

**Minutes of the Board of Commissioners
Multnomah Building, Board Room 100
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd., Portland, Oregon
Tuesday, April 10, 2018**

BOARD BRIEFING

Chair Deborah Kafoury called the meeting to order at 10:13 a.m. with Vice-Chair Lori Stegmann, Commissioner Jessica Vega Pederson and Commissioners Sharon Meieran present. Commissioner Loretta Smith arrived at 10:46 a.m.

Also attending were Jenny M. Madkour, County Attorney, and Marina Baker, Assistant Board Clerk.

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING. WELCOME TO MULTNOMAH COUNTY. THE FIRST BRIEFING IS ON TRANSPORTATION. COME ON UP, TRANSPORTATION PROJECT UPDATES.

B.1 Board Briefing on Transportation Project Updates. Presenters: Ian Cannon, County Engineer, Megan Neill, Bridge Engineering Services Manager, and Riad Alharithi, Road Engineering Services Manager

Joanna Valencia: GOOD MORNING, CHAIR KAFOURY, COMMISSIONERS. WE'RE EXCITED TO BE HERE THIS MORNING. I'M YOUR TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT MANAGER. JOINING ME IS RIAD ALHARITHI AND TO MY RIGHT IS MEGAN NEILL. I JUST WANTED TO ALSO RECOGNIZE IN THE CROWD WE HAVE OUR TRANSPORTATION DIRECTOR AND COUNTY ENGINEER IN CANNON AND DIRECTOR TIM PEOPLES AND DEPUTY DIRECTOR JAMIE WALTZ. UNDER THEIR LEADERSHIP WE ARE YOUR TRANSPORTATION DIVISION.

Chair Kafoury: WOO-HOO! [CHEERS AND APPLAUSE] [LAUGHTER]

Joanna Valencia: AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY OKAY. AGAIN, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE WITH YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT OUR TRANSPORTATION DIVISION AND WHO WE ARE. THE WORK WE DO, THE PRINCIPLE VALUES OF OUR WORK AND WHY IT MATTERS INCLUDING HIGHLIGHTING TWO PROJECTS WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON OVER THE YEAR. OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES MOVING FORWARD WITH OUR WORK. SO WHO ARE WE? WE ARE YOUR ENGINEERS, MAINTENANCE TEAM, YOUR BRIDGE OPERATORS, YOUR SUR I VIRGIN MARIES, PLANNERS, INSPECTORS AND WATER QUALITY TEAM. TOGETHER WE MAINTAIN APPROXIMATELY 300 MILES OF ROADS AND BRIDGES INCLUDING THE SIX KEY BRIDGES ACROSS THE WILLAMETTE RIVER AND ALSO WE MAINTAIN OVER 2,000 PUBLIC LAND CORNERS. THESE ARE IMPORTANT BECAUSE THEY ESTABLISH THE FOUNDATION OF WHICH OUR PROPERTY LINES ARE DEFINED IN MULTNOMAH

COUNTY AND WE MAINTAIN OVER 8,000 ROAD SIGNS THAT GUIDE OUR TRAVELING PUBLIC, 1500 CULVERTS ALLOW WATER TO FLOW THROUGH OUR COUNTY AND MAINTAIN 3,000 LIGHT POLES THAT ILLUMINATE ROADS AND PROVIDE SAFETY DURING THE EVENINGS. IN ADDITION TO ALL OF THIS WE ISSUE OVER 700 PERMITS FOR USE AND TRAVEL OVER THE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM. AS A DIVISION WE DEVELOP POLICY TO PROJECTS. ENSURING THAT THERE'S ACCESS FOR ALL. WE WORK WITH THE COMMUNITY TO IDENTIFY PLANS AND THE 20-YEAR NEEDS OF THE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM.

Joanna Valencia: MANAGING THE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PLAN AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND PROGRAM. YOUR KEY TO POLICY AND PLANNING DOCUMENTS FOR THE COUNTY AS WELL AS WORKING WITH FEDERAL, STATE, REGIONAL AND LOCAL PARTNERSHIPS TO PRIORITIZE AND SECURE FUNDING LEVERAGING OUR LOCAL TRANSPORTATION DOLLARS AS WELL AS DESIGNING, BUILDING AND MAINTAINING OUR TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM ENSURING THAT ALL ACCESS IS SAFE AND AVAILABLE FOR ALL. THE PICTURE THAT YOU HAVE THERE IN THE BACKGROUND OF THE SLIDE IS A SOLID BRIDGE. A GREAT EXAMPLE OF TAKING A TOLL CY TO A PROJECT TO ENSURE 5:00 SIS IS MAINTAINED FOR ALL. HOW DO WE DO OUR WORK? WE FOCUS ON THESE FOUR PRINCIPLES AND VALUES. AROUND SUSTAINABILITY AND THE LONG TERM ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC WELL-BEING OF OUR COMMUNITY, EQUITY AND HELPING THOSE IN NEED AND ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO HAVE NOT BEEN INCLUDED IN THE PAST IN OUR WORK THROUGH OUR PROJECTS AND THROUGH CONTRACTING.

