



# MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

(Revised: 6/9/2014)

## Board Clerk Use Only

Meeting Date: 3/19/15  
Agenda Item #: C.6  
Est. Start Time: 9:30 am  
Date Submitted: 3/11/15

**Agenda Title:** Resolution Authorizing Multnomah County to Opt Out of Community Dispute Resolution Request for Applications and Selection of Grant Recipient Process for the 2015-2017 Biennium

*Note: Title should not be more than 2 lines but sufficient to describe the action requested. Title on APR must match title on Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation.*

### Requested

Meeting Date: March 12, 2015 Time Needed: NA – consent item

Department: Chair's Office Division: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact(s): Sheri Campbell

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### Presenter

Name(s) &

Title(s): NA – Consent Item

## General Information

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

Approval of Multnomah County's request to have the University of Oregon School of Law conduct a procurement and distribute state allocated dispute resolution funds from the 2015-2017 biennium budget to local non-profit entities.

### 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 biennial state budget typically includes an appropriation from the general fund for the purpose of providing dispute resolution services in each county, a program administered by the University of Oregon School of Law, Dispute Resolution Program. It is anticipated the Multnomah County portion of 2015-2017 budget will be approximately \$270,470 for the period July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2017. Counties may choose to conduct a procurement for these funds, or request the Dean of the University of Oregon School of Law assume the county's role in the process. Regardless, allocated funds must serve county residents and align with state procurement law. If counties choose to conduct the procurement locally, they are required to designate a County dispute resolution program coordinator and provide contract monitoring and oversight.

The county has opted to have the University of Oregon School of Law conduct this procurement for, at least, the last biennium, which resulted in equal funding to two local providers. The University of Oregon Law School states these two providers were the only

respondents to the RFPQ, and funding levels were negotiated between funded agencies. Resulting services were accessible county wide and funded providers state their services and capacity are not impacted based on who oversees the procurement and contracts.

There is currently no Program Offer responsible for overseeing dispute resolution services or with responsibility for overseeing the procurement and contract monitoring of these funds. We are requesting that the University of Oregon School of Law continue in their current role of procuring these services on behalf of Multnomah County.

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

There is no fiscal impact.

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

None.

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

The University of Oregon School of Law will conduct a procurement and contract oversight on behalf of Multnomah County. No other government participation is involved.

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**Required Signature**

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**Elected  
Official or  
Department  
Director:**

Nancy Bennett /s/

**Date:**

3/11/15

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