

**Minutes of the Board of Commissioners
Multnomah Building, Board Room 100
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd., Portland, Oregon
Thursday, March 15, 2018**

REGULAR MEETING

Chair Deborah Kafoury called the meeting to order at 9:39 a.m. with Vice-Chair Lori Stegmann and Commissioners Sharon Meieran and Jessica Vega Pederson present. Commissioner Loretta Smith arrived at 9:44 a.m. Vice-Chair Lori Stegmann was excused at 10:51 a.m.

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

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING, WE ARE GOING TO GET STARTED. IT IS THURSDAY, MARCH 15, AND YOU ARE WITH THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AT OUR REGULAR BOARD MEETING.

CONSENT AGENDA

C.1 Requesting Approval of Amendment to an Intergovernmental Agreement with Oregon Department of Transportation.

Chair Kafoury: MAY I HAVE A MOTION ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR? COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON MOVES, COMMISSIONER STEGMANN SECONDS APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR SAY AYE [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE CONSENT CALENDAR IS APPROVED.

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.

PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME. I WILL CALL GROUPS OF FOUR. [READS NAMES]

Chair Kafoury: WHO IS GOING TO GO FIRST.

Mr. Broussard: WHAT A BEAUTIFUL DAY. THE SUN IS SHINING, THIS IS AWESOME. COMMISSIONERS, COMMISSIONER CHAIR KAFOURY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. LET'S SEE IF WE CAN START WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE FOR THE FLAG. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE] I JUST WANTED TO SHARE A COUPLE THOUGHTS IN REGARD TO KNOCKING ON THE DOORS AND WHATEVER AND VISITING THE SENIORS AND I SEE A LOT OF SENIORS IN THE HOUSE AND TRYING TO MOTIVATE THEM TO GET OUT OF THEIR HOME. I AM HAVING TIMES TO KEEP MY HOME. TAXES AND STUFF, WE ARE HAVING REAL TOUGH TIMES.

SO IF THERE IS A POSSIBILITY WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO GET IN THERE AND SORT OF LOOK AT THE TAXES THAT THEY ARE GETTING, FOR INSTANCE LIKE PROPERTY TAXES. I KNOW AS A DISABLED VET, I APPRECIATE THE COUNTY FOR GIVING ME A SMALL BREAK, IF YOU WILL, BUT TO GIVE THE SENIORS MORE OF A BREAK THAT WOULD BE GREAT. THE ARTS TAX JUST CAME OUT AGAIN THEY ARE HAVING AN ISSUE BACK.

Mr. Broussard: A LOT OF FOLKS ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THAT, AND EVEN MYSELF, CONCERNED ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT IT'S BENEFITING THE SENIORS. MOST OF THE SENIORS DON'T GO TO THE MUSEUM. BUT THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS THAT I THINK THAT THAT SHOULD BE GIVEN CONSIDERATION, AND FISH WILL BE RUNNING FOR CITY COUNCIL SO WE WILL BE TALKING ABOUT THAT AND SEE WHETHER OR NOT THEY MIGHT BE ABLE TO DO SOMETHING FOR THOSE SENIORS IF YOU WILL. AS A MURAL THEY WANT MLK AND SHAVER THAT I HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO HELP GATHER, AND IN FACT, OF THE MATTER IS THAT IT NEEDS REPAIR, THIS, THAT, AND THE OTHER, AND HOPEFULLY WE CAN GET THAT TOGETHER TOO. BUT ALL IN ALL EVERYTHING IS WELL. FOLKS ARE HOPEFULLY THERE IS ENTHUSIASM BECAUSE THEY ARE AT HOME, AND I AM FINDING IT'S TAKEN ME QUITE A BIT TO WALK AROUND AND KNOCKING ON DOORS BECAUSE I HAVE TO EAT CUPCAKES AND DRINK TEA WITH THE SENIORS SO BY THE TIME I GET THROUGH I ONLY TALKED TO TEN PEOPLE ON THAT DAY BUT IT LOOKS GOOD, NO PROBLEM THANKS VERY MUCH.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

Mr. Pissedoff: MY NAME IS INJURED AND PISSEDOFF. I SPOKE HERE LAST WEEK, AND I WAS GOING TO TALK BUT THE SAME SUBJECT BUT SOMETHING CAME UP MORE IMPORTANT. THE SUBJECT OF INJURED, HOMELESS AND A VETERAN, AND I INTRODUCED STEVE TO LIGHTNING ON SATURDAY MORNING AFTER LIGHTNING HAD COME UP TO TALK TO ME, AND I EXPLAINED TO MR. LIGHTNING THAT STEVE HAD SOMETHING IN COMMON WITH ME, THAT HE ALSO HAS A SPINAL CORD INJURY. HE HAD SURGERY, APPARENTLY, BUT HE FELL SOME THREE MONTHS AGO AND BROKE HIS HIP NOW HE'S HOMELESS, AND I WAS EXPLAINING TO MR. LIGHTNING, HE'S IN A POWERED WHEELCHAIR, AS WELL, AND WITH HIM BEING A VET WELL, I ASKED HIM IF HE'S IN PAIN, AND HE SAID YEAH. AND I ASKED HIM WELL, IF HE REMEMBERED MY NAME BECAUSE I HAVE KNOWN HIM OVER THE YEARS, AND OF COURSE WITH MY NAME CHANGE, WELL MY NAME IS KIND OF UNUSUAL. HE COULDN'T REMEMBER MY NAME AND THAT'S WHAT SPINAL INJURIES DOES. IT'S A TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY.

I MENTIONED TO MR. LIGHTNING HE DID NOT HAVE HIS INJURIES ALL AT ONCE HE DID IT THE EASY WAY, AND JUST AS SOON AS I SAID THAT, LIGHTNING, HE SAID GOODBYE, AND HE WAS GONE LIKE THE ROAD RUNNER. HE THOUGHT THAT I WAS SERIOUS, AND I TOLD STEVE AFTER HE LEFT THAT I WAS JUST

BEING GLIB AND FACETIOUS ABOUT THAT COMMENT, TAKING THE EASY WAY. NOW WITH HIM BEING A VETERAN HE BROUGHT OUT ALL KINDS OF APPOINTMENTS FOR THE NEXT WEEK THAT HE HAD, AND EVERY DAY FOR THE NEXT WEEK HE HAD LIKE EIGHT TO TEN DIFFERENT CARDS FOR DOCTORS APPOINTMENTS. NOW HE HAS A REAL TOUGH TIME, AND IN FACT, HE TOLD ME THERE ON SATURDAY THAT FRIDAY NIGHT, HE WAS ABLE TO GET INTO A HOMELESS SHELTER, BUT FOR HIM TO BE A VETERAN AND INJURED LIKE THAT, THAT'S THE REASON I WON'T STAND UP AND SALUTE THE FLAG OR SAY THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. AND I HOPE THAT SOME OF HIS MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS WILL ADDRESS THIS HOMELESSNESS. I KNOW THAT THAT WOULD BE DIFFICULT WITH HIS INJURIES. AND THAT'S ALL THAT I KNOW OF HIS NAME HE HAD A THERAPY ANIMAL THAT WAS REAL NICE, AND YOU MIGHT HAVE SEEN IT ADVERTISED FOR DOUG LEWIS. THEY SHOWED HIS DOG ON A STRETCHER. IT'S CALICO IN COLOR.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. THANKS FOR COMING THIS MORNING.

Mr. Lightning: YES, MY NAME IS LIGHTNING AND I REPRESENT LIGHTNING SUPER JUSTICE WATCHDOG. ANOTHER ISSUE THAT I WANT TO BRING UP AGAIN IS ON THAT METRO REGIONAL HOUSING MEASURE, THE BOND I WENT TO THEIR MEETING YESTERDAY, ALSO, I HAVE GONE TO PRETTY MUCH THE MAJORITY OF THE MEETINGS, AND WHAT I FOUND INTERESTING HERE, AND I WANT MULTNOMAH COUNTY TO DOUBLE-CHECK THIS DATA, AND I HAVEN'T CONFIRMED THE NUMBERS HERE, BUT THEY WERE SAYING THAT IN THE METRO JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES, THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 7,600 HOMELESS STUDENTS. NOW I WANT THIS DATA TO BE CHECKED AND CONFIRMED BECAUSE IF THAT IS TRUE, THAT IS A NUMBER THAT IS MUCH HIGHER THAN I EVEN WOULD ANTICIPATE. NOW I WOULD LIKE MULTNOMAH COUNTY TO COME BACK WITH DATA ON THAT SITUATION. I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW EXACTLY HOW MANY HOMELESS STUDENTS THERE ARE IN THE METRO JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES. THIS IS A VERY IMPORTANT NUMBER TO LOOK AT. HAVE YOU BEEN IN COMMUNICATION WITH THE SCHOOLS ON THIS ISSUE?

IS THAT NUMBER A REAL NUMBER OR ARE THERE FAMILIES NOT WANTING TO PROVIDE DATA BECAUSE THEY ARE WORRIED BUT THE EFFECTS IT MIGHT HAVE ON THEIR CHILDREN IF THEY ARE LIVING IN THEIR CAR? IF THEY ARE LIVING IN A MOTOR HOME? AND WE NEED TO HAVE AN UNDERSTANDING. THERE HAS TO BE SOME REACH OUT FROM THE COMMUNITY TO THESE PEOPLE TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY ARE IN LINE TO GET INTO HOUSING IMMEDIATELY. THERE SHOULD BE NO HESITATION WHEN YOU ARE TALKING YOUNG CHILDREN THAT ARE HOMELESS THAT ARE GOING TO SCHOOL AND NOT BEING PROVIDED HOUSING IMMEDIATELY. NOW I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE PROGRAMS THAT YOU HAVE IN PLACE. I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE DATA ON WHAT YOU HAVE DONE, HOW MANY PEOPLE YOU HAVE PUT INTO HOUSING.

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE DATA ON HOW MANY ARE CURRENTLY OUT THERE, THAT ARE HOMELESS IF YOU ARE NOT LOOKING AT THIS AS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT ISSUES OUT THERE, YOUNG KIDS, CHILDREN THAT ARE HOMELESS, I AM GOING TO BE VERY DISAPPOINTED IN ALL OF YOU. YOU ARE THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT. AND YOU KNOW THAT THEM BEING HOMELESS IS ALSO VERY TRAUMATIC ON THESE CHILDREN. AND IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO STEP IN IMMEDIATELY AND MAKE SURE THAT THEY ARE BEING PROVIDED HOUSING FIRST. FIRST. AND I AM GOING TO LOOK AT THE DATA, AND I AM GOING TO HAVE YOUR RESPONSES, AND I AM GOING TO HAVE THE MEDIA ALSO FROM THE OREGONIAN COME IN AND QUESTION YOU, AND I WANT TO SEE WHAT YOUR RESPONSE IS GOING TO BE ON THIS.

Chair Kafoury: THANKS.

Mr. Lightning: CHILDREN FIRST INTO HOUSING, AND THERE ARE NO EXCUSES FROM ANY OF YOU IF THIS IS HAPPENING. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

Ms. Maxwell: GOOD MORNING EVERYONE. SHARON MAXWELL, AND I AM RUNNING FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY DISTRICT 2 COMMISSIONER. YESTERDAY I HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO SPEAK WITH SOME OF THE FAMILIES OUT IN EAST GRESHAM IN PORTLAND, AND IT WAS REALLY DISHEARTENING AND HEART-BREAKING TO HEAR SOME OF THEIR STORIES. THESE WERE ELEMENTARY STUDENTS THAT WERE TELLING ME THAT THEY WERE ON PROBATION, AND I JUST COULDN'T UNDERSTAND HERE WE HAVE BRIGHT, INTELLIGENT CHILDREN, AND THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT BEING ON PROBATION.

AS COUNTY COMMISSIONER I WANT TO ADDRESS THAT SYSTEMIC ISSUE, TALK TO SOME FAMILIES THAT ARE BEING LABELED AS CRIMINALS AND BEING GIVEN NO CAUSE EVICTIONS BECAUSE MAYBE THEIR CHILDREN HAVE EXPERIENCED GANG AFFILIATION OR BEING LABELED GANG MEMBERS AND ARE BEING PUSHED OUT EVEN OF WHERE THEY ARE LIVING RIGHT NOW. THAT SHOULD NOT BE HAPPENING. WE HAVE TOO MANY OF OUR FAMILIES THAT ARE STRUGGLING, BEING DISPLACED TO EAST PORTLAND AND GRESHAM, AND THEN WHEN THEY GET THERE, THERE ARE NO SERVICES TO REALLY HELP TO PREVENT THAT. IT WAS VERY DISHEARTENING TO HEAR A BLIND WOMAN'S LOW INCOME FAMILY FEELING LIKE THEY HAVE BEEN KICKED TO THE SIDE AND NO ONE CARES. I KNOW THAT WE CAN DO BETTER. THAT'S WHY I AM RUNNING. THANK YOU

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

Mr. Maurice: GOOD MORNING. I AM JOSH MAURICE. WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO DO THIS MORNING IS URGE EVERYONE TO SUPPORT THE COOPERATIVE TINY HOME VILLAGE MOVEMENT. AND OTHER INNOVATIVE HOUSING AND ORGANIZATIONAL ALTERNATIVES. I AM HERE BECAUSE THIS IS AN OPEN PUBLIC FORUM WHERE ANYONE CAN BE HEARD I AM ADDRESSING THIS TO

ANYONE AND EVERYONE, WHOEVER YOU ARE, YOU CAN BE A PART OF THE SOLUTIONS IF ONLY BY USING YOUR VOICE TO INFLUENCE OTHERS. IF WE CAN JUST OVERCOME THE MOMENTUM OF A FEW PRECONCEPTIONS AND HABITS. THERE ARE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE THAT CAN HAVE HUGE BENEFIT THIS IS BOTH THE SHORT-TERM AND THE LONG-TERM. I THINK THAT THE SHORT-TERM BENEFITS ARE PRETTY OBVIOUS. WE HAVE THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE WHO ARE SHUT OUT OF SOCIETY.

Mr. Maurice: SO THE SOLUTIONS GET PEOPLE OFF THE STREETS AND INTO SOMEWHAT DECENT LIVING SITUATION. WHEN SOMEONE MOVES INTO A COOPERATIVE TINY HOME VILLAGE OR A TINY HOME IN A BACKYARD OR A VACANT ROOM IN A HOUSE OR BUILDING OR WHEN SOMEONE CAN LIVE IN A MOTOR HOME, AN R.V. WITHOUT BEING CONSTANTLY HASSLED, STABILITY AND PRIVACY, DIGNITY THAT THIS AFFORDS PEOPLE IS HUGELY VALUABLE IT LETS PEOPLE FLOURISH IN LOTS OF WAYS THAT MANY OF US CAN SOMETIMES TAKE FOR GRANTED. IT'S A GOD SEND IN TERMS OF MENTAL HEALTH, IN TERMS OF PEOPLE MOVING TOWARDS BEING ABLE TO FIND MORE PERMANENT HOUSING, EDUCATION, WORK, AND ETC., SO THOSE ARE THE SHORTER TERM BENEFITS.

THE LONGER TERM, THE BENEFITS ARE VERY SIGNIFICANT, I THINK. THERE IS A LOT GOING ON IN THIS WORLD THAT IS NOT OKAY, YOU KNOW. THERE IS A LOT OF SUFFERING. WIDESPREAD VIOLENCE. OPPRESSION YOU COULD GO ON AND ON OF COURSE. AND SO WHATEVER WE CAN DO IN OUR LITTLE CORNER TO MAKE A MORE HUMANE REALITY IS GOING TO BE A BEACON OF HOPE FOR EVERYWHERE. IT WILL BE AN EXAMPLE THAT WE CAN SET. IT WILL SHOW THAT SOMEWHERE IN THE WORLD THERE ARE COOPERATIVE, FREE PARTNERSHIP TYPE OF SOLUTIONS THAT CAN THEN BE EMULATED. SO THANK YOU, AND LET'S, LET'S PLEASE WORK TO GO AND MAKE SOME HEADWAY ON THIS.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING

Ms. Harris: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. TO THE COMMISSIONER, I AM DEBORA HARRIS, AND I AM A CANDIDATE FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY CHAIR. AND THE PURPOSE OF MY BEING HERE TODAY IS WE ARE EMBARKING UPON WHAT IS NEXT MONTH? NEXT MONTH IS THE MONTH OF APRIL. SO WHAT'S SO SPECIAL ABOUT APRIL? MAY I SHARE THIS WITH YOU. MULTNOMAH COUNTY CHAIR DEBORAH KAFOURY ACKNOWLEDGED LAST WEEKEND, THIS IS FROM THE NEWSPAPER I AM CITING, THAT THE COUNTY HAS SUBJECTED EMPLOYEES OF COLOR TO INSTITUTIONAL RACISM SHE ASKED THE PUBLIC TO HOLD HER ACCOUNTABLE FOR MAKING STRIDES TO SOLVE THE PROBLEM BY APRIL, SO THAT'S THE IMPORTANCE OF APRIL. HAVE WE SEEN ANY ACCOUNTABILITY AT THIS POINT? NO. I HAVE TALKED WITH COMMUNITY PEOPLE THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY OF ALL AGES, ALL RACES, ALL COLORS, ALL CULTURES, AND WE HAVE NOT SEEN THAT ACCOUNTABILITY YET. I DO UNDERSTAND THAT YOU

ARE HAVING CHAIR KAFOURY IS PRESENTING THE STATE OF THE COUNTY ADDRESS TOMORROW.

Ms. Harris: I AM USUALLY WHEN THERE IS AN ADDRESS BEING PRESENTED WE ARE BASICALLY SHARING WITH THE PUBLIC, INFORMING THE PUBLIC OF WHERE THINGS WERE AND WHERE WE ARE AT THIS POINT. SO HOPEFULLY THAT ACCOUNTABILITY PHASE, INFORMATION ABOUT WHERE WE ARE AT THIS POINT WOULD BE COVERED IN THAT STATE OF A COUNTY ADDRESS HOLD MY ACCOUNTABLE. WE ARE STILL WAITING FOR THAT ACCOUNTABILITY. THERE IS NO ACCOUNTABILITY THERE? THEN MAYBE A RESIGNATION WOULD BE IN PLACE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR TAKING AN OPPORTUNITY, FOR TAKING THE TIME GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE MY THOUGHTS AND MY PERSPECTIVES ON THIS MORNING. THANK YOU.

Ms. Elinski: I AM CRYSTAL ELINSKI I WOULD LIKE TO COMMENT THAT WOULD LOVE IT IF WE COULD PUT PUBLIC AUDITING INTO OUR AUDITING SYSTEM. IT SEEMS LIKE THE PUBLIC HAS A LOT OF RESEARCH AND IS VERY USEFUL. I AM HERE FOR THE THIRD TIME FOR THE SAME ISSUE. I CAME TO YOU QUITE A FEW MONTHS AGO ABOUT BEING HOMELESS FOR THE THIRD TIME WHILE ON A HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT SUBSIDIZED HOUSING VOUCHER, AND I ASKED ABOUT MY 3,000 OVERPAYMENT, WHY IT TAKES NINE YEARS TO GET [INAUDIBLE] INTO THE GOALS PROGRAM AND WHY I'VE BEEN KICKED OUT FOUR TIMES IN ONE YEAR WITH NO EXPLANATION. TODAY I HAVE A MEETING WITH A NEW PERSON, A SUPERVISOR. I HAVE ASKED MULTIPLE TIMES NOT TO MEET WITH PEOPLE THAT WERE DOWNRIGHT AGGRESSIVE AND PRODUCED FRAUDULENT PAPERWORK AND ATTACKED MY CHARACTER, SO I AM HOPING TO NOT HAVE TO MEET WITH THOSE PEOPLE AGAIN AND THAT I WILL GET SOME ANSWERS.

WHEN I CAME TO YOU I ASKED IF YOU COULD LOOK INTO IT AND YOU SENT ME TO KIM WHEN SHE MET WITH ME THE NEXT TIME SHE STARTED TELLING ME WHAT SHE TALKED TO THEM ABOUT, AND I WAS SAYING WELL THAT'S WHAT I TOLD YOU, AND I LOOKED AT HER PAPERWORK, AND IT WAS LIKE ALL THE NOTES THAT I HAD GIVEN HER, THE SAME INFORMATION, SO THAT GOT NOWHERE. I THOUGHT THAT SHE WAS GOING TO LOOK INTO IT AGAIN AND I MEET WITH HER BUT THE NEXT TIME I CAME YOU SET ME UP WITH ANOTHER ASSISTANT, YOUNG, CAN YOU REMIND ME OF HIS NAME? YOUR NEXT OF STAFF, YOUNG MAN, TALL, BLONDE HAIR, YEAH SO THERE HE IS. HE SAID THAT HE WAS GOING TO SEND ME -- HE'S HERE, SO HE SAID HE WAS GOING TO SEND ME A LETTER, LIKE WE DID NOT TALK. HE SAID HE DID NOT HAVE TIME BUT WAS SENDING ME A LETTER. HE SENT IT. OH, IT'S COMING NEVER CAME. I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT WAS ABOUT. THIS IS URGENT. THIS IS CRAZY, AND IF I AM EXPERIENCING THIS AND THEY ARE CLOSING THE PUBLIC MEETINGS, THE SO-CALLED RESIDENT ADVISORY BOARDS TO RESIDENTS, I CAN'T GET ANY HEADWAY SO AGAIN I WOULD LIKE YOU TO CONNECT ME WITH SOMEONE IN

HOUSING THAT'S EFFECTIVE, ESPECIALLY UP IN THE HUD, UP AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL, BECAUSE THESE ARE SERIOUS ISSUES.

Ms. Elinski: IF YOU CAN DO THIS TODAY NOW, IF MAYBE WE COULD TRACK DOWN THIS LETTER THAT WOULD BE GREAT. IT'S BEEN MONTHS. IT'S JUST ANOTHER HOMELESS WOMAN WORKING WOMAN ON THE STREET EXPERIENCING EVERY LEVEL OF ACCOUNTABILITY, REALLY SO I REALLY AM VERY SAD TO BE HERE FOR THE THIRD TIME ABOUT THIS. IS THERE ANYTHING THAT YOU CAN DO TODAY? CHRISTIAN? GREAT. THANK YOU.

Board Clerk: THAT'S ALL THE PUBLIC TESTIMONY WE HAVE.

Chair Kafoury: GREAT, THANK YOU BEFORE WE GET STARTED THIS MORNING WITH OUR AGENDA I JUST WANTED TO GIVE A HARDY THANK YOU TO SO MANY WHO CAME TO GO EARLIER WHEN WE HAD A HUGE FIVE-ALARM FIRE IN NORTHEAST PORTLAND WHICH DESTROYED HOMES. ANIMALS WERE LOST. PEOPLE WERE DISPLACED. SO I WANTED TO THANK PORTLAND FIRE AND PORTLAND POLICE, OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, HEALTH DEPARTMENT, AND COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES AND THE RED CROSS, MANY, MANY COMMUNITY MEMBERS, AND ESPECIALLY THE EPA WHO SENT PEOPLE OUT TO MONITOR THE AIR SO WE COULD HAVE REAL DATA ON WHAT PEOPLE WERE EXPERIENCING. I WANT TO SAY THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO HELPED OUT WHEN WE WERE AT AN IMPORTANT TIME OF NEED. [APPLAUSE]

REGULAR AGENDA

Chair Kafoury: NOW THE BOARD WILL RECESS AS THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND CONVENE AS THE PUBLIC CONTRACT REVIEW BOARD.

R.1 Resolution Approving Amendments to Public Contract Review Board Rules Division 60 on Equal Opportunity in Public Contracting, Effective July 1, 2018. Co-Sponsors: Chair Deborah Kafoury and Commissioner Lori Stegmann, District 4. Presenters: Liz Smith Currie, Chair Kafoury's Office and Roberta Hunte, Commissioner Stegmann's Office

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER MEIERAN MOVES. COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.1. IN THE LAST FEW YEARS MULTNOMAH COUNTY HAS UNDERTAKEN AN UNPRECEDENTED VOLUME OF MAJOR INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS. THE CENTRAL COURTHOUSE. THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS. THE SELLWOOD BRIDGE. TOGETHER REPRESENT THREE CORRIDORS OF A BILLION DOLLARS IN CONSTRUCTION WORK ONE OF THE COUNTIES' TOP PRIORITIES IS TO ENSURE OUR TAXPAYER FUNDED PROJECTS BENEFIT THE WORKERS AND FIRMS THAT REPRESENT OUR ENTIRE COMMUNITY. THE CONSTRUCTION FIELD PROVIDES FAMILY

WAGED JOBS AND THESE LARGE PROJECTS CAN HAVE MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF CONTRACT OPPORTUNITIES FOR SMALL BUSINESSES IN THE BUILDING TRADES AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FIELDS. YET WOMEN AND MINORITIES HAVE NOT ALWAYS BEEN WELCOMED INTO THIS WORK.

Chair Kafoury: THESE ARE GREAT JOBS, AND EVERYONE SHOULD HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE ONE. SO IN RECENT YEARS WE HAVE CHANGED THE WAY THAT WE ARE DOING BUSINESS. AS A RESULT WE ARE CREATING NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN AND PEOPLE OF COLOR TO ENTER THIS FIELD. FOR EXAMPLE WE SUPPORT PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS TO GIVE PEOPLE THE EXPERIENCE AND TOOLS THEY NEED TO ENTER, AND WE HAVE HELPED SMALL BUSINESS SAYS WITH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AND OTHER SUPPORTS SO THEY CAN BID FOR AND THRIVE ON THESE PROJECTS ONCE PEOPLE BECOME APPRENTICES WE WANT TO KEEP THEM WORKING.

WE ARE PILOTING A PROJECT WITH THE GREEN DOT VIOLENCE PREVENTION PROGRAM TO SUPPORT WORKERS ON THE JOB WITH THE SAFE PLACE TO REPORT BULLYING, HARASSMENT, HAZING AND OTHER FORMS OF AGGRESSION IN PORTLAND'S CONSTRUCTION TRADES. SO WE CAN RETAIN OUR EMPLOYEES AND CHANGE THE JOB SITE CULTURE. AND TODAY COMMISSIONER STEGMANN AND I ARE BRINGING THIS RESOLUTION BECAUSE WE WANT TO DO EVEN MORE. WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPAND OUR SUPPORT FOR OUR CONSTRUCTION WORKFORCE AND CONTRACTING COMMUNITIES. I WILL NOW TURN IT OVER TO COMMISSIONER STEGMANN.

Vice-Chair Stegmann: THANK YOU CHAIR. GOOD MORNING. TODAY IS SUCH A GREAT DAY. I AM SO PLEASED AND EXCITED TO REQUEST THE BOARD'S APPROVAL ALONG WITH THE CHAIR TO PASS THIS RESOLUTION THAT WILL ADD A CONSTRUCTION DIVERSITY AND EQUITY FUND TO THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY PUBLIC REVIEW BOARD RULES DIVISION 60. I WANT TO THANK THE CHAIR FOR PARTNERING WITH MY OFFICE ON THIS IMPORTANT WORK. WE ALL KNOW THAT IT IS STAFF THAT CARRIES OUT AND EXECUTES THE VISION OF THE COUNTY. WE DEPEND GREATLY ON THEM TO TRANSFORM IDEALS AND VALUES INTO TANGIBLE POLICIES, AND WE SIMPLY COULD NOT DO THIS WORK WITHOUT THEM. SO I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE EXPERTISE AND THE COMMITMENT THAT ROBERTA HUNTE, MY SENIOR POLICY ADVISOR, AND LIZ SMITH CURRIE FROM THE CHAIR'S OFFICE AND LEE FLEMING FOR BRINGING FORTH THIS HUGE IMPACT THAT WILL HAVE WENT AN IMPACT ON THE LIVES ENTERING THE TRADES THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR HARD WORK. THIS 1% SET ASIDE FUNDS DEMONSTRATE ANTICIPATE MULTNOMAH COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO CULTIVATE A CONSTRUCTION WORKFORCE PIPELINE FOR WOMEN AND PEOPLE OF COLOR TO HELP LAUNCH THEM INTO TRADE CAREERS THAT RESULT IN A FAMILY WAGE.

IT ALSO PROMOTES LONG-TERM DEVELOPMENT OF COMPETITIVE AND VIABLE FIRMS THAT STANDS FOR CERTIFICATION OFFICE FOR BUSINESS INCLUSION

AND DIVERSITY. THIS BEST PRACTICE HAS BEEN SUCCESSFULLY IS MODELED IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS AS WELL. IN NOVEMBER THE CITY OF PORTLAND PASSED A 1% COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITIES AND ENHANCEMENTS FUND AND METRO IS CURRENTLY BRINGING TOGETHER VARIOUS LOCAL JURISDICTIONS, INCLUDING THE COUNTY, THE CITY OF PORTLAND, AND THE PORT OF PORTLAND, AND TRI-MET TO HELP COORDINATE AND TRACK EFFORTS TO DIVERSIFY CONTRACTING AND INCREASE THE PARTICIPATION OF WOMEN AND PEOPLE OF COLOR IN THE CONSTRUCTION WORKFORCE. SO AS YOU CAN SEE WE ARE IN GOOD COMPANY AS WE SEEK OUT NEW WAYS OF IDENTIFYING, EDUCATING, PROMOTING, AND BUILDING A STRONGER WORKFORCE. AS WE HAVE SEEN BY THE NUMBER OF CRANES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY, CONSTRUCTION IN OUR REGION IS BOOMING, AND THIS PACE IS EXPECTED TO CONTINUE OVER THE NEXT DECADE CURRENT PROJECTIONS SHOW A DEFICIT OF WORKERS TO MEET THE DEMAND.

Vice-Chair Stegmann: ALTHOUGH WE ARE EXPERIENCING ECONOMIC GROWTH, NOT ALL COMMUNITIES ARE BENEFITING FROM THESE GAINS AT A SIMILAR RATE. THE CONSTRUCTION AND DIVERSITY AND EQUITY FUND IS A TARGETED APPROACH TO INCLUSION THAT FOCUSES ON COMMUNITIES THAT HAVE BEEN HISTORICALLY UNDERREPRESENTED AND AT TIMES EXCLUDED FROM THE CONSTRUCTION FIELD. THIS EFFORT IS AN UPSTREAM APPROACH TO INCREASE THE ECONOMIC PROSPERITY IN A MORE INTENTIONAL AND EQUITABLE MANNER THAT WILL HAVE A LONG LASTING AND STABILIZING EFFECT ON OUR COMMUNITIES. WHILE WE HAVE BEEN DEEPLY COMMITTED TO THE ISSUE OF HOMELESSNESS IT IS EQUALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE INVEST RESOURCES INTO POLICIES LIKE THIS THAT CAN PROVIDE A PATHWAY OUTER OF POVERTY AND LEADS FOLKS TO FINANCIAL STABILITY WHILE AT THE SAME TIME CREATING A VITAL WORKFORCE. THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE COUNTY TO BE MORE THAN JUST A SAFETY PROVIDER FOR OUR MOST VULNERABLE. WE CAN BE AN AGENT OF CHANGE AND TRULY TRANSFORM PEOPLE'S LIVES

Ms. Smith Currie: THANK YOU COMMISSIONER STEGMANN, CHAIR KAFOURY AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION. I AM LIZ SMITH CURRIE. I AM A SENIOR POLICY ADVISOR TO CHAIR KAFOURY.

Ms. Hunte: I AM ROBERTA HUNTE, SENIOR POLICY ADVISOR FOR COMMISSIONER STEGMANN.

Mr. Fleming: LEE FLEMING COUNTY DIVERSITY OFFICER.

Ms. Smith Currie: WE ARE REALLY EXCITED TO BE HERE TODAY WITH A PROPOSED AMENDMENT FOR THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY PUBLIC CONTRACT REVIEW BOARD RULES TO CREATE A CONSTRUCTION, DIVERSITY, AND EQUITY FUND WHICH WE CALL CDEF, THIS WILL SET ASIDE 1% OF CONSTRUCTION AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FUNDS ON REMODELING

PROJECTS OVER 200,000 AND NEW CONSTRUCTION OVER \$1 MILLION TO SUPPORT DISADVANTAGED WORKERS AND BUSINESSES THE CONSTRUCTION, DIVERSITY AND EQUITY FUND WILL CREATE AN ONGOING SOURCE OF SUPPORT AND COMMITMENT TO EXPAND ON THE DIVERSITY INCLUDING EFFORTS WE HAVE DONE IN THE PAST ON OUR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS. AS CHAIR KAFOURY AND COMMISSIONER STEGMANN MENTIONED THE LAST TEN YEARS HAVE BEEN A BUILDING BOOM FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY. WHILE NEW INFORMATION DEVELOPMENT IS UNLIKELY TO CONTINUE AT THIS CURRENT PACE THE COUNTY DOES CONSISTENTLY REMODEL CLINICS, SERVICE LOCATIONS, AND OFFICE SPACES.

Ms. Smith Currie: WE DO HAVE ONE BIG PROJECT ON THE HORIZON. WE ARE IN THE EARLY PHASES OF PLANNING FOR THE REPLACEMENT OR REINFORCEMENT OF THE BURNSIDE BRIDGE. IT'S OUR HOPE THAT BY SETTING ASIDE 1% OF THE COST OF THE COUNTY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS INTO THE CDEF WE WILL DEVELOP A WORKFORCE THAT BETTER REPRESENTS OUR COMMUNITY. THE ONGOING COST AND THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS AVAILABLE IN THE CDEF WILL VARY DEPENDING ON THE AMOUNT OF CONSTRUCTION WE DO, A REVIEW OF THE PAST YEARS OF FACILITIES REMODELING PROJECTS GIVES A SENSE OF THE NUMBER OF PROJECTS THE COUNTY MIGHT UNDERTAKE IN THE FUTURE IN THE LAST THREE FISCAL YEARS WE CONDUCTED A TOTAL OF 38 REMODELING PROJECTS THAT EACH COST OVER \$200,000. THAT IS OUR THRESHOLD, AND A TOTAL, FOR A TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COST OF OVER \$21 MILLION.

IN ADDITION TO THAT WE HAVE DONE, YOU KNOW, THE MAJOR CONSTRUCTION ON THE COURTHOUSE AND THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS. THE CDEF WILL BEGIN WITH PROJECTS THAT ARE FIRST ADVERTISED OR SOLICITED AFTER JULY 1 OF 2018. IN ADDITION WE WILL BE ADDING ANY LIQUIDATED DAMAGES ASSESSED BY THE COUNTY FOR NONCOMPLIANCE ON OUR WORKFORCE, TRAINING AND HIRING PROGRAM INTO THE CDEF. THERE IS PRECEDENT FOR SETTING ASIDE A PERCENTAGE OF CONSTRUCTION FUNDS FOR A SPECIFIC COMMUNITY BENEFIT. THE COUNTY SETS ASIDE 2% FOR ART WHICH IS ADMINISTERED BY THE RACC. THAT PROGRAM IS A LARGER PERCENTAGE SET ASIDE THAN THE CDEF, BUT CDEF INCLUDES MORE OF THE TOTAL PROJECT, BY ADDING IN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES LIKE ARCHITECTURE AND ENGINEERING, THE CDEF INCLUDES TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS WHEN THE FUNDING SOURCE ALLOWS. SO THE RACC CONTRIBUTION IS A LARGER PERCENTAGE, BUT OF A SMALLER PIE AS

Ms. Hunte: WE MENTIONED THE AMOUNT OF FUNDS AVAILABLE IN THE CDEF WILL VARY. IT WILL AUGMENT RATHER THAN BACK-FILL THE CURRENT EFFORTS DONE BY OUR PURCHASING TEAM TO SUPPORT THE SMALL BUSINESS GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT AS WELL AS SUPPORTING OUR WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT IN THE TRADES. IN ADDITION THE CDEF SHOULD BE CONSIDERED THE FLOOR OF FUNDS SUPPORTING APPRENTICE GROWTH

AND RETENTION AS WELL AS SMALL BUSINESS SUPPORT. THE BOARD MAY CHOOSE TO FUND ADDITIONAL WORK AND PROGRAMS IN THESE AREAS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO EXPECT OUR PRIME CONTRACTORS TO IMPLEMENT EXCEPTIONAL WORKFORCE AND SUBCONTRACTING PLANS. RECRUITMENT WILL WORK WITH THE BUDGET OFFICE AND OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO DEVELOP A MECHANISM FOR COLLECTING THESE FUNDS. PROCUREMENT WILL ALSO ENGAGE THE COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS REPRESENTING WORKFORCE PROFESSIONAL SERVICE FIRMS AND CONTRACTING ORGANIZATIONS TO DEVELOP FUNDING PRIORITIES FOR THE USE OF THE CDEF.