ALSO IN OUR PARTNERSHIPS IN WORKING BOTH WITH OUR COMMUNITY AND KEY STAKEHOLDERS AND PARTNERS IN ENGAGING TO MEET THE COMMUNITY NEEDS AND STEWARDSHIP DEMONSTRATING THAT WE ARE PUTTING TOGETHER COST EFFECTIVE WORK THAT IS CLEAR EVIDENCE BASED AND FAIR AND ALSO LEVERAGING THE FUNDING AND GROWING WHAT LOCAL DOLLARS WE HAVE IN ORDER TO DELIVER PRETTY BIG PROJECTS. SO WE'RE BUSY. THIS IS A MAP REPRESENTING ALL THE GREAT WORK WE'RE DOING THROUGHOUT MULTNOMAH COUNTY. ALSO REPRESENTS THE OVER ALL WORK WE'RE DOING CURRENTLY WITH YOUR SUPPORT THROUGH OUR UPDATE OF OUR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND PROGRAM. THIS WILL TAKE A LOOK AT REALLY DEVELOPING A COMPLETE INVENTORY OF OUR TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM AND LOOKING MORE AT THE NEEDS THAT WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP US BUSY OVER THE YEARS. TO HIGHLIGHT THAT, THIS LIST SHOWS EXACTLY THAT. WE HAVE A VARIETY OF PROJECTS AND PHASES FROM PLANNING TO DESIGN TO CONSTRUCTION AND I REALLY WANT TO HIGHLIGHT SOME OF THESE KNOWING THAT WE HAVE A LIMITED AMOUNT OF TIME AND ALSO WE'LL DELVE MORE IN DEPTH WITH MING AND AN RIAD'S PRESENTATION. BUT JUST REAL QUICKLY WE ARE WORKING ON FREIGHT AND MULTIMODAL IMPROVEMENTS ON SANDY BOULEVARD AND 238 IN EAST COUNTY. SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS AND IMPROVING PEDESTRIAN

IMPROVEMENTS IN DOWNTOWN TROUTDALE. WE'RE ADDRESSING SLIDE REPAIRS ON NEWBERRY ROAD IN THE WEST HILLS. WE'RE WORKING ON CULVERT REPLACEMENTS ON COCHRAN AND GERMANTOWN ROAD NOT TO MENTION WE'RE VERY BUSY IMPROVING RALSTON AND THE BURNSIDE BRIDGES DOWNTOWN.

Chair Kafoury: THIS IS A REALLY IMPRESSIVE LIST I HAVE TO SAY. BUSY GROUP THERE.

Joanna Valencia: YES. TO SHOW YOU SOME -- TO DELVE MORE INTO THESE KEY PROJECTS AND SHOW HOW OUR FOUR PRINCIPLES AND PLY I'M GOING TO TURN IT OVER TO REYAD TO TALK ABOUT ROAD PROJECTS AND MEGAN WILL TALK ABOUT THE BROADWAY PROJECT.

Riad Alharithi: GOOD MORNING. I'M RIAD ALHARITHI. I'LL BE SHARING WITH YOU TODAY ROAD PROJECTS WE ARE IN THE CONSTRUCTION PHASE OF THIS PROJECT SO I'M GOING TO TAKE YOU BACK A LITTLE BIT. IT'S ON THE SCREEN. CAN I GIVE YOU -- USE THIS ONE HERE.

Chair Kafoury: THERE'S A POINTER IN THE MIDDLE.

Riad Alharithi: OKAY. HIGHWAY I-84 IS RIGHT HERE. FAIRVIEW PARK IS HERE, 223 ON THE EAST IS 238, AND THIS IS THE PURPLE WIDE COLORED LINE THERE. WHO IS SERVED WITH THIS PROJECT? THE COMMUNITY AROUND THESE ROADS ARE WOOD VILLAGE, GREEN MOBILE HOME PARK, FAIRVIEW WOOD APARTMENT AND THOSE ARE I THINK A DIVERSE GROUP LOW INCOME COMMUNITY WITH HIGHER HISPANIC POPULATION COMPARED TO COUNTY AVERAGE. THEY ARE THE LARGEST SUBSIDIZED LOW-INCOME HOUSING IN OREGON. THEY ARE THE COMMUTERS AND THEY ARE THE USER OF THIS ROADWAY. THIS PROJECT WOULD HELP THE COMMUNITY CONNECTING TO THE FRED MEYER, THE CITY TOWN CENTER THERE. THE PROJECT STARTED BY LEVERAGING SMALLER PIECES OF A PROJECT THAT WAS BUILT SUCH AS THE GREEN LINE CONNECTING HALSEY TO WOOD VILLAGE.

THAT WAS MUD THERE. THAT ROADWAY WAS BUILT IN PREPARATION TO CONNECT THE FAIRVIEW WOODS PARK APARTMENT THE FRED MEYER AND TOWN CENTER ARE THERE AND ALSO CONNECT THE RESIDENTS TO HALSEY STREET WHERE THEY HAVE TWO TRANSIT LINES, BUS STOPS. ALSO, THAT'S A PROJECT THAT WAS BUILT BEFORE AND WE BUILT ON HALSEY STREET ALSO RAPID FLASHERS TO SAFELY CONNECT PEDESTRIAN AS CONNECTING HALSEY TO GO NORTH AND SOUTH AND CONNECTING TO THE TRANSIT. ALSO WE ARE THE NEXT PROJECT ASIDE COMING UP IN WOOD VILLAGE TO 238 BETWEEN HALSEY AND GLISAN, THAT ALSO WOULD BE CONNECTING THE COMMUNITY TO SAFEWAY AND OTHER BUSINESSES ON THE SOUTH OF THE 238. THE PROJECT HAS LEVERAGED SOME EXISTING ROADWAY AND WILL BE LEVERAGED INTO FUTURE PROJECTS TOO. THE NEXT SLIDE HERE -- WHAT'S

THE PROJECT CHALLENGES? THE MAIN CHALLENGES ARE THE SIDEWALK -- SAFETY. SORRY. NO SIDEWALK, NO BIKE LANES, SCHOOL BUSES, STOPS ON THE ROADWAY, KIDS ON THE SHOULDERS. THEY WALK IN THE RAIN FLOODING, NO GOOD STORM SEWER THERE TO COLLECT THE WATER OR TREAT IT. THERE'S ALSO THE CHALLENGE OF CONNECTIVITY. THE RESIDENTS DON'T HAVE A GOOD COMMUTE SYSTEM TO GET THEM TO BUSES. THE BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN MOVEMENT THERE IS TRUE MODE OF TRANSPORTATION. IT'S NOT A LUXURY FOR WELLNESS. THIS IS HOW THEY GET TO TRANSIT, TO JOBS, TO COMMUNITY BUSINESS CENTERS AND THIS IS HOW THEY ARE BEING SERVED IN THIS NEIGHBORHOOD.

