



**MULTNOMAH COUNTY  
AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST (short form)**

**Board Clerk Use Only**

**Meeting Date:** 4/19/12  
**Agenda Item #:** R.3  
**Est. Start Time:** 9:50 am  
**Date Submitted:** 4/4/12

**Agenda Title:** Multnomah County Sustainable Jail Project

*Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title.*

**Requested Meeting Date:** April 19, 2012                      **Amount of Time Needed:** 20 minutes

**Department:** Non-Departmental                      **Division:** Office of Sustainability

**Contact(s):** John Wasiutynski

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**Presenter(s):** Sheriff Dan Staton, Chief Deputy Mike Shults, Sustainability Director Kat West

**General Information**

**1. What action are you requesting from the Board?**

No Action

**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.**

The Multnomah County Sustainable Jail Project paves the way for truly sustainable jails. Because jails are like mini-cities that operate 24 hours a day and care for an average of 1200 inmates daily, they are large consumers of energy, water, and supplies. From energy retrofits to composting waste to purchasing local food, the Sustainable Jail Project saved \$400,000 by making small changes with big impacts in the past year. Cost savings are expected to increase significantly next year as more sustainable projects are implemented. A partnership between the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office and the Office of Sustainability, the successes to date are the result of hard work and innovation on the part of Sheriff's Office staff. The Sustainable Jail Project is a model for jail corrections across the

nation and represents the critical next step for cost efficient and effective jail operations.

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

No impact for this briefing

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

The Sustainable Jail Project is aligned with the county's mission to promote a healthy, safe and prosperous community for all, and the county's value of creativity and innovation to think in new ways, and recognize ingenuity and resourcefulness. This project also aligns with the county's adopted 2003 Sustainability Principles, the 2008 Green Building Policy, the 2009 Climate Action Plan and the 2010 Multnomah Food Action Plan.

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

Invited guests will be participating in the Sustainable Jail Project Tour & Reception scheduled for 1:00-3:00 pm on April 19, 2012. One highlight of the Sustainable Jail Project is the Inverness Jail Laundry Energy Upgrade which was funded by the federal American Recovery & Reinvestment Act. Invaluable assistance was provided by the Oregon Department of Energy, Energy Trust of Oregon, and the Multnomah County Department of County Assets - Facilities and Property Management.

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**Required Signature**

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**Elected Official or  
Department/  
Agency Director:**

**Kat West /s/**

**Date: 4/4/12**

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