Ms. Hunte: FUNDS ARE TO BE USED TO SUPPORT LOW INCOME, DISADVANTAGED MINORITY AND WOMEN WORKERS AS THEY ENTER INTO AND WORK IN THE CONSTRUCTION TRADES AND ALSO ON ACTIVITIES THAT DEVELOP AND GROW CERTIFIED FIRMS, FORMERLY REFUSED TO AS MWESBSDV FIRMS. EVERY YEAR MULTNOMAH COUNTY PURCHASING WILL PRESENT TO THE BOARD ON HOW MUCH MONEY IS AVAILABLE IN THE FUND AND REPORT ON ACTIVITIES AND OUTCOMES FROM THE PREVIOUS YEARS' INVESTMENTS. BEFORE WE BRING UP OUR INVITED GUEST WE WANT TO THANK LEE FLEMING OUR DIVERSITY OFFICER FOR HIS GUIDANCE AND SUPPORT THROUGHOUT THIS PROCESS AND KEN ELLIOTT FROM THE COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR HELPING TO CRAFT THIS AMENDMENT. WE ALSO WANT TO THANK THE BOARD STAFF, SPECIFICALLY, ELIZABETH MYERS, KATIE SHRIVER AND TIA WILLIAMS FOR THEIR HELPFUL FEEDBACK THROUGHOUT THIS PROCESS.

WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK STAFF FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COUNTY ASSETS, PROCUREMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES FOR THEIR HELP IN DEVELOPING THE PROPOSAL. AND NOW WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE LEE FLEMING AND OUR GUESTS TO COME AND SHARE WITH US THEIR THOUGHTS ON THE IMPORTANCE OF CDEF TODAY WE HAVE WITH US KELLY HAYNES FROM WORK SYSTEMS CAUSE, WILLY MEIER FROM THE BUILDING TRADES, AND BILL [INAUDIBLE] FROM PORTLAND YOUTH BUILDERS PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM, AND KELLY FROM OREGON TRADESWOMAN AND GREGORY ROSBOROUGH, A LABORER AND PRE-APPRENTICESHIP GRADUATE FROM CONSTRUCTING HOPE.

Mr. Fleming: GOOD MORNING CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS, I AM SUPPOSED TO BE STANDING HERE BUT I FEEL LIKE I'VE BEEN HERE ALL ALONG. LIZ HAS BEEN TRYING TO GET ME IN FRONT OF YOU ANYWAY. BUT I WANT TO GIVE YOU A PERSPECTIVE AND AN APPRECIATION FOR WHAT THIS AMAZING AND HISTORIC FUND MIGHT DO. I WANT TO TAKE IT FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF WHAT A CDEF PROGRAM, WHAT IMPACT IT WOULD HAVE HAD, HAD IT BEEN IN PLACE AT 2010. I WILL FOCUS ON OUR THREE PROJECTS IN THAT TIME FRAME, THE SELLWOOD BRIDGE, CENTRAL COURTHOUSE, AND HEALTH HEADQUARTERS BUILDING. ON THE SELLWOOD BRIDGE PROJECT, THERE ARE

OVER 800,000 HOURS AVAILABLE ON THAT PROJECT OF WHICH THE COUNTY ACHIEVED 20% FOR APPRENTICES OR ROUGHLY OVER 176,000 HOURS FOR WORK ON THAT JOB. OF THAT 176,000, OVER 20% OR OVER 35,000 HOURS WILL WORK BY MINORITY MALES OVER 13% OR ROUGHLY 22,800 HOURS PLUS WILL WORK BY WOMEN. THAT'S A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF HOURS OF WORK BY INDIVIDUALS ON THE SELLWOOD BRIDGE PROJECT.

Mr. Fleming: TO THAT END THERE WERE OVER 300 WORKERS ON THE PROJECT -- APPRENTICES, I SHOULD SAY, JUST APPRENTICES ON THE PROJECT OF WHICH 28% WERE MINORITY OR WOMEN. MINORITY WOMEN OR MALES. THAT'S AGAIN A SIGNIFICANT POPULATION OF APPRENTICES ESPECIALLY FROM OUR MORE UNDERSERVE AND HAD UNDERREPRESENTED SEGMENTS OF OUR COMMUNITIES THAT COULD HAVE BEEN BETTER SERVED HAD A CDEF PROGRAM BEEN IN PLACE WITH VARIOUS ASPECTS OF TRAINING AND SUPPORT. THERE ARE OVER 300 BUSINESS SAYS ENGAGED ON THE SELLWOOD BRIDGE PROJECT. QUITE AN UNDERTAKING AS YOU WELL KNOW, WHICH NEARLY HALF WERE CERTIFIED FIRMS THE POPULATION THAT WE SEEK TO DIRECTLY IMPACT. DURING THIS PROJECT THERE WERE ADDITIONAL TRAINING AND SUPPORT REQUESTS MADE BY VARIOUS SMALL BUSINESSES THAT COULD HAVE BEEN SUPPORTED THROUGH A PROGRAM SUCH AS CDEF TO GET THEM THE ASSISTANCE AND ACCESS TO RESOURCES THAT THEY NEEDED.

ON OUR CURRENT PROJECTS THE COURTHOUSE AND THE HEADQUARTERS, WE ANTICIPATE THERE WILL BE OVER 150,000 HOURS AND OVER 60,000 RESPECTIVELY ON THESE PROJECTS. WE ANTICIPATE THAT THERE WILL BE MORE THAN 200 DIFFERENT BUSINESSES ENGAGED BETWEEN THE TWO PROJECTS, WITH MORE THAN 300 WORKERS ACTIVELY ENGAGED ON THESE PROJECTS. WHILE WE IMPLEMENTED A PROCESS ON THESE PROJECTS, I AM VERY PROUD OF THAT ALLOWED US TO CONNECT DIRECTLY WITH OUR PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS THROUGH THE PROJECT THROUGH OUR PRIMES TO SUPPLEMENT THE GROWING WORKFORCE NEEDS OF NOT ONLY OUR PROJECTS BUT ALSO THE NEEDS OF A REGION AS A WHOLE. THE CDEF WILL ALLOW THE COUNTY TO TAKE A MORE AND INTENTIONAL ROLE SUPPORTING THE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF SMALL BUSINESSES AS WELL AS THE TRAINING SUPPORT AND RETENTION OF A PRESENTERS IN THE TRADES.

THIS ACTION IS IN LINE WITH THE COUNTY POSITION AND VALUES OF FOSTERING GROWTH AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR ALL OF ITS CONSTITUENTS THE CDEF HAS THE POTENTIAL OF RADICALLY CHANGING THE PATH OF OUR MORE VULNERABLE POPULATIONS FROM A PATH OF POVERTY, RECIDIVISM AND OTHER NEGATIVE TRENDS, AND SENDING THEM ON A PATH TOWARDS ECONOMIC STABILITY, WEALTH, AND GIVING THEM TRANSFERABLE SKILLS AND LEGACY AND THE KNOWLEDGE FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS OF BUSINESS OWNERS. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO ADDRESS

YOU THIS MORNING ON THIS SUBJECT, AND BEING AS I WILL BE THE -- ME AND MY TEAM WILL BE THE ONES ADMINISTERING THIS PROGRAM, IT IS A DISTINCT HONOR, AND I THINK THAT WE WANT TO BRING UP SOME OF OUR OTHER GUESTS TO TALK A BIT MORE ABOUT WHAT THIS MEANS.

Mr. Mazzara-Myers: GOOD MORNING CHAIR KAFOURY AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION, I AM WILLIAM MAZZARA-MYERS, THANKS FOR HAVING ME HERE TODAY. I AM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TREASURER OF THE COLUMBIA BUILDING AND TRADES COUNCIL. A MOUTHFUL I WOULD LIKE TO START BY THANKING YOU FOR BRINGING THIS RESOLUTION FORWARD. YOU HERE AT MULTNOMAH COUNTY HAVE SET THE GOLD STANDARD FOR THE REGION FOR PROJECT LABOR AGREEMENTS WITH EQUITY STANDARDS AND COMMUNITY BENEFITS. I ATTEND YOUR LABOR MANAGEMENT MEETINGS ON THE COURTHOUSE AND THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS ON A REGULAR BASIS. I APPRECIATE HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO TRACK WHAT'S GOING RIGHT AND IDENTIFY WHAT'S GOING WRONG AND OFFER UP SUGGESTIONS FOR COURSE CORRECTION. THIS IS WHAT A COLLABORATIVE PROCESS LOOKS LIKE. THE CITY AND OTHER PUBLIC CONTRACTING AGENCIES COULD LEARN FROM YOUR EXAMPLE OF WHAT A GOOD POLICY THAT WORKS LOOKS LIKE AND NOT JUST WINDOW-DRESSING.

NOW WITH THE 1% FUND WE ARE TAKING THE NEXT CRITICAL STEP SUPPORTING APPRENTICESHIP THROUGH RETENTION PROGRAMS AND MINORITY CONTRACTORS WITH TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE HELPS EVERYONE AT THE TABLE. IT HELPS THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY AS WE WORK TO BE REFLECTIVE OF THE COMMUNITIES WE WORK IN. RESEARCH SHOWS THAT ONLY 32% OF WOMEN AND ONLY 33% OF MINORITIES CONTINUE PAST THEIR APPRENTICESHIP TO JOURNEYMEN. THAT RATE IS NOT ACCEPTABLE. IT ALSO MEANS WE NEED TO BUILD AN INFRASTRUCTURE TO HELP SUPPORT THESE FOLKS AS THEY ENGAGE IN THEIR PROFESSION. UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES ARE STILL NOT REPRESENTATIVE OF THE NUMBERS THAT SHOW THE COMMUNITIES WE WORK IN. AND SO IT'S UP TO US, UP TO YOU, UP TO ME TO CREATE THOSE CONNECTIONS FOR WOMEN AND PEOPLE OF COLOR WE NEED TO FIND THE FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR THESE PROGRAMS. THESE PRE-APPRENTICESHIP AND MENTORING PROGRAMS FOCUSED ON RETENTION ARE ONE GREAT STEP IN THAT DIRECTION.

I WANT TO APPLAUD YOU FOR WORKING TO IDENTIFY THE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS TO HELP WOMEN AND MINORITY CONTRACTORS WHO OFTEN DON'T HAVE THE STRUCTURAL SUPPORTS THAT THEY NEED TO GROW THEIR BUSINESS SAYS. IN SHORT THIS IS ANOTHER IMPORTANT STEP AS WE WORK TOGETHER TO CREATE EQUITY AND INCLUSION IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY. I LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING THIS WORK WITH ALL OF YOU AND YOUR STAFF IN THE COMING YEARS AND AM HAPPY I CAN POINT TO MULTNOMAH COUNTY AS THE GOLD STANDARD IN THE AREA

WHEN I AM WORKING WITH THE OTHER PUBLIC CONTRACTING AGENCIES. THANK YOU FOR INVITING ME HERE TODAY.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU GOOD MORNING.

