

**Minutes of the Board of Commissioners
Multnomah Building, Board Room 100
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd., Portland, Oregon
Thursday, June 25, 2015**

REGULAR MEETING

Chair Deborah Kafoury called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m. with Vice-Chair Jules Bailey and Commissioners Loretta Smith, Judy Shiprack, and Diane McKeel present.

Also attending were Jenny Madkour, County Attorney, and Marina Baker, Assistant Board Clerk.

[THE FOLLOWING TEXT IS THE BYPRODUCT OF THE CLOSED CAPTIONING OF THIS BROADCAST.]

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING. WELCOME TO THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

CONSENT AGENDA

- C.1 Approval of the Portland Home Consortium Cooperation Agreement for Program Years July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2018
- C.2 Authorizing a Designee of the Mental Health Program Director to Direct a Peace Officer to Take an Allegedly Mentally Ill Person into Custody
- C.3 Notice of Intent (NOI) to Submit an Application for \$75,000 to the Oregon Health Authority's Outreach and Enrollment Grant Program
- C.4 Notice of Intent (NOI) to Submit Application to the Center for Care Innovations (CCI) Spreading Innovations Program
- C.5 Intergovernmental Revenue Agreement 201620 with Metro to Provide General Investigative Police Services for Enforcement of Metro Ordinances
- C.6 Intergovernmental Revenue Agreement 201621 with Metro to Provide Supervised Inmate Work Crews to Clean Illegal Dumpsites
- C.7 Approving Amendment to Intergovernmental Agreement with ODOT to Update Planning for Sauvie Island and the Multnomah Channel Areas

Chair Kafoury: MAY I HAVE A MOTION ON CONSENT CALENDAR? COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVES, COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK SECONDS APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR. ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE.

[UNANIMOUS AYES] THE CONSENT CALENDAR IS APPROVED. PUBLIC COMMENT?

Board Clerk: WE DO, MADAME CHAIR. PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME. [READS NAMES]

PUBLIC COMMENT

Opportunity for Public Comment on non-agenda matters. Testimony limited to three minutes per person. This is a time for the Board to hear public testimony, not for Board deliberation. Fill out a speaker form available at the back of the board room and give it to the Board Clerk. Unless otherwise recognized by the presiding officer, testimony is taken in the order the forms are submitted.

Mr. Johnson: GOOD MORNING, FOR THE RECORD MY NAME IS CHARLES JOHNSON. WE ARE FORTUNATE TODAY TO HAVE A STRONG COLLABORATION WITH MAYOR HALES WHO IS HERE IN ATTENDANCE FOR THIS COMMISSION MEETING. PERHAPS I WAS JUST DISTRACTED BUT THE LAST TIME I SAW MR. HALES I ALSO HAS AMANDA FRITZ AND STEVE NOVICK, I HOPE THEY DID A GREAT JOB AND SNUCK YOU INTO THE PARADE BECAUSE I WOULD LOVE TO SEE ALL FIVE COMMISSIONERS FROM BOTH SIDES OF THE RIVER PARTICIPATING IN THE PRIDE NORTHWEST PARADE. I'M NOT FORMALLY CATHOLIC BUT ON BEHALF OF A HALF MILLION CATHOLICS, I'LL APOLOGIZE TO THE FIVE OF YOU FOR NOT GETTING INVITED TO ROME BECAUSE YOU'RE EQUALLY IMPORTANT TO THE OPERATION, THEY HAVE INVITED MAYOR HALES, AND STEPHEN HARPER WHO DIDN'T TALK TO THE POPE VERY LONG. PERHAPS BECAUSE THE POPE KNOWS HE HAS A TERRIBLE RECORD WHEN IT COMES TO HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE POOR PEOPLE OF CANADA.

HOPEFULLY ALL OF OUR COUNTY RESIDENTS WILL STAY WELL ENGAGED TO MAKE SURE THE MAYOR DOES HIS ABSOLUTE BEST TO WORK WITH ALL OF YOU TO SEE THAT HUMAN RIGHTS ARE PROTECTED ESPECIALLY FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY'S MOST VULNERABLE HOMELESS PEOPLE WHO WERE SWEEP AWAY JUST A FEW BLOCKS FROM HERE, 3RD AND SOUTHEAST HARRISON, SWEEP WITH NOWHERE TO GO IF THEY ARE SINGLE PEOPLE. WE HAVE MADE SOME PROGRESS. SAD THAT WE EACH NEED TO DO MAKE PROGRESS FOR PARENTS WITH CHILDREN THAT ARE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. BUT THE TRUTH IS PORTLAND AND MULTNOMAH COUNTY WILL NEVER BE AS GREAT AS ANYTHING IN THE MEDIA SAYS UNTIL WE HAVE ADEQUATE SHELTER FOR ALL. WE HAVE AN AMBITIOUS HOMELESS PLAN, A HOME FOR EVERYONE AND THAT IS THE HIGH GOAL. BUT IT'S HYPOCRITICAL TO TALK ABOUT SHELTER EVERYBODY IN A HOME WHEN WE CAN'T CREATE ENOUGH EMERGENCY SHELTER BEDS FOR THE PEOPLE SLEEPING IN THE DOORWAYS AROUND HERE. THIS IS BASICALLY A HOMELESS RESIDENCE AS YOU KNOW, THE BRIDGE HERE HAS PEOPLE WHO ARE SWEEP FROM KING AND GRAND. LOT MAYOR IS GOING TO THE VATICAN TO TALK ABOUT HOW CITIES CAN BE WELL ENGAGED CLIMATE LEADERS, AND THERE'S STILL

PLENTY OF ROOM TO PORTLAND TO CATCH UP WITH VANCOUVER, B.C., AND OTHER CITIES DOING A BETTER JOB AT HAVING A CLIMATE CHANGE INTEGRATED PLAN, WE NEED TO NEVER FORGET THE PEOPLE SLEEPING ON THE STREETS THAT NEED A RELATIVELY SMALL BUDGET AMOUNT OF HEP COMPARED TO THE MONEY NEEDED FOR CLIMATE CHANGE.

Mr. Lightning: MY NAME IS LIGHTNING, I REPRESENT LIGHTNING WATCHDOG X. ONE OF THE CONCERNS I HAVE IS ALSO THE CITY OF PORTLAND HAS SAID, I THINK WE NEED TO CONTINUE TO LOOK AT THE SURPLUS PROPERTY VERY CLOSELY, LOOK AT THE OVERALL CAPITAL ASSETS AND TAKE A PERCENTAGE OFF THE TOP OF THESE ASSETS, DETERMINE THAT THEY ARE NOT BEING UTILIZED, AND PUT THEM UP FOR SALE. WE HAVE IN THE PAST NEGLECTED A LOT OF INFRASTRUCTURE, TRANSPORTATION, PARK, HOUSING, AND IF WE LOOK AT THIS VERY CLOSELY WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO GENERATE A LOT OF FUNDING THAT CAN BE REDIRECTED IN THAT LOCATION. THE ONLY WAY WE CAN DO THAT IS TO UNDERSTAND THE MARKET IS VERY GOOD IN REAL ESTATE. WE NEED TO UTILIZE THIS TO DO THAT AND COME UP WITH THAT MONEY AND BEGIN TO MAKE UP FOR SOME OF THE MISTAKES IN THE PAST ON TRANSPORTATION, PARK, AND HOUSING. THERE'S A LOT OF COMPETENT BROKERS OUT THERE MORE THAN WILLING TO ANALYZE THAT AND TRY TO MAKE THAT HAPPEN.

ISSUE NO. 2 ON THE FORENSIC LABS, THE DNA TESTING. AGAIN, I'D LIKE TO HAVE MULTNOMAH COUNTY LOOK VERY CLOSE AT THIS, AT THE CLACKAMAS LAB, WHICH IS THE ONLY CURRENT LAB THAT DOES DNA TESTING OUT OF THE FIVE LABS THAT ARE OPERATED BY THE STATE, WHICH ALSO HAS THE CAPACITY AS 60,000 SQUARE FEET, THERE SHOULD BE NO BACKLOGS OF RAPE KIT TESTING. THEY HAVE THE CAPACITY TO DO THAT PROBABLY BETTER THAN HALF THESE OTHER STATES DO, IF YOU LOOK AT THIS. WE NEED TO EITHER OFFER THEM MORE FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES, BETTER EQUIPMENT, AND UNDERSTAND WHY THEY DON'T HAVE THE CAPACITY TO DO THIS. THEY HAVE THE BUILDING, THEY HAVE THE FORENSIC SCIENTISTS TO DO IT. THEY HAVE THE FUNDING TO DO IT. WE NEED TO LOOK AT THIS VERY CLOSE. ANOTHER ISSUE ON THIS CLIMATE CHANGE, I WANT THIS TO BE LOOKED AT VERY CLOSELY, WHEN YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT MAKING DRASTIC CHANGES ON CERTAIN COMPANIES THAT HAVE BEEN OFFERING FOSSIL FUELS, GAS, FOR MANY YEARS, THAT A LOT OF PEOPLE GET OUT AND PUT IN THEIR CAR AND DRIVE AROUND EVERY DAY TO GO TO THEIR JOBS AND HAVE BEEN SUPPORTING THESE COMPANIES FOR MANY YEARS, I ALSO WANT YOU TO LOOK AT, WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO FOR THE EMPLOYEES WHEN YOU DECIDED TO SHUT THEIR COMPANIES DOWN?

WE NEED TO LOOK AT ALTERNATIVES. BUT DO NOT MAKE FAST MOVES WITH THESE COMPANIES TO SHUT THEM DOWN, STOP FUNDING THESE COMPANIES AND TO PUT PEOPLE IN THE UNEMPLOYMENT LINE. WE NEED TO MOVE VERY SLOW ON THIS AND HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING THAT A LOT OF PEOPLE IN

THIS ROOM HAVE SUPPORTED THESE FOSSIL FUEL COMPANIES OVER THE YEARS, YOU HAVE DRIVEN YOUR CARS TO WORK, YOU HAVE UTILIZED THEM. DO NOT THINK YOU CAN JUST SHUT THEM DOWN IMMEDIATELY AND DESTROY THEIR PROFITS. IT'S IMPROPER AND I WANT YOU TO THINK TWICE ON IT. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING.

Mr. Stull: GOOD MORNING. FIRST I WILL SAY MY NAME'S BARRY JOE STULL. I'M TAKING OFF MY HAT BECAUSE I RESPECT Y'ALL. I'VE GOT A VERY DEBILITATING CENTRAL NEUROPATHIC PAIN CONDITION AND LIGHT IS TOXIC FOR ME SOMETIMES, I'M BEARING WITH IT. I UNDERSTAND YOU CAN TAKE OFF YOUR HATS AND PUT ON YOUR OTHER HATS AND BE THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH. AS YOU KNOW, I GOT LOCKED OUT OF 4066 NE GRAND IN NOVEMBER 2005 AS I WAS APPEALING A 30-DAY NO CAUSE. IN 2006 THE LANDLORD DESTROYED 20,000 DOLLARS WORTH OF MY PROPERTY. WE'RE STILL TALKING ABOUT HOW WE TREAT HOMELESS PEOPLE HERE, HOW YOU TREAT PEOPLE PERCEIVED TO HAVE MENTAL ILLNESS. AFTER FIVE MONTHS ON THE WAITING LIST, I HAD A MEETING WITH A NEUROLOGIST WHO AGAIN DIAGNOSED MY PAIN AND SAID MEDICAL MARIJUANA IS MY BEST TREATMENT OPTION. WELL, IN THE MEANTIME, MONDAY MORNING I HEARD PATSY COALBERG WAS WORKING HER WAY HERE AT KBOO RADIO AS AN ENGINEER. SHE'S THE DOCTOR WHO AUTHORIZED ME UNDER THE OREGON MARIJUANA PROGRAM. AND FOR WHICH I WAS COVERED THROUGH 2011 THROUGH THE EARLY PART OF 2012.

THE POINT IS, THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT REFUSES TO CORRECT MY CHART NOTES TO INCLUDE HER DIAGNOSIS. IMAGINE MY FRUSTRATION, HAVING BEEN WELL DIAGNOSED BY A NEUROLOGIST, GONE THROUGH WHAT YOU ALL ARE NOW GOING TO PUT UP ANOTHER BUILDING, MULTNOMAH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT, BUNCH OF LIARS, CHEATS AND REALLY MEAN PEOPLE OVER THERE. MY DOCTOR PUT IN MY CHART NOTES THAT I BELIEVE I HAVE SOME KIND OF -- WHAT IS IT THAT I HAVE? THESE NEUROLOGISTS BOTH BEFORE AND AFTER THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT SAID I HAVE. IF I GO TO A NEUROLOGIST THIS WEEK AND I'M DIAGNOSED WITH A CONDITION, I GO AND I'M DIAGNOSED IN THE SAME CONDITION, GO TO THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THEY DON'T EVEN ACKNOWLEDGE THAT CONDITION -- WE'RE RIPPING OFF THE TAXPAYERS IS WHAT WE'RE DOING. SO WHAT'S THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT MEDICAL MARIJUANA POLICY? WELL, BASICALLY IT SAYS TO GO OUT TO ANOTHER DOCTOR. THAT'S NOT LEGAL. THE AUTHORIZING DOCTOR, THIS NEUROLOGIST CAN'T AUTHORIZE ME, HE'S NOT MY PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIAN. THAT'S THE ONE I HAVE AN APPOINTMENT WITH TO TALK ABOUT HOW HIS CLINIC DOESN'T AUTHORIZE PARTICIPATION IN THE MEDICAL MARIJUANA PROGRAM. SO NEXT MONTH WHEN WE HAVE FULL RECREATION AND LEGALIZATION GOING ON HERE, I'M GOING TO GO TO MY

DOCTOR AGAIN W A REFERRAL FROM MY NEUROLOGIST, AND AGAIN TALK TO AN M. D. WHO SAYS I'M NOT ALLOWED TO DO THAT. IT'S BECAUSE THEY ARE SCARED. DON'T BE SCARED, FIX THIS STUFF, OKAY? I'LL BE BACK.

R.1 Public Hearing and Consider RESOLUTION Regarding Proposed Vacation of a Portion of the N.E. 242nd Connector, a County Road, Pursuant to ORS 368.346(2). Presenters: Matthew Ryan, Asst. County Attorney and Patrick Hines, Right of Way Manager

Chair Kafoury: MAY I HAVE A MOTION? COMMISSIONER MCKEEL MOVES, COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.1.

Mr. Ryan: GOOD MORNING, I'M MATTHEW RYAN HERE ON THE THIRD AND FINAL HEARING AS FAR AS THE COUNTY IS INVOLVED IN THIS MATTER TO VACATE 242ND AVENUE CONNECTOR. IT'S SUPPORTED TO THE BEST OF OUR KNOWLEDGE BY ALL OF THE GOVERNMENTS AND THE COMMUNITY IN EAST COUNTY. THIS IS OUR OPPORTUNITY TO DO THIS AGAIN. YOUR VOTE TODAY IS THE FINAL ACTION OF COUNTY. UNDER STATE LAW, THE CITY OF TROUTDALE ALSO NEED TO CONCUR IN THE FINDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD THIS MORNING. IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING, WE'VE SET THAT DATE FOR JULY 14TH?

Mr. Hines: THAT IS CORRECT.

Mr. Ryan: IT IS JULY 14TH FOR TROUTDALE TO HEAR HAD MATTER FOR THEIR CONCURRENCE IN OUR FINDINGS. ANY QUESTIONS? WE'RE HERE TO ANSWER THEM.

Chair Kafoury: QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

Commissioner McKeel: CHAIR? THANK YOU. I DON'T HAVE A QUESTION BUT I HAVE A COMMENT. THIS IS A REALLY EXCITING DAY, WE FINALLY GET TO VOTE, RIGHT?

Mr. Ryan: RIGHT.

Commissioner McKeel: AS YOU SAID, THIS HAS BEEN A VERY LONG TIME ISSUE FOR YEARS OUT OF EAST COUNTY. AND THIS ACTION CAME DIRECTLY OUT OF OUR EAST METRO CONNECTIONS PLAN. THE DATA SHOWED THIS RIGHT OF WAY WAS NOT NEEDED NOW, NOR WOULD IT BE NEEDED IN THE FUTURE. SO IT'S A HUGE STEP FORWARD FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OUT IN EAST COUNTY AND PHENOMENON MANY REASONS. SO I'M VERY PLEASED THAT WE FINALLY GET TO VOTE ON THIS ACTION TODAY. I JUST HEARD YOU SAY THE PROCESS IS IT NEEDS TO GO BACK TO TROUTDALE FOR THEIR APPROVAL OF OUR ACTION, CORRECT? BUT I THINK IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT IN THE PAST METRO HAS TAKEN IT OFF OF THEIR RTP, TROUTDALE HAS TAKEN IT

OFF OF THEIR TSP, SO THEY HAVE HAD AN ACTION ON IT. AND NOW IT'S OUR ACTION AND THEY ACCEPT OUR ACTION, CORRECT?

Mr. Ryan: THAT'S CORRECT. LITERALLY, THE STATUTE SAYS THE CITY MUST CONCUR IN THE COUNTY'S FINDINGS. INDICATIONS ARE THAT'LL HAPPEN JULY 14TH.

Commissioner McKeel: THANK YOU SO MUCH.

Chair Kafoury: OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. THANK YOU.

R.2 RESOLUTION Adopting the Joint Multnomah County and City of Portland 2015 Climate Action Plan. Presenters: John Wasiutynski, Director (Office of Sustainability), Charlie Hales, Mayor (City of Portland), Douglas Tsoi, Committee Member (ACSI), Duncan Hwang, Director of Communications and Development (APANO).

Chair Kafoury: MAY I HAVE A MOTION? COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK MOVES, COMMISSIONER BAILEY SECONDS, APPROVAL OF R.2.

Mr. Wasiutynski: GOOD MORNING, CHAIR KAFOURY AND COMMISSIONERS, I'M VERY EXCITED TO BE HERE FOR THE UPDATE TO THE CLIMATE ACTION PLAN. AS YOU GUYS KNOW, NOTHING WE GET DONE GETS DONE IN ISOLATION, WE DO IT IN PARTNERSHIP. I'M HAPPY TO BE HERE WITH ESTEEMED GUESTS MAYOR HALES, AND DUNCAN FROM APANO. IN ORDER TO TAKE ACTION ON CLIMATE CHANGE WE ALL NEED TO WORK TOGETHER, COMMUNITY GROUPS, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND CITIZENS. SO WITH THAT I WANT TO TURN IT OVER TO MAYOR HALES TO KIND OF GET US STARTED HERE ON THIS IMPORTANT TOPIC.

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING.

Mayor Hales: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MADAM CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT'S A PRIVILEGE TO BE HERE IN THIS SHARED AGENDA WITH YOU. LET ME JUST INTRODUCE MAYBE TODAY'S DISCUSSION WITH A FEW THOUGHTS AND POINTS. ONE IS, I THINK WE ARE IN ACCORD AS PEOPLE WHO PAY ATTENTION AND AS LEADERS THAT THIS IS A REAL PROBLEM AND IT NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED. I HEARD A NICE SUCCINCT REMINDER OF HOW TO THINK ABOUT THAT FROM THE PRESIDENT WHEN HE WAS SPEAKING TO THE U.S. CONFERENCE OF MAYORS ON FRIDAY. HE SAID WHEN YOU'RE A DECISION MAKER AND YOU'RE CONFRONTED WITH A CHOICE BETWEEN IDEOLOGY AND REALITY, PICK REALITY. AND THAT'S WHAT WE'VE DONE IN THIS PLAN THAT MULTNOMAH COUNTY AND PORTLAND HAVE COMMITTED TO OVER THE YEARS.

WE'RE NOW RECOMMITTING AND SETTING NEW GOALS. WE'RE CHOOSING TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE REALITY, FACE IT, AND TRY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. AND LET ME TAKE THREE POINTS THAT -- OR MAYBE ONLY A LITTLE BIT IN CONTENTION BUT MIGHT BE ARGUABLE ABOUT WHY WE DO THIS. ONE WOULD BE THAT THIS IS INCONSEQUENTIAL, THAT MAYBE NOTHING WE DO HERE MIGHT MAKE MUCH OF A DIFFERENCE. THE SECOND IS THAT THERE IS SOME TRADE-OFF BETWEEN THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE ECONOMY, AND WE HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO SUPPORT THE ECONOMY EVEN AT THE EXPENSE OF THE ECONOMY. AND THE THIRD IS THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WILL HELP ELITES AND WILL NOT ADDRESS INEQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY, INEQUALITY OF CIRCUMSTANCES, AND INSTITUTIONAL POVERTY AND RACISM. I WANT TO TAKE EACH OF THOSE THREE ISSUES AND JUST THINK OUT LOUD A BIT ABOUT EACH WITH YOU. ONE, LET'S TAKE UP THAT QUESTION ABOUT WHETHER THIS IS INCONSEQUENTIAL. IN THE DOCUMENT, IT'S JUST A SHELF STUDY, IT WON'T MAKE A DIFFERENCE. I THINK WE HAVE REAL EVIDENCE THAT'S NOT TRUE. NOT ONLY HAS THIS COMMUNITY, PORTLAND AND MULTNOMAH COUNTY, SHOWN THE WAY THAT WE ACTUALLY HAVE REDUCED CARBON EMISSIONS OVERALL, DESPITE ROBUST POPULATION GROWTH, DESPITE ROBUST JOB GROWTH, 170,000 MORE PEOPLE SINCE THE LAST PLAN, 75,000 MORE JOBS, YET A 15% REDUCTION IN CARBON EMISSIONS, A 30% OR MORE REDUCTION IN PER CAPITA EMISSIONS.

Mayor Hales: WE'VE ACTUALLY MOVED THE NEEDLE. WE'RE ONE OF A NUMBER OF COMMUNITIES AROUND THE WORLD, THE SO CALLED C-40 CITIES, WHICH NOW NUMBER MORE THAN 40, WHO HAVE MADE SIGNIFICANT COMMITMENTS AT THE LOCAL LEVEL. IF THOSE 63 CITIES DO WHAT THEY SAY THEY ARE GOING TO DO, WE WILL AVOID A BILLION TONS OF CARBON A YEAR ENTERING THE ATMOSPHERE. THAT'S REAL. EACH MORE POWERFUL, LITTLE OLD PORTLAND IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY IS OUT HERE ON THE LEFT COAST OF THE UNITED STATES, A PLACE PEOPLE USED TO HAVE TO LOOK UP ON THE MAP WHEN YOU MENTIONED IT, AND WE NOW HAVE A REPUTATION AROUND THE WORLD. WE'VE HAD DELEGATIONS, HUNDREDS COME HERE TO STUDY OUR POLICIES AND HOW THEY WORK AT STREET LEVEL FOR PEOPLE. WE'VE HAD DELEGATIONS COME TO PORTLAND FROM EVERY CONTINENT EXCEPT ANTARCTICA. IF THE PENGUINS COULD FIGURE OUT HOW TO GET HERE, GIVEN THEIR CONCERN ABOUT THE ROSS ICE SHELF CRUMBLING INTO THE OCEAN, THEY WOULD GET HERE TOO. WE ARE HAVING AN OUTSIZE INFLUENCE ON THE DISCUSSION AROUND THE WORLD. IN MY CAREER WHY YOU BEFORE RUNNING FOR THIS AS MAYOR, I SPENT TIME HELPING CITIES BUILD THEIR FIRST LIGHT RAIL OR STREETCAR LINE.

WE HAVE EXPORTED THAT IDEA TO DOZENS OF COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY. SOME PRETTY UNLIKELY PLACES LIKE CINCINNATI OR KANSAS CITY, PRETTY POLITICALLY DIFFERENT FROM PORTLAND. TUCSON HAS STREETCARS NOW BECAUSE OF US. WE HAVE HAD THIS OUTSIZE INFLUENCE ON THE CONVERSATION AND ON THE PRACTICE NATIONALLY AND GLOBALLY.

AND THAT MEANS THIS IS NOT INCONSEQUENTIAL AT ALL. WHAT WE COMMIT TO HERE WILL BE WATCHED NOT ONLY BY OUR OWN CITIZENS WHO ARE PASSIONATELY CONCERNED ABOUT THESE ISSUES BUT WATCHED BY THE WORLD. IT'S A SCARY RESPONSIBILITY BUT ALSO AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. SECOND THIS, TRADE-OFF ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT VERSUS THE ECONOMY. AGAIN, LOOK AT WHAT WE HAVE SEEN IN TERMS OF ECONOMIC GROWTH HERE, EVEN WHILE WE'VE MADE THESE GAINS IN CARBON REDUCTION. BUT WE'VE CREATED 12,000 JOBS THAT ARE SPECIFICALLY IN THE SECTOR OF CLEAN TECHNOLOGY, OF HOW YOU BUILD CLEAN ROOFS, DESIGN LIVABLE COMMUNITIES, And HOW DO YOU MANUFACTURE STREETCARS. WE HAVE AN INDUSTRY HERE IN OUR METROPOLITAN AREA THAT IS ROBUST AND ADDS A LOT TO OUR ECONOMIC STRENGTH. SO WE'VE PROVEN THAT ACTUALLY THIS APPROACH IS A WAY TO PROSPERITY. WE OBVIOUSLY HAVE WITH EARTHQUAKE TO DO TO MAKE SURE THAT PROSPERITY IS SHARED.

Mayor Hales: THAT'S MY THIRD POINT. IS THIS JUST SOMETHING FOR THE ELITES? IS THIS JUST WHERE PEOPLE WHO CAN AFFORD TO MAKE CHOICES LIKE BUYING AN EXPENSIVE ELECTRIC CAR, HAVE THAT CHOICE AND EVERYONE ELSE GETS LEFT BEHIND? AGAIN, NOT NECESSARILY BUT THAT'S THE WORK THAT WE NEED TO DEMOCRAT DO TOGETHER, AND YOU, CHAIR KAFOURY, WERE VERY PASSIONATE AND CLEAR ABOUT YESTERDAY WHEN YOU SPOKE AT OUR HEARING. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO LOOK FOR WAYS AND MEANS TO SPREAD THE BENEFITS OF CLIMATE REDUCTION TO MORE PEOPLE TO, RENTERS, AND LOWER INCOME COMMUNITIES. WHERE DO WE CREATE JOBS? WHERE DO WE TEACH KIDS ABOUT ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP AND HOW DO WE TEACH THEM? THERE ARE HUNDREDS OF OPPORTUNITIES FOR US TO COMBINE OUR STRATEGY BUSY EQUITY WITH OUR STRATEGY BUSY THE ENVIRONMENT. AND AGAIN, ONE OF THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT WE GET AS LEADERS IS TO OCCASIONALLY RUBBLE BOWS WITH OTHERS AND YES, IT'S A WONDERFUL PRIVILEGE THAT I GET TO GO REPRESENT THIS COMMUNITY IN A CONVERSATION WITH OTHER STAYS WITH POPE FRANCIS. BUT ONE OF THE MOST AMAZING THINGS I HEARD ON THIS SUBJECT WAS FROM THE MAYOR OF JOHANNESBURG, AND HE WAS THE HE SAID MY EQUITY STRATEGY IS MY ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGY.

I THINK THAT'S THE TOUCHSTONE FOR OUR WORK AHEAD. CHALLENGE FOR US, THE OPPORTUNITY FOR US IS TO MAKE THIS POLICY NOT ONLY REAL AND NOT ONLY MOVE THE NEEDLE, NOT ONLY BE AN EXAMPLE TO THE WORLD, BUT ALSO MAKE IT REAL IN PEOPLE'S LIVES. THIS IS A MOMENT TO MAYBE CONGRATULATE OURSELVES A BIT IN THE PROGRESS WE'VE MADE BUT ALSO CHALLENGE ONE ANOTHER INTO GOVERNING BODIES THAT SHARE PHILOSOPHY AND A LOT OF CONSTITUENTS TO TRY TO MAKE SURE THAT WE CAN SAY, AS THE MAYOR OF JOHANNESBURG DID, OUR STRATEGY IS ALSO OUR EQUITY STRATEGY. CONGRATULATIONS ON MAKING THIS DOCUMENT JUST THAT RELEVANT. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR COMING.

Mr. Wasiutynski: AS THE MAYOR SO WELL ARTICULATED, WHAT'S REALLY DRIVEN AT HERE IS TO CREATE A CLIMATE RESILIENT COMMUNITY. WHAT I MEAN IS WE'RE GOING NEED TO TAKE STEPS TO REDUCE OUR EMISSIONS AS WE ARE OVER TIME AND TO ACCELERATE THOSE EFFORTS. WE HAVE TO, AT THE SAME MOMENT, TAKE STEPS TO MAKE SURE WE'RE PREPARING FOR THE IMPACTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE THAT WE KNOW ARE COMING DOWN. JUST LAST FALL WE WERE BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WITH OUR CLIMATE CHANGE PREPARATION STRATEGY, WHICH IS NOW INCORPORATED INTO THE PLAN. AND THINK ABOUT WHAT WE CAN DO AS COUNTY GOVERNMENT TO MAKE SURE WE'RE READY FOR AS THOSE IMPACTS AFFECT US. THEN WE ALSO NEED TO DO IT IN A WAY THAT BUILDS EQUITY WITHIN OUR COMMUNITY. AND SO I THINK IT'S VERY REAL THAT AN EQUITY STRATEGY IS A CLIMATE STRATEGY.

I THINK IT'S VERY REAL THAT WHEN WE START TO TALK ABOUT HOUSING, IT'S NOT JUST A HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE, BUT IS ALSO AN ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ISSUE. HEADLINES JUST THIS WEEK HAVE BEEN TALKING ABOUT THE EXTREME PLIGHT OF THE HOMELESS IN KARACHI BECAUSE OF AN UNPRECEDENTED HEAT WAVE AND DEATHS OCCURRING THERE. THIS IS A SALIENT POINT HERE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. AND IT'S HARD NOT TO WORK ON THIS ISSUE AND TO BE CONFRONTED BY THE STARK REALITIES. 13 OF THE 15 HOTTEST YEARS HAVE OCCURRED. 2015 IS ON PACE TO BE THE HOTTEST YEAR ON RECORD. RIGHT HERE IN OREGON 20 TO 36 COUNTIES ARE IN DROUGHT. WE HAVE RECORD LOW SNOWPACK AND AS YOU'RE WELL WEAR WE'RE HEADING INTO A WEEKEND WITH RECORD SETTING TEMPERATURES AND THANK GOODNESS WE HAVE SUCH GREAT COMMUNICATIONS AND HEALTH TEAM AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TEAM, THAT'S SPRUNG INTO ACTION TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE INFORMING OUR CITIZENS ABOUT THE THREATS THAT ARE OUT THERE.

I WANT TO SAY AS THE MAYOR HAS ALLUDED TO, THERE ARE REASONS FOR HOPE. MULTNOMAH COUNTY HAS SHOWN WE CAN DECOUPLE ECONOMIC GROWTH AND THE GROWTH OF THE AMOUNT OF CARBON WE USE AS SOCIETY. EMISSIONS ARE DOWN 14% OVER 1990 LEVELS. 35% ON A PER CAPITA BASIS AS WE ACCOUNT FOR POPULATION GROWTH. AND I SHOULD SAY NATIONAL EMISSIONS HAVE STARTED TO CREEP DOWN A LITTLE BIT, TOO. WHICH IS REALLY EXCITING. WE DO HAVE A WAYS TO GO. OUR ULTIMATE GOAL IS TO REDUCE EMISSIONS 80% BY 2050, WITH AN INTERIM TERM GOAL OF 40% BY 2030. BECAUSE THIS IS A LONG TERM PLAN, WE NEED TO COME BACK AND UPDATE IT EVERY FEW YEARS. WE'VE COME IN WITH OVER 200 ACTIONS IN THE CLIMATE ACTION PLAN THAT VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, EVERY SINGLE DEPARTMENT HAS AN ACTION IN THIS -- ARE GOING TO BE IMPLEMENTING. AND SOME OF

THE WAYS WE'VE CHANGED THIS, AND DUNCAN IS HERE TO TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT OUR EQUITY WORKING GROUP, TO INFUSE THIS NEW PLAN THROUGHOUT WITH EQUITY IDENTIFIED, STRENGTHENING OUR EQUITY GOALS. WE HAVE LOOKED AT CONSUMPTION, HOW CONSUMPTION OF RESOURCES AND GOOSE THAT ARE MANUFACTURED ELSEWHERE BUT CONSUMED HERE IMPACT OUR EMISSIONS.

Mr. Wasiutynski: NOT SURPRISINGLY THEY ALMOST DOUBLE WHEN HE BRING IN THOSE GOODS MANUFACTURED ELSEWHERE BUT USED HERE. WE ARE UPDATING IT WITH NEW SCIENCE AND OF COURSE BRINGING THE PREPARATION, THE STRUCTURE AND GOALS OF PLAN ARE THE SAME. AND OF COURSE WE ARE CONTINUING A STRONG PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY OF PORTLAND. HOPEFULLY AS WE MOVE FORWARD STRENGTHENING PARTNERSHIPS WITH OUR COMMUNITIES IN EAST COUNTY. I WANT TO TALK BRIEFLY ABOUT SOME OF THE WORK THAT IS ONGOING THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. I MENTIONED OUR PREPARATION STRATEGY, THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT HAS REALLY DONE GROUNDBREAKING WORK ABOUT RECOGNIZING THE LINKS BETWEEN CLIMATE CHANGE AND PUBLIC HEALTH.

ONE OF THE WAYS THEY DID THIS WAS TO LOOK AT THIS ABOUT HEAT ISLANDS WHERE IT'S HOTTER IN CERTAIN PARTS OF OUR COMMUNITY THAN IT WOULD IN A SUBURBAN HEAT ISLAND. OLDER ADULTS, FOR EXAMPLE, TO HELP US IDENTIFY WHERE WE'RE GOING TO REDUCE URBAN HEAT ISLANDS. AS WE HEAD INTO THIS WEEKEND, THE WORK DHEF DONE SEEM PRESSURE PRESCIENT. THE SELLWOOD BRIDGE IS GOING TO BE ONE OF THE GREENEST BRIDGES IN AMERICA. THEY ARE WORKING ON HABITAT RESTORATION IN BEAVER CREEK AND ELSEWHERE. WE ARE WORKING WITH THE COMP PLAN TO MAKE SURE THE NEW AREA'S COMP PLAN INCORPORATE WHAT IS WE'VE LEARNED FROM OUR PREPARATION STRATEGY AND OUR CLIMATE ACTION PLAN. AND OF COURSE THEIR STRONG COLLABORATION WITH REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS WITH THINGS LIKE THE TAILPIPE EMISSIONS THAT METRO HAS BEEN LEADING.

WE ARE, AS I MENTIONED, VIRTUALLY EVERY DEPARTMENT IS DOING SOMETHING AROUND THIS TOPIC. OUR DCHS LOW-INCOME WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM, WE HAVE A HEATING AND COOLING STRATEGY IN PLACE. OUR OFFICE WITH THE LEADERSHIP OF COMMISSIONER BAILEY IS WORKING TO DEVELOP A COMMERCIAL PROPERTY CLEAN ENERGY PROGRAM TO HELP TO REDUCE EMISSIONS FROM THE COMMERCIAL BUILDING STOCK. OUR DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY ASSETS AND PROPERTY MANAGEMENT HAS COMMITTED TO REDUCING OVERALL ENERGY USED 2% A YEAR TO MEET OUR GOALS AROUND OUR INTERNAL OPERATION. I SHOULD JUST SAY THAT OUR EMISSIONS SINCE 2007 WITH COUNTY-OWNED BUILDINGS AND OPERATIONS ARE DOWN 13%. AND THAT TRANSLATES TO REAL DOLLARS, OVER HALF A MILLION A YEAR THAT'S RETURNED BACK TO THE COUNTY COFFERS SO WE CAN PUT IT TOWARDS THE IMPORTANT WORK THE COUNTY DOES. ALL OF US

WOULD BE IN AGREEMENT THAT WE SHOULD SPENT MONEY ON SERVICES AND NOT ON UTILITIES TO THE EXTENT THAT WE CAN.

Mr. Wasiutynski: YOU KNOW, I JUST WANT TO GIVE A QUICK SHOUT-OUT TO a COLLEAGUE FROM THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE, STEVE ALEXANDER IS HERE, and WE'RE WORKING ON IMPLEMENTING THE SUSTAINABLE JAILS STRATEGY. WHAT I THINK IS REALLY EXCITING ABOUT THE PLAN AS WE MOVE FORWARD IS OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS. I THINK WHAT SETS THIS PLAN APART AND REALLY MAKES IT EXCITING IS THAT IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE PLAN, WE BROUGHT IN A NUMBER OF ORGANIZATIONS TO HELP US LOOK AT HOW EQUITY WAS BEING INTEGRATED INTO THE STRATEGY. AND WE WERE ABLE TO GET SOME FUNDING TO -- WITH THE CITY OF PORTLAND'S HELP AND SOME FUNDING FROM THE COUNTY TO MAKE SURE THAT WE WEREN'T ASKING ORGANIZATIONS JUST TO PROVIDE THEIR TIME FOR FREE, BUT WE WERE ABLE TO PROVIDE SMALL GRANTS TO THESE ORGANIZATIONS TO REALLY HELP BE EQUAL PARTNERS WITH US IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THIS PLAN. SO I WANTED TO TURN IT OVER TO DUNCAN SO HE CAN TALK A LITTLE BIT. I'VE GOT SOME SLIDES FOR YOU, DUNCAN. JUST TELL ME WHAT YOU WANT THEM TO MOVE FORWARD.

Mr. Hwang: I'M DUNCAN HWANG, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF APANO - ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN NETWORK OF OREGON. THANK YOU, CHAIR KAFOURY, AND COMMISSIONERS FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK HERE THIS MORNING. I WOULD LIKE TO START BY TALKING ABOUT A PROCESS THAT WE WENT THROUGH THAT JOHN KIND OF STARTED ON. OVERALL THIS PROCESS OF INCORPORATING EQUITY INTO THE UPDATE WAS A HUGE STEP FORWARD. A NUMBER OF CEOS RECEIVED SMALL GRANTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS YEAR-LONG PROCESS. WE ACTUALLY MET ALMOST EVERY WEEK. IT WAS GREAT TO HAVE THE EXTRA SUPPORT TO HAVE OUR TIME PAID FOR, FOR WEEKLY MEETINGS TO UPDATE THE CLIMATE ACTION PLAN. SPECIFICALLY FOR APANO WE USED OUR SMALL GRANT TO BRING ON AN INTERN. SHE WAS ACTUALLY PRESIDENT OF THE VIETNAMESE STUDENT ASSOCIATION AT PORTLAND STATE UNIVERSITY. SO THIS WAS REALLY A LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITY.