Riad Alharithi: SO WE STARTED THIS PROJECT FROM THE EARLY ON WITH VERY GOOD PUBLIC, VERY LARGE PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT WITH VERY MANY PUBLIC MEETINGS, WOOD VILLAGE NIGHT OUTS, RESPONDED AND MEETING WITH SPECIAL PUBLIC, SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS SUCH AS THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY ADVISORY COMMITTEES. WE INCORPORATED A LOT OF FEEDBACK FROM THESE MEETINGS INTO OUR DESIGN WHICH LED US TO AN UNTRADITIONAL DESIGN. IN RESPONSE TO THE FEEDBACK AND COMMUNICATIONS WE DON'T HAVE BIKE LANES ON BOTH SIDES TO REDUCE THE IMPACT TO THE PROPERTY OWNERS. ALREADY LIMITED RIGHT OF WAY THERE AND WE WILL BE VERY CLOSE TO HOUSE IFS WE BUILD OUR TRADITIONAL SECTION. WE WERE ABLE TO NEGOTIATE WITH ODOT AND THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY TO COME UP WITH A ROADWAY SECTION THAT MEETS ALL THE FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS AND THE STANDARDS OF THIS PROJECT. WE WILL BE BUILDING SOME WATER FACILITIES ON ONE SIDE. WE WERE ABLE TO REDUCE OUR FOOTPRINT OF THE PROJECT TO COLLECT THE WATER BEFORE IT GOES INTO THE CREEKS. WE'LL BE RECONSTRUCTING THE PAVEMENT.

IT'S AGED AND WE'LL BE DOING LIGHTING ON THE STREETS AND WE ALSO WHICH IS NOT SHOWN ON THIS PICTURE WILL REPLACE THE TRAFFIC SIGNAL ON 238. IT'S AN OLD SIGNAL, NOT PROGRAM WELL CONNECTED WITH THE OTHER SIGNALS WHICH WILL BE MODERN ONE REDUCING CONGESTIONS AND CARBON FOOTPRINT. AS WE -- SORRY. COUPLE SLIDES. HOW WE MOVE THEM TO THIS PROJECT WE PUT INTO OUR LENSES WHEN WE ARE DESIGNING THIS PROJECT THE SUSTAINABILITY, PROVIDING THE TRUE MODE OF TRANSPORTATIONS FOR RESIDENTS. THROUGH WATER TREATMENT AND ALSO SUSTAINABILITY FOR THE COMMERCE BY CONNECTING THE PEDESTRIAN AND THE COMMUNITY TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL CENTERS. EQUITY. SO THIS PROJECT REALLY THE FIRST SERVING LOW INCOME, DIVERSE COMMUNITY ALSO THROUGH THE CONTRACTING COMMITTED BY FOCUSING ON DISADVANTAGED BUSINESSES. THE PARTNERSHIP. THIS IS A PROJECT THAT'S A GOOD EXAMPLE OF HOW WE START FROM POLICY TO IMPLEMENTATION. THIS PROJECT IS FRUITION OF EAST COUNTY, EAST MULTNOMAH COUNTY CITIES CONSTRUCTION THEY MEET REGULARLY LED BY THE COUNTY. THIS IS HOW THEY PRIORITIZE IN THE EAST COUNTY AND COME UP WITH FEDERAL FUNDS FOR THIS PROJECT. THIS

IS GOOD COLLABORATION TO GET WHERE WE NEED TO BE TO SERVE THIS COMMUNITY. WE PARTNERED ALSO WITH THE OTHER ASPECT OF DRAINAGE AND SOME WATER TREATMENT BECAUSE THIS PROJECT IMPACTS TWO CITIES. IT'S WITHIN THE CITY OF WOOD VILLAGE AND CITY LIMIT OF FAIRVIEW. WE HAVE QUITE A BIT CONVERSATION REGARDING THE DESIGN ABOUT STORM WATER CONVEYANCE AND TREATMENT WITH THE TECHNICAL STAFF THERE. ALSO PARTNERSHIP WITH RESIDENTS.

Riad Alharithi: BY ENGAGING THE COMMUNITY, BY ENGAGING THE SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS WE WERE ABLE TO REDUCE THE PERMANENT IMPACT FOR THE PROPERTIES THERE. WE IMPACTED 28 PROPERTIES, WE ACQUIRED RIGHT OF WAY. 80% WERE TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT. 20% WERE PERMANENT EASEMENT AND WE NEGOTIATED THIS RIGHT OF WAY ACQUISITION SUCCESSFULLY. SPEAKS TO THE COMMUNICATION EARLY ON THAT INVOLVED RESIDENTS AND INTO THE PROJECT DESIGN AND THEIR CONCERNS. STEWARDSHIP. AGAIN, THE WOOD VILLAGE BOULEVARD EXTENSION WAS BUILT BY THE COUNTY DOLLAR AND COUNTY FORCES. LEVERAGED THIS PROJECT ALSO THEY HAVE FEDERAL GRANT COST OF PROJECT ABOUT \$6 MILLION FOR THE GRANT, CLOSE TO 3.8 MILLION INTO THIS HELPED US GETTING WHERE WE NEED TO BE. WITH THAT I'LL TURN IT TO MEGAN.

