



## MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

(Revised: 8/18/11)

### Board Clerk Use Only

Meeting Date: 3/14/13  
Agenda Item #: R.8  
Est. Start Time: 10:15 am  
Date Submitted: 2/27/13

**Agenda Title:** **Acting as the governing body of the Multnomah County Library District, approve resolution to appoint the District Librarian and Budget Officer and adopt policy**

*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:** March 14, 2013 **Time Needed:** 10 minutes  
**Department:** Library **Division:** Library Administration  
**Contact(s):** Becky Cobb  
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**Presenter Name(s) & Title(s):** Vailey Oehlke, Library Director; Jenny Morf, County Attorney; Joanne Fuller, Chief Operating Officer

### General Information

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

Convene as the governing body of the Multnomah County Library District and approve a resolution appointing Vailey Oehlke as the District Librarian and Budget Officer and adopting policy.

**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.**

In November, 2010, the voters amended the Multnomah County Charter and established a method under which the Board of County Commissioners may form a library district upon voter approval. In Resolution 2012-104, passed in August, 2012, the Board referred to the voters the formation of the Multnomah County Library District with a permanent rate of \$1.24 per \$1,000 of assessed value. A majority of voters approved the formation of the Library District during the November, 2012, election.

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

None

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

The Multnomah County Home Rule Charter Chapter 9.10(2) authorizes the Multnomah County Library District Board to appoint a district librarian. ORS 294.331 requires the Multnomah County Library District Board to designate one person to serve as budget officer.

Vailey Oehlke currently serves as the library director for the Multnomah County Library and is qualified to serve as district librarian and budget officer. During the transition period, the Multnomah County Library District will abide by the County Charter, Code and all County policies, as they pertain to Library operations.

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

There were a number of public hearings and community listening sessions in the months leading up to the November, 2012, vote on the library district. The Board of County Commissioners conducted an online survey in July, 2012, and the library recently completed a survey to elicit community input on hours and services. Board briefings were held on February 14 and 21, 2013. In the coming months, there will also be work sessions and hearings regarding the library budget.

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**Required Signature**

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**Elected  
Official or  
Department  
Director:**



**Date:** Feb. 27, 2013