Westside. With this expansion, they would be able to build out a dental clinic that would be operated by MCHD.

Dr. Melaragno talked about the financing for this expansion including grants, tax credits and a State Bond. This will allow for expanded services including addictions treatment, case management, housing, job support, vocational services, family counseling, medical respite, peer monitoring, and dental and oral health needs. Expansion of the physical capacity will allow them to offer access to an additional 1,300 clients in the next year and 2,000 over the next two years.

Ms. Kirchoff reviewed service expansion strategies for a Southeast Primary Care clinic, where there are the highest concentration of homeless individuals in the County. An existing County building that provides dental can be renovated for medical clients. Additionally, they could expand services at Rockwood and East County Health Center. She reviewed the funding sources and timeline for these projects.

The presenters responded to Board questions and comments.

The Commissioners thanked the presenters for attending and participating in this Briefing.

R.6 Board Briefing on Electronic Dental Records. Presenters: Susan Kirchoff, Health Centers Operations Director & Alyssa T. Franzen, DMD.

Introductions and opening remarks were made by Ms. Kirchoff. She said today's briefing will be to discuss the impacts of having electronic dental records. They will return to the Board in December to request Board approval to use \$2 million in beginning working capital to finance this project. Multnomah County is Oregon's largest single provider of dental services to poor and vulnerable populations and served 23,791 clients with 59,369 visits in 2010. She discussed the limitations to the current paper process and how the electronic records would improve quality of care, access to clinical services, and oral health overall. Applying for ARRA grant funds and CMS EHR Meaningful Use incentive payments of \$63,750 per dentist would result in approximately \$1.2 million over six years for using certified electronic technology.

The presenters responded to Board questions and comments.

The Commissioners thanked the presenters for attending and participating in this Briefing.

R.7 Contract System Redesign (CSR) Project Summary. Presenters: Mindy Harris, CFO & Brian R. Smith, Purchasing Mgr.

Ms. Harris reviewed the extensive changes made with the team's CSR Project. The system delivers greater standardization across the entire organization in implementing procurement and contract policies and practices.

Mr. Smith said improved business practices are also designed to streamline administration, clarify expectations of contracted service providers, and improve the overall service delivery process for the County, its contractors, and service recipients. This has resulted in a countywide contract process; a method to assess risk, focusing resources where they add greatest value, a better training program, and an organization-wide data system, plus improvements for vendors.

The Board thanked them for their report and hard work.

BOARD COMMENT

BC.1 Opportunity as time allows, for the Commissioners to provide comment on non-agenda items.

Comments pertaining to non-agenda items were made by the Board and noted in the record.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

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

http://multnomah.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=3

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