



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 4/13/17
Agenda Item #: R.4
Est. Start Time: 10:55 am approx
Date Submitted: 4/6/17

Agenda Title: **Board Briefing on Multnomah County Project Labor Agreements**

Requested

Meeting Date: April 13, 2017 **Time Needed:** 20 minutes

Department: Nondepartmental **Division:** Comm. Smith, D-2

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Kenneth M. Elliott, Assistant County Attorney; Lee Fleming, Supplier Diversity Officer; Hoffman Construction and JE Dunn Construction representatives;

Presenters: Other invited guests

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

No action requested. This item is to provide a briefing on the negotiation and implementation of Multnomah County's Project Labor Agreements for construction of the new Courthouse and Health Department Headquarters projects.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer(s) this action affects and how it impacts the results.

Multnomah County recently completed two comprehensive Project Labor Agreements (PLAs) with general contractors, building trade unions, and equity stakeholders for the new Central Courthouse and the Gladys McCoy Health Department Headquarters Building projects. Multnomah County's PLA is recognized as a model agreement for construction and building trades projects, and reflects collaborative negotiations between public and private sector stakeholders on major public works projects.

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

The County's objectives are to build both projects without the disruptions, delays, and cost overruns caused by labor unrest, including strikes, work stoppages, slowdowns, and similar job disruptions; to insure that the constituents served by the County receive the fullest benefit of those public works construction projects undertaken by the County to benefit from a highly skilled and well-trained workforce, and the development through apprentice programs of skilled labor based in the community, in the performance of the work on the

Projects; and to optimize through the County's contracting process diverse community participation, inclusive of racial and ethnic minorities, and women in the Projects.

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

Staff worked closely with stakeholders and the Office of County Attorney to identify legal issues and develop a PLA that meets legal requirements and the County's policy objectives.

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

The County has collaborated with the Oregon Department of Administrative Services and the Oregon Judicial Department on the Courthouse regarding the method of project delivery, shared funding and securing legislative support. With respect to the Health Department Headquarters, the Portland Housing Bureau has contributed the site at no cost to the County, and the Portland Development Commission has contributed \$36.4 million in tax increment financing generated by the River District Urban Renewal Area.

Required Signature

**Elected
Official or
Department
Director:**

/s/ Elizabeth Mazzara Myers

Date:

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