Megan Neill: THANK YOU, RIAD. SO AGAIN I'M MEGAN NEILL, THE BRIDGE ENGINEERING SERVICES MANAGER, IN THE BRIDGE SECTION. I'M HERE TO SHARE WITH YOU A PROJECT THAT I FEEL ALSO REPRESENTS HOW WE INSTILL COUNTY VALUES THROUGH OUR PROJECT DELIVERY. THAT PROJECT IS THE BROADWAY BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT. AS MANY OF YOU KNOW THE BROADWAY BRIDGE IS ONE OF OUR MOST UNIQUE AND COMPLEX STRUCTURES THAT THE COUNTY MAINTAINS IN OUR SUITE OF DOWNTOWN WILLAMETTE RIVER BRIDGES. IT WAS ACTUALLY BUILT IN 1913, AND IT'S THE ONLY BRIDGE OF ITS SIZE STILL IN OPERATION IN THE WORLD.

JUST TO GIVE YOU A SENSE OF CONTEXT OF WHICH THIS BRIDGE WAS BUILT, IN 1913 IS WHEN THE FORD MOTOR COMPANY STARTED ASSEMBLY LINE. ALSO THE YEAR THAT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT STARTED COLLECTING INCOME TAXES. SO I JUST THOUGHT THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN A FUN FACT TO SHARE. SO NOT MANY OF THESE BRIDGES WERE ACTUALLY BUILT. THAT IS DUE TO THE COMPLEXITY OF THIS STRUCTURE. IT'S VERY TRICKY TO OPERATE, AND I WANTED TO -- I HAD TO SHARE A VIDEO OF IT OPERATING BECAUSE THERE'S REALLY NO WAY TO SHOW IT WITH 2-D PLANS. AS YOU CAN SEE IN THE PHOTO WHERE MY POINTER IS, EACH MOVABLE SPAN IS SUPPORTED ON EIGHT -- TWO EIGHT FOOT RAW WHEELS THAT ROLL THE BRIDGE BACK AND OPEN AS THE BRIDGE MOVES, AND AS YOU CAN SEE HERE, THE WEIGHT OF THE MOVABLE SPAN IS COUNTERBALANCED WITH A LARGE SUSPENDED CONCRETE BLOCK IN THE AIR THAT ROTATES DOWN UNTIL IT HOVERS JUST THREE FEET ABOVE THE BRIDGE DECK. AGAIN, AT MY POINTER IS WHERE THE RAW WHEEL IS

OPENING THE BRIDGE UP AND BACK ALONG A TRACK. SO EIGHT YEARS AGO WE NOTICED SOME SEVERE CRACKING AND PITTING IN THE RAW WHEEL AND THE TRACKS THEMSELVES. WORK WITH ME HERE. OKAY. SO IN THIS BLURRY PHOTO I TRIED TO HIGHLIGHT THE RAW WHEEL AND TRACKS. ONCE WE REALIZED THERE WAS A PROBLEM THAT LOOKS LIKE IT WAS TIME TO ADDRESS, WE CALLED IN A TEAM OF CONSULTANTS TO DO AN ASSESSMENT TO LET US KNOW IF THESE COMPONENTS SHOULD BE REHABBED OR REPLACED. IT TURNED OUT THAT THEY NEEDED TO BE REPLACED. NOW,

Megan Neill: THIS IS NOT A SURPRISE GIVEN THAT EACH OF THESE WHEELS SUPPORTS 2 MILLION POUNDS EACH AND HAS BEEN ROLLING BACK AND FORTH FOR OVER 100 YEARS, AND SO ONCE WE HEARD THAT THIS NEEDED TO BE REPLACED, WE INSERTED IT AS A TOP PRIORITY IN OUR 20-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN. WE BEGAN THE WORK LAST SUMMER, AND WE'RE JUST WRAPPING UP THE PUNCH LIST ITEMS TODAY AS WE SPEAK. SO I NEED TO -- I WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOU THE KEY TO THE SUCCESS OF THIS PROJECT. NOTHING LIKE THIS HAS EVER BEEN DONE BEFORE, SO IT TOOK CLOSE COLLABORATION WITH MANY EXTERNAL STAKEHOLDERS IN ORDER TO COMPLETE THIS WORK. FIRST I WANT TO GIVE APPRECIATION WITH OUR AGENCY PARTNERS SUCH AS THE STREETCAR AND PBOT. WE WERE ABLE TO MAINTAIN TRAFFIC, TWO LANES OF TRAFFIC, THROUGHOUT CONSTRUCTION AS WELL AS KEEP THE SIDEWALKS OPEN FOR BIKE AND PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC. WE WERE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO ALLOW THE STREETCAR TO RUN OVER THE BRIDGE DURING CONSTRUCTION.

WE WORKED CLOSELY TO MINIMIZE DISRUPTION OF SERVICE OF THE USERS OF THE BRIDGE WITH OUR AGENCY PARTNERS AND THEN SECOND WE WORKED VERY CLOSELY WITH THE SHIP NAVIGATION USERS SUCH AS ADJACENT GRAIN TERMINALS TO FIND WINDOWS OF CONSTRUCTION WHERE WE WOULD MINIMIZE THE IMPACT TO THEIR COMMERCE. THEN FINALLY, WE WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE CONTRACTING COMMUNITY IN ORDER TO DELIVER THIS PROJECT. WE SELECTED THE CNGC DELIVERY METHOD EARLY ON KNOWING THAT WITH THIS METHOD WE WERE ABLE TO BRING THE CONTRACTOR AND THE DESIGNER TO THE TABLE AT THE SAME TIME AND START WORKING COLLABORATIVELY ON SOLVING THE PROBLEMS EARLY THAT WE EXPECTED TO FACE DURING CONSTRUCTION. THEN ALSO IN THE DESIGN PHASE WE WERE ABLE TO HAVE 17% DBE UTILIZATION, WHICH DOUBLED THE MINIMUM PERCENT ASKED OF US FROM ODOT. SO GIVEN THAT COLLABORATION WITH SUCH AN IMPORTANT FACTOR IN THAT THIS WAS SUCH A COMPLEX PROJECT, I JUST WANTED TO WALK YOU BRIEFLY THROUGH THE STEPS OF THE ACTUAL CONSTRUCTION. THE FIRST STEP IN THE TOP RIGHT CORNER WAS FORGING THE RAW WHEELS. THIS OCCURRED OUT IN THE MIDWEST. IT WAS SHIPPED OVER LAND TO PORTLAND AND THEN MILLED AND FINISHED LOCALLY. WE'RE VERY PROUD TO SAY THAT WE SPENT ABOUT \$3 MILLION IN THE LOCAL SHIP STEEL FABRICATION COMMUNITY TO BRING THESE RAW WHEELS ON TO THE PROJECT SITE. THEN SECOND IN ORDER TO