Mr. Kowalczyk: GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS. CHAIR KAFOURY. I AM BILL KOWALCZYK, A CARPENTER FOR 25 YEARS AND CURRENTLY A CONSTRUCTION SPECIALIST AT PORTLAND YOUTH BUILDERS WHERE I RAN THE CONSTRUCTION DEPARTMENT FOR 17 YEARS. WE ARE AN ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL AND A BULLY CERTIFIED PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM. WE HAVE WORKED WITH LOW INCOME, DIVERSE YOUTH IN OUR COMMUNITY FOR 20 YEARS I AM HERE TODAY WITH TWO OTHER PROGRAMS CONSTRUCTING HOPE IN OREGON TRADESWOMEN. UNFORTUNATELY PAT DANIELS FROM CONSTRUCTING HOPE WHO PLANNED TO BE HERE TODAY IS SICK, AND I WAS ASKED TO SPEAK IN HER PLACE. HIGHLY SKILLED CONSTRUCTION JOBS ARE A TICKET OUT OF POVERTY. THEY ARE PATHWAYS TO CAREERS AND FUTURES UNIMAGINABLE TO MOST OF THE STUDENTS IN OUR PROGRAMS BEFORE THEY BEGAN OUR TRAINING. JUST THIS PAST TUESDAY OUR PYB CONTINGENT TOURED THE SITE OF THE NEW MULTNOMAH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS WITH ABOUT 20 STUDENTS.

I CAN'T TELL YOU HOW MUCH THAT EXPERIENCE MEANT TO MY STUDENTS AND MY STAFF. TO STAND ON THE EIGHTH FLOOR OF THAT BUILDING UNDER CONSTRUCTION WHERE YOU WILL SOON BE GAZING OUT YOURSELVES, TO GAZE UPON THE ICONIC STEEL BRIDGE THROUGH THE OPEN WALLS THAT ARE RECEIVING NEW WINDOWS WHAT WE CALL GLAZING IN THE INDUSTRY RIGHT IN OUR VERY PRESENCE, TO SEE IRONWORKERS DETAILING THEIR STRUCTURAL STEEL, ELECTRICIANS SETTING CONDUIT, SHEET METAL WORKERS HANGING DUCT WORK THAT OUR STUDENTS WITNESSED BEING MADE IN THE SHOP ONLY WEEKS EARLIER, TO HAVE A GOOD NUMBER OF THESE WORKERS ACTUALLY LOOK LIKE MY STUDENTS, TO LISTEN TO A YOUNG WOMAN FIRST TERM APPRENTICE WHO CAME OUT OF OUR SISTER ORGANIZATION, OREGON TRADESWOMEN, TELL MY STUDENTS THAT SHE LOVES HER JOB, SHE LOVES COMING TO WORK YOU, THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, THROUGH YOUR LEADERSHIP AND VISION GAVE THIS EXPERIENCE TO OUR STUDENTS THROUGH THE COMMUNITY CONSTRUCTION TRAINING PROGRAM. THE COUNTY FUNDED THAT. AS A RESULT SYD THREE STUDENTS TELL ME ON THIS PASSED TOUR THAT YES, I WANT TO BE A SHEET METAL WORKER.

OTHERS TOLD ME THAT YES, I WANT TO BE A TILE SETTER, I WANT TO BE A CARPENTER. I WANT TO BE A CRAFT LABORER. THESE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO MANAGE TO COMPLETE OUR PROGRAMS AND GET INTO APPRENTICESHIP WILL HAVE ACTUAL FAMILY WAGE CAREERS. THOSE IN THE LICENSED TRADES HAVE THE OPTION TO TURN OUT WITH COLLEGE ASSOCIATE DEGREES SO THEY HAVE FUTURE CAREER DEVELOPMENT BEYOND A JURY LEVEL CRAFT

EXPERIENCE SHOULD THEY DECIDE TO TAKE THAT ROUTE SOME OF THESE JOURNEY WORKERS WILL, IN THE FUTURE, BE WOMEN AND MINORITY OWNED CONTRACTORS WITH SOLID TRAINING BACKING THEIR ENTREPRENEURIAL VISION. NO LONGER NEEDING THE MANY SERVICES THE COUNTY PROVIDES TO LOW INCOME FOLKS. THEY WILL BE TAXPAYERS. HELPING TO PAY FOR THESE VERY SAME SERVICES FOR OTHERS. THEY WILL BE GIVING BACK. THEY WILL HAVE HEALTH CARE FOR THEIR FAMILIES AND EVEN PENSION BENEFITS FOR THE RETIREMENT. SIMPLY PUT CONSTRUCTION APPRENTICESHIP IS A GAME CHANGER ALL OUR CITIZENS DESERVE ACCESS TO THESE FAMILY WAGE CONSTRUCTION JOBS. THE FACT THAT THERE HAS BEEN A HISTORY OF EXCLUSION FROM THESE JOBS, JOBS BUILDING THE VERY STRUCTURES THAT HOUSE OUR GOVERNMENT SERVICES IS OFFENSIVE.

Mr. Kowalczyk: THE COUNTY, OUR BUILDING TRADES PARTNERS IN THIS ROOM, CONTRACTORS, WORKFORCE AGENCIES AND PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS ARE WORKING HARD TOGETHER IN THE COLLABORATION THAT WILLY MENTIONS TO MAKE THIS CHANGE. THE FAMILY HAS BEEN THE INSTITUTION THAT HAS REPLACED THE CONSTRUCTION WORKERS FOR MANY GENERATIONS. I COME FROM A FAMILY LIKE THAT. THE FAMILY IN ITS SOCIAL NETWORK PROVIDES THE CULTURAL TRAINING TO SURVIVE AND TO THRIVE IN THE INDUSTRY, AND IT WORKS WELL. ONLY NOT FOR EVERYBODY THAT SYSTEM, VERY SUCCESSFULLY, HAS REPLACED AGING WHITE MEN WITH MORE YOUNG MEN FROM THE CONSTRUCTION FAMILIES. EVEN WITH GOOD INTENTIONS, THIS HAS BEEN A DIFFICULT SYSTEM TO CHANGE. PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS EXIST TO PREPARE ALL OUR RESIDENTS FOR SUCCESSFUL APPRENTICESHIP. WE MIRROR THE FAMILY AS THE SOURCE OF BASIC TOOL USE COMPETENCIES, AND AS WELL AS THE CONSTRUCTION CULTURE TRAINING NECESSARY FOR GETTING ACCEPTED INTO APPRENTICESHIP AND FOR RETENTION.

BUT TO DO THIS WORK, TO KEEP OUR DOORS OPEN, EVERY YEAR WE STRUGGLE TO PIECE TOGETHER THE PATCHWORK NECESSARY FOR OUR SURVIVAL. WE ARE ONLY BEGINNING, AND I AM TELLING YOU THIS, AFTER 20 YEARS MYSELF, DOING THIS WORK, WE ARE ONLY BEGINNING TO GET THE INSTITUTIONAL FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY THAT WE NEED. THIS IS WHY THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION DIVERSITY AND EQUITY FUND IS SO VERY IMPORTANT IT WILL BE ANOTHER IMPORTANT PIECE OF THE BIG STRATEGY TO BRING INCREASED EQUITY TO THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY. FINALLY, I WANT TO THANK LEE, ROBERTA, AND LIZ FOR THEIR INSPIRED LEADERSHIP BEHIND THERE RESOLUTION. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Ms. Kupcak: THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS AND CHAIR KAFOURY. I AM KELLY KUPCAK, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF OREGON TRADESWOMEN. I AM ONE OF THE RECENT TRANSPLANTS, BE IT NOT FROM CALIFORNIA BUT FROM OHIO TO YOUR COMMUNITY I AM NOT NEW TO THIS INDUSTRY AND TO THIS CHALLENGE AROUND DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND

INCLUSION. I'VE BEEN DOING THIS WORK FOR ABOUT 16 YEARS AS AN ADVOCATE AND WORKED IN THE FIELD AS A HEAVY EQUIPMENT OPERATOR IN OHIO, AND FIRST HAND EXPERIENCED THE DIFFERENCE OF BEING A SINGLE MOM, RAISING KIDS, AND HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO GO THROUGH PRE-APPRENTICESHIP AND COME INTO A UNION PROGRAM THAT CHANGED THE COURSE OF OUR LIVES AND ALLOWED ME TO SUPPORT MY FAMILY. IT IS MY PRIVILEGE AND HONOR TO WORK AT AN ORGANIZATION THAT IS COMMITTED TO INSURING THAT WOMEN HAVE ACCESS TO OPPORTUNITY AND EQUITY, AND IT IS AN INCREDIBLE PRIVILEGE TO BE WORKING WITH MY COLLEAGUES AT THIS TABLE AND THE COMMUNITY.

Ms. Kupcak: I ECHO BILL'S THOUGHTS IN THANKING ROBERTA AND LIZ AND LEE FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP, BUT I WANT TO SAY TO ALL OF YOU THAT THIS WORK IS HAPPENING AROUND OUR COUNTRY, BUT YOU ARE SETTING THE GOLD STANDARD AS MR. MEIER SAID. THIS IS A CHALLENGE IN MANY METROPOLITAN COMMUNITIES. YOU ARE NOT JUST LIVING THE VALUES THAT YOU TALK ABOUT YOU ARE PUTTING THEM INTO PLACE TO BE A TANGIBLE REALITY FOR FOLKS TO ENSURE A PATHWAY TO PROSPERITY AND IMPLEMENTING A SHARED WEALTH CREATION MODEL THROUGH PUBLIC INVESTMENT. THE 1% FUND IS HUGE IMPORTANT FOR US TO ENSURE THAT FOLKS HAVE ACCESS TO TRAINING. THEY HAVE A PATHWAY, NOT JUST TO A JOB BUT A CAREER AND A FUTURE, WHICH WE DON'T HAVE THE CAPACITY AS A SMALL NONPROFIT TO MEASURE THE ECONOMIC IMPACT BACK INTO THE COMMUNITY, BUT WE KNOW IT'S HUGE.

THE WOMEN THAT WE SERVE THAT COME THROUGH OUR DOORS ARE LARGELY SINGLE HOUSEHOLDS, SINGLE PARENTS, LIVING IN POVERTY AND HAVE MANY BARRIERS, SOME OF WHICH HAVE BEEN MENTIONED ABOUT INCARCERATION AND LEGAL HISTORY AND ETC., AND INTO AN INDUSTRY THAT HAS HISTORICALLY NOT WANTED THEM, RIGHT. BUT WHEN THEY COME THROUGH OUR DOORS AND WE HEAR BACK FROM THE TRADESWOMEN WHO HAVE COME THROUGH THE PROGRAM A YEAR LATER, THEY ARE BUYING THEIR OWN HOMES IN THIS COMMUNITY. THEY ARE VOLUNTEERING IN THE COMMUNITY AND SHOPPING IN THIS COMMUNITY AND SUPPORTING THEIR FAMILIES THIS COMMUNITY. THEY HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ECONOMIC SELF SUFFICIENCY THAT IS WHY IT'S A PRIVILEGE TO DO THIS WORK AND THAT IS WHY I WANT TO THANK YOU AND COMMEND YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN THIS SPACE.

Chair Kafoury: THANKS FOR COMING. GOOD MORNING.

Ms. Haines: GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS AND CHAIR KAFOURY. I AM KELLY HAINES. I AM WITH WORKSYSTEMS, THE LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD THAT SERVES MULTNOMAH AND WASHINGTON COUNTIES, AND I MANAGE THE PROGRAM WITHIN WORK SYSTEMS CALLED CAUSE. IT STANDS FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, APPRENTICESHIP AND

WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS THANK YOU FOR INVITING ME TO TESTIFY AND TO HEAR ABOUT THIS HISTORIC DEVELOPMENT. I WANT TO ECHO WHAT OTHERS HAVE SAID. THIS IS A HUGE DEVELOPMENT IN THE REGION AND VERY NOTEWORTHY. IT IS DEFINITELY SPEARHEADING THE EVOLUTION, I THINK, OF A LOT OF POLICY WORK THAT WE HAVE ALL BEEN WORKING ON. THERE IS THE DEMAND SIDE THAT I THINK HAS BEEN DEMONSTRATED THROUGH THINGS LIKE THE PLA TO HELP ENCOURAGE CONTRACTORS AND ENCOURAGE THE INDUSTRY TO LOOK AT MORE DIVERSE CANDIDATES AND TO GET MORE OF THEM IN THE PIPELINE AND ON THE JOB SITE.

Ms. Haines: THIS REALLY ADDRESSES THE SUPPLY ISSUE TO ENSURE REAL INVESTMENT IN HELPING TO TRAIN PEOPLE FROM THE COMMUNITY THAT ARE QUALIFIED AND READY TO DO THIS WORK. I THINK THAT THAT'S A CRITICAL PIECE OF MAKING THIS WHOLE SYSTEM WORK I HAVE HAD THE SYSTEM TO MANAGE THE CURRENT GRANTS THROUGH THE COURTHOUSE AND THE HEALTH HEADQUARTERS WITH OUR PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PARTNERS, AND WE ARE SEEING RESULTS DAILY. I THINK I JUST HEARD A STORY OF A WOMAN NAMED CHEROKEE, WHO IS AN ELECTRICAL APPRENTICE WORKING ON THE COURTHOUSE, AND SHE WAS A BARTENDER BEFORE SHE GRADUATED FROM OREGON TRADESWOMEN IN 2014 AND NOW IS HAPPILY ON THAT JOB WORKING FOR ONE OF THE CONTRACTORS THERE.

SO THESE ARE VERY TANGIBLE OUTCOMES FOR PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY. IT'S A BIG REASON THAT I GO TO WORK EVERY DAY IS THAT I GET TO SEE REAL STORIES OF PEOPLE WHO ARE CHANGING THE JOB THAT THEY FIND AND THE PASSION THAT THEY FIND IN THEIR CAREER NOT ONLY CHANGES WHAT'S IN THEIR BANK ACCOUNT AND THEIR ABILITY TO BUY A HOUSE, BUT ALSO IT CHANGES, I THINK, THEIR DIGNITY AS THEY WALK THROUGH THE WORLD, SO THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR BOLD LEADERSHIP IN THIS WORK. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. I THINK THAT WE HAVE AT LEAST ONE MORE PERSON TESTIFYING CONGRATULATIONS KELLY ON YOUR IMPENDING ARRIVAL. WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING MORE. THANK YOU FOR COMING THIS MORNING, GREGORY.

Mr. Roseborough: THANK YOU. I AM GREGORY ROSEBOROUGH, A GRADUATE OF CONSTRUCTING HOPE PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM. CONSTRUCTING HOPE SAVED MY LIFE. IT HELPED TO CHANGE MY LIFE BEFORE THEN I WAS HEADED IN A DIRECTION WHICH WAS NOT VERY POSITIVE. COMING TO CONSTRUCTING HOPE, THEY HELPED TO SET ME ON A PATH IN THE WORKFORCE. SO I AM CURRENTLY WORKING IN SALEM. AFTER MY PRE-APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM IT TOOK A MONTH TO GET A JOB. I STARTED WORKING ON THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY CENTRAL COURTHOUSE. I WORKED FOR DEWITT CONSTRUCTION AT THAT TIME. I STAYED ON THAT PROJECT ABOUT THREE MONTHS BEFORE MOVING ON I STARTED WORK, WORKING IN

THE ABATEMENT, AND THAT DID NOT WORK OUT, SO I MOVED ON. WHEN I WORKED AT MULTNOMAH COUNTY COURTHOUSE I MADE \$16.83 AN HOUR, I BELIEVE. TODAY I MAKE \$20 AN HOUR. I AM CURRENTLY ON A \$900 MILLION PROJECT. I AM WORKING ON THE AMAZON DISTRIBUTION CENTER IN SALEM. THE BUILDING IS 1 MILLION SQUARE FEET. IT IS GOING TO BE THE LARGEST SINGLE STORY STRUCTURE IN THE STATE OF OREGON I AM PLEASED WITH WHAT I DO. I AM PLEASED WITH MY LIFE TODAY. AND THANK YOU CONSTRUCTING HOPE.

Ms. Smith Currie: THANKS GREGORY. WE ARE HAPPY AND THANK ALL OUR GUESTS TODAY FOR BEING HERE, AND WE ARE HAPPY TO TAKE SOME QUESTIONS FROM YOU TODAY.

Chair Kafoury: GREAT DO WE HAVE QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD?

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR. THIS IS A REALLY BIG DAY. I THINK THIS IS SO IMPORTANT AND FEELS SO GOOD TO HAVE OTHERS IN THE COMMUNITY SAY THAT WE ARE DOING GROUND-BREAKING WORK BECAUSE AS YOU KNOW I THINK THAT WE SPENT BUT THE LAST EIGHT YEARS MADAM CHAIR TRYING TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ENGAGE WITH MINORITY CONTRACTORS, WOMEN CONTRACTORS, AND TO BE ABLE TO HAVE A SOURCE OF FUNDING TO ACTUALLY GET THAT TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE OUT BECAUSE NORMALLY WE HAVE TO GO TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND ASK THEM AND THEY MAY OR MAY NOT HAVE MONEY BUT THIS IS KIND OF A GUARANTEED THING SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR HARD WORK MISS LIZ, THANK YOU MISS ROBERTA AND ELIZABETH THANK YOU FOR ALL THE HARD WORK YOU DID ON THIS. THIS IS A KIND OF STUFF THAT MAKES YOU FEEL GOOD.

Commissioner Meieran: I WOULD LIKE TO ECHO THAT, THE GOLD STANDARD IS TO BE THE GOLD STANDARD, SO IT IS REALLY, REALLY SO COOL TO HEAR ABOUT THIS PROGRAM AND THAT WE ARE VIEWED BY THE PEOPLE WHO THIS AFFECTS AS REALLY BEING THE GOLD STANDARD IN THIS AREA. THAT IS WHAT IS SO IMPORTANT IS TO NOT JUST TO SIT UP HERE MAKING POLICIES THAT WE THINK MIGHT WORK, BUT TO ACTUALLY HAVE THEM IMPACT PEOPLE IN THE REAL WORLD, AND IT WAS JUST SO INSPIRING TO HEAR THE STORIES TODAY AND TO SEE WHAT THAT IMPACT WILL BE WITH THIS REALLY WONDERFUL, NEW POLICY. THANK YOU ALL FOR THE INCREDIBLE WORK THAT YOU HAVE DONE ON THIS. I KNOW YOU'VE BEEN WORKING REALLY HARD AND I AM JUST REALLY EXCITED. THANK YOU.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALL YOUR WORK ON THIS I KNOW IT WAS A BIG TEAM EFFORT FROM A LOT OF FOLKS, AND I LOVED HEARING THE IMPACT THE PROGRAM IS GOING TO HAVE ON PEOPLE. I THINK WHAT WE HAVE DONE WITH THE PLA THAT WE DID FOR THE COURTHOUSE AND FOR THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS IS A WONDERFUL STEP

IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION AND HELPS SET THE STAGE FOR THIS. THIS IS A REALLY PERMANENT ONGOING COMMITMENT TO INVESTING IN THE COMMUNITY AND YOU KNOW I KNOW THAT THE BOARD HAD MADE A COMMITMENT PRIOR TO THE ARTS PROJECT AND FUNDING, BUT THIS SEEMS LIKE EVEN A MORE APPROPRIATE NEXUS IN HOW TO USE THIS BECAUSE IT IS ACTUALLY YOU KNOW USING FUNDS TO GET PEOPLE TO WORK AND TO BUILD EMPLOYMENT AND JOB OPPORTUNITIES AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE IN A MEANINGFUL WAY.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: I AM SO HAPPY THAT WE ARE TAKING THIS STEP. I HAD A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. ONE OF THEM WAS TO MAKE SURE THAT I AM CLEAR, IT WILL BE 1% THE COST OF THE CONSTRUCTION BASED ON HOW MUCH THE COUNTY IS PUTTING IN FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION OR FOR MAINTENANCE. BUT IT'S 1% OF THE TOTAL COST OF THE ENTIRE PROJECT REGARDLESS OF WHAT THE COUNTY'S PORTION IS?

Ms. Smith Currie: SO IT'S 1% OF ALL FUNDS IF THEY ARE ALLOWABLE SO IF THERE ARE STATE FUNDS AND THE STATE ALLOWS US TO SPEND 1% OF THOSE FUNDS, THEN THOSE CAN ALSO BE INCLUDED, COMMISSIONER. AND THE SECOND PART OF THE QUESTION WAS THE --

Commissioner Vega Pederson: IS IT BASED ON THE COUNTY --

Ms. Smith Currie: YEAH, MORE THAN WHAT THE COUNTY IS PUTTING IN. AND ALSO THERE ARE EXCLUSIONS. UNLIKE THE RACC PROGRAM, WHICH EXCLUDES TRANSPORTATION AND BRIDGES, WE HAVE INCLUDED TRANSPORTATION, BRIDGE PROJECTS INSIDE ROADS PROJECT IF ALLOWED BY FUNDING SOURCE, AND IT EXCLUDES PERMITTING, BUT IT DOES INCLUDE, A TEXTURED AND ENGINEERING, WHICH IN PROFESSIONAL, OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WHICH IS NOT IN THE RACC PROGRAM.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: AND I KNOW THAT WE'VE BEEN GETTING UPDATES ON THE BUILDINGS. THERE HAS BEEN A CHALLENGE FINDING SOME OF THE QUALIFIED FOLKS TO REACH SOME OF THOSE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, SO I AM REALLY EXCITED THAT WE ARE HAVING THIS AS PART OF THE PROGRAM I KNOW YOU WILL BE WORKING ON THE MORE DETAILED, YOU KNOW, WAYS THAT THE PROGRAM IS GOING TO WORK, BUT I HOPE THAT WE HAVE SOME YOU KNOW, EQUITY IN TERMS OF HOW MUCH WE'RE INVESTING IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THOSE BASED ON THE PERCENTAGE THAT IS OF THE TOTAL COST OF THE PROJECT FOR INVESTING IN HOW WE'RE FOCUSING ON GETTING PEOPLE INVOLVED IN THOSE PROGRAMS TOO. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL YOUR WORK ON THIS AGAIN.

Vice-Chair Stegmann: THANK YOU CHAIR. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I JUST WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT A COMMENT THAT WILLY MADE WHERE HE SAID THAT THERE IS A 33% RETENTION ON THE JOURNEYMEN LEVEL. THAT'S ALSO

ANOTHER, ANOTHER WAY OF SAYING THAT IS THAT WE HAVE A 67% FAILURE RATE, AND THE FACT THAT WE CAN TAKE A SIGNIFICANT ACTION LIKE THIS TO TURN THOSE NUMBERS AROUND IS HUGE. I JUST WANT TO AGAIN THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR WORK THIS IS A GREAT DAY.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. I THINK WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT AS WELL.

Board Clerk: YES. PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN I CALL YOUR NAME. [READS NAMES]

Ms. Maxwell: I AM SHARON MAXWELL, THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO COME UP AND SPEAK TO THIS I LISTENED TO THIS REPORT, AND IT SOUNDS REALLY GOOD. MY BACKGROUND AS A GENERAL CONTRACTOR, CARPENTER BY TRADE AND A SPRINKLER FITTER STARTING IN CONSTRUCTION TRADES OVER 23 YEARS AGO, THERE IS A SYSTEMIC PROBLEM. 1% JUST WON'T DO. WE ARE NOT SEEING PEOPLE OF COLOR AND WOMEN JOURNEY OUT. THAT IS A HUGE PROBLEM TO HEAR MR. FLEMING STATE THAT THIS IS GOING TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. OVER AND OVER AND OVER AGAIN WE COME UP WITH GOOD IDEAS, BUT WE HAVE TO ADDRESS IT AT THE ROOT PEOPLE OF COLOR, THE PEOPLE WHO REALLY MAKE A DIFFERENCE THAT HIRE AND BRING FOLKS INTO THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY REALLY WERE NOT AT THIS TABLE. THE BUSINESS OWNERS THAT MAKE A LOT OF DECISIONS AS THEY MEET WITH THESE UNIONS, WE NEED TO HOLD THEM ACCOUNTABLE.

