



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

(revised 03/25/11)

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Meeting Date: 6/16/11
Agenda Item #: R.2
Est. Start Time: 9:40 am
Date Submitted: 6/1/11

Agenda Title: **Approval of a temporary detour bridge during construction of the new Sellwood Bridge.**

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title sufficient to describe the action requested.

Requested Meeting Date: June 16, 2011 Amount of Time Needed: 20 min
Department: Community Services Division: Bridges
Contact(s): Ian Cannon
Phone: 503-988-3595 Ext. _____
Presenter Name(s) & Title(s): Ian Cannon, Sellwood Program Manager
Michael Baker, Owner's Representative

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Approval of a temporary detour bridge during construction of the new Sellwood 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.

The Sellwood Bridge project team has proposed that a detour bridge be used to carry bridge traffic during construction of the new bridge. A detour bridge will benefit the project in the areas of cost, time, safety, and environmental protection. The Board is being asked to direct the project team to implement the detour bridge alternative construction method. The project team is led by staff in the Department of Community Services. The resolution includes an attachment, Exhibit 1, which provides reasons why the detour bridge is beneficial to the project.

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

The use of a detour bridge is expected to save between \$5 and \$10 million dollars to the cost of the project. It does this by moving traffic away from the construction areas so that there is less phasing of construction, that is, construction in segments such that traffic is always being accommodated through the work area.

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

No legal or policy issues.

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

The Sellwood Project has performed outreach to the property owners and neighborhood impacted by the detour bridge. There have been meetings with the condo associations and with individual condo owners that are directly impacted. RiverPark Homeowner Association and the Sellwood Harbor Homeowner Association, the two residential complexes nearest to the detour bridge, have been briefed multiple times on the alignment. In addition, the matter of the detour bridge has been discussed at meetings of the project Community Advisory Committee, a group of 17 community members representing various interests in the project, with the Sellwood Moreland Improvement League (SMILE) neighborhood association and the Sellwood Westmoreland Business Alliance. A public meeting on the detour bridge proposal was also held. ODOT, which has jurisdiction of Highway 43, and Portland Bureau of Transportation, which has jurisdiction of Tacoma Street, have both approved the detour bridge concept.

Required Signature

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



Date: 6/1/11