AT THE END OF THE WHOLE PROCESS SHE REALLY FELT LIKE SHE WAS HEARD, WHICH IS A GREAT THING FOR EMERGING YOUNG LEADERS, ESPECIALLY FACING GOVERNMENT FROM VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES. APANO ITSELF USED IT TO REALLY BUILD OUR ANALYSIS AROUND CLIMATE CHANGE AND HOW IT RELATES TO OUR COMMUNITIES. WITH THIS SEED MONEY WE STARTED OUR OWN ENVIRONMENTAL PROGRAM. WE HAVE A STAFF ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ORGANIZERS THAT REALLY WORKS ON THESE ISSUES AT THE COMMUNITY LEVEL. SO YOU KNOW, AT THE END OF THE PROCESS WE REALLY FELT OWNERSHIP STAKE IN THE CLIMATE ACTION PLAN, WHICH I THINK IS A GREAT DEVELOPMENT. I DON'T THINK YOU SEE A LOT OF NON-ENVIRONMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS REALLY FEELING SUCH

OWNERSHIP OVER A CLIMATE ACTION PLAN. THAT LEVEL OF THE INVESTMENT IS REALLY CREATED OVER THE YEAR, GREAT FROM A PROCESS. AND NOW BUILDING UPON THE EXPERIENCE WITH THE CLIMATE ACTION PLAN WE HAVE FRT EXPANDED ENGAGEMENTS AROUND ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES WITHIN THE ASIAN-PACIFIC ISLANDER COMMUNITY.

Mr. Hwang: WE'RE WORKING ON OUR OWN ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE PLAN WITH A WHOLE HOST OF COALITION PARTNERS. OUR COALITION OF ADVOCACY GROUPS HAS REALLY COMPLETED A PLAN OR IS NEARING COMPLETION OF A PLAN OUTLINING A VISION FOR THE COUNTY AND THE CITY THAT WILL OFFER POLICYMAKERS OPTIONS FOR HOW TO BEST MOVE FORWARD WITH IMPLEMENTING THE GOALS OF THE CLIMATE ACTION PLAN WITHOUT FURTHER HARMING COMMUNITY OF COLOR. THIS ADDITIONAL PROCESS THAT WE'VE TAKEN ON OUR OWN IS REALLY ROOTED IN THE VALUES OF SELF-DETERMINATION AND EQUITY. WE REALLY HOPE TO CONTINUE TO ENGAGE OUR PARTNERS AT THE COUNTY AND CITY IN ITS IMPLEMENTATION. AS FOR CAP ITSELF, THE VALUES WE BROUGHT TO THE TABLE OVER THE YEAR ARE WOVEN THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE DOCUMENT, WHICH IS GREAT. NOBODY QUESTIONS THE EFFECTIVENESS. THE CURRENT REDUCTION OF 35% PER CAPITA IN CARBON EMISSIONS IS REALLY A REMARKABLE ACHIEVEMENT. HOWEVER, IF YOU'RE LOOKING FORWARD TO FUTURE DEMOGRAPHICS, WE'RE NOT GOING TO CONTINUE TO SEE THESE GAINS WITHOUT REALLY AN EYE TO EQUITY.

THE CHALLENGE NOW IS REALLY TO MAKE SURE THE BENEFITS AND BURDENS OF THESE GAINS ARE DISTRIBUTED EQUALLY. SO FOR EXAMPLE I LIVE IN EAST PORTLAND AND I WORK IN THE JADE DISTRICT IN PARTICULAR. THE JADE DISTRICT IS KIND OF HIGHLIGHTED ON THE MAP THERE, A COMMUNITY ALONG 82ND. WE'RE LOCATED AROUND A MAJORITY OF MINORITY CENSUS TRACKS, ONE OF THE MOST DIVERSE PLACES IN THE COUNTY WITH A MAJORITY OF PEOPLE OF COLOR. YOU KNOW, I THINK THIS MAP REALLY KIND OF SHOWS GENTRIFICATION. SO YOU SEE WHERE A LOT OF OUR COMMUNITIES ARE MOVING TO, YOU KNOW, NEIGHBORHOODS EAST OF 82ND. I THINK THE NEXT SLIDE SHOWS UNSAFE STREETS.

SO OUR NUMBER ONE COMMUNITY PRIORITY IS REALLY AROUND WALK ABILITY AND SAFETY. WE DON'T HAVE SIDEWALKS AROUND AREAS OF 82ND. PEOPLE ARE FACING DANGERS JUST CROSSING THE STREET EVERY DAY. THE NEXT SLIDE ALSO SHOWS HEAT AND AIR QUALITY. YOU KNOW, OUR NEIGHBORHOOD IS AN URBAN HEAT ISLAND, JUST A LOT OF CONCRETE EVERYWHERE. WE HAVE VERY LIMITED GREEN SPACE OR TREE CANOPY. BUT DEQ DATA SHOWS THAT WE HAVE SOME OF THE WORST AIR POLLUTION IN THE WHOLE COUNTY BECAUSE OF OUR LOCATION BETWEEN 82ND AND 205. WE HAVE ASTHMA RATES TWICE AS HIGH AS OTHER PARTS OF THE COUNTY. SO I DON'T THINK WE'RE GOING TO BE ABLE TO ADDRESS REALLY FURTHER CLIMATE CHANGE ACTIONS WITHOUT ALSO TAKING INTO ACCOUNT EQUITY,

ESPECIALLY AS DEMOGRAPHICS CHANGE. PACIFIC ISLANDERS ARE NOW THE FASTEST GROWING DEMOGRAPHIC IN OUR STATE. THIS IS NO ACCIDENT. I THINK A LOT OF OUR PACIFIC ISLANDER IMMIGRANTS CITE ENVIRONMENTAL DELEGATION AND LACK OF ACCESS TO CARE AS REASONS FOR MOVING AWAY FROM THEIR HOMES. REALLY A COMMUNITY THAT WE WANT TO WORK WITH. SO YEAH, I THINK WE'RE ALL HERE TO WORK ON REDUCING CLIMATE EMISSIONS. BUT FOR MY ORGANIZATION I THINK WE WILL REALLY BE EVALUATING THE CLIMATE ACTION PLAN BASED ON ITS IMPLEMENTATION. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THE BENEFITS AND BURDENS ARE DISTRIBUTED EQUITABLY. WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH THE COUNTY ON MAKING SURE THAT'S POSSIBLE. SO THANK YOU.

Mr. Wasiutynski: THANK YOU SO MUCH, DUNCAN. I THINK THAT IS WHAT DUNCAN HIGHLIGHTS IS REALLY WHERE THE COUNTY -- WHERE WE CAN START TO PLAY A REALLY KEY ROLE IN CLIMATE ACTION. WE'RE REALLY LUCKY TO HAVE NOT JUST GREAT COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS WORKING WITH US, BUT ALSO INDIVIDUAL CITIZENS WHO ARE DEDICATING THEIR TIME OVER YEARS, MANY YEARS, TO HELP US GUIDE THIS PROCESS. AND DOUG HAS NOT ONLY SERVED ON OUR ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR SUSTAINABILITY AND INNOVATION FOR A LONG TIME, HE ALSO WAS THE COCHAIR OF THE CLIMATE ACTION PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE OVER A TWO-YEAR PROCESS. SO HE'S A VETERAN OF A LOT OF BUREAUCRATIC MEETINGS AND HAS ADDED HIS WISDOM AND KNOWLEDGE AND EXPERTISE AND WE'RE REALLY LUCKY TO HAVE HIM W. THAT I'M GOING TURN IT OVER TO DOUG.

Mr. Tsoi: THANK YOU, JOHN. GOOD MORNING, CHAIR KAFOURY AND GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS.

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING.

Mr. Tsoi: MY NAME IS DOUGLAS TSOI. I'M ALSO COCHAIR OF THE CLIMATE ACTION PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE ALONG WITH FORMER ACTING CHAIR KENT SNYDER. I THINK MOST OF WHAT WE WANT TO PRESENT TO YOU HAS ALREADY BEEN SAID BUT I JUST WANTED TO TELL YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE PROCESS OF WHAT WE WENT THROUGH WITH THE CLIMATE ACTION PLAN. OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS WE'VE MET NUMEROUS TIMES TO COME TOGETHER FOR GUIDANCE TO THE STAFF. I WANT TO SAY WORKING WITH BOTH TIM AND JOHN HAS BEEN A PRIVILEGE. THEY ARE ULTIMATE PROFESSIONALS WITHIN THE WORLD OF SUSTAINABILITY. WE ALSO REVIEWED KEY ISSUES THAT EMERGED FROM PUBLIC COMMENT. THE CIA HAS REVIEWED THE COMMENTS AND THE PLAN AND HAS ENDORSED THE PLAN AND URGES YOU TO APPROVE IT. I THINK THAT THIS PLAN IS A BIG IS IT EP FROM THE 2009 PLAN. WE'VE DISCUSSED EQUITY AT LENGTH HERE. THE OTHER TWO AREAS ARE CONSUMPTION, WHICH HAS BEEN MENTIONED BEFORE, IF YOU LOOK AT THE CONSUMPTION PERSPECTIVE OF OUR CARBON FOOTPRINT IT IS MUCH HIGHER THAN WE LOOK AT THE LOCAL MODEL. IT'S

JUST SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT AS WE GO FORWARD, WHAT WE BUY AND WHAT WE CONSUME HAS MAJOR IMPACTS ON CLIMATE CHANGE. SECOND THING IS I'D REALLY LIKE TO POINT OUT THAT THE PLAN MAKES MAJOR EFFORTS TOWARDS ADAPTATION. IS ANYONE A HOCKEY FAN? GUESS NOT. [LAUGHTER]

Mr. Tsoi: WAYNE GRETZKY IS THE BIGGEST AND MOST FAMOUS AND GREATEST HOCKEY PLAYER EVER. TO QUOTE HIM: "I DON'T WANT TO SKATE TO WHERE THE PUCK IS, I WANT TO SKATE TO WHERE THE PUCK IS GOING TO BE." I FEEL LIKE THIS PLAN IS REALLY ABOUT SKATING TO WHERE THE PUCK IS GOING TO BE. ON SOME LEVEL CLIMATE CHANGE IS HAPPENING AND IS GOING TO HAPPEN. I'LL REALLY BE PROUD OF THIS PLAN BECAUSE IT MOVES TO US WHERE WE ANTICIPATE WHERE WE NEED TO BE. I BELIEVE THAT NATURE ON SOME LEVEL IS AGNOSTIC. IT DOESN'T REALLY MATTER WHAT THE WEATHER IS. WHAT MATTERS MOST IS PEOPLE. I FEEL LIKE THIS PLAN IS A MAJOR STEP UP. THANK YOU.

Mr. Wasiutynski: THANK YOU, DOUG. I THINK WITH THAT, WE'RE TOWARD ANSWERING ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE ABOUT THE PLAN.

Chair Kafoury: WE DO ALSO HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT, TOO.

Mr. Wasiutynski: OKAY, GREAT.

Chair Kafoury: DO FOLKS HAVE QUESTIONS FOR OUR PANEL?

Commissioner Smith: MADAM CHAIR I JUST HAVE A COMMENT. THANK YOU FOR THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY STAFF AND THE CITY OF PORTLAND FOR THE WORK THAT YOU'VE PUT IN ON THIS. I KNOW MANY TIMES THIS WORK GOES ON IN THE BACKDROP OF THE ACTIVITY THE COUNTY PERFORMS, LIKE IN TERMS OF HEALTH CARE, PUBLIC SAFETY, MENTAL HEALTH AND BRIDGES. YET YOUR WORK ENCOMPASSES ELEMENTS THAT CONNECT ALL OF THESE ISSUES TOGETHER. SO I WANT TO APPLAUD YOUR EFFORTS TO ENGAGE COMMUNITY STAKEHOLDERS, INCLUSIVE OF COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, OUR ELDERLY AND YOUNG PEOPLE. YOU KNOW, THEIR VOICES ARE OFTEN NOT HEARD. BUT DURING THIS DEVELOPMENT OF A LONG TERM PLAN I KNOW THAT THE IMPACT WILL HAVE A GREAT IMPACT ON THEIR LIVES. AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK AND ON THIS CRITICAL ACTIVITY.

Mr. Wasiutynski: THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER. YOU REMIND ME, I WOULD BE REMISS IF I DIDN'T THANK A COUPLE PEOPLE REAL FAST. TIM LYNCH IS ON VACATION THIS WEEK, BUT HE'S REALLY DONE THE YEOMAN'S WORK ON OUR SIDE OF THE RIVER TO HELP US GET THIS PLAN OFF THE GROUND. TWO OTHERS ARE HERE FROM THE CITY OF PORTLAND AND THOSE GUYS ARE JUST SUCH DEDICATED SMART, HARDWORKING PROFESSIONALS THAT REALLY DESERVE THE APPLAUSE FOR CREATING THIS PLAN.

Chair Kafoury: THANKS.

Commissioner McKeel: I JUSTIFY A COMMENT. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THIS IMPORTANT WORK AND YOUR PRESENTATION HERE TODAY. I'VE TALKED WITH JOHN AND YOU KNOW, I'M INTERESTED IN KNOWING HOW WE MOVE THIS OUT TO EAST COUNTY. WE'VE TALKED ABOUT THAT AND I'M HAD A TOPE HELP IN THAT EFFORT BECAUSE IT IS AN IMPORTANT COUNTYWIDE EFFORT. AND DOUG, THANK YOU FOR ALL OF YOUR WORK ON THIS. AND THANK YOU BOTH FOR BEING HERE. BUT THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK ON THIS, IT'S VERY IMPORTANT AND YOU HAVE ATTENDED A LOT OF MEETINGS. [LAUGHTER] I AM SOMEWHAT OF A HOCKEY FAN AND I KNOW WHO WAYNE GRETZKY IS AND I LIKE THAT VERY MUCH. THANK YOU ALL.

Mr. Wasiutynski: THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER, I'LL TAKE YOU UP ON THAT OFFER.

Commissioner Shiprack: I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRESENTATION, AS WELL, AND I'M PARTICULARLY STRUCK BY THE MAP OF A LOT OF IT, D-3. IT SHOWS NOT ONLY THAT DISTRICT 3 AND SOUTHEAST PORTLAND IS AN AREA OF EXTRAORDINARY ETHNIC AND RACIAL DIVERSITY, WHICH ONE OF THE MAPS SHOWS, BUT IS ALSO AN AREA OF TREMENDOUS HEAT VULNERABILITY. AND I AM REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIES THAT WILL HELP REDUCE THAT HEAT VULNERABILITY. BECAUSE I THINK THOSE STRATEGIES ALSO IMPACT QUALITY OF LIFE IN BROADER WAYS THAT WILL HAVE TREMENDOUS POSITIVE IMPACTS ON THE RESIDENTS. AND SPECIFICALLY ON MY CONSTITUENCY WHICH IS ACTUALLY KIND OF NICE. BECAUSE IT SEEMS RARE THAT THERE ARE PROGRAMS THAT TARGET IN SPECIFICALLY ON THAT CONSTITUENCY. SO I APPRECIATE THAT AND DUNCAN, THANK YOU AND CONGRATULATIONS ON ALL OF THE PROGRESS THAT APANO HAS BEEN MAKING LATELY.

Mr. Wasiutynski: THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER.

Vice-Chair Bailey: THANK YOU, CHAIR. I'D LIKE TO PILE ON. AS YOU DISCUSSED THIS PLAN I AM REMINDED OF SOME OF THE WORDS OF POPE FRANCIS IN HIS EN CYCLICAL. HE TELLS US IT REQUIRES HONESTY, COURAGE AND SPEEDOMETER. INTERDEPENDENCE OBLIGES US TO THINK OF ONE WORLD WITH A COMMON PLAN. WELL W AVENUE GOOD PLAN HERE AND I THINK IT IS A PLAN WITH COURAGEOUS GOALS AND OPERATIONS AND COURAGEOUS ACTIONS WITHIN IT. I WANT TO THANK YOU, JOHN, YOUR TEAM, TIM, MICHAEL ARMSTRONG AND MICHELLE FROM THE CITY, JACKIE DINGFELDER AT THE CITY, AS WELL. AND ALL OF THE PEOPLE INVOLVED HERE, I SEE BOTH CURRENT AND FORMER MEMBERS OF ACSI IN THE AUDIENCE WHO HELPED GUIDE THIS PLAN, DUNCAN, AND DOUGLAS, BOTH OF YOU AND WORK HERE,

THE WORK YOUR WORK REPRESENTS OF ALL OF THE PEOPLE IN THE PUBLIC WHO WERE CONTRIBUTORS TO THIS PLAN.

Vice-Chair Bailey: IT COMES ON A REALLY INTERESTING TIME WHEN THIS WAS PRESENTED YESTERDAY AT CITY COUNCIL AND NOW TODAY. IT WAS PRESENTED AT THE SAME TIME THAT THE STATE SENATE WAS HAVING A HEARING ON REPEALING THE CLEAN FIELDS STANDARD. I THINK IT IS EVIDENCE THAT WE HAVE TO HAVE LOCAL LEADERSHIP AND THAT IF THE COUNTY AND THE CITY DON'T STEP UP, TAKE ACTION, AND PROVIDE A ROADMAP, THAT IT'S NOT GOING HAPPEN. CHANGE HAPPENS FROM THE BOTTOM UP. IT'S A PLAN THAT'S ABOUT BOTH PREVENTION AND MITIGATION AND ADAPTATION BUT REALLY ABOUT MAKING US A MORE RESILIENT COMMUNITY. THAT'S IMPORTANT BECAUSE CLIMATE CHANGE IS HAPPENING FASTER THAN EVER BEFORE. AND WE KNOW THAT WE NEED TO CUT CARBON AND GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS. BUT IT'S REALLY ALSO ABOUT PEOPLE AND EQUITY. THIS PLAN ADDRESSES THAT.

I'M REMINDED OF A STUDY I READ RECENTLY ABOUT HEAT WAVE DEATHS IN CHICAGO A FEW YEARS BACK DURING ONE OF THEIR MAJOR HEAT WAVES. THEY GRAPHED DEATHS FROM THE HEAT WAVE AGAINST SOCIOECONOMIC FACTORS WITHIN DIFFERENT NEIGHBORHOODS IN CHICAGO. THOSE FACTORS SHOWED WHAT YOU MIGHT EXPECT. THOSE AREAS THAT WERE LESS WELL OFF, WITH HIGHER CONCENTRATIONS OF VULNERABLE POPULATIONS, PARTICULARLY COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, HAD FAR MORE DEATHS THAN THOSE THAT WERE OF AFFLUENT AND PARTICULARLY WHITE. WITH ONE MAJOR EXCEPTION: ONE OF THE NEIGHBORHOODS THAT HAD THE LOWEST RATE OF DEATH WAS A NEIGHBORHOOD THAT WAS HEAVILY COMMUNITIES OF COLOR. THAT WAS LOW SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS. WHEN INVESTIGATED THE REASON THAT THAT COMMUNITY HAD SUCH A LOW RATE OF DEATH WAS THAT THERE WERE STRONG COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS THAT WERE WORKING IN THAT COMMUNITY TO CHECK ON NEIGHBORS TO, CHECK ON EACH OTHER, TO HELP PROVIDE HELP HE AND ASSISTANCE WHEN IT WAS NEEDED.

THAT'S THE KIND OF COMMUNITY FRAMEWORK WE NEED AS WE FACE HOTTER DRIER SUMMERS, MORE INTENSE EVENTS. AND YOU THE PROVIDES THE KIND OF RESILIENCE THAT WE NEED. IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT INFRASTRUCTURE AND ROADS AND BRIDGES, IT'S ABOUT INFRASTRUCTURE IN OUR COMMUNITY. IF THE CHAIR WILL PERMIT ME TO SAY A COUPLE MORE THINGS, THIS PLAN IS A GOOD PLAN. BUT IT'S NOT A PLAN THAT'S GOING TO LIVE ON A SHELF. IT'S A PLAN THAT WE'RE GOING IMPLEMENT. IT'LL BE REFERENCED TO MAKE DECISIONS IN DEPARTMENTS ON THE GROUND. THE OPERATIONS COUNCIL, THE OPERATIONS FOLKS FROM EACH DEPARTMENT WILL DIVVY UP AND COORDINATE THE ACTION. THEY CAN TRACK PROGRESS IN REAL TIME. GETTING TO AN 80% REDUCTION OF EMISSIONS BY 2050 REQUIRES THAT WE REIMAGINE OUR COMMUNITY.

Vice-Chair Bailey: THE FOCUS IS ONE OF HEALTH AND RESILIENCE AND EQUITY. AS THOSE VALUES COME UP TIME AND TIME AGAIN IN THIS PLAN, CLIMATE CHANGE, SOCIAL INEQUALITY, ECONOMIC VOLATILITY AND THE RISING COST OF LIVING THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY. THE PLAN HAS PRIORITIES RANGING FROM LOWER CARBON FUELS TO INCREASED WORK ON FLOOD CONTROL AND DRAINAGE TO, HEALTHY HOMES AND ENERGY EFFICIENT BUILDINGS AND EVERYTHING IN BETWEEN. IT'S AMBITIOUS, CARVES OUT QUITE A BIT OF WORK AND I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO ENGAGING WITH ALL OF YOU AND THE CITY ON HELPING TO MAKE THIS A REALITY. I'M REMINDS OF MAYOR HALES' WORDS: OUR EQUITY STRATEGY OUR ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGY FROM THE MAYOR OF JOHANNESBURG. I CLOSE WITH A QUOTE FROM POPE FRANCIS: THE HUMAN ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL ENVIRONMENT DETERIORATE TOGETHER. I THINK THAT'S WHAT WE SEE IN THIS PLAN IS A RESPONSE TO THAT THREAT. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH.

Mr. Tsoi: I'D JUST LIKE TO THANK COMMISSIONER BAILEY FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP ON ACSI AND ON THIS ISSUE. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. PUBLIC COMMENT?

Board Clerk: PLEASE COME FORWARD AS I CALL YOUR NAME. I'LL CALL FOUR AT A TIME. [READ NAMES]

Mr. Snyder: GOOD MORNING, I'M KENT SNYDER. I HAVE PROBABLY ONE ANOTHER SAY. I'VE BEEN AROUND ON THIS AGENDA OR THIS KIND OF PROJECT FOR A LONG TIME. I STARTED ON THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND CHAIRED THAT FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS SO BACK WHEN WE DID THE 2001 GLOBAL WARMING ACTION PLAN, THE 2009 PLAN AND NOW THIS UPDATE. ALONG WITH DOUGLAS I HAVE BEEN COCHAIRING THE STEERING COMMITTEE. I WANTED TO GIVE A PERSPECTIVE THAT REALLY ACKNOWLEDGES TO THE COMMISSIONERS WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING, WHAT I'VE OBSERVED OVER TIME. TWO THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW: BACK IN 2000 AND LATE 1990S AND EARLY 2000 WHEN WE WERE TALKING ABOUT THIS AND THE COUNTY GOT INVOLVED, AT THE TIME REALLY WE WERE FEEDING SOME IDEAS TO BUREAUS AND DEPARTMENTS AND THE CITY, AS WELL. WHAT KINDS OF THINGS COULD THEY BE DOING THAT WOULD ADDRESS THESE.

IN 2009, THE COUNTY DEPARTMENT STEPPED UP A BIT MORE AND REALLY PUT IN SOME VERY CLEAR ACTION ITEMS. THE BIG SHIFT I'VE SEEN OVER THAT TIME FRAME AND THIS ACTION PLAN NOW, PEOPLE FROM THE COUNTY BUREAUS REALLY HAVE EMBRACED THIS. THEY CAME FORWARD REALLY VERY, VERY PROGRESSIVE STRATEGIES AND ACTION ITEMS THAT SECOND INCORPORATE INTO WHAT THEIR OPERATIONS ARE. THERE HAS BEEN A BIG SHIFT HERE. THE SECOND THING I'VE OBSERVED OVER THIS TIME FRAME IS THE CHANGE IN THE AUDIENCE WENT FROM A FEW PEOPLE TALKING ABOUT

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES, NOW IT'S MUCH MORE OF AN EQUITY ISSUE, IT'S AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY, THE DIVERSITY OF THE AUDIENCE AND PARTICIPANTS HAS CHANGED DRAMATICALLY WHICH IT SHOULD. SO YOU SHOULD KNOW THAT THE STAFF AND PEOPLE INVOLVED IN THE COUNTY HAVE REALLY EMBRACED AND ARE DOING REALLY GREAT WORK AND IT'S A GOOD PLAN. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING.

Mr. Berman: MY NAME IS LOWEN BERMAN, I'M A PORTLAND RESIDENT, MULTNOMAH COUNTY RESIDENT, I'M ACTIVE IN PORTLAND RISING TIDE AND THE ACTION COALITION BUT THESE WORDS ARE MY OWN. AS YOU CONSIDER MY TESTIMONY, PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT IN INDIA AND PAKISTAN OVER THE PAST FEW WEEKS MORE THAN 3,000 MEN AND WOMEN HAVE DIED AS CONSEQUENCE OF EXTREME HEAT DUE YOU TO CLIMATE CHANGE. THAT IS MORE PEOPLE THAN DIED ON 9/11 AND NO LESS A TRAGEDY. CONSIDER THAT THE TEMPERATURE THIS WEEKEND IN WENATCHEE, WASHINGTON, WHERE MY DAUGHTER IS AN IMMIGRATION ATTORNEY, IS EXPECTED TO REACH 109 DEGREES. HER CLIENTS ARE MOSTLY FARM WORKERS WHO ARE EXPECTED TO PICK AND PACK AND LIVE IN THESE CONDITIONS. THEIR FAMILIES ARE UNLIKELY TO HAVE AIR-CONDITIONING. CLIMATE CHANGE HE IS NOT THE FUTURE, IT IS NOW. I BELIEVE THAT THE 2015 CLIMATE ACTION PLAN IS SIMPLY TOO LITTLE AND TOO LATE. PLEASE CONSIDER THE WORDS OF POPE FRANCIS AS HE WRITES CLEARING ABOUT CLIMATE JUSTICE AND THE RELATIONSHIP OF CLIMATE CHANGE TO POVERTY. HE TELLS US THAT OUR SYSTEM OF GLOBAL CORPORATE CAPITALISM AND THE CULTURE THAT ACCOMPANIES IT HAS CAUSED THE CLIMATE CRISIS AND REPRESENTS THE PRIMARY OBSTACLE TO ADDRESSING IT.

THE 2015 CLIMATE ACTION PLAN SPEAKS NEITHER TO THE URGENCY OF THE CLIMATE CRISIS NOR THE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CHANGES THAT WILL BE REQUIRED IF HUMANITY AND HUNDREDS OF OTHER SPECIES ARE TO SURVIVE. WE ARE ENGAGED IN A LAST-DITCH EFFORT TO VOID ARM AGREED DONE. WE NEED ACTION ON THE SCALE OF A WORLD WAR II MOBILIZATION. WE NEED GAS RATIONING AND VICTORY GARDEN. WE NEED WINDMILLS AND SOLAR ARRAYS POURING OFF OF ASSEMBLY LINES JUST LIKE THE TANKS AND PLANES POURED OFF IN THE 1940S. WE NEED EVERY INNING IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY TO BE APPROPRIATELY INSULATED, FREE PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC CONTROL OF THE ENTIRE ENERGY SECTOR. WE NEED A MANHATTAN PROJECT TO DEVELOP NEW FORMS OF RENEWABLE ENERGY PRODUCTION AND STORAGE. WE NEED ALL OF THIS AND MORE. WE NEED IMMEDIATELY ACTION TO DISMANTLE THE FOSSIL FUEL ECONOMY AND TO CREATE A SUSTAINABLE ONE. WE NEED PROFOUND ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL CHANGES. THE PLAN BEFORE THE COUNCIL PRETENDS THAT WE CAN SOLVE THE CLIMATE CRISIS WITH LITTLE SACRIFICE AND WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF OUR PRESENT ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL SYSTEMS. IT MENTIONS

BUT FAILS TO ADDRESS THE IMPACTS OF OUR CONSUMPTION ON THE WORLD'S CARBON FOOTPRINT. IT IGNORES THE EXTENT TO WHICH OUR CULTURE OF GREED HAS BEEN RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF OUR WORLD'S ECOSYSTEMS AND SO MANY OF THE WORLD'S PEOPLE'S. ECONOMIC, CULTURAL AND SOCIAL REVOLUTION, THE 2015 CLIMATE ACTION PLAN DOES NOT BEGIN TO MEET THIS STANDARD. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING AND PLEASE CONSIDER CAREFULLY THE FULL IMPLICATIONS OF THE WORDS OF POPE FRANCIS IN HIS CLIMATE ENCYCLICAL.

Mr. Parker: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME'S TERRY PARKER, I'M A FOURTH GENERATION PORTLANDER AND I'M WEARING MY OWN HAT TODAY. MUCH OF WHAT THIS PLAN REPRESENTS IS A BIASED ANTI-AUTOMOBILE, CAR-HATER MIND SET. PUBLIC TRANSIT ON AVERAGE USES MORE ENERGY AS MEASURED IN BTUS AND CREATES MORE EMISSIONS AS MEASURED IN CO2 THAN DRIVING A FUEL EFFICIENT CAR. OH NEARLY 10% OF THE JOBS IN THE U.S. ARE TIED TO THE AUTO INDUSTRY. HISTORY CLEARLY DEMONSTRATES HIGHER RATES OF PERSONALITY MOBILITY SUCH AS DRIVING SIGNIFICANTLY CONTRIBUTES TO GREATER ECONOMIC PRODUCTIVITY, WHICH IN TURN GENERATES MORE FAMILY WAGE AND BETTER PAYING JOBS. ATTEMPTING TO THWART DRIVING IS A CLASS-SEPARATING ECONOMY. THE KILLIAN CROSSING WAS PAID FOR BY PEOPLE DRIVING CARS. JUSTLY MOVING FORWARD SHOWS THAT WE MUST BE MORE FINANCIALLY SELF-SUSTAINABLE.

ADULT BICYCLISTS MUST START TO PAY THEIR OWN WAY. ANY PRICE ON CARBON MUST EQUALLY APPLY TO TRIMET. IF THE COUNTY PERSISTS IN ATTEMPTING TO DICTATE TRAVEL MODES AND INHIBIT DRIVING. COUNTY MUST SET THE EXAMPLE BY TAKING THE ENTIRE MULTNOMAH COUNTY AUTO FLEET AND ALL COUNTY RELATED WORK MUST ADHERE TO THE 3-BS, BICYCLE, BACKPACKS AND BUS PASSES. THEY HAVE ABOUT THE SAME CARBON FOOTPRINT AS DRIVING A FUEL EFFICIENT CAR, AIR TRAVEL MUST BE SEVERELY RESTRICTED AND THE NUMBER OF AIR FLIGHTS MUST BE CAPPED. FINANCIAL DISINCENTIVES MUST BE IMPLEMENTED FOR THE PURCHASE AND USE OF MECHANICAL CLOTHES DRYERS. INCENTIVES AND NEW BUILDING CODES ARE NECESSARY TO PROMOTE CLOTHESLINES AND THE DRIP DRY METHOD. ANY PLAN MUST MAN DAY ANY SINGLE HOME DEMOLITION ARE REPLACED BY DECONSTRUCTION, MECHANICAL DEMONSTRATE LITIGATION FILLS LANDFILLS. THE REALITY THAT OVERPOPULATION OF HUMANS POSES THE GREATEST THREAT TO THE ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMB CHANGE, WITHOUT ADVOCATING FOR SMALLER FAMILIES BY PROMOTING CONTRACEPTION AND NO MORE THAN TWO BIOLOGICAL CHILDREN, EVERYTHING ELSE IS JUST A BAND-AID. DEALING WITH THE ELEPHANT IS AN ABSOLUTE MUST. THANK YOU.

Board Clerk: [READS NAMES] PLEASE COME FORWARD.

Mr. McKinlay: HI, MY NAME IS MAC MCKINLAY. THIS IS AN ECOLOGICAL

MESSAGE. THE PEOPLE OF PORTLAND AND MULTNOMAH COUNTY HAVE RECEIVED IN THIS CLIMATE ACTION PLAN A GIFT OF HOPE AND WISDOM, A DOCUMENT OF COLLABORATION AND INSPIRATION FOR ALL OUR WORK. WILL IT BECOME A FALSE HOPE AND A LIE? WE ALL LIVE IN ONE WORLD; WE ALL LIVE IN THE SAME WORLD. EVEN WHILE WE PLAN OUR GOOD WORKS, THERE ARE FORCES CENTERED OUTSIDE OF HERE DOING THEIR WORK THAT UNDERMINES EVERYTHING WE DO. THESE ARE BLIND, OBSOLETE, SINGLE-PURPOSE GARGANTUAN FORCES THAT HAVE THE POWER TO DESTROY THE LIVING EARTH ITSELF. THEY COME WITH TRAINS AND SHIPS AND PIPELINES FULL OF FOSSIL FUELS. THEY MOUND THEIR CARBON, BUILD HOLDING TANKS AND TERMINALS, CARELESS OF THE HARM THEY INFLICT ON US AND OUR COMMUNITIES. IF WE FAIL TO TAKE THEM INTO OUR PLANS, IF WE FAIL TO STOP THEM DEAD IN THEIR TRACKS, WE WILL BEAR RESPONSIBILITY FOR THEIR DEVASTATION.

Mr. McKinlay: YES, THESE ARE WONDERFUL PLANS FOR URBAN CANOPY, RENEWABLE ENERGY, CONSCIENTIOUS RESOURCE USE AND AGRICULTURE, ECONOMIC JUSTICE, SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION. THIS IS HOW WE WORK TOGETHER TO BUILD A BETTER WORLD. BUT ARE THESE THINGS JUST A LITTLE SHOW TO MAKE US FEEL GOOD? BECAUSE IT'LL BE FOR NOTHING IF WE STAND BY AND LET THESE BLIND MONSTERS AND THEIR ACCOMPLICES IN OTHER INDUSTRIES AND GOVERNMENT DESTROY THE EARTH. IF THIS PLAN IS TO BE A REAL START, IT MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY REAL DEMANDS THAT NO FOSSIL FUEL TERMINALS OR EXPORT FACILITIES OF ANY KIND BE ALLOWED TO OPERATE OR EXIST IN THE NORTHWEST. IF THIS PLAN IS FOR REAL, YOU WILL DEMAND THAT ALL GOVERNMENT ENTITIES DIVEST FROM ALL FOSSIL FUEL INVESTMENTS NOW. TO MAKE THIS PLAN WORK, IT NEEDS A REAL FOUNDATION; IT NEEDS TO TAKE ALL REAL-WORLD THREATS INTO ACCOUNT. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING.

Mr. Heslam: GOOD MORNING, THANK YOU MADAM CHAIRPERSON, I'M DAVID HESLAM, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF EARTH ADVANTAGE, A NONPROFIT THAT WORKS ON GREEN BUILDING. I'M AN ACSI MEMBER, THEY DID A GOOD JOB STRIKE THAT WORK. I'M A GREEN BUILDING PROFESSIONAL WORKING FOR OVER 20 YEARS IN THIS AREA ON CONSTRUCTION OF RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS FOR BETTER PERFORMANCE FOR ENERGY AND HEALTH. I DON'T WANT TO GET INTO THE DETAILS OF THE CLIMATE ACTION PLAN. I WANT TO VOICE MY SUPPORT FOR AND MY APPRECIATION FOR ALL THE WORK THAT COUNTY AND CITY STAFFERS AND COMMISSIONERS AND VOLUNTEERS FROM THE COMMUNITY HAVE PUT INTO IT. I THINK IT'S A SOLID PLAN MUCH LIKE THE MAYOR SAID, ON PAPER. IT'S A SOLID PLAN ON PAPER. BUT I'D LIKE TO GIVE YOU A METAPHOR I THINK MIGHT PUT IT INTO PERSPECTIVE FOR YOU, THAT COULD OUTLINE WHAT THE REAL SENSE OF THE CHALLENGES AHEAD ARE. IN

MY MIND WHAT THE CLIMATE ACTION PLAN REPRESENTS IS BASICALLY A 21ST CENTURY OREGON TRAIL.

Mr. Heslam: MUCH LIKE 170 YEARS AGO, YOU KNOW, EVERYBODY WOULD LOVE TO SEE THE VISION OF OREGON, THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY. AND 170 YEARS AGO PEOPLE FROM AROUND THE COUNTRY AND AROUND THE WORLD HEARD ABOUT THE WILLAMETTE VALLEY AND WANTED TO COME HERE BECAUSE IT WAS GOING TO BE THE GREATEST PLACE FOR THEM. THEY LEFT BEHIND THEIR LIVES, THE BOLD DID. THEY TOOK THAT LONG TRIP OUT HERE. WELL, SO FAR WE'VE DESCRIBED WHAT THE VISION IN 2030 AND 2035 COULD BE. IT SOUNDS LIKE A GREAT PLACE TO BE. I WANT TO BE HERE STILL IN ANOTHER 20 YEARS. I THINK THE WHOLE WORLD WANTS TO BE HERE IN 20 YEARS. WE'VE DESCRIBED THAT VISION FOR THEM. WHERE WE ARE ON THE TRAIL RIGHT NOW, WE LEFT ST. LOUIS IN 1990 AND WE'RE STILL ON THE PLAINS. ALL WE'VE DONE IS CROSS THE EASY

WE KNOW THE WAY WE NEED TO GO ON BUILDING. WE DON'T HAVE TO LOOK ASIDE. IT'S CLEARLY MARKED FOR US AHEAD. BUT DEALING WITH THIS IN AN EQUITABLE WAY WILL BE THE BIGGEST CHALLENGE. THAT WILL BE THE BLUE MOUNTAINS OF THE OREGON TRAIL FOR US. WHEN WE HAVE TO HIT FAREWELL BEND AND HEAD INTO THE BLUE MOUNTAINS, EVERYBODY WILL HAVE TO DO JUST WHAT THE PIONEERS DID. THEY HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER, PUSH AND PULL THEIR WAGONS AND THROW SOME THINGS ASIDE. IT'S GOING TO BE VERY, VERY DIFFICULT BUT IF WE DO WORK TOGETHER AND CAST ASIDE THE THINGS WE DON'T THINK OF NECESSARY, WE'LL MAKE IT OVER THE BLUE MOUNTAINS AND WE'LL MAKE IT TO THE FUTURE THAT WE REALLY WANT. JUST LASTLY, I WOULD POINT OUT THE WAY THOSE PIONEERS ACTUALLY MADE IT WAS THEY HAD GUIDEPOSTS ALONG THE WAY. SO THEY KNEW THEY WERE GOING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. AND THEY KNEW WHERE THEY WERE SUPPOSED TO BE BY A CERTAIN POINT IN TIME. THAT'S WHAT I THINK THE HUNDRED-PLUS ACTION STEPS THAT ARE DETAILED IN THE CLIMATE ACTION PLAN, THAT'S WHAT THOSE REPRESENT. YOU KNOW WHEN YOU'RE HITTING THE DIFFERENT LANDPOSTS ALONG THE WAY. BUT WE HAVE TO KEEP TRACK JUST AS THE PIONEERS DID. WE KNOW WE HAVE TO GET TO CERTAIN POINTS BY CERTAIN DATES. IF WE DON'T, YOU DON'T WANT TO BE STUCK TRYING TO CROSS THE BLUE MOUNTAINS IN DECEMBER. YOU'LL BE TOO LATE AND YOU WILL NEVER GET TO THIS FUTURE. SO I WOULD SAY THE COUNTY SHOULD COMMIT TO ACTUALLY GET TO THOSE GUIDE POINTS SOONER INSTEAD OF 10 MILES A DAY, TRY TO GO 12 MILES A DAY! BE THE PIONEER THAT GOT OVER THE MOUNTAINS IN SEPTEMBER, AND NOT THE ONE THAT ARRIVED THERE IN DECEMBER. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

Mr. Stull: HI, THERE, BARRY JOE STULL. I WANTED TO BRING YOU UP TO DATE

WITH THE REAL REASON THEY MADE IT ACROSS THE OREGON TRAIL IS BECAUSE THEY HAD CANNABIS HEMP. WE CAN LOOK AT OUR STATE FLAG BUT IT'S GOT THE COVERED WAGON COVERED WITH HEMP. IT'S GOT THE DATE, 1859, THE TOP CANNABIS PRODUCTION IN THE UNITED STATES, AND IT WAS THE YEAR THAT MISSOURI SURPASSED KENTUCKY FOR THE PRODUCTION OF CANNABIS HEMP. SO THAT BEING THE CASE, WHY DID I HAVE TO SPEND A YEAR AND A HALF IN PRISON FOR GROWING CANNABIS IN OREGON? I'LL TELL YOU WHY. I'VE GOT SOME RIGHT HERE. THIS WAS A MARIJUANA PLANT BUT UNDER OREGON LAW, IT'S NOT MARIJUANA. WHEN THEY WROTE THE OREGON LAW, THEY INCLUDED THE LANGUAGE FOR THE INDUSTRIALISTS. MATURE STALKS OF THE PLANTS ARE SPECIFIC EXCEPTION. THIS IS NOT MARIJUANA. THE LAW SAYS WHAT MARIJUANA IS, AND IT SAYS THIS ISN'T IT.

Mr. Stull: WHY? BECAUSE THE INDUSTRIALISTS WANTED TO BE ABLE TO MAINTAIN THEIR INDUSTRY. WHO? SHERMAN WILLIAMS PAINT COVERED THE EARTH WITH WHAT? PAINT MADE OF OIL, HEMP SEED OIL. THE SAME KIND YOU CAN GO TO WHOLE FOODS AND GET RIGHT NOW. PIONEERS LIKE MYSELF WORKED ON THIS. PIONEERS LIKE MYSELF WENT TO PRISON AND FOUGHT YOUR B.S. AND IT'S NOW LEGAL. BUT WHAT YOU DON'T APPRECIATE AND WHAT YOU WILL RIGHT NOW, IS THAT REAL TIME HALF OF THIS ELECTRICITY IS FOSSIL FUEL. AND THIS WAS PROBABLY GROWN BY ONE OF MY FRIENDS, YOU COULD FIND HIM IN THE NAKED BIKE RIDE, PROBABLY GROWN WITH ELECTRICITY. AND THIS CARBON HITTING THIS CARBON TREE, HEMP, THIS USED TO BE IN THE ATMOSPHERE AND IT'S NOW RIGHT HERE IN MY HAND. CARBON, HALF THE WEIGHT OF THOSE TREES OUT THERE IS CARBON THEY TOOK OUT OF THE AIR AS THEY WERE GROWING. YOU WANT TO GET CARBON OUT OF ATMOSPHERE? WE DID IT ONCE BEFORE, ABOUT 1600.

THE YEAR 1600 WE HAD 25 MILLION PEOPLE IN THIS HEMISPHERE DIE OF SMALLPOX. WHEN THEY STOPPED FARMING IT IS TREES CAME UP AND THOSE FORESTS SUCKED SO MUCH CARBON OUT OF ATMOSPHERE THAT WE CAN RECORD THAT AS BEING THE LOWEST CARBON IN OUR SPECIES. BECAUSE WE GREW IT OUT OF THE ATMOSPHERE. SO ALL WE NEED DO IS WE TAKE THE CARBON IN THE AIR, PUT IT INTO THE HEMP, TURN THE HEMP INTO THE PLASTIC, TURN THE HEMP INTO THE PAPER, BURY IT UNDER THE GROUND WHERE THE COAL CAME. FROM WE'VE TAKEN THE CARBON FROM THE GROUND, PUT IT IN THE AIR. WE HAVE TO TAKE IT FROM THE AIR AND PUT IT BACK INTO EVERYTHING ELSE. WHO'S IN THE WAY OF THAT? CAPITAL. HEMP ON WORKS IN A SHARE AND SHARE ALIKE SOCIETY. IF IT'S SO, LET'S HAVE A RACE TO THE FLAGPOLE, FIRST ONE THAT GETS THERE IS THE WINNER AND ALL THE REST OF YOU ARE LOSERS. THAT'S THE SOCIETY WE LIVE IN. THEY TOOK AWAY OUR GOD-GIVEN RIGHT TO HORTICULTURE AND REPLACED IT WITH TOXINS THAT ARE IN OUR ENVIRONMENT AND NEED TO BE RETURNED TO THE HELL THAT THEY CAME FROM. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. THIS IS A VERY INTERESTING CONVERSATION THIS MORE THAN, I APPRECIATE YOU ALL COMING. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE 2015 MULTNOMAH COUNTY CITY OF PORTLAND CLIMATE ACTION PLAN VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED, THANK YOU.

R.3 BUDGET MODIFICATION DCHS-56-15 Increasing DCHS MHAD Behavioral Health/HSO Fund Appropriation by \$4,040,642. Presenters: Rob Kodiriy, Business Services Director and Devarshi Bajpai, Medicaid Plan Manager.

Chair Kafoury: MAY I HAVE A MOTION? COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK MOVES AND COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.3.

Mr. Kodiriy: GOOD MORNING, CHAIR KAFOURY, COMMISSIONERS.

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING.

Mr. Kodiriy: I'M ROB KODIRIY, BUSINESS SERVICES AND DIRECTOR AND WITH ME IS --

Mr. Bajpai: DEVARSHI BAJPAI, MEDICAID PLAN MANAGER.

Mr. Kodiriy: THE DIVISION IS REQUESTING APPROVAL OF DCHS-56-15 WHICH INCREASES THE APPROPRIATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 15 BY \$4 MILLION. THE REASON FOR THE INCREASE IS THE HEALTH CARE TRANSFORMATION ENROLLMENT HAS BEEN INCREASING AND ALSO THE INCREASED ENROLLMENT THROUGHOUT EVERY MONTH THAT WE'RE GOING THROUGH, AND ALSO THE SHIFT TO THE GLOBAL BUDGET METHODOLOGY PROCESSED NOW BY HEALTH SHARE OF OREGON AND THIRD-PARTY CLAIMS ADMINISTRATOR, BASICALLY THIS WOULD ALLOW TO US EXPEND THE FUNDS FOR THE LAST FEW MONTHS OF THE FISCAL YEAR, MAY AND JUNE. AND DEVARSHI CAN TALK ABOUT THE SERVICES.

Mr. Bajpai: AGAIN, I'M DEVARSHI BAJPAI. THE SERVICES WE'RE FUNDING WITH THIS ARE JUST GENERALLY BASIC OUTPATIENT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR PEOPLE GETTING COUNSELING ONCE A MONTH. IT ALSO PAYS FOR SOME EMERGENT AND SUBACUTE CARE FOR PEOPLE HAVING MENTAL HEALTH CRISIS BUT THE VAST MAJORITY OF THIS IS REALLY OUT PATIENT CARE FOR THE INCREASED POPULATION THROUGH THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT. THOSE PEOPLE THAT IN THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT TEND TO BE SLIGHTLY MORE FUNCTIONAL SO THEY NEEDED A LOWER LEVEL OF THE SERVICES, MORE THAN OUR EXISTING POPULATION. SO WE ARE WORKING WITH OUR COMMUNITY PROVIDERS TO EXPAND ACCESS AND GET MORE PROVIDERS IN OUR SYSTEM TO BE ABLE TO SERVE THE NEEDS.

[Chair Kafoury left at 10:47 a.m.]

Vice-Chair Bailey: THANK YOU, ANY QUESTIONS FROM THE BOARD?

Commissioner Smith: YES, I HAVE A QUESTION. HOW MANY NEW ENROLLEES DO WE HAVE THAT WE DIDN'T EXPECT?

Mr. Kodiriy: LAST TIME WE CAME WITH THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET IN DECEMBER, DECEMBER 4, WE PROJECTED ABOUT 100,000 ENROLLEES. RIGHT NOW WE'RE ABOUT 138,000.

Commissioner Smith: WITH THE \$4 MILLION AS YOU SAW IN THE BUDGET PROCESS LAST WEEK, WE APPROVED DOLLARS FOR THE UNITY PROJECT. I KNOW THE REASON WHY THAT PROJECT IS GOING TO WORK REALLY WELL IS BECAUSE WE HAVE ENOUGH DOLLARS TO DO THE OUTPATIENT STUFF YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND OTHER THINGS WHEN THEY DROP THEM OFF, THAT'S GOING TO BE A HUGE PLUS FOR US TO DO THAT. IT LOOKS GOOD THAT WE MAY HAVE MONEY.

Vice-Chair Bailey: ANY ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS? ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE BUDGET MODIFICATIONS APPROVED.

R.4 BUDGET MODIFICATION Countywide 02-15: FY 2015 Supplemental BudMod #2 Appropriating \$70,000 of Pass Thru Funds in the County School Fund. Presenter: Michael Jaspin, County Economist.

Vice-Chair Bailey: COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK MOVED AND COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.4.

Mr. Jaspin: GOOD MORNING, I'M MIKE JASPIN, COUNTY BUDGET DIRECTOR. CONGRESS ONCE AGAIN RENEWED SECURE RULES SCHOOLS ACT FOR TWO YEARS EARLIER THIS YEAR. BY LAW, A PORTION OF THESE FUNDS ARE TRANSFERRED TO THE SCHOOLS VIA THE COUNTY SCHOOL FUND. THE SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET ADDS AN APPROPRIATION OF \$70,000 TO THE COUNTY SCHOOL FOUND PASS THROUGH THOSE FUNDS TO THE SCHOOLS. THIS IS TECHNICALLY A SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET BECAUSE WE ARE INCREASING THE FUND BY MORE THAN 10%. YOU'LL SEE WE'VE DONE ADDITIONAL NOTICING TO MEET THOSE REQUIREMENTS. IN CASE YOU'RE WONDERING THE FUND WAS ONLY \$20,000 TO BEGIN WITH SO WE FAR EXCEEDED THAT THRESHOLD.

[Chair Kafoury returned at 10:49 a.m.]

Chair Kafoury: QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD?

Chair Kafoury: THANKS FOR THE GOOD NEWS THIS MORNING, MIKE. ALL THOSE

IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE BUDGET MODIFICATION IS APPROVED.

R.5 BUDGET MODIFICATION # NON-D-07-15: Increases Appropriations for the Special Excise Tax Fund and BIT Pass Through to East County Cities. Presenters: Michael Jaspin, Economist and Eric Arellano, Deputy Chief Financial Officer.

Mr. Jaspin: MIKE JASPIN FROM THE BUDGET OFFICE AGAIN. THIS BUDGET MODIFICATION DOES TWO THINGS. FIRST INCREASING THE GENERAL FUND BY \$64,000, THE PASS-TOUGH WE TALKED ABOUT PREVIOUSLY. TECHNICALLY THIS IS 25% OF THE FIRST.6%, ABOUT 10% OF OUR BIT COLLECTIONS IN ENGLISH. SECOND IT INCREASES THE SPECIAL EXCISE TAX FUND AND BIT PASS-THROUGH AS SPECIFIED IN THE COUNTY CODE.

Chair Kafoury: QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE BUDGET MODIFICATION IS APPROVED THANK YOU. SO WE HAVE HAD A REQUEST TO TAKE R.6 AND R.7 IN REVERSE ORDER. WE WILL START WITH R.7.

R.7 PROCLAMATION Proclaiming June 25, 2015 as Elder Abuse Awareness Day in Multnomah County, Oregon. Presenters: Kathryn Tennyson, Mark Sanford, Barbara Bernstein, and Invited Guests.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK MOVES AND COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.7.

Commissioner Shiprack: THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, AND WHILE OUR PRESENTERS ARE STEPPING UP TO THE PLATE. EVERY-YEAR THE ADMINISTRATION ON AGING SPONSORS ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY, WHICH IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR COMMUNITIES TO PROMOTE BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF ABUSE AND NEGLECT OF OLDER PERSONS. ANNUALLY AN ESTIMATED FIVE MILLION OLDER AMERICANS ARE 76 OF ELDER ABUSE, NEGLECT OR EXPLOITATION. ELDER ABUSE AFFECTS PHYSICAL, MENTAL AND FINANCIAL HEALTH, AND SAFETY OF VULNERABLE ELDERS IN OUR COMMUNITY. MULTNOMAH COUNTY PROVIDES A RANGE OF SERVICES FOR OLDER ADULTS WHO ARE UNABLE TO CARE FOR THEMSELVES INCLUDING INVESTIGATION OF ALLEGATIONS OF ABUSE, ASSISTING OLDER ADULTS WITH A PUBLIC GUARDIANSHIP PROGRAM, TRAINING NONTRADITIONAL SOURCES TO RECOGNIZE SIGNS OF ABUSE THROUGH THE GATEKEEPER PROGRAM, AND PROVIDING INFORMATION FOR THE PUBLIC TO RECOGNIZE WARNING SIGNS OF ABUSE OR NEGLECT. TODAY WE'RE GOING TO HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF OUR INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE FOR ABUSE PREVENTION KNOWN AS ICAP WHICH TAKES A COLLABORATIVE TEAM APPROACH IN IDENTIFYING GAPS IN THE SYSTEM. I BELIEVE COMMISSIONER SMITH WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A FEW COMMENTS BEFORE I TURN IT OVER TO OUR PANEL.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER AND THANK YOU PRESENTERS. AMERICANS HAVE JOINED PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD SINCE JUNE 15TH, 2006, ALMOST 10 YEARS TO SHOW OUR COMMITMENT TO ELIMINATE ELDER ABUSE IN OUR COMMUNITIES. ELDERS ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES LOSE AN ESTIMATED \$2.6 BILLION OR MORE ANNUALLY AS A RESULT OF ELDER FINANCIAL ABUSE AND EXPLOITATION. THESE ARE FUNDS THAT COULD BE USED TO PAY FOR BASIC NEEDS SUCH AS HOUSING, FOOD, AND MEDICAL CARE. UNFORTUNATELY NO ONE IS IMMUNE TO ABUSE, NEGLECT AND EXPLOITATION BUT AFRICAN-AMERICAN, LATINO, NATIVE AMERICAN, LOW-INCOME AND SOCIALLY ISOLATED OLDER ADULTS ARE VICTIMIZED AT A VERY HIGH RATE. ELDER ABUSE HAS CAUSED A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS THAT TRAVELS THROUGH SOCIOECONOMIC LINES AND IS AN AFFRONT TO HUMAN RIGHTS AROUND THE WORLD AS STATED BY PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA. FINALLY, I WANT TO RECOGNIZE AND AFFIRM THE DAILY EFFORTS OF THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES AND THE MULTIDISCIPLINARY PARTNERS WORKING TO PROTECT OUR MOST VULNERABLE COMMUNITY MEMBERS. WE KNOW EVERY PERSON, NO MATTER HOW YOUNG OR OLD, DESERVES TO BE SAFE FROM HARM BY THOSE WHO LIVE WITH THEM, CARE FOR THEM OR COME IN CONTACT WITH THEM ON A DAILY BASIS. SO I REALLY APPLAUD YOUR WORK AND KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK. AND THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING.

Ms. Tennyson: GOOD MORNING, CHAIR KAFOURY, MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION, MY NAME IS KATHERINE TENNYSON, I'M THE CHIEF PROBATE JUDGE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY AND HAVE BEEN AN ACTIVE MEMBER OF ICAP FOR SEVERAL YEARS AS PART OF MY JOB. WE BELIEVE AND COORDINATED RESPONSE TO ELDER ABUSE IS REALLY THE ONLY WAY TO GOVERNMENT YOU ALL MAY BE AWARE THAT AS OF JANUARY OF 2015 ALL LAWYERS BECAME MANDATORY REPORTERS OF ELDER ABUSE, NOT JUST CHILD ABUSE. THERE HAVE BEEN EFFORTS TO EDUCATE LAWYERS ON THEIR DUTIES RELATED TO THAT. WE NOW HAVE AS A RESULT OF THAT CHANGE 19,000 MORE MANDATORY REPORTERS THAN WE DID BEFORE JANUARY OF 2015. WHAT THAT'S DONE IS RATED NOT ONLY AN ADDITIONAL SELF-EVIDENT EYES AND EARS BUT ALSO HAS PROVIDED THE NEED FOR CONTINUED COMMITMENT TO WHAT DO WE DO WHEN WE GET THOSE REPORT, RIGHT? SO ONE OF THE THINGS I THINK IS POORLY UNDERSTOOD PERHAPS IN THE COMMUNITY BUT WELL UNDERSTOOD BY THIS COMMISSION IS THAT THE QUALITY OF A JUDGE'S DECISIONS ARE ONLY AS GOOD AS THE INFORMATION WE GET WHEN WE MAKE THEM.

IF WE DON'T HAVE PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY DOING THEIR JOBS WELL, WE CAN'T GIVE PEOPLE EFFECTIVE AND FAIR JUSTICE. THIS COMMISSION SUPPORTS THE ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES. THIS COMMISSION SUPPORTS

THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY SHERIFF, THE D.A.'S OFFICE, THE OFFICE ON PUBLIC GUARDIANS. THIS COMMISSION ALSO SUPPORTS SPECIAL ADVOCATES FOR VULNERABLE OREGONIANS NOW KNOWN AS GUARDIAN PARTNERS, AND ALSO WORKS TO HELP US WITH MEETINGS WE HAVE TO HELP COORDINATE COMMUNITY SERVICES. YOU PLAY A VERY LARGE PART IN MAKING SURE THERE ARE PLENTY OF WELL-TRAINED AND EXCELLENT PEOPLE OUT IN THE FIELD DOING THE WORK THAT NEEDS TO BE DONE SO CASES CAN BE PRESENTED TO THE COURT IN A WAY THAT MAKES SENSE. ONCE JUDGES HAVE INFORMATION, WE HAVE TO KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH IT. I WANT TO REASSURE YOU THAT THE OREGON JUDICIAL BRANCH IS NOT LAYING AROUND TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO DO THESE CASES. WE'RE ACTUALLY TAKING A VERY ACTIVE ROLE AND TRYING TO MAKE SURE THAT JUDGE TRAINED. THE STRATEGIC PLAN THAT WAS JUST ADOPTED RECENTLY EMPHASIZES THAT WE NEED TO IMPROVE AND PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO MAKING SURE THAT WE ARE PREPARED FOR ISSUES RELATED TO VULNERABLE ADULTS AND ELDERS IN OUR COMMUNITY.

Ms. Tennyson: WE ARE DOING ACTIVE TRAINING OF JUDGES ALL OVER THE STATE AND WE'LL FOCUS AGAIN ON IN THAT OUR JUDICIAL CONFERENCE COMING UP, SPECIFICALLY IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY IN RESPONSE TO SOME OF WHAT WE'VE HEARD AT ICAP AND OTHER PLACES, WE'VE MADE CHANGES TO OUR DOCKETS. FOR EXAMPLE, WE HAVE ALL OF THE ELDER PROTECTION CASES HEARD AT 10:30 INSTEAD OF 9:00, 10:30 BEING A MORE ELDER FRIENDLY TIME. IT TAKES HE WOULDSEERS OUT OF THE HUSTLE AND BUSTLE OF THE 9:00 DOCKET. THESE ARE SOME WAYS THAT WE ARE TRYING TO WORK TOGETHER TO MAKE SURE WHAT WE ARE PROVIDING FOR CITIZENS IS AN ACTIVE RESPONSE TO WHAT WE BELIEVE IS SOMETHING THAT IS NOT ONLY GOING TO -- NOT ONLY AFFECTING MANY PEOPLE NOW BUT WILL AFFECT MORE PEOPLE AS THEY AGE INTO THEIR CAPACITY ISSUES. I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL FOR THE SUPPORT THAT YOU DEMONSTRATE TO THE COURT AND ALSO TO THE PEOPLE THAT ARE WORKING ON THE COMMITTEE.

Mr. Sanford: GOOD MORNING, CHAIR, COMMISSIONERS, I'M MARK SANFORD, THE PUBLIC GUARDIAN AND CONSERVATIVE FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY. I'D LIKE TO BEGIN BY THANKING FOR YOU YOUR LEADERSHIP IN ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF VULNERABLE ADULTS WHO ARE VICTIMS OF ABUSE AND NEGLECT AND FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION. AS YOU KNOW, THE PROBLEM OCCURS IN EVERY DEMOGRAPHIC AND CAN LITERALLY HOPE TO ANYONE. I'D ALSO LIKE TO SPECIFICALLY THANK COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK AND COMMISSIONER SMITH FOR SPONSORING THE PROCLAMATION TODAY IN RECOGNITION OF WORLD ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY HERE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. AS A GROUP WE'RE HERE TO SHARE SOME RESPECTIVE INSIGHTS FROM OUR AREAS OF PRACTICE BUT WE'RE ALSO HERE REPRESENTING THE I CAP GROUP OR AS I LIKE TO PUT IT, PUT A CAP ON ABUSE. WE MEET REGULARLY TO DISCUSS WAYS TO PROVIDE EDUCATION AND TRAINING ON THE ISSUE WAS ELDER ABUSE, IDENTIFY BARRIERS AND

OPPORTUNITIES FOR EFFECTIVE INTERVENTION AND TO SHARE RESOURCES AND STRATEGIES FOR BUILDING A MODEL SYSTEM TO ADDRESS THIS SIGNIFICANT COMMUNITY NEED.

Mr. Sanford: IN SHORT WE FOCUS ON WHAT'S COMMON REFERRED TO AS THE THREE Ps, PREVENTION, PROTECTION AND PROSECUTION. I WOULD ADD THAT I ATTEND A LOT OF MEETINGS IN MY ROLE AND THIS HAPPENS TO BE ONE OF MY MOST FAVORITE, PRIMARILY BECAUSE OF THE AMOUNT OF EXPERTISE THAT COMES TO THE TABLE. REALLY, THE COMMITMENT AND FOCUS ON THE COMMON GOAL OF ELIMINATING THE ABUSE OF OLDER ADULTS. IN THE FUTURE WE HELP TO COME BACK AND PROVIDE YOU WITH UPDATES ON THE WORK THIS GROUP IS DOING TO IMPACT ELDER ABUSE. ALSO AS A PUBLIC GUARDIAN I'D LIKE TO PERSONALLY THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING MY OFFER ON THE RECENTLY ADOPTED BUDGET THAT WILL PROVIDE INCREASED EDUCATION AND OUTREACH FOR UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS AND ADD A DECISION-MAKING POSITION ALLOWING TO US SERVE MORE VULNERABLE INCAPACITATED ADULTS WHO ARE EXPERIENCING ABUSE, NEGLECTING FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION AND EXTREME SELF-NEGLECT. ALTHOUGH WE'RE CONSIDERED RESOURCE OF LAST RESORT AFTER ALL LESS RESTRICTIVE INTERVENTIONS HAVE BEEN ATTEMPTED, THIS IS A VERY EFFECTIVE TOOL AT STOPPING AND PREVENTING FURTHER ABUSE FOR THIS SPECIFIC POPULATION. ULTIMATELY RESTORING THESE INDIVIDUALS' LIVES. I LOOK FORWARD TO COMING BACK IN THE FUTURE TO ADVOCATE FOR ONGOING FUNDING FOR THE POSITION, IN ORDER TO MEET THE RISING NEED IN THIS AREA.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

Ms. Lewis: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME'S TINA LEWIS, I HAVE THE PLEASURE OF REPRESENTING MULTNOH COUNTY ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES THIS MORNING. THANK YOU FOR WELCOMING US. I WANT TO THANK ALL MY PARTNERS TODAY THAT ARE PART OF ICA PNCH IN JOINING ME TO RECOGNIZE ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS DAY. AS COMMISSIONER SMITH SAID WHILE THIS IS A DAY RECOGNIZED WORLDWIDE, I WANT TO FOCUS A BIT MORE THIS MORNING ON ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES HERE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. OUR EMPLOYEES BELIEVE THAT ALL RESIDENTS HERE DESERVE TO LIVE IN SAFETY, FREE FROM ABUSE, NEGLECT AND FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION. I JUST WANT TO SHARE A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT WE'RE DOING IN ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES. WE HAVE 30 INVESTIGATORS SPREAD ACROSS SIX LOCATIONS ACROSS THE COUNTY INVESTIGATING ABUSE AND NEGLECT OF OLDER ADULTS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. THAT'S FOLKS IN THEIR HOMES AND IN FACILITIES ACROSS THE COUNTY.

OUR INVESTIGATORS FACE DANGER, DIFFICULTY AND HARD CHOICES EVERY DAY IN THEIR JOBS. THE LAST FISCAL YEAR WE RECEIVED OVER 6500 REFERRALS OF ELDER ABUSE AND COMPLETED 2400 INVESTIGATIONS. MUD

AMAZING THING IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY, WE'RE THE ONLY COUNTY IN THE STATE TO HAVE A DEDICATED DEDUCT PROTECTIVE SERVICE MULTIDISCIPLINARY ATTEMPT THOSE TEAMS CONSIST OF NURSES, MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS AND CASE MANAGER ASSISTANCE. THEY ALLOW US TO DO MORE THAN AN INVESTIGATION TO, ALSO DO INTERVENTION. THOSE INTERVENTIONS INCLUDE SHORT-TERM IN-HOME MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING FOR OLDER ADULT DEPOSITION THROUGH A GRIEVING PROCESS, MAYBE AFTER A LOSS OF A SPOUSE. THEY INCLUDE NURSES HELPING INDIVIDUALS ESTABLISH WITH PRIMARY CARE PHYSICIANS WHEN THEY MAY NOT HAVE DOCTORS. THEY INCLUDE OUR CASE MANAGER ASSISTANCE, GETTING A SENIOR TO A DOCTOR APPOINTMENT FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MANY YEARS BEFORE WE CAN ESTABLISH ONGOING TRANSPORTATION FOR THAT PERSON. AND THEN OF COURSE REFERRING TO ONGOING IN-HOME SERVICES AT TIME GUARDIANSHIP, CONSERVATORSHIP AND AT OTHER TIMES ALSO HELPING SENIORS AND OLDER ADULTS GET RESTRAINING ORDERS.

Ms. Lewis: ANOTHER REALLY IMPORTANT PART OF OUR TEAM AT DUMENT PROTECTIVE SERVICES IS THE FINANCIAL BEAUTY SPOIFT TEAMS. THEY INVESTIGATE REALLY COMPLEX PLOYS TATION CASES. ANOTHER INTERESTING THING THEY DO, THEY DO A LOT OF TRAININGS AROUND TOWN FOR REALTORS, PROPERTY MANAGERS, SPEAKING TO THOSE PEOPLE ABOUT WHAT TO LOOK OUT FOR WHEN IT COMES TO ELDER FINANCIAL ABUSE. ALSO ONE REALLY EXCITING THING WE DID LAST YEAR IS FOR THE FIRST TIME WE EMBEDDED ONE OF OUR APS INVESTIGATORS WITH THE PORTLAND POLICE ELDER CRIMES UNIT. SHE IS ABLE TO FOCUS ON INVESTIGATING ALONG WITH THE POLICE THE MOST HEINOUS NEGLECT AND SEXUAL ASSAULT OF OLDER ADULTS THAT HAPPENS IN OUR COMMUNITY. SHE WAS ACTUALLY RECENTLY RECOGNIZED BY THE PORTLAND POLICE WITH A UNIT COMMENDATION FOR HER WORK WITH THEM. TO SUM UP, I JUST AS JUDGE TENNYSON SAID WE'VE HAD A RECENT EXPANSION OF THE MANDATORY REPORTERS AND I DON'T UNDERSTAND ATTORNEYS ADDED WERE DENTISTS, CHIROPRACTORS, LEGISLATORS. WE ALL IN THIS COMMUNITY HAVE A RESPONBILITY TO PROTECT THOSE WHO CAN'T PROTECT THEMSELVES. I'M GLAD THAT WE CAN BE HERE TODAY TO REAFFIRM OUR COMMITMENT TO KEEPING THE MOST VULNERABLE PEOPLE IN OUR COMMUNITIES HEALTHY AND INDEPENDENT. THANK YOU.

Ms. Anderson: GOOD MORNING, CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS, I WANT TO THANK OUR PARTNERS, TOO, FOR BEING HERE AND THANK YOU FOR HEARING FROM US. MY NAME IS TRACY ANDERSON, I'M A SENIOR DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY AT YOUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE. I REALIZE THE COMMENTS AND APPRECIATE THE COMMENTS OF JUDGE TENNYSON AND ECHO THAT THE INFORMATION SHE NEEDS TO MAKE THOSE INFORMED DECISIONS FALLS SQUARELY ON US AS PARTNERS AS BEING ABLE TO DO THE CRITICAL WORK THAT'S VITAL TO BE ABLE TO BRING TO THE COURT

INFORMATION ON WHICH THEY CAN MAKE THOSE DECISIONS. I WANT TO LET YOU KNOW OUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IS COMMITTED TO THAT AND DEDICATED. WE HAVE MELISSA WITH US HERE WHO IS OUR DEDICATED ELDER ABUSE AND FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION EXPERT WHO FOCUSES ON THAT CASELOAD EXCLUSIVELY.

Ms. Anderson: YOU SHOULD ALSO KNOW THAT I LEAD A UNIT IN THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE UNIT THAT PROSECUTORS AND SPECIALIZES IN VIOLENCE BETWEEN INTIMATE PARTNERS AND ALSO FAMILIAL FAMILIAL OUR HOUSEHOLD VIOLENCE OF A PHYSICAL NATURE OR SEXUAL ASSAULT. WE HAVE ANOTHER UNIT HEADED BY CHRIS RAMOS WHO ATTEND AT THE ELDER MDT WHO HANDLED EXPLOITATION OF ELDERS IN A NON-FAMILY RELATIONSHIP. WE ARE EXCITED TO PARTICIPATE AND EXPLORE AN ELDER FATALITY REVIEW AS WE DO IN THE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CIRCUMSTANCE ALREADY WE BELIEVE WE CAN INFORM EACH OTHER, LEARN FROM EACH OTHER AND BRING JUDGE TENNYSON AND HER GROUP THE BEST INFORMATION. I'D LIKE YOU TO HEAR FROM MELISSA.

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING.

Ms. Marerro: I AM MELISSA MARRERO, A DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND SPECIFICALLY OUR ELDER FINANCIAL ABUSE DEPUTY D.A., I SPECIALIZE IN THESE CASE AND PROSECUTOR PRIMARILY THESE CASES AND WORK WITH A LOT OF OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT, EPS AND OTHER PARTNERS IN THE COMMUNITY TO REALLY MAKE SURE WE ARE DOING ALL THAT WE CAN TO APPROPRIATELY AND SUCCESSFULLY PROSECUTE THE PERPETRATORS OF ABUSE AGAINST OUR ELDER CITIZENS. BETWEEN NOVEMBER OF 2009 AND NOVEMBER OF 2013 WE HAD OVER \$4 MILLION IN RESTITUTION ORDERED TO VICTIMS OF ELDER ABUSE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. OTHER STATISTICS HAVE PUT THE FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF ELDER ABUSE IN THE BILLIONS ON A NATIONWIDE SCALE. I FIGURE THAT I'VE HEARD REPEATED TIME AND TIME AGAIN IS \$2.9 BILLION.

THE TRUTH OF THE MATTER THAT IS ELDER ABUSE AND SPECIFICALLY ELDER FINANCIAL ABUSE IS VERY DIFFICULT TO QUANTIFY. THERE ARE DIFFICULTIES WITH REPORTING, DIFFICULTIES WITH WITNESS AVAILABILITY, WITH HEALTH ISSUES, MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES. AND SO THE CRITICAL WORK THAT'S BEING DONE BY ALL OF THE PARTNERS IN THE COMMUNITY HAS REALLY HELPED US TO BE ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD ON A LOT OF THESE CASES THAT ARE OTHERWISE EXTREMELY DIFFICULT FOR. ALL OF OUR PARTNERS WHO HAVE BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN MAKING SURE THAT WE'RE ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD IN THOSE CASES, THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IS VERY THANKFUL FOR THEM. WE LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO WORK WITH THEM. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION TO THIS VERY IMPORTANT TOPIC AND TO THESE VERY VULNERABLE CITIZENS. I THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING.

Ms. Bernstein: BARBARA BERNSTEIN, THE NEW EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF ELDERS IN ACTION. THANK YOU FOR THIS INVITATION TO SPEAK TODAY. I THINK I'D BE SPEAKING FROM THE VOLUNTEER PERSPECTIVE, THE COMMUNITY AGENCY, HOW WE'RE INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY. IN THE LAST TWO YEARS WE'VE SEEN EXPONENTIAL GROWTH IN THE NUMBER OF ELDERS CALLING US FOR SUPPORT IN ALL SORTS OF ELDER ABUSE SITUATIONS FROM IDENTITY FRAUD TO NEGLECT TO ABUSE. AND I'D LIKE TO REALLY THANK THE PARTNERSHIP THAT WE HAVE WITH MULTNOMAH COUNTY BECAUSE IT ALLOWS US TO REALLY FULFILL THE MISSION OF ACTIVE ENGAGEMENT OF OLDER ADULTS. OUR VOLUNTEERS ARE IN THE COMMUNITY PAIRED WITH OLDER ADULTS IN NEED TO HELP THEM RESOLVE PROBLEMS THAT THEY ARE FACING. I'D LIKE TO SHARE ONE PARTICULAR STORY TO TELL YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT HOW WE WORK. WE HAD AN ELDER CALL US BECAUSE SHE NEEDED RENT ASSISTANCE. WE PAIRED HER WITH A VOLUNTEER TO SEE HOW WE MIGHT DO A BENEFITS CHECK, HELP HER THINK ABOUT HER BUDGET TOGETHER.

WHEN WE ARRIVED WE SAW SHE WAS ACTUALLY LIVING WITH A GRANDSON WHO HAD CHARGED \$800 IN COMCAST BILLS. AND THE WOMAN REALLY COULD AFFORD TO LIVE IN HER APARTMENT BUT SHE HAD PAID HER BILL INSTEAD OF HER RENT. AND HER GRANDSON HAD ACTUALLY JUST RECENTLY COME OUT OF PRISON, HE HAD A RESTRAINING ORDER AGAINST HIM THAT SHE HAD TAKEN OUT BUT THAT SHE DIDN'T WANT TO REALLY CONTACT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR BECAUSE SHE DIDN'T WANT HIM TO GO BACK TO PRISON. SHE WAS LIVING IN THIS VERY PRECARIOUS AND ABUSIVE SITUATION AND SHE NEEDED SUPPORT. IT WAS OUR ADVOCATE THAT WAS ABLE TO LINK HER UP TO THE SERVICES YOU'RE HEARING ABOUT HERE. AND THAT'S WHERE I THINK THE VOLUNTEER REALLY PROVIDES A HELP. IT'S NOT REALLY A GAP IN SERVICES, MORE OF A KIND OF COORDINATED RESPONSE TO THE CHALLENGES THAT WE'RE FACING AND OLDER ADULTS ARE FACING OUT THERE. WE ALSO HAVE LUCKILY AN OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE FIVE OF OUR VOLUNTEERS IN THE GUARDIAN'S ASSISTMENTS MULTNOMAH COUNTY IS REALLY PROVIDING US WITH MEANINGFUL OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR VOLUNTEERS TO BE ENGAGED.

THE AVERAGE AGE OF OUR VOLUNTEERS IS 63 SO OLDER ADULTS HELPING OLDER ADULTS. WE ALSO BORROWED FROM THE GUARDIAN'S MODEL AND WE HAVE TWO OF OUR VOLUNTEERS IN THE ELDER CRIMES UNIT WORKING WITH APS STAFF PEOPLE AND THAT'S ALSO A COORDINATED RESPONSE. OUR VOLUNTEERS ARE RESPONDING TO ELDERS WHO ARE VICTIMS OF CRIME WHOSE CASES DON'T REALLY RISE TO THE LEVEL OF INVESTIGATION. THEY ARE GETTING THE CALL FROM A VOLUNTEER JUST TO LET THEM KNOW, WE'RE HERE, THERE ARE RESOURCES IN THE COMMUNITY, HOW CAN WE

HELP. WE ALSO IN RESPONSE TO THE INCREDIBLE NUMBERS OF CALLS THAT WE'RE GETTING ABOUT FRAUD AND IDENTITY THEFT FROM OLDER ADULTS, WE DON'T HAVE A LOT OF ANSWERS TO GIVE THEM. SO WE HAVE RESPONDED IN A WAY OF TRYING TO GET SOME AWARENESS RAISED OUT THERE AND WE'RE COLLABORATING WITH THE OREGON DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, POLICE DEPARTMENTS, APS, ALL OF YOU ARE COMING TOGETHER TO DELIVER FRAUD PANEL, EDUCATION FRAUD PANELS WHICH WE'VE DONE IN EAST COUNTY, HOLLYWOOD SENIOR CENTER. WE'VE TAKEN THIS MODEL OUT OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY AND WE WERE IN THE CITY OF HILLSBORO SO. WE'RE REALLY TRYING TO REACH OUT TO ALL OF OUR PARTNERS TO INCREASE THE AWARENESS OF THIS ISSUE. WE HAD ABOUT 40 SENIORS IN THE AUDIENCE. SO WE'RE BRINGING TOGETHER OPPORTUNITIES, THE RESOURCES IN THE COMMUNITY WITH THE PEOPLE WHO NEED TO HEAR THE INFORMATION. WE REALLY THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT. WITHOUT IT WE WOULD NOT BE ABLE TO DO THIS GREAT WORK. THANK YOU, OUR VOLUNTEERS. CONFUSES THANK YOU. QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD?

Commissioner Smith: MADAM CHAIR, I HAVE A COMMENT. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE WORK YOU DO ON BEHALF OF SENIORS HERE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY AND OUT OF THE COUNTY. TO HAMMER THAT POINT HOME THAT YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT, NO ONE IS IMMUNE FROM THIS. ONE OF MY FELLOW COMMISSIONERS IN MASKED ME WHAT I WAS WORKING ON ABOUT A YEAR AGO. WE SIT ON ACKNOWLEDGE IMPACT BOARD TOGETHER. SO I START TO TELL HIM THIS STORY ABOUT WHEN PEOPLE CALL YOU, YOU KNOW, A YOUNG PERSON, GRAND MARKS GET ME OUT OF JAIL, I'M IN MEXICO. YOU KNOW THAT SCAM? SO I WAS TELLING HIM ABOUT THIS. AND AS I WAS TALKING TO HIM TEARS STARTED COMING FROM HIS EYES. HE SAID THEY GOT ME, TOO. AND SO THIS IS A PRETTY SAVVY FELLOW, HE HAS A LAW DEGREE, YOU KNOW, HE'S VERY ENGAGED, BUT THAT VERY SIMPLE SCHEME GOT TO HIM, TOO. BECAUSE THEY TELL YOU THE GRANDKID SAYS, DON'T TELL MOM HE AND DAD, AND YOU KNOW HOW GRANDPARENTS WE ARE, WE WANT TO PROTECT OUR GRANDCHILDREN. "OK, I WON'T TELL, I'LL JUST SEND YOU THE MONEY." YOU KNOW, IT'S RUNNING RAMPANT THROUGH THE COMMUNITY IN TERMS OF FINANCIAL FRAUD AND ABUSE AND IT'S HAPPENING AT EVERY LEVEL IN OUR COMMUNITY. SO I THINK ALL THE WORK YOU DO, YOU NEED TO BE APPLAUDED AND KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK. THANK YOU.

Commissioner McKeel: I WANT TO THANK COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK AND COMMISSIONER SMITH FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD AND I WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR BEING HERE TODAY AND ALL OF THE WORK THAT YOU DO. AS THE ELDER ON THIS BOARD I AM VERY APPRECIATIVE OF THE WORK THAT YOU DO. AND THAT YOU HAVE THE BACKS OF OUR ELDERS IN OUR COMMUNITY. I HAD A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. JUDGE, AID QUESTION, YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT THE CASES AND LOOKING AT THE DOCKET AND SETTING THE TIMES DIFFERENTLY TO ACCOMMODATE THE ELDERS COMING

IN. I WAS JUST CURIOUS, I SAW YOU AT THE EAST COUNTY COURTHOUSE YESTERDAY. ARE SOME OF THESE CASES OCCURRING AT THE EAST COUNTY COURTHOUSE?

Ms. Tennyson: IT WOULD DEPEND ON WHICH DOCKET THEY ARE ON. MOST OF THE CASES SET FOR THE SHORT HEARINGS ARE ALL SET DOWNTOWN. IF THEY ARE ON A LONGER DOCKET AND INVOLVED EAST COUNTY RESIDENTS THEY WOULD GO ON THE DOCKET THAT WOULD GET THEM TO A WEDNESDAY HEARING. WE DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO KEEP PEOPLE CLOSE TO HOME IF WE CAN'T AND UTILIZE THE BEAUTIFUL FACILITY YOU ALL BUILT FOR US.

Commissioner McKeel: ALSO I WAS INTERESTED IN TALKING ABOUT HAVING MORE INVESTIGATORS HERE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. I WAS INTERESTED IN THE GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION. DO WE HAVE DATA ON GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION IN THE COUNTY? IS THIS OCCURRING MORE -- IS IT MORE PREVALENT IN SOME PARTS OF THE COUNTY THAN OTHERS?

Ms. Lewis: ONE THING I CAN TELL YOU, WE ACTUALLY RECENTLY MOVED ONE OF OUR INVESTIGATORS POSITIONS FROM SOUTHEAST PORTLAND TO EAST COUNTY BECAUSE WE WERE ABLE TO SEE BASED ON THE DATA THERE'S BEEN A LARGE SHIFT OF POPULATION TO MYTH MID AND EAST COUNTY. OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS WE HAD A HIGHER NUMBER OF REFERRALS IN THAT PART OF TOWN. AND FEWER REFERRALS CLOSE IN, IN SOUTHEAST PORTLAND. WE DID RECENTLY MOVE A POSITION OUT THAT WAY IN ORDER TO MEET THE DEMAND OF HIGHER REFERRALS. WE CONTINUE TO LOOK AT THIS OVER TIME AND CONTINUE TO MONITOR HOW REFERRALS COME IN AND THE POPULATION CHANGES AND WHERE INVESTIGATORS NEED TO BE DISTRIBUTED. THEY ARE FROM DOWNTOWN OUT TO THE EAST COUNTY, GRESHAM OFFICE.

Commissioner McKeel: AND ALSO YOU TALKED ABOUT THAT YOU FOLLOW UP ON PEOPLE'S REPORTS OF ABUSE. SO FOR THE PEOPLE LISTENING OR WATCHING IF THEY WANT TO REPORT ELDER ABUSE HOW DO THEY DO THAT?

Ms. Lewis: 503-988-4450. THAT'S THE NUMBER FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY AND THEY WILL REACH AN INVESTIGATOR ON THE PHONE WHO WILL BE ABLE TO TAKE THEIR INFORMATION AND SCREEN IT RIGHT THERE AND GATHER THE INFORMATION FROM THEM.

Commissioner McKeel: THAT'S GREAT, THANK YOU. I THINK I HEARD A JUDGE SAY THAT THIS IS A COORDINATED COMMUNITY RESPONSE. I THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND YOUR ACTION AROUND THIS, THANK YOU.

Vice-Chair Bailey: THANK YOU, SHARE. I WANT TO THANK COMMISSIONER SMITH AND COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. WHEN I SERVED IN THE LEGISLATURE I HAD THE PLEASURE OF WATCHING AND

HELPING REPRESENTATIVE HIGH SCHOOL AND REPRESENTATIVE GILLIAM ADDRESS THIS ISSUE AT A STATE LEVEL. ONE A DEMOCRAT, AND ONE A REPUBLICAN. I THINK IT'S INDICATIVE OF HOW PRESSING THIS CHALLENGE IS. IT BRINGS TOGETHER PEOPLE FROM ALL PARTIES AND ALL WALKS OF LIFE BECAUSE IT IS UNFORTUNATELY ENDEMIC AS A PROBLEM AND ONE WE HAVE TO ADDRESS. SO I APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK YOU ALL ARE DOING ON IT AND LOOK FORWARD TO MORE COLLABORATION.

Chair Kafoury: DO YOU WANT TO READ THE PROCLAMATION?

[Commissioner Shiprack read the Proclamation into the record.]

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE PROCLAMATION IS ADOPTED. [APPLAUSE]

R.6 RESOLUTION Acknowledging Multnomah County's Participation in the National Association of Counties Stepping Up Initiative. Presenters: Nancy Griffith, Corrections Health; Abbey Stamp, LPSCC; David Hidalgo, Mental Health and Addictions Services.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER MCKEEL MOVES AND COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.6.

Commissioner Shiprack: I WAS GOING ASK IF YOU'RE TIRED OF ME YET. [LAUGHTER]

Chair Kafoury: NO, I'M NOT TIRED, I'M SO EXCITED FOR THIS NEXT AGENDA ITEM. WOULD YOU LIKE TO START?

Commissioner Shiprack: GOOD, I WOULD. THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST DEPRESSION ISSUES WE FACE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. IT'S THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE CAN MOINT AND CO-OCCURRING SUBSTANCE DISORDER OCCURRING IN JAIL, ACTUALLY JAILS, TECHNICALLY. THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE HAVING RELATIVELY SMALL OFFENSES. MULTNOMAH COUNTY HAS LAUNCHED SEVERAL INITIATIVES IN RESPONSE, OUR PRESENTERS TODAY WILL DISCUSS. AND WE ARE RECOGNIZED ALREADY AS A NATIONAL LEADER FOR MANY OF THEM. IT'S NOT JUST A LOCAL PROBLEM. STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ACROSS THE COUNTRY ARE FACING THIS ISSUE, AND IN RESPONSE TO THAT THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES TOGETHER WITH THE COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS, JUSTICE CENTER AND THE AMERICAN PSYCHIATRIC FOUNDATION HAVE LAUNCHED THIS STEPPING UP INITIATIVE.

Ms. Griffith: IT WOULD BE ME, GOOD MORNING, CHAIR KAFOURY AND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK ABOUT THE SUPPORT OF THE STEPPING UP INITIATIVE TO REDUCE MENTALLY ILL AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE CLAIMS IN THE JAIL. I'M GOING TO TALK ABOUT

CURRENT SERVICE LEVELS AND NEAL WILL TALK ABOUT SOME NEW GRANTS AND OPPORTUNITIES AND LEGISLATIVE BILLS AND I'M GOING TO TALK ABOUT THE GREAT WORK LPSCC IS SPONSORING. WE HAVE A VARIETY OF PROGRAMS THAT ADDRESS THIS ISSUE FROM THE COUNTY'S FORENSIC JAILS DIVERSION PROGRAM TO OUR SUPPORT WITH COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE AGENCIES TO DO FORENSIC ASSERTIVE COMMUNITY TREATMENT. WE HAVE A WALK-IN CLINIC, PROJECT RESPOND, WE HAVE CATC, WE HAVE DISCHARGE PLANNERS IN THE JAIL WHO MAKE REFERRALS TO PRIMARY SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND WE MAKE SEVERAL HUNDRED REFERRAL AS MONTH TO DIFFERENT KINDS OF AGENCIES.

Ms. Griffith: WE ALSO HAVE DCJ HAS A WONDERFUL MENTALLY ILL OFFENDERS UNIT THAT REALLY ASSISTS PEOPLE WHO HAVE SIGNIFICANT SYSTEMS WITH MENTAL ILLNESS TO TRY TO GET THROUGH THEIR COURT ORDERED CONDITIONS. AND THEN WE HAVE SUPPORTIVE HOUSE AND HOUSING AS YOU ALL KNOW, WE NEVER HAVE ENOUGH HOUSING. BUT WE DO HAVE SOME SUPPORTED HOUSING AND WORKING TOWARDS MAKING THAT BETTER IN OUR COMMUNITY. RECENTLY THE COUNTY HAS TAKEN ON DEVELOPING SOME INCREASED COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE CUTE CARE HOSPITALS, PORTLAND POLICE BUREAU TO TRY TO DEVELOP SOME COUNTY -- YOU KNOW, FOR A CLIENT TO HAVE A TREATMENT CARE PLAN IN WHICH EVERYBODY WHO TOUCHES THAT PERSON CAN KIND OF SEE AND MAKE SURE THAT THEY FOLLOW THE PLAN FOR THAT PERSON. WE'RE TRIAL REALLY HARD TO GET GOOD DON'T NEWS OF CARE FOR THESE PEOPLE SO THEY DON'T BOUNCE FROM INSTITUTION TO INSTITUTION TO INSTITUTION. WE'RE REALLY HAPPY ABOUT THAT NEW WORK THE COUNTY IS DOING. I'M GOING TO TURN THIS PRESENTATION OVER TO NEAL SO HE CAN TALK ABOUT SOME OF THE NEW GRANTS AND SOME OF THE NEW LEGISLATIVE BILLS.

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING.

Mr. Rotman: GOOD MORNING, CHAIR KAFOURY, COMMISSIONERS, I'M NEAL ROTMAN WITH MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTIONS SERVICES. WE ARE MAINTAINING A FOCUS AND SUPPORT OF PREVENTION SERVICES, CRISIS SERVICES, HOUSING SUPPORT FOR PERSONNING EXPERIENCING BEHAVINT ON A NEW POOLT PROJECT THAT PROVIDES STABILIZATION HOUSING FOR INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM THAT ARE MANAGING MENTAL HEALTH CONDITIONS. THE PROGRAM IS CALLED STP, STABILIZATION FOR TREATMENT PREPAREDNESS AND WE WILL BE OPENING IN JULY. THIS IS COLLABORATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY JUSTICE THAT WILL PROVIDE TEMPORARY SHELTER-LIKE HOUSING FOR UP TO 16 INDIVIDUALS AT A TIME. HOUSING SERVICES L.P. WILL BE OPERATING BESIDE CENTRAL CITY CONCERN, JAIL STAFF, AND JAIL DIVERSION STAFF WILL BE PROVIDED WEEKDAY SERVICES AT THE NEW PROGRAM. SPECIALTY MENTAL HEALTH OUTPATIENT PROVIDERS, PROVIDING TREATMENT FOR THE FORENSIC POPULATION. THE OPEN HOUSE IS JULY 7TH AND WE HOPE TO SEE

YOU THERE. UPDATES INCLUDE INCREASES IN OVERALL REFERRALS TO THE PROGRAM. THE PASS OF LE HOUSE BILL 2420 REQUIRES OUR TEAM TO MANAGE REFERRALS IN A MORE SYSTEMATIC WAY VERSUS THE SELECTIVE REFERRAL PROCESS WE'VE BEEN UTILIZING FOR THE LAST FIVE YEARS.

Ms. Griffith: WE HAVE DEVELOPED A CONSISTENT EVALUATION TOOL AND PROCESS FOR OUR TEAM AS WELL AS OUR PARTNERS OF CORRECTIONS HEALTH AND THE SHERIFF'S STAFF. THE EVALUATION WILL ASSESS FOR READINESS OF TREATMENT, MENTAL HEALTH HISTORY AND SYMPTOM MANAGEMENT AND WILL ASSIST IN RECOMMENDATIONS FOR TREATMENT, PLANS FOR PLACEMENT AND COMMUNITY SUPERVISION. SERVICES WILL INCLUDE A BRIDGE FOR BASIC NEEDS, MEDICATIONS, HOUSING AND SAFETY NET TREATMENT SERVICES, ENSURE RECIDIVISM AND DECOMPENSATION DON'T OCCUR. INCREASING DAILY COORDINATION WITH THE JUSTICE TRIAGE PROGRAM AT KATCI AND PROJECT RESPOND. EARLY IDENTIFICATION IS KEY IN GETTING INDIVIDUALS INTO NEEDED TREATMENT PRIOR TO A CRIMINAL OFFENSE. FREEING THEIR CAPACITY SO THEY CAN FOCUS ON CRISIS CALLS AND STARTING COMMUNITY AND HOSPITAL CRISIS DIVERSIONS. THE GRANT FUNDING FOR THE STAFFING WILL ALLOW TO US MEET THE INCREASED CASELOADS WE'RE ALREADY EXPERIENCING THIS MONTH BUT MAY REQUIRE ADDITIONAL SUPPORT IN THE AUTO FUTURE TO MEET INCREASING DEMAND. WE'VE ALREADY RECEIVED A 100% INCREASE IN REFERRALS TO THE FORENSIC FRESHMAN FROM HB2420. OUR CURRENT GRANT FUNDING HAS ALLOWED THE DIVISION TO ADDRESS MANY SYSTEM ISSUES AND TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL STAFFING TO PROVIDE NECESSARY SERVICES TO MEET THESE INCREASED DEMANDS. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING.

Ms. Stamp: GOOD MORNING, CHAIR KAFOURY, COMMISSIONERS, ABBEY STAMP, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL. IT'S AN HONOR TO BE HERE TODAY AND TALK ABOUT THIS INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT TOPIC. IT'S GRADE TO HAVE NANCY AND NEAL TALK ABOUT THE WORK HAPPENING IN OUR JAILS AND COMMUNITIES TO HELP MITIGATE THE IMPACT OF FOLKS WITH BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ISSUES IN OUR JAIL AND CUSTODY SYSTEM. WHAT I WANT TO SPEAK TO VERY BRIEFLY IS THE WORK GOING ON WITHIN THE LPSCC COUNSEL REGARDING RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD ABOUT HOW TO REALLY IN A SYSTEMATIC AND POLLENS MAKE SOME OF THESE ADDITIONAL ENHANCEMENTS AND REALLY SPEAK TO THE WORK THAT MACO IS DOING. IT'S A WONDERFUL TIMING, THE STEPPING UP INITIATIVE, THE WORK IS VERY HOPPING RIGHT NOW. IN BRIEF, WE CAME BEFORE YOU PREVIOUSLY WITH OUR CONSULTANT TO SPEAK TO THE RESULTS OF THE JAIL DIVERSE STUDY WHICH BROUGHT MEDICAL RECORD SEVERAL RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDING THINGS LIKE INFORMATION SHARING AND HOW TO ANALYZE AND BETTER GET A GRASP ON DISPROPORTIONATE REPRESENTATION OF FOLKS

OF COLOR HELD AT DISPROPORTIONATE NUMBERS WHO STRUGGLE WITH MENTAL HEALTH ILLNESS IN OUR JAILS.

Ms. Stamp: THE OTHER THING THAT HAPPENED A COUPLE OF YEARS AGO WE HAD A NUMBER OF STAKEHOLDERS COME TOGETHER OVER A SERIES OF HOURS OF LONG MEETINGS. WE TALKED ABOUT THE GAPS IN OUR SYSTEM. WHAT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO DO IS IDENTIFY PATTERNS AND GAPS. AND THOSE RECOMMENDATIONS ALSO MET AND MATCHED BEAUTIFULLY WITH THE JAIL FEASIBILITY, THE JAIL DIVERSE FEASIBILITY STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS. WHAT LPSCC HAS BEEN ABLE TO DO IS COMBINE AND CALL ALL THESE RECOMMENDATIONS AND KEEP IT ALIVE AND NOT HAVE RECOMMENDATIONS SITTING ON OUR SHELVES IN A BEAUTIFULLY BALANCED DOCUMENT BUT TO KEEP IT ALIVE AND WELL. AT A RECENT LPSCC MENTAL HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING WE TALKED ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT. IT'S A WAY FOR US TO HOLD OUR ORTHOPEDIC FEET TO THE FIRE AND CREATE A WORK PLAN, CONTINUE TO MOVE FORWARD AND DO GOOD WORK FOR THOSE WHO COULD BE SAFELY AND ADEQUATELY TREATED IN THE COMMUNITY RATHER THAN TO BE HELD IN OUR JAIL. THE OTHER NEW AND EXCITING THING IS OUR MACARTHUR FOUNDATION SAFETY AND JUSTICE CHALLENGE WHICH WAS JUST LAUNCHED RECENTLY.

COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK WAS IN WASHINGTON, D.C. WITH SIX OF OUR OTHER PUBLIC SAFETY STAKEHOLDERS FOR THE LAUNCH OF THIS WORK. THANK YOU VERY MUCH TO THE ENTIRE BOARD FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AROUND LPSCC'S APPLICATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS BACK TO YOU ABOUT HOW TO MOVE FORWARD THESE POLICY CHANGES. THIS WORK IS GOING TO PUSH US. IT'S GOING TO PUSH US TO MAKE SOME VERY HARD DECISIONS. THAT'S GOING TO BE THE RIGHT DESCRIPTIONS AND THE RIGHT SHIFTS TO MAKE THESE VERY HARD DISCUSSIONS HAPPEN. HARD DISCUSSIONS ABOUT PHILOSOPHY AND VALUE, NOT JUST ABOUT HOW TO DO THINGS BETTER ABOUT YOU TO PUSH OUR PUBLIC SAFETY PARTNERS TO MAKE THE HARD DECISIONS AND CREATE A JUSTICE BASE AND ADEQUATE ALTERNATIVES TO REDUCE OUR JAIL POPULATIONS. THAT'S GOING TO BE AROUND OUR JAIL POPULATIONS, DISPROPORTIONATE REPRESENTATION OF COMMUNITIES OF COLOR, AND WHAT LOW-LEVEL OFFENDERS COULD BE BETTER SERVED AND SAFELY IN OUR COMMUNITIES. WE WILL CONTINUE TO COMMUNICATE WITH YOU AND WE LOVE WORKING WITH CORRECTIONS SOUTH AND DCHS AND THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT ABOUT HOW TO MOVE THIS WORK FORWARD. HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU HAVE AND HOW WE CAN BETTER ALIGN OUR WORK WITH THE STEPPING UP INITIATIVE.

Commissioner Smith: I HAVE A QUESTION AND A COMMENT. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THAT REPO. WE WERE TOURING THE JAILS YESTERDAY, COMMISSIONER MCKEEL AND COMMISSIONER BAILEY HAVE ALREADY DONE THEIR TOURS, THE OTHER COMMISSIONERS. ONE OF THE THINGS WE HEARD CONSISTENTLY IS THAT THERE WAS SUCH A NEED FOR MENTAL HEALTH KIND

OF CARE IN THE JAILS AT A HIGHER RATE THAN USUAL. WE WENT ON THE FOURTH FLOOR AND I CAN TELL YOU WHO THEY CALLED THE OBAMA LADY, SHE IS THE MOST POPULAR PERSON IN THE JAIL. AND FOR PEOPLE WHO DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS, THIS IS ABOUT THE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM SHE SIGNS UP AND MAKES BEFORE THEY LEAVE TO GET HEALTH CARE SO THEY DON'T MISS THEIR HEALTH CARE. AND IT WAS REALLY AMAZING TO WATCH THE FOLKS IN THE ACTUAL DORMS GIVING OUT THE REACTION HOW GOOD -- I MEAN, THEY HAVE AS. IT WAS REALLY NICE. SO THAT BEING SAID WE SAW FIRSTHAND THE NEED AND WE'VE SEEN IT FOR THE MANY YEARS THAT WE'VE BEEN ON THE BOARD. I'M JUST CURIOUS, THIS STEPPING UP PROJECT Z THAT REQUIRE ANY NEW MONEY FROM US TO DO THIS? OR IS IT JUST KIND OF POLICY SHIFTS AND CHANGES LIKE THOSE COURAGEOUS CONVERSATIONS YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT?

Ms. Stamp: SO AS THE SPONSOR TODAY, I WOULD DEFER TO COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK ABOUT THE SPECIFIC ABOUT THE STEPPING UP. BUT I CAN SPEAK TO THE MACARTHUR WHICH VERY MUCH ALIGNS WITH THE STEPPING UP INITIATIVE DOES COME WITH SOME FUNDING. IT'S A SIX-MONTH PLANNING GRANT FOR \$150,000. IT PUTS US IN A POSITION TO COMPETE WITH 19 OUR JURISDICTIONS TO BE ONE OF 10 SELECTED FOR FUTURE WORK CONCLUSION COULD AWARD US UP TO \$2 MILLION A YEAR.

Commissioner Smith: TO IMPLEMENT THE STEP UP PROGRAM OR THAT'S A TOTALLY DIFFERENT THING?

Commissioner Shiprack: I THINK I CAN HELP ABOUT THAT, COMMISSIONER SMITH, AND THANK YOU.

Commissioner Shiprack: I THINK THIS HAS BEEN A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY FOR A BRIEFING ON WHAT WE'RE DOING WITH PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS IN OUR JAIL CURRENTLY, AND WE ARE REALLY AT THE FOREFRONT. MACO IS WELL AWARE OF THE WORK WE'RE DOING AND IN DECEMBER OF 2014, NACO ANNOUNCED WITH THE COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS -- WHICH HAS BEEN WORKING ON THESE ISSUES REALLY LITERALLY FOR A DECADE -- THAT THE STEPPING UP INITIATIVE. AND THIS IS OUR WAY OF SUPPORTING NA CRONCHTS' NATIONAL EFFORT TO DRAW ATTENTION, I LIKE TO MODESTLY THINK, TO WORK THAT WE ARE ALREADY DOING HERE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. THERE'S NO COST CENTER ASSOCIATED WITH THIS PROCLAMATION. WE ARE JUMPING ON THE BANDWAGON, WHICH IF YOU LOOKED VERY CAREFULLY AT THE BANDWAGON, WE'RE ALSO PULLING IT. VISUALIZE THAT. AND SINCE NACO HAS THEIR NATIONAL CONFERENCE COMING UP IN A COUPLE OF WEEKS THEY WERE VERY EAG FORE US TO HAVE PUT OUR IMPRIMATURE ON THE THERE STEPPING UP RESOLUTION TO BE COUNTED DURING THAT MEETING.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THAT, COMMISSIONER, THAT'S GREAT.

Chair Kafoury: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

Commissioner McKeel: CHAIR, THANK YOU. I JUST HAVE A COMMENT. I WANT TO THANK COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD AND ALSO FOR HER LEADERSHIP AS A BOARD MEMBER OF NACO. AND I THINK AS YOU SAID, WE OFTENTIMES SEE WE ARE LEADING THE REST OF THE COUNTRY IN MANY WAYS. AS MAYOR HALES TALKED ABOUT THIS MORNING, IT'S IMPORTANT TO BE ENGAGED NATIONALLY SO THAT WE CAN LEARN FROM EACH OTHER AND SHARE OUR GOOD WORKS, AS WELL. ANYWAY, THANK YOU, AND THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE TODAY AND YOUR WORK.

Vice-Chair Bailey: I WOULD ECHO THAT, AS WELL. I THINK WE SAID AN ENORMOUS OPPORTUNITY HERE TO JOIN A NATIONAL EFFORT AND LEAD A NATIONAL EFFORT AND TO BE THE PLACE WHERE WE ARE TREATING PEOPLE HUMANELY AND EFFECTIVELY, GETTING PEOPLE HELP THEY NEED THAT'S GOOD FOR THEM AND GOOD FOR OUR BOTTOM LINE. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT EFFORTS THAT ARE COMING TOGETHER TO SUPPORT THAT GOAL. WE HAVE A REALLY OPPORTUNITY HERE SO THANKS FOR PURSUING IT.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU AS WELL FOR COMING TODAY. AND THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK. I'M APPRECIATIVE, ABBEY OF YOUR REMINDING US ABOUT THIS EXCITING OPPORTUNITY THAT WE HAVE WITH THE MACARTHUR FOUNDATION GRANT. THAT ALTHOUGH THIS RESOLUTION IS A CHANCE FOR US TO THANK NACO FOR THANKING US AS WE'RE LEADING THE COUNTRY, WE KNOW WE CAN DO BETTER. THAT'S ONE OF THE REASONS I'M SO EXCITED ABOUT THIS PLANNING GRANT AND THE OPPORTUNITY THAT WILL GIVE US HOPEFULLY WHEN WE WIN TO MAKE SOME REALLY DIFFICULT BUT IMPORTANT CHANGES. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. AND ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE -- SORRY, YOU ARE RIGHT. PUBLIC COMMENT.

Board Clerk: [READS NAME]

Ms. Casper: I'M ANNE CASPER, I'VE BEEN IN AND OUT OF SYSTEM FOR YEARS. I'VE BEEN WORKING WITH THESE GUYS NINE YEARS -- WELL, ACTUALLY YOUR NEW IN THE GROUP ON JAIL DIVERSION AND NOW I'M ACTUALLY FOCUSING MY EFFORTS ON THE UNITY CENTER WHICH I HAVE SAID IS REALLY NICE BECAUSE PEERS ARE THERE AT THE BEGINNING. I CAME HERE TODAY ACTUALLY TO TALK ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH AND THE PUBLIC HEALTH UNIT DIVISION COMING TOGETHER. BUT THIS CAME UP, I'LL JUST LISTEN AND JUST SAY HEY WHAT, I'VE LEARNED HERE. I'M REALLY HAPPY TO SEE WHAT ALL IS GOING ON. I READ THE NACO THING AND AS A PEER I DON'T THINK I REALLY

SUPPORT THE WORDING IN IT. IT DOESN'T TALK ABOUT RECOVERY OR EMPOWERMENT.

Ms. Casper: I ALSO READ THE FEASIBILITY STUDY FROM LPSCC. I WAS IN THE COMMITTEE FOR SEVEN YEARS I THINK UNTIL LAST AUGUST. PEOPLE AND ADULT ISSUES MENTIONED IN THE REPORT, WE WERE ASKED TO DO THAT. AS SOMEONE WHO'S IN THE JAIL SYSTEM, I JUST WANT TO SHARE ME CONCERNS ABOUT THAT. I'M REALLY HAPPY ABOUT THE WORK WE'RE ALL DOING TOGETHER. DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THE MCCARTHER FOUNDATION THING. WE HAVE TO START TO LEARN TO WORK TOGETHER A LITTLE MORE BETWEEN OUR COMMUNITIES. I'M REALLY HAPPY THAT ABBEY AND I ARE ACTUALLY GOING TO THE ORGANIZATION TODAY. I'M GOING TO BE ABLE TO SHOW ABBEY THE PERSPECTIVE OF A PEER. WE NEED SOME MORE OF THOSE RECOVERY MODELS. THAT'S MY COMMENTS FROM WATCHING. I DIDN'T GET ACTUALLY THE DOCUMENT TO LOOK AT BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T HAVE ENOUGH COPIES TO GO AROUND TODAY BUT THAT'S WHAT I WANTED TO SAY. I REALLY HOPE THAT WE WORK MORE TOGETHER IN THE FUTURE. AS YOU'RE MAKING THESE PLANS THAT YOU DO HAVE PEERS THERE AT THE PROCESS, MORE THAN ONE. AND REALLY HAPPY ON JULY 6TH, THE JUDGE, I'M PERING BRINGING SOME PEERS THERE TO MEET THEM, JUST INFORMALLY JUST TO GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER THAT. MIGHT BE A PLACE TO BRING THIS, TOO, AND TALK ABOUT HEY, THIS IS WHAT THE COUNTY'S DOING. LET'S WORK TOGETHER. SO I GUESS I CAN'T SUPPORT IT BECAUSE OF THE LANGUAGE I SAW IN IT BUT I SUPPORT ALL THE WORK THEY ARE DOING.

Commissioner Smith: MADAM CHAIR, I HAVE A QUESTION. WHAT TYPE OF EMPOWERMENT LANGUAGE WOULD YOU SUGGEST?

Ms. Casper: THAT PEOPLE CAN AND DO RECOVER AND ALSO ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF HAVING PEER SERVICES IN THERE. I VOLUNTEERED IN THE JAILS A FEW TIMES IN THE MENTAL HEALTH UNIT. IT WAS REALLY EMPOWERING. IT WAS ALSO INTERESTING TO WATCH HOW PEOPLE IN THE JAILS MAKE COMMUNITIES THEMSELVES. THEIR STORIES ARE SOME OF THE HARDEST STORIES I'VE HEARD EVER. I'VE WORKED WITH REFUGEES TOO BUT REALLY HARD STORIES, BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER THAT WAY. WE AS A PEER COMMUNITY AREN'T THAT WELL ORGANIZED YET. THERE ARE A FEW OF US OUT THERE, I KNOW IT'S NOT EASY FOR THEM TO FIND US BUT I'M ALWAYS AROUND AND WILLING TO BRING PEOPLE IN. LET'S TRY TO WORK TOGETHER.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR COMMENTS ANNE, I APPRECIATE YOU STEPPING FORWARD AND TALKING TO US ABOUT THE MUCH-NEEDED REMINDER ABOUT THE PORTION OF PEER SERVICES AND EMPOWERMENT IN RECOVERY.

Ms. Casper: COULD I SAY SOMETHING, TOO? SOMETIMES THE SERVICES DON'T MATCH UP WITH WHAT WE NEED BECAUSE IT'S OLD THINKING, OLD INDUSTRY. PEOPLE ARE HAVING NEW WAYS OF COMING THROUGH. I'M HEARING SOME REALLY GOOD THINGS IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY SERVICES, A LITTLE MORE OPEN, A LITTLE DIFFERENT THINKING. BUT WE'RE SO USED TO DOING THE OLD WAYS.

Chair Kafoury: COMMENTS?

Commissioner Shiprack: WELL, TOO LATE NOW, SORT OF AS THIS PERCOLATES THROUGH, I DON'T THINK THAT IT'S TOO LATE TO AMEND OUR PROCLAMATION TO CONTAIN SOME OF THE THOUGHTS, ANNE THAT, YOU'RE EXPRESSING WHICH REALLY ARE PART OF OUR FRAMEWORK AND WHICH MIGHT HELP THE NACO PROCESS ALONG. SO I WOULD PROPOSE -- AND I WILL WORK ON THIS TOGETHER WITH OUR COUNTY CLERK -- BUT I'M GOING PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT TO MY OWN PROCLAMATION THAT HAS TWO PARTS. ONE THAT IS WE ADD AN ELEMENT BETWEEN THE CURRENT C&D, THE NEW D, WHICH STATES PEOPLE CAN AND DO RECOVERY FROM MENTAL ILLNESS WITH APPROPRIATE SUPPORTS. SO LET ME JUST REVERSE THAT AND SAY WITH APPROPRIATE SUPPORTS PEOPLE CAN AND DO RECOVER FROM MONEYS. GOOD WITH THAT? THAT WOULD BE THE FIRST PART OF MY AMENDMENT. AND THEY NOT SECOND PART OF MY AMENDMENT IS BETWEEN E AND F, BETWEEN THE CURRENT E AND F -- I'M NOT GOING KEEP TRACK OF MY OWN, NUMBERS ARE MUCH EASIER THAN THE ALPHABET -- AND THAT IS A NEW STATEMENT OF FACT, WHICH IS: MULTNOMAH COUNTY SUPPORTS THE ENGAGEMENT AND INVOLVEMENT OF THE PEER COMMUNITY IN THIS WORK.

Ms. Casper: CAN WE STAY AT THE PLANNING STAGES, TOO? IT'S NOT JUST IN THIS WORK BUT A LITTLE BIT MORE LIKE -- YEAH, ON THE COMMITTEES.

Commissioner Shiprack: IT'S A DYNAMIC PROCESS, ANNE. MULTNOMAH COUNTY SUPPORTS THE ENGAGEMENT OF PEERS IN THE PLANNING.

Ms. Casper: OKAY.

Chair Kafoury: GREAT.

Commissioner Smith: MADAME CHAIR, WILL YOU KNOW SUPPORT THIS, ANNE?

Ms. Casper: THIS IS WORKING TOGETHER, I'M SO EXCITED, THIS IS GREAT.

Chair Kafoury: EXCELLENT. AND IF WE COULD SEND A MESSAGE TO NACO THAT THEY CAN MAKE THEIR PRODUCT BETTER, AS WELL.

Commissioner Shiprack: I WANT TO THANK MY BOARD COLLEAGUES AND THANK

YOU, ANNE, FOR HELPING US MAKE THIS A BETTER PROCLAMATION. I WANT TO MAKE SURE, MADAM COUNTY ATTORNEY --

Ms. Madkour: WE'LL NEED A MOTION AND A SECOND TO AMEND THE RESOLUTION AS PROPOSED BY COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK. THEN WE'LL VOTE ON THAT. THEN WE GO BACK TO THE MAIN MOTION AND VOTE ON THE RESOLUTION AS AMENDED.

Vice-Chair Bailey: SO MOVED ON THE AMENDMENT.

Commissioner McKeel: SECOND.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER BAILEY MOVES AND COMMISSIONER MCKEEL SECONDS THE AMENDMENT PROPOSED BY COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK. ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES]

Ms. Madkour: WE ALREADY HAVE A MOTION AND SECOND ON THE MAIN MOTION, WE JUST NEED A VOTE.

Chair Kafoury: ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF THE RESOLUTION AS AMENDED BY COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK VOTE AYE [UNANIMOUS AYES.] THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED AND AMENDED! YAY! THANK YOU. IT WAS NOT A PROCLAMATION, IT WAS RESOLUTION. THANK YOU, I APOLOGIZE. IT WAS JUST A LOT OF FUN.

BOARD COMMENT

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

Chair Kafoury: NOW WE'VE COME TO THE TIME ON OUR AGENDA FOR BOARD COMMENT ON NONAGENDA ITEMS. I KNOW SOMETHING IS OCCURRING THIS WEEKEND IN DISTRICT 2.

Commissioner Smith: YES, MA'AM. I WILL BE WALKING IN THE GOOD IN THE HOOD PARADE WITH OTHER MULTNOMAH COUNTY EMPLOYEES AND IT'LL BE JUST A GOOD TIME. WE'RE MEETING AT 10:30 AT KING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND WE'LL WALK DOWN MARTIN LUTHER KING AVENUE OVER TO SUBMAN MIDDLE SCHOOL. SO ANY FOLKS WHO WANT TO COME WITH ME ON SATURDAY, COME ON!

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER MCKEEL.

Commissioner McKeel: THANK YOU. I WANTED TO ANNOUNCE WE OPENED THE COURT CARE AT THE EAST COUNTY COURTHOUSE AND JUDGE WALLER LED THE RIBBON CUTTING OUT THERE AND SO THIS WAS A BIG STEP FORWARD. THE COURT CARE WAS ALWAYS PLANNED, THE ROOM WAS BUILT FOR IT BUT WAS NOT READY WHEN THE COURTHOUSE OPENED. IT IS NOW OPEN AND IT'S

A BIG STEP FORWARD FOR JUSTICE AND EQUITY FOR ALL. IT ALLOWS OUR CITIZENS TO BRING THEIR CHILDREN TO THE COURTHOUSE WHEN THEY HAVE BUSINESS TO DO IN THE COURTHOUSE WHICH THAT COULD BE A BARRIER FOR THEM. SO IT'S A VERY BRIGHT AND WELCOMING SPACE AND ONCE AGAIN IT POINTS TO WHAT WE CAN ACCOMPLISH WHEN WE HAVE ALL OF OUR PARTNERS TOGETHER.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU, GREAT NEWS. ANY OTHER COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF ORDER?

Commissioner McKeel: WEDNESDAY WALKS START JULY 1st, JOIN US.

Chair Kafoury: EXCELLENT. THANK YOU ALL AND WE WILL SEE YOU SOON. WE'RE ADJOURNED.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.

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