AS A BUSINESS OWNER I AM CALLING THIS OUT THIS MORNING, AND I WANT THE PUBLIC TO HEAR THAT WE SHOULD NOT BE THROWING DOLLARS AT SOMETHING THAT IS NOT GOING TO WORK. I WANT TO KNOW FROM THOSE POSITIONS THAT MR. FLEMING STATED HOW MANY OF THE APPRENTICES IN 2010 HAVE ADJOURNED OUT. THAT'S OVER EIGHT YEARS AGO IF THEY LIST 2010, WE'RE IN 2018. THAT'S WHAT WE NEED TO BE FOCUSED ON IS JOURNEYMEN. MEN AND WOMEN BEING ABLE TO JOURNEY OUT AND BECOME UPPER SUPER SUPERINTENDENTS AND FOREMAN WITHIN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY WHAT WE'RE SEEING HAPPENING IS BUSINESSES GET THE PERKS AND ALL OF THE VALUES BY HIRING APPRENTICES AND MOST OF THE TIME IT'S FIRST AND SECOND YEAR, AND THEREFORE THEY ARE GETTING CHEAP LABOR, AND THESE, WE DON'T SEE PEOPLE JOURNEYING OUT. IT SEEMS TO BE PRACTICING DISHONESTY HERE, RIGHT HERE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY, AND WE NEED TO GET THIS RIGHT.

AS COMMISSIONER THAT'S WHAT I WILL BE FOCUSING ON IS MAKING SURE THAT WE HOLD BUSINESSES THAT ARE GETTING THE VALUE HERE IN OUR COMMUNITY. THEY NEED TO MAKE THE INVESTMENT TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE OF COLOR AND WOMEN, I HEARD WOMEN VERY SPECIFICALLY, BUT IT'S THE PEOPLE OF COLOR THAT ARE REALLY BEING LEFT BEHIND AND NOT GETTING THE OPPORTUNITY. AS A WOMAN WHO DID NOT GET INTO THE CARPENTER'S UNION, I GOT MY OPPORTUNITY THROUGH LOCAL 290, THE

STEAM FITTERS AND PIPE FITTERS, WHICH IS ONE OF THE MOST HARDEST UNIONS EVER TO EVEN GET IN. I JUST WANT TO SEE THAT WE CHANGE HOW WE DO BUSINESS IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. THANK YOU

Mr. Broussard: I AM BRUCE BROUSSARD. IN ALL DUE RESPECT THAT'S ONE AREA THAT I WAS EMPHASIZING. I WAS THERE WHEN HE INTRODUCED IT. I REMEMBER WHEN THE COMMISSIONER MCCOY WAS ONBOARD, AND WE BASICALLY HAD A CERTIFICATION PROCESS THAT EVERYBODY WAS ALL OVER THE PLACE. BUT WE REALIZE THAT WE NEEDED TO DO A ONE-STOP CERTIFICATION PROCESS, AND AS A RESULT WE HAVE THE STATE CERTIFICATION PROGRAM ASPECT OF IT. BUT IN ADDITION I WORKED VERY TIRELESS IN THE WHOLE ISSUE OF MAKING SURE THAT WE MADE SURE THAT WE GOT 10% OF MINORITIES AND WOMEN ACROSS THE BOARD ON ALL PROJECTS FOR THAT MATTER. THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS WHEN THEY CAME UP WITH -- WHEN THE NEW TERM IN THE APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM, IT WAS PRE-APPRENTICE, THERE IS NO SUCH ANIMAL IN THE TRADES UNION THERE IS NO SUCH DEFINITION. IT'S A TRADE UNION. THE REASON IT'S AN APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM, THERE IS A PROCESS MEANING YOU HAVE TO GO THROUGH DIFFERENT LEVELS TO GET TO THE POINT THAT YOU ARE A JOURNEYMEN PERSON. THIS WAS DESIGNED FOR THE MINORITIES.

TO BASICALLY PREVENT THEM FROM GETTING IT. YOU ARE TELLING ME, YOU CAN LOOK AT THE STATS TO SEE JUST HOW MANY FOLKS ACTUALLY HAVE GONE THROUGH THE CAREERS IF YOU WILL WITHIN THE TRADES. WITHIN THE TRADES YOU WILL BE SURPRISED. YOU WON'T SEE THEM. IN FACT, THE MOST TRADES THAT -- IN ALL DUE RESPECT THAT THEY ARE SUPPORTIVE OF ARE THE LABOR TRADES ASPECT, NOT THE IRONWORKERS AND THE STEEL WORKERS. AND THE OTHER PUSH ON SUPPLIES AND WHATEVER. MY POINT TO YOU IS THIS -- YOU DON'T HAVE THAT EXPERTISE. I DO. IN MANY WAYS THERE IS ONLY TWO PEOPLE RUNNING FOR OFFICE JUST HAPPEN TO BE SHARON, WENT THAT WAY. AND MYSELF. WITH ALL DUE RESPECT IT WAS SURPRISING ME, AND I AM DISAPPOINTED WITH THE UNIONS BECAUSE I AM A UNION MAN. I WORKED VERY HARD TO MAKE SURE THAT WE GET PREVAILING WAGES. THAT'S WHAT IT IS ALL ABOUT.

THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS THEY ARE SUPPORTING ONE PERSON, THE UNION, THE UNION FOLKS ARE GOING TO BE SUPPORTING SOMEONE WHO HAS TO BE JUST A LAWYER, BUT NO BACKGROUND. NO COMMITMENT TO 10% TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE GOT PARTICIPATION I KNOW YOU ARE COMMITTED. YOU HAVE GOT TO BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND THE LANGUAGE. YOU HAVE GOT TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THE LANGUAGE IS. SO AS FAR AS I AM CONCERNED HEY, ONE OF US, IF YOU WILL, IF WE ARE THERE, YOU HAVE GOT THE EXPERTISE THEN TO REALLY LOOK INTO THAT SITUATION. I AM NOT GOING TO FORGET IT, AND IN FACT, I WILL CHALLENGE, I WILL CHALLENGE THE TRADES TODAY TO COME ON MY SHOW AND WE CAN TALK ABOUT THIS A BIT MORE. IN ALL DUE RESPECT YOU NEED A GOOD TRANSLATOR RIGHT NOW.

Mr. Broussard: SO THIS PROGRAM THAT YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT, I WOULD SUGGEST PLEASE HOLD THAT BACK FOR A MOMENT PLEASE. JUST FOR A MOMENT. BEFORE YOU MAKE THAT FINAL DECISION. YOU WANT, I KNOW WHAT YOU WANT. YOU WANT AN APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM. YOU WANT ALL THE OTHER TRADES. YOU WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT YOU TRACK THOSE PEOPLE THAT YOUNG MAN WHO JUST LEFT WHO JUST SPOKE TO YOU, HE'S IN THE LABOR PROGRAM. YOU KNOW WHAT LABOR IS? WHEN PEOPLE, WHEN YOU SEE PEOPLE PICKING UP THE TRASH AND WHEN THEY ARE DEMOLISHING THE JOBS, IT'S NOT AN IRONWORKER. IT'S NOT A TRADE. AS FAR AS I AM CONCERNED, PLEASE HOLD IT BACK. DON'T VOTE ON THIS. GIVE ME A WEEK LET THEM COME ON MY SHOW ON SUNDAY AND YOU WILL GET THE GOOD TRANSLATION AND LOOK AT THE SHOW. THAT'S AN INSULT.

Mr. Lightning: I AM LIGHTNING. I REPRESENT LIGHTNING SUPER JUSTICE WATCHDOG. AGAIN I DO APPROVE OF THIS PROGRAM AND HOPE YOU VOTE TODAY WITH A YES. I STARTED OUT AT AGE 21 AND WORKED IN CONSTRUCTION ACTUALLY IN GREEN RIVER, WYOMING, ROCK SPRINGS, BUILDING SOUR GAS PROCESSING PLANTS AND WORKED MY WAY UP TO JOURNEY LEVEL PIPE FITTER BUT ALSO ENDED UP BEING A MATERIAL EXPEDITER ON THE WHOLE JOB, SO BASICALLY I UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF THESE JOBS, THE AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT YOU CAN MAKE, AND THESE ARE VERY GOOD JOBS OUT IN THE MARKETPLACE IN THE COMMUNITY. TO ALL THE PEOPLE IN HERE THAT CAME UP AND DID YOUR SPEECHES, VERY GOOD SPEECHES AGREE WITH YOU 100%.

I AM ASKING YOUR PARTICIPATION TO GO OVER TO METRO. I'VE BEEN PUSHING AT METRO ON A \$750 MILLION AFFORDABLE BOND. THEY ARE TALKING ABOUT BUYING CURRENT EXISTING BUILDINGS OUT THERE WITH SOME OF THE MONEY. I WOULD LIKE THE CONSTRUCTION TRADE AND THE WORKERS TO GO OVER TO METRO AND TO TELL THEM THE TRUE BENEFITS OF BUILDING NEW, HIRING THE PEOPLE TO COME IN AND BUILD THESE PROJECTS, THE HOURS THAT WILL BE THERE, THE BUILDING MATERIALS THAT WILL GO OUT THROUGH THE OPPORTUNITY SO THEY CAN BUY LOCALLY, AND I WANT TO HEAR YOUR THOUGHTS ON THAT AND GET OVER TO METRO NOW BECAUSE THIS IS BEING PROPOSED AT THIS TIME, AND IT WILL CREATE A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF JOBS, AND THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT TODAY, SO I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOUR INPUT AGAIN OVER AT METRO ON THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING BOND CURRENTLY BEING PROPOSED AND EXPLAIN TO THEM THE TRUE BENEFITS OF BUILDING NEW BUILDINGS AT THIS TIME. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. I WANT TO THANK EVERYBODY FOR COMING WE HEARD POWERFUL TESTIMONY ON THE NEED FOR THIS PROGRAM. I JUST WANT TO THANK LIZ SMITH CURRIE FROM MY OFFICE, LEE FLEMING AND ROBERTA HUNTE FROM COMMISSIONER STEGMANN'S OFFICE. WE ARE

REALLY LUCKY THAT WE HAVE HAD SUCH AMAZING STAFF HERE AT MULTNOMAH COUNTY TO HELP PUT AN IDEA INTO ACTION. IT WAS NOT JUST OUR STAFF WORKING AT THEIR OWN DESKS AND THEIR OWN OFFICE IS. THEY WORKED HARD WITH COMMUNITY. THAT'S WHAT I APPRECIATE ABOUT THIS PROGRAM COMING FORWARD IS THE AMOUNT OF TIME THAT YOU ALL SPENT TO REALLY GET IT RIGHT.

Chair Kafoury: ALL THE PARTNERS HERE TODAY THAT CONDOMINIUM OUT TO TESTIFY THANK YOU I THINK WILLY MEYERS SAID IT BEST ABOUT WHAT MAKES THIS PROGRAM SO GREAT AND WHAT IT'S GOING TO MAKE IT SUCCESSFUL IS THE COLLABORATION THAT WENT INTO BRINGING THIS TO WHERE WE ARE TODAY. I AM VERY EXCITED ABOUT THIS. MY ONLY REGRET IS THAT WE DID NOT HAVE THIS IN PLACE AGO YEARS AGO WHEN WE STARTED. WE HAVE WORKED OUR WAY UP TO THIS POINT. WE HAVE SET STRONG GOALS IN THE PROJECTS THAT WE HAVE THAT WERE BEING WORKED ON TODAY AND WE HAVE WONDERFUL PLA COMMUNITY BENEFITS AGREEMENT. WE HAVE SEEN THROUGH OUR EXPERIENCE THAT THERE IS A MISSING PIECE. AND THAT IS WHAT THIS PROGRAM AIMS TO FILL SO I LOOK FORWARD TO GETTING SOME MORE DETAILS ON IT AS WE MOVE FORWARD AND GETTING MONEY INTO THIS FUND SO WE CAN DO SOME OF THE GREAT WORK WE TALKED ABOUT TODAY.

Commissioner Smith: MADAM CHAIR AND JUST TO ADD TO THAT, YOU KNOW, ANYTHING THAT YOU EVER DO THAT'S MEANINGFUL, YOU HAVE TO START SOMEWHERE. WE'RE NOT SAYING THAT WE HAVE THE SILVER BULLET RIGHT NOW, BUT WHAT WE ARE SAYING IS WE HAVE SOMETHING THAT WE'RE VERY PROUD OF TO PUT ON THE STREETS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE THE APPROPRIATE MWESBS AND THAT THEY ARE TRAINED UP, SO WE CAN EXPAND FROM THERE AND CHANGE THE PROGRAM, BUT RIGHT NOW THIS IS WHERE WE NEED TO BE, AND I THINK THAT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT IS MEANINGFUL AND THAT IT'S GOING TO OUTLAST ALL OF US SITTING UP HERE UP HERE. ESPECIALLY YOU WILLY. YOU PUT A LOT OF TIME AND ENERGY INTO THIS.

Chair Kafoury: ANY OTHER COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD? ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE RESOLUTION IS ADOPTED. [APPLAUSE] NOW THE BOARD WILL ADJOURN AS THE PUBLIC CONTRACT REVIEW BOARD AND RECONVENE AS THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

R.2 Budget Modification MCSO-05-18 Increasing Fed/State Appropriation for DEQ Program by \$70,000. Presenter: Captain Harry Smith, MCSO.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSON MOVES, COMMISSIONER MEIERAN SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.2.

Capt. Smith: GOOD MORNING CHAIR GOOD MORNING COMMISSIONERS. I AM CAPTAIN HARRY SMITH, AND I OVERSEE MCISO'S INVESTIGATIONS SECTION WITHIN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION OF THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE. I AM HERE TODAY TO RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS RECOGNIZE RECEIPT OF THE OREGON DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY MONEYS. THE DEQ RECEIVES FUNDS FROM THE FORFEITURE PROCEEDS DUE TO THE COMMISSION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL CRIMES AS DESCRIBED IN THE STATUTE. THE STATE AGENCY ALLOCATES THESE FUNDS FOR TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT PURPOSES TO LAW ENFORCEMENT ASSIGNED TO RESPOND TO ILLEGAL DRUG MANUFACTURING SITES. THE MCISO'S INVESTIGATIONS UNIT SUBMITTED A REQUEST FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF TWO DRUG DETECTION ANALYZERS AND ASSOCIATED COMPONENTS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED 60,000. ADDITIONALLY A REQUEST WAS SUBMITTED FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF TRAINING COSTS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000.

REQUESTS AND REIMBURSEMENTS ARE CARRIED OUT ON A MONTHLY BASIS AND WILL NOT EXCEED \$70,000 IN TOTAL. AND JUST AS A SIDE NOTE, THESE ANALYZER MACHINES THAT WE ARE SUBMITTING FOR IS IN RESPONSE TO THE INCREASING PRESENCE OF FENTANYL AND IN DRUG EVIDENCE THAT WE ARE SEIZING AND THESE MACHINES WILL ALLOW OUR DETECTIVES AND OUR DEPUTIES IN THE FIELD TO BE ABLE TO TEST SUSPECTED DRUG CONTENTS WITHIN THE PACKAGING, MINIMIZING THE EXPOSURE AND THE POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS EXPOSURE TO OUR EMPLOYEES WHEN ANALYZING THESE SUSPECTED DRUG CONTAINERS I THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION TO THIS, AND THE TRAINING AND EQUIPMENT WILL FURTHER OUR INVESTIGATIVE EFFORTS. I AM AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE.

Chair Kafoury: QUESTIONS? COMMENTS? PUBLIC TESTIMONY?

Board Clerk: YES, MADAM CHAIR, MR. LIGHTNING, PLEASE COME FORWARD

Mr. Lightning: YES, I AM LIGHTNING. I REPRESENT LIGHTNING SUPER JUSTICE WATCHDOG. AGAIN ON MY POSITION ON THIS, ESPECIALLY WITH DEQ, AND ASK THAT FORFEITURES, IS THAT LAW ENFORCEMENT NEEDS TO MAKE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING IF THEY GO INTO A PROPERTY WITH THE INTENT THAT THERE IS A PROBLEM, AND AT THE END OF THE DAY THERE IS NOT, SUBSTANTIATED, THEY NEED TO PAY FOR THE DAMAGES. THEY NEED TO PAY FOR THE DAMAGES. YOU KNOW WE'RE DEALING WITH OPIOID EPIDEMIC, FENTANYL, METHAMPHETAMINE, ALL OF THESE DIFFERENT ISSUES OUT ON THE TABLE. THE REALITY IS THAT THEY NEED TO BE RIGHT WHEN THEY GO IN THERE. THEY NEED TO BE RIGHT WITH THEIR EQUIPMENT, WITH THEIR TESTING, WITH WHOEVER THEY ARE DEALING WITH THEY NEED TO BE RIGHT BECAUSE THE DAMAGES ON PEOPLE, ON BUSINESSES, CAN BE DEVASTATING. AGAIN WHEN YOU ARE POSSIBLY SEEKING FORFEITURES, YOU SHOULD ALSO PAY DAMAGES IF YOU ARE WRONG.

Mr. Lightning: AGAIN I AM GOING TO BE GOING TO MULTNOMAH COUNTY ON AN ISSUE THAT WAS PERTAINING TO ME. PERTAINING TO ME TO A BUSINESS AND PROPERTY THAT I OWNED. THAT THEY CAME IN CLAIMING THERE WAS METH LABS ON MY PROPERTY AND GUESS WHAT THEY FOUND. THEY FOUND NOTHING. AND THEIR NEIGHBORING PROPERTY OWNERS THAT WANTED MY PROPERTY SAYING THE SAME THING TO THEM AND WORKING WITH THEM AND GUESS WHAT THEY FOUND, THEY FOUND NOTHING BUT WHAT DID IT COST ME? IT COST ME MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN THE VALUE OF MY BUSINESS AND MY PROPERTY. SUBSTANTIATED BY APPRAISALS SO TO MULTNOMAH COUNTY, WHEN YOU ARE LISTENING TO THESE DISCUSSIONS, ON ASSET FORFEITURE, YOU DAMN WELL BETTER BE RIGHT. YOU BETTER BE RIGHT BECAUSE I WILL TELL YOU SOMETHING, WHEN YOU DAMAGE THE REPUTATION, SHUT DOWN THEIR BUSINESSES, AND DAMAGE THEIR HOUSING, AND YOU BETTER BE FUCKING RIGHT MULTNOMAH COUNTY!

Chair Kafoury: EXCUSE ME, SIR.

Mr. Lightning: YOU BETTERING FUCKING RIGHT. AND IF YOU HAVE A PROBLEM WITH IT, YOU PAY THE DAMAGES OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS THAT YOU OWE ME! YOU OWE ME. SO TO YOU, I SAY TO YOU, YOU ARE GOING TO PAY THE DAMAGES, AND AS YOU KNOW I AM FILING A LARGE LAWSUIT ON MULTNOMAH COUNTY ON THIS ISSUE. AGAIN GENTLEMEN, AS YOU KNOW, MULTNOMAH COUNTY, COLUMBIA RIVER MARINA, THAT YOU CLAIMED WAS AN OPERATION HAVING METH LABS ON IT, WHICH YOU GUYS FAILED MISERABLY. AND TALK TO SHERIFF REESE ABOUT THAT ISSUE. GUESS WHAT, HE KNOWS IT QUITE WELL.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU.

Mr. Lightning: FUCK OFF, REESE, AND YOU WILL PAY MY DAMAGES, YOU SON OF A BITCH HAVE A GOOD DAY.

Chair Kafoury: ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE BUDGET MODIFICATION IS APPROVED.

R.3 Budget Modification MCSO-06-18 Increasing Fed/State Appropriation for OSMB Program by \$70,000. Presenter: Capt. Joel Wendland, MCSO.

Chair Kafoury: COMMISSIONER MEIERAN MOVES, COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDS APPROVAL OF R.3. GOOD MORNING.

Capt. Wendland: GOOD MORNING MADAM CHAIR. MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION. I AM CAPTAIN JOEL WENDLAND. I CURRENTLY OVERSEE THE RIVER PATROL UNIT IN THE LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION. I AM HERE TO RESPECTFULLY REQUEST THE BOARD COMMISSIONERS APPROVE AN

AMENDMENT TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT. 205-1718 WITH THE OREGON STATE MARINE BOARD SO AS TO ACCEPT ADDITIONAL FUNDS FOR THE PURCHASE OF A BOAT FOR THE RIVER PATROL UNIT. OUR IGA WITH THE OSMB AUTHORIZES RIVER PATROL TO CONDUCT ENFORCEMENT RELATED TO RECREATIONAL BOATING TOWARDS WHICH THE OSMB APPROXIMATELY FUNDS ONE-THIRD OF OUR BUDGET.

Capt. Wendland: BY AMENDING THE IGA TODAY AN ADDITIONAL \$70,000 WILL BE ALLOCATED TO THE COUNTY FOR THE PURCHASE OF A 2018 ROGUE JET 24-FOOT FULL CABIN BOAT. BRINGING THE AGREEMENT TOTAL TO \$860,487. MULTNOMAH COUNTY HAS SOLD ITS 1995C-SPORT, OREGON 283XCX IN ANTICIPATION OF THIS TRANSACTION. THE PROCEEDS FROM THIS SALE TOTALING \$10,350 WHICH WILL BE APPLIED TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF THAT 2018 ROGUE JET BOAT. THEREBY OFFSETTING THE COUNTY COST. THAT'S ALL THAT I HAVE FOR YOU IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. QUESTIONS? COMMISSIONER MEIERAN?

Commissioner Meieran: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WANTED TO MAKE A COMMENT I HAD THE REALLY AMAZING PRIVILEGE OF GOING OUT ON A RIVER PATROL A FEW MONTHS AGO, AND IT WAS AN INCREDIBLE EXPERIENCE. I JUST URGE ANY OF MY FELLOW COMMISSIONERS TO, OR THE STAFF TO GO ON THAT AND SEE JUST THE INCREDIBLE WORK THAT IS DONE, AND REALLY JUST WAS MIND BOGGLING, OPENED MY PERSPECTIVE. YOU DO SO MUCH ON THE RIVER PATROL WITH FAIRLY LITTLE. SO I AM EXCITED ABOUT THIS, AND THANK YOU FOR COMING TO PRESENT TODAY.

Capt. Wendland: THANK YOU. YOU MUST HAVE BEEN THERE ON A NICE WEATHER DAY.

Commissioner Meieran: IT WAS A GORGEOUS, LIKE THE MOST GORGEOUS DAY.

Chair Kafoury: YOU ONLY TAKE US OUT ON THE NICE WEATHER DAY.

Commissioner Meieran: I WAS PREPARED. I HAD ALL MY GEAR.

Chair Kafoury: COMMENTS?

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU. IT'S TRUE. IT'S WONDERFUL OUT THERE. ME AND MY STAFF HAVE HAD A CHANCE TO GO OUT THERE ON MANY OCCASIONS, AND YOU ALL SHOWED US THIS BY SAUVIE ISLAND THERE ARE FOLKS WHO ARE ACTUALLY HOMELESS OUT ON THE BANKS THAT YOU SHOWED US. THAT REALLY WAS EYE-OPENING TO ME THAT THE LEVEL OF HOUSELESSNESS AND HOMELESSNESS IS TAKING PLACE OVER THERE. I THINK THAT THIS IS MUCH NEEDED. I SUPPORT THIS KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

Capt. Wendland: APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU FOR COMING THIS MORNING. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR VOTE AYE. [UNANIMOUS AYES] THE BUDGET MODIFICATION IS APPROVED. THANKS

BOARD COMMENT

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

Chair Kafoury: ALL RIGHT NOW WE HAVE COME TO THE TIME ON OUR AGENDA FOR NON-AGENDA ITEMS, DOES ANYBODY HAVE ANYTHING? ALL RIGHT. WELL, WE WILL ALL GO OUT TO GRESHAM FOR MAYOR SHANE BEMIS' STATE OF THE CITY, AND DON'T FORGET TOMORROW MORNING 7:30 A.M. AT REYNOLDS HIGH SCHOOL. YOURS TRULY WILL BE GIVING THE ANNUAL STATE OF THE COUNTY. IT'S EARLY, BUT IT WILL BE WORTH YOUR WHILE, I PROMISE. ALL RIGHT. WITH NO FURTHER BUSINESS, WE ARE ADJOURNED. [GAVEL]

ADJOURNMENT – 11:00 a.m.

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