



# MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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## Board Clerk Use Only

Meeting Date: 11/8/18  
Agenda Item #: R.2  
Est. Start Time: 10:25 a.m.  
Date Submitted: 10/31/18

**Agenda Title:** Appointing the Board of County Commissioners as the Multnomah County Board of Health

### Requested

**Meeting Date:** November 8, 2018 **Time Needed:** 15 minutes

**Department:** Health **Division:** Public Health

**Contact(s):** Rachael Banks, Public Health Director and Local Public Health Administrator

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Ext.** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Rachael Banks and Bernadette Nunley

**Presenters:** Invited testimony: Multnomah County Public Health Advisory Board Member(s)

## General Information

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

Adopt a Resolution appointing the members of the Board of County Commissioners as the Multnomah County Board of Health.

### 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.

This is a follow-up to a board briefing orienting the Board of County Commissioners to their Board of Health role and the Board as the governing body for the Local Public Health Authority. The Multnomah County Board of Health has the unique authority to set health policy for the County and ensure health for all people residing in the county. The Board of County Commissioners is making this designation to more clearly reflect their Board of Health policy and legal roles. The Board will be voting to adopt a resolution naming the members of the Board of County Commissioners as the members of the Multnomah County Board of Health.

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

None.

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

Under Oregon law, Multnomah County is the local public health authority (LPHA) and is responsible for management of local public health services and prevention of disease within the County. The Board of County Commissioners is the elected governing body for

Multnomah County, and through its Home Rule Charter, is responsible for legislation in the County. The Board is also the governing body for the local public health authority.

The Board of County Commissioners may create the Multnomah County Board of Health as the governing body of the Local Public Health Authority and employ the Board of Health to perform LPHA powers and duties.

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

Invited testimony from Multnomah County Public Health Advisory Board.

### Required Signature

**Elected  
Official or  
Department  
Director:**

/s/

Date: