



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 10/20/15
Agenda Item #: PH.1
Est. Start Time: 10:00 am
Date Submitted: 10/13/15

Agenda Title: **Briefing and Public Hearing on Tobacco Retail Licensing**

Note: Title should not be more than 2 lines but be sufficient to describe the action requested.

Requested Meeting Date:	<u>October 20, 2015</u>	Time Needed:	<u>Two hours</u>
Department:	<u>Non-Departmental</u>	Division:	<u>Chair's Office</u>
Contact(s):	<u>Liz Smith Currie</u>		
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Presenter Name(s) & Title(s):	<u>Invited Guests including Upstream Public Health Representatives: Nafisa Fai, Chronic Disease Prevention Program Manager; and, Tia Henderson, Research Manager</u>		

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

No action by the Board. This is a Briefing with Invited Guests followed by a Public Hearing. Time for Public Testimony will follow the Briefing.

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.

On September 24th the Board heard a briefing on retail tobacco licensing in other jurisdictions around the nation and on some specific strategies intended to reduce youth smoking and addiction to tobacco. This Hearing will be to hear public testimony on tobacco retail licensing and/or specific elements of a proposed tobacco retail licensing strategy in Multnomah County.

Upstream Public Health has convened a group of stakeholders to consider the equity implications of tobacco retail licensing. They will be presenting the findings of their equity analysis.

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

Tobacco Retail Licensing in other jurisdictions is often self-supporting with the license fee calculated to offset program costs.

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

The majority of smokers become addicted while teenagers. Sales to minors are illegal but last year's Synar survey found that 31% of Multnomah County retailers sold cigarettes to minors. Other jurisdictions have used retail tobacco licensing as a strategy to reduce illegal sales to minors, thus reducing the number of teens who are addicted and ultimately reducing premature deaths from tobacco use.

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

An additional public hearing will be held at 5:00 pm on October 20, 2015 at David Douglas High School in the cafeteria, with the potential for other hearing or briefings in east county in the future.

Required Signature

Elected Official

or Department/

Agency Director:

Nancy Bennett /s/

Date: 10/13/15

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