REMOVE THE RAW WHEELS YOU HAVE TO FIGURE OUT A WAY TO SEND THE LOAD THEY WERE CARRYING TO SOMEWHERE ELSE ON THE BRIDGE. WE TYPICALLY SEND THE TEMPORARY SUPPORT LOAD TO THE BOTTOM OF A COUNTERWEIGHT PIT LIKE YOU MAY SEE ON THE BURNSIDE OR THE MORRISON BRIDGE, BUT WE DON'T HAVE THAT ON THE BROADWAY BRIDGE, SO WHAT WE DID WAS TOOK ALL THE MILLIONS OF POUNDS OF LOAD AND SUPPORTED THEM ON THE EXISTING PIERS IN THE WATER. WE DID THIS AS YOU CAN SEE IN THE PHOTO WITH INSTALLING MASSIVE STEEL SHORING.

Megan Neill: SOME OF THE LARGEST BEAMS SIZES THAT ARE MADE TODAY. CUT A HOLE IN THE DECK TO ALLOW THAT TEMPORARY SHORING TO GO DOWN ON TO THE TOP OF THE PIER AND REST THERE. THEN WE WERE ABLE TO REMOVE THE OLD WHEELS AND TRACK FROM THE BRIDGE. I'M PROUD TO SAY WE ARE WORKING WITH THE LOCAL STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATIONIST AND BRIDGE ENTHUSIASTS IN THE COMMUNITY AS WELL AS THE CONTRACTOR TO TRY TO NOT JUST RECYCLE THESE HISTORIC LARGE PIECES OF STEEL BUT FIND A PLACE WHERE AT LEAST ONE SET CAN BE DISPLAYED FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES. WE'RE STILL WORKING ON THAT BUT THEY ARE STORED FOR SAFEKEEPING AND ARE AVAILABLE SHOULD ANYONE BE INTERESTED IN HELPING US ACHIEVE THAT GOAL. SO FINALLY, WE BROUGHT IN THE NEW RAW WHEELS AND TRACKS. THEY CAME IN BY BARGE AND WERE LIFTED BY A CRANE ON IN TO SITE AND PUT TOGETHER BY OUR TEAM OF CONTRACTORS. IT'S REALLY LIKE PUTTING BACK TOGETHER A SWISS WATCH GIVEN THE COMPLEX NATURE OF THE BRIDGE AND AGAIN JUST VERY HAPPY WITH THE COLLABORATION OF THE WHOLE PROJECT TEAM IN ORDER TO COMPLETE THIS PROJECT. SO IN SUMMARY, VERY PROUD OF HOW WE HAVE WOVEN SUSTAINABILITY INTO THIS PROJECT.

THIS PROJECT WILL PRESUMABLY ALLOW THE BRIDGE TO KEEP ON ROLLING 100 MORE YEARS. THIS ACTUALLY CAPS OFF TWO DECADES OF INVESTMENT BY THE COUNTY INTO THIS BRIDGE WHETHER IT BE THROUGH PAINTING OR REPLACING THE LIFT SPAN DECK OR THE LIGHTING OR MECHANICAL COMPONENTS. IT'S OVER 100 YEARS OLD AND WE'LL CONTINUE TO SERVICE IT AND KEEP IT IN SERVICE FOR THE PUBLIC. ALSO WE'RE VERY PROUD OF OUR EQUITY THAT WE HAVE ACHIEVED IN THIS PROJECT WITH THE 17% DBE GOAL AND CONTINUING TO ALLOW TRANSIT AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION MODES TO USE THE BRIDGE DURING CONSTRUCTION. THEN PARTNERSHIP, I CAN'T STRESS ENOUGH HOW COLLABORATION EARLY AND OFTEN WAS THE KEY TO THIS SUCCESS OF THE PROJECT THROUGH OUR LOCAL AGENCIES, NEIGHBORING BUSINESSES AND THE CONTRACTING COMMUNITY. FINALLY STEWARDSHIP OF FUNDS. WE'RE PROUD TO SAY THAT FOR EVERY \$1 OF THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET WE WERE ABLE TO LEVERAGE THAT WITH RECEIVING \$9 FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT. SO WE CONTINUED TO STRETCH OUR BUDGET TO GET OUR PROJECTS DONE AND TO KEEP ACCESS ON OUR BRIDGES IN THE DOWNTOWN PORTLAND. SO FINALLY, I JUST WANTED TO SAY IN TERMS OF UPCOMING CONSTRUCTION, WE CONTINUE TO WORK ON

THE BURNSIDE MAINTENANCE PROJECTS. WE'LL CONTINUE THROUGH NOVEMBER OF 2019. AGAIN, THIS WORK IS JUST MAINTENANCE WORK ON THIS 92-YEAR-OLD BRIDGE. IT'S PURPOSE IS TO EXTEND THE SERVICE LIFE OF THE BRIDGE 15 TO 20 MORE YEARS UNTIL WE CAN MAKE A MAJOR SEISMIC UPGRADE. SO THAT'S REALLY ALL WE HAVE GOING ON IN TERMS OF CONSTRUCTION. I THANK YOU GUYS FOR BEING ABLE TO SHARE WITH YOU THE STORY OF THIS VERY UNIQUE PROJECT. WITH THAT I'LL TURN IT BACK TO JOANNA.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU, MEGAN. DOES ANYONE HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT WE HAVE HEARD SO FAR SINCE THEY ARE SO DIFFERENT? YES.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: I DON'T HAVE ANY QUESTIONS. I THINK THE THINGS I HAVE BEEN STRUCK WITH BOTH THE ROAD PROJECT AND THE BROADWAY BRIDGE, THEY REALLY SHOWED THAT COMPLEX NATURE OF WHAT THIS SMALL TEAM HAS TO DEAL WITH. KIND OF EVERYTHING FROM THE SMALLER PROJECTS THAT ARE MORE STRAIGHTFORWARD BUT REALLY THE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT IS SO IMPORTANT TO FOCUS ON EQUITY IN TERMS OF HOW WE MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT WHERE WE'RE MAKING IMPROVEMENTS. SOMETHING AROUND SAFETY AND EQUITY WE HAVE BEEN STRESSING, TRYING TO HIGHLIGHT THOSE WITH OUR OWN TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS AND ALSO AT THE REGIONAL TABLES. THIS BROADWAY BRIDGE PROJECT, WHICH AGAIN NEVER HAS BEEN DONE BEFORE, REPLACING THIS TYPE OF BRIDGE, IT'S A VERY RARE BRIDGE, DOING IT, I JUST THINK IT GOES TO SHOW -- THE WAY THAT OUR TEAM REALLY DIGS IN AND APPROACHES THESE PROJECTS VERY STRATEGICALLY AND USES A LOT OF SCOPE TO DO IT. I CONGRATULATE YOU GUYS FOR DOING IT. I'M GLAD TO HEAR THE ONLY BRIDGE PROJECT HAPPENING IS THE BROADWAY. WE'RE MINIMIZING THE IMPACTS OF THE PROJECT ON OUR COMMUNITY.

Chair Kafoury: THANKS.

Joanna Valencia: THANK YOU FOR THOSE WORDS. AS YOU CAN SEE WE'RE DOING GREAT WORK. THIS WORK TRULY MATTERS. HOWEVER, THERE'S MORE TO DO. THE PHOTOS ABOVE SHOW SOME OF THE CONTINUED UNMET NEEDS. ON THE PHOTO ON MY LEFT SHOWS THE DAY-TO-DAY MAINTENANCE NEEDS OF OUR PAVEMENT CONDITIONS. UPPER RIGHT HAND TOP PHOTO THERE SHOWS THE DETERIORATING CONDITIONS OF OUR HISTORIC BRIDGES. THE BOTTOM RIGHT CORNER THERE SHOWS THE IMPACTS OF OUR ENVIRONMENT ON OUR TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM AND FROM SLIDES TO THE INCREASED STORMWATER DEMANDS BECAUSE OF THE RELATION TO CHANGING CLIMATE BUT THEN ALSO THE INCREASED DEVELOPMENT THAT'S OCCURRING ON THE REGION. THE REGION IS GROWING AND WE'RE SEEING INCREDIBLE DEMAND OF NEW, IMPERVIOUS SURFACE AFFECTING OUR FACILITIES. ADDITIONALLY, THE 2015 WILLAMETTE RIVER BRIDGES, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN AND PROGRAM IDENTIFIED A \$1.3 BILLION 20 YEAR NEED FOR OUR SIX BRIDGES.

OUR CURRENT ROAD CIP IDENTIFIES A \$5 BILLION NEED ALTHOUGH WE EXPECT WITH THE UPDATE UNDER WAY THIS NUMBER WILL ONLY CONTINUE TO INCREASE AS WE ARE ABLE TO THOROUGHLY LOOK AT THE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM AND COMPLETE A ROBUST INVENTORY OF THE 20-YEAR NEEDS OF OUR ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE. ADDITIONALLY OUR SYSTEM JUST CONTINUES TO DETERIORATE WITH LIMITED MAINTENANCE FUNDS AND WITH CLIMATE AND DEVELOPMENT THAT IS OCCURRING WITH DRAINAGE AND OF COURSE INCREASED TRAFFIC DEMANDS.

Joanna Valencia: BUT WE AS A DIVISION HAVE BEEN WORKING ON STEWARDSHIP AND PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES. THE RECENT STATEWIDE BILL IS A GREAT OPPORTUNITY BOOSTING AVAILABLE FUNDING FOR TRANSPORTATION BUT ALTHOUGH A GREAT OPPORTUNITY IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT H.B.2017 UNFORTUNATELY DOESN'T RESULT IN A FULL SOLUTION TO ADDRESS TRANSPORTATION NEEDS. THROUGH THE COUNTY'S LEADERSHIP CHAIR KAFOURY AND COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSEN, FROM THE RECENT LEGISLATIVE SESSION IT CONTINUES TO MOVE FORWARD THE GREAT WORK OF THE STUDY AND PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY TO MOVE THIS PROJECT FORWARD INTO THE NEPA PHASE. AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL IT PROVIDED GREAT OPPORTUNITIES HOWEVER AS CONVERSATIONS EVOLVED WE'RE SEEING A SHIFT FROM FEDERAL POLICY WILL LIKELY RESULT IN THE NEED FOR THE COUNTY TO BE MORE RELIANT ON STATE AND LOCAL FUNDS WHERE IN THE PAST FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES SUPPORTED A LARGER PERCENTAGE OF FUNDING FOR PROJECTS. WITH THIS WE AS YOUR TRANSPORTATION DIVISION IS ACTIVE IN DISCUSSIONS EXPLORING OPPORTUNITIES FOR LOCAL FUNDING.

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK COMMISSIONER VEGA-PEDERSON FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND COMMISSIONER STEGMANN AS WE HAVE CONVERSATIONS ABOUT FUNDING WITH SUCH LITTLE FUNDING. SO JUST TO QUICKLY SUMMARIZE, AGAIN THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY THIS MORNING TO BE ABLE TO SHARE THE WORK WE DO AND WE ARE YOUR TRANSPORTATION TEAM. WE ARE YOUR PROFESSIONAL TEAM THAT WORKS WITH THE COMPLEX URBAN AND DIVERSE TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM. WE TAKE POLICY AND DEVELOP IT INTO PROJECTS IN ORDER TO ENSURE ACCESS FOR ALL. WORKING UNDER PARTNERSHIPS, STEWARD PRESIDENT, EQUITY AND SUSTAINABILITY AND VALUES AS WELL AS BEING EXCITED TO CONTINUE THE WORK AROUND TRANSPORTATION. WE THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR CONTINUED LEADERSHIP AND SUPPORT FROM STATE LEGISLATIVE LEVEL TO ON THE GROUND PROJECT CONSTRUCTION AND WE'RE EXCITED TO CONTINUE THIS WORK THAT MATTERS. AT THIS TIME I WOULD LIKE TO CONCLUDE OUR PRESENTATION AND ASK IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS.

Chair Kafoury: COMMENTS?

Commissioner Meieran: I JUST FEEL SO FAR FROM ALL OF YOU. I WANT TO ECHO WHAT COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSEN SAID. YOU SAID IT SO PERFECTLY. YOU GUYS WERE AMAZING. THE DIVERSITY OF THE WORK THAT YOU DO AND JUST THE SMALL BUT NIMBLE TEAM WHO JUST IS EVERYWHERE. I KNOW THAT I HAVE WORKED WITH YOU ALSO ON SOME ISSUES THAT HAVE ARISEN IN MY DISTRICT, AND JUST HAVE SO APPRECIATED YOUR ABILITY TO EXPLAIN EVERYTHING TO ME AND TO GO THROUGH THAT PROCESS. THIS WAS A FABULOUS PRESENTATION AND JUST REALLY APPRECIATE YOU. SO THANK YOU ALL.

Commissioner Stegmann: THANK YOU, CHAIR. YOU GUYS ARE AMAZING. FORTUNATELY I GET TO WORK WITH YOU A LOT ON MANY EAST COUNTY PROJECTS, AND I HAVE BEEN BESIDE YOU IN THE TRENCHES AND SEEN SOME OF THE CHALLENGES THAT OFTEN YOU ARE THE MESSENGER AND SOMETIMES THAT DOESN'T GO OVER REALLY WELL, BUT YOU ALL DO AN AMAZING JOB OF KEEPING YOUR COOL, TRYING TO EXPLAIN THINGS AS BEST YOU CAN, AND TRYING TO POINT OUT THE BENEFITS OF A PARTICULAR PROJECT. MOST SPECIFICALLY LIKE RIGHT NOW WE'RE WORKING ON THE BALL BOUNCE ON THE HIGHWAY IN TROUTDALE. I HAVE BEEN AT SEVERAL OF YOUR OUTREACH MEETINGS. I JUST WANT TO SAY YOU GUYS -- I DON'T KNOW, SOMETIMES I FEEL LIKE REALLY BAD FOR YOU BECAUSE I KNOW THAT YOU ARE DOING ALL THESE GREAT, CREATIVE THINGS LIKE THE BROADWAY BRIDGE. THAT IS INSANE THAT YOU'RE REBUILDING THESE PARTS. HOW DO YOU EVEN, LIKE, DO THAT? BUT WE SAW. THAT KIND OF CREATIVITY IS WHAT MAKES YOU SMALL BUT MIGHTY. SO I JUST WANTED TO EXPRESS MY APPRECIATION AND MY SUPPORT AS COUNTY COMMISSIONER. I DO RECOGNIZE THE WORK THAT YOU DO AND I SUPPORT THE WORK THAT YOU DO, AND I WILL CONTINUE TO DO THAT,

ESPECIALLY DURING OUR PUBLIC MEETINGS. I JUST WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT THE CULVERTS IN MY DISTRICT. THE STARK STREET CULVERT WHICH WAS RECENTLY COMPLETED, THEN ALSO WORKING WITH THE CITY OF GRESHAM ON THE 257TH KING ROAD THAT'S GOING TO BE REPLACED AND THERE'S A CULVERT THERE AS WELL AS THE COCHRAN ROAD CULVERT WHICH IS COMING. NOT ONLY ARE THESE IMPORTANT TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS, BUT THIS IS GOING TO CREATE, LIKE, FISH PASSAGE AND THERE'S SOME REALLY EXCITING ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS THAT YOU ALL ARE HAVING AN IMPACT. SOMETIMES YOU DON'T THINK ABOUT TRANSPORTATION BUT THERE ARE A LOT OF OTHER AREAS THAT YOU HAVE A PROFOUND EFFECT ON. I JUST WANTED TO SAY THANK YOU. I SO ENJOY ALL OF YOUR HELP AND YOUR SUPPORT AS THE MUTUK CHAIR. YOU GUYS ARE JUST REALLY, REALLY HELPFUL AND I APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK THAT YOU DO. YOU SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED. YOU'RE KIND OF IN THE BACKGROUND AT TIMES, BUT I'M GLAD YOU'RE HERE TO HIGHLIGHT THE INCREDIBLE WORK THAT YOU HAVE BEEN DOING. THANK YOU.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: I ACTUALLY DO HAVE A COUPLE OF QUESTIONS. THE HALF BILLION DOLLAR GAP FOR THE ROADWAY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN DOES THAT INCLUDE ADA-COMPLIANCE ISSUES?

Joanna Valencia: WE JUST COMPLETED OUR TRANSITION PLAN. THE CURRENT NUMBER SHOWN ON THE SLIDE IS JUST THE 2015 CIP. AS WE'RE CURRENTLY UPDATING IT AND JUST RECENTLY COMPLETED THE PLAN IT'S NOT INCLUDED.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: POTENTIALLY IT COULD BE HIGHER.

Joanna Valencia: YES.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: NOT POTENTIALLY. DEFINITELY.

Chair Kafoury: IT WILL BE.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: THEN YOU DON'T HAVE TO ANSWER THIS QUESTION RIGHT NOW IF YOU DON'T HAVE THE INFORMATION IN FRONT OF YOU. WHEN WE HAD UPDATES ON THE COURTHOUSE PROJECT AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS WE WERE ABLE TO SEE INFORMATION ABOUT WHERE THE MS WB NUMBERS SHOWED UP IN PARTS OF THE PROJECT. I WOULD BE CURIOUS TO SEE THAT FOR THE WORK THAT YOU DO. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU HAVE THAT GRANULATE. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT CAME UP, THE DISCUSSION OF THE PROJECTS IT WAS HARDER TO GET THOSE NUMBERS TO APPEAR IN THE EARLIER PARTS OF IT, PLANNING, DESIGN, BECAUSE THE PIPELINE ISN'T THAT BIG. I JUST WANTED TO SEE IF THAT HELD TRUE FOR SOME OF THE TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS AS WELL. I THINK THE SECOND PART IS I WOULD BE INTERESTED IN HAVING A DISCUSSION WITH SOME OF THE LEADERSHIP IN THE TRANSPORTATION TEAM ON WHAT WE CAN DO ABOUT THAT IF THERE ARE WAYS TO -- I ALWAYS THINK OF LIKE WHEN I WAS A KID I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW SOME OF THE JOBS EXISTED. THIS SHOWS YOU CAN BE AN ENGINEER. YOU CAN HELP DESIGN. EVEN START SOMETHING LIKE THAT. THAT'S A CONVERSATION I WOULD LOVE TO HAVE WITH YOU GUYS INTO THE FUTURE. THANK YOU. GREAT JOB.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. THIS WAS A VERY INTERESTING PRESENTATION. I DON'T KNOW THAT WE HAVE DONE ONE OF THESE BEFORE IN THIS WAY. I LIKE HEARING ALL THE DIFFERENT AREAS THAT YOU'RE WORKING ON BECAUSE I THINK SO OFTEN WE GET OVERSHADOWED BY EITHER THE GREAT BIG PROJECTS LIKE SELLWOOD OR BURNSIDE OR ONE PARTICULAR -- GIVING THE HISTORY OF IT TODAY WAS REALLY INTERESTING BECAUSE I DON'T THINK THE COMMISSIONERS HAVE HAD THAT BEFORE. IT HIGHLIGHTS HOW ALL OF OF THE VALUES THAT WE HOLD AS MULTNOMAH COUNTY ARE PLAYED OUT IN EVERY AREA INCLUDING THE ROAD PROJECTS THAT WE DO. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I REALLY ALSO LOVED THE VIDEO ON THE BROADWAY BRIDGE. I'M HOPING -- CAN WE PUT THAT UP ON TWITTER OR ON FACEBOOK? SHOWING

PEOPLE THE INTRICACIES OF OUR BRIDGES, THEY LOVE THEM, THEY HATE THEM. MOSTLY THEY LOVE THEM, BUT TO KNOW HOW THEY WORK AND THAT THEY ARE SO UNIQUE IS JUST SOMETHING THAT I KNOW WE DO THE THIRD GRADERS IN PORTLAND PUBLIC GO THROUGH A TOUR OF THE BRIDGES, BUT THAT'S A LONG TIME AGO FOR MOST OF US. THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

Joanna Valencia: THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: ANYTHING ELSE? THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR COMING.

Joanna Valencia: THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: I SHOULD HAVE BEEN LOOKING AT MY POLLING FOR THAT ONE. OUR NEXT BRIEFING, TO CONTINUE, DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, WE HAVE ELECTION DIVISION WITH TIM SCOTT.

B.2 Board Briefing on Elections Division Program Update. Presenter: Tim Scott, Elections Director

Tim Scott: GOOD MORNING, CHAIR, COMMISSIONERS.

Chair Kafoury: GOOD MORNING.

Tim Scott: I'M TIM SCOTT. I AM THE DIRECTOR OF ELECTIONS FOR THE COUNTY. IT'S MY PLEASURE TODAY TO GIVE YOU AN UPDATE ON WHAT WE HAVE BEEN DOING IN THE ELECTIONS DIVISION. AS IT IS DCS DAY, WE ARE A DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES, AND THE ELECTIONS DIVISION MISSION IS TO UPHOLD THE REPUTATION OF TRANSPARENT, ACCURATE, ACCESSIBLE AND ACCOUNTABLE ELECTIONS IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. WE CONDUCT ALL THE ELECTIONS FOR THE CITIZENS OF AND THE POLITICAL DISTRICTS IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. TODAY I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU AN OVERVIEW OF FISCAL YEAR 2018 ELECTION CYCLE, WHICH HAS BEEN A VERY BUSY ONE. UPDATE YOU ON THE SUCCESS OF OUR ORDER AHEAD REPLACEMENT BALLOT PROGRAM, SPEND TIME TALKING ABOUT OUR VOTER ACCESS AND OUTREACH EDUCATION EFFORTS AND UPDATE YOU ON THE INSTALLATION OF THE ANY HIGH SPEED BALLOTS ORDER. BRIEFLY TALK ABOUT NEW OPPORTUNITIES AND ELECTION SECURITY AND THEN GIVE YOU A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF OUR PREPARATIONS FOR THE 2018 FEDERAL ELECTION CYCLE. IT'S BEEN A BUSY YEAR. