



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 9/26/13
Agenda Item #: R.2
Est. Start Time: 10:00 am
Date Submitted: 9/11/13

Agenda Title: RESOLUTION Approving participation of the Multnomah County Library District in the Oregon Library Passport Program from October 1, 2013, to June 30, 2016.

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: September 26, 2013 **Time Needed:** 15 minutes
Department: Library District **Division:** Director's Office
Contact(s): Shawn Cunningham
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Presenter Name(s) & Title(s): Cindy Gibbon, Senior Library Manager for Access and IT Services and Shawn Cunningham, Communications Director

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Acting as the Library District, Approving participation of the Multnomah County Library District in the Oregon Library Passport Program from October 1, 2013, to June 30, 2016.

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 [Oregon Library Passport Program](#) (OLPP) is a pilot exchange program that allows residents of participating library systems across the state to use their "home" library card to apply for a library card at other participating libraries in Oregon. This resolution would authorize Multnomah County Library District's participation through June 30, 2016.

The program was developed by the Oregon Library Association Resource Sharing Committee and launched in January 2013. The Oregon Library Passport Program has been embraced by 104 public libraries across Oregon. Similar programs exist in Alaska, Illinois, Indiana and elsewhere around the United States.

Participation in the Oregon Library Passport Program will allow greater access to library services and materials across the state for Multnomah County residents. Participating libraries are located in popular vacation areas for Multnomah County residents, like the Columbia River Gorge, Mt. Hood, the Oregon Coast and the eastern part of the state. Notable academic libraries like the University of Oregon Knight Library and Oregon Health

Sciences University Library also participate. Multnomah County Library's participation would grant new access to these institutions for Multnomah County residents.

Participation in the Oregon Library Passport Program will increase access to library services and materials for people who travel to or conduct business in the Portland metro area.

Terms of use by patrons via OLPP are established by the participating library and are typically more restrictive than those granted by a home library or through the existing Metropolitan Interlibrary Exchange (MIX) regional reciprocal borrowing agreement.

Multnomah County Library District's participation in this program would grant OLPP cardholders access to 10 checkouts and 10 holds, but not to electronic databases, interlibrary loan or some other services provided to Multnomah County residents or MIX cardholders.

Multnomah County Library District is a partner in the Metropolitan Interlibrary Exchange (MIX), a reciprocal service agreement also involving Clackamas, Washington and Hood River counties (and two library systems in Southwest Washington) that permits reciprocal borrowing for residents of those areas.

Currently, Multnomah County Library District patrons are not eligible to utilize library services in Oregon areas not served by the MIX agreement, nor are Oregon residents in areas outside that service area eligible to utilize Multnomah County Library District services without purchase of a non-resident full-service library card. Full access to library services is available through purchase of a card with an annual fee comparable to the library district tax assessment paid by a typical Multnomah County household, or \$180.00 per year.

No impacts on services described in current library program offers are expected.

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

N/A

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

N/A

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

The Oregon Library Passport Program is sponsored by the Oregon Library Association's Resource Sharing Committee. Representatives of numerous libraries across the state contributed to creating this program.

The Oregon Library Association and the Oregon State Library will evaluate how many users are taking advantage of the Passport Program, collect information on any issues that arise and the public comments that are received about the program. The program began in January 2013 and evaluations will take place at the end of 2015.

Required Signature

**Elected
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Department
Director:**

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Date:

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