



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 11/5/15
Agenda Item #: R.4
Est. Start Time: 11:00 am approx
Date Submitted: 10/28/15

Agenda Title: RESOLUTION Authorizing an Internal Loan from the Risk Management Fund to the Willamette River Bridge Fund in the Amount of \$3,000,000 to Provide Funding for a Feasibility Study for the Seismic Rehabilitation or Replacement of the Burnside Bridge.

Note: Title should not be more than 2 lines but sufficient to describe the action requested. Title on APR must match title on Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation.

Requested

Meeting Date: November 5, 2015 **Time Needed:** 15 Minutes

Department: Department of County Management **Division:** Finance & Risk Management

Contact(s): Mark Campbell

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Presenter

Name(s) &

Title(s): Mark Campbell, CFO and Ian Cannon, County Engineer

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Authorize an internal loan from the Risk Management Fund to the Willamette River Bridge Fund in the amount of \$3 million. The loan will be used to fund a feasibility study on the seismic rehabilitation or replacement of the Burnside Bridge.

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

Burnside Street and the Burnside Bridge have been identified as an emergency evacuation route by the City of Portland. The bridge was built in 1926 and is need of seismic rehabilitation or replacement to ensure that it can function as a "lifeline corridor" across the Willamette River in case of an emergency.

The Department of Community Services has established a timeline for the project that is based on beginning a feasibility study this year. The entire project is estimated to cost more than \$500 million and take twelve years to complete. The feasibility study is estimated to cost \$3 million. There are not sufficient funds in the Willamette River Bridge Fund capital program to support the feasibility study at this time.

Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS 294.468) and County *Financial & Budget Policies* authorize the County to make internal loans from one fund to another for a period of up to ten years. There is sufficient cash in the Risk Management Fund to loan \$3 million to the Willamette River Bridge Fund for the purpose of completing the feasibility study.

Internal loans are advantageous because they limit the costs that would be incurred in securing short-term or long-term financing. The loan will be repaid within ten years at the interest rate the County currently earns in the Local Government Investment Pool (LGIP). The loan will be structured in a way to provide the Department of Community Services sufficient time to realize additional transportation revenues that can be used for repayment.

Completion of the project will certainly require new revenues but it is important to begin the feasibility study this year in order to stay on the established timeline.

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

The loan will be repaid according to the attached amortization schedule.

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

ORS 294.468 authorizes internal loans between funds for a period of up to ten years.

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

N/A

Required Signature

**Elected
Official or
Department**

Director: Kim Peoples /s/

Date: 10/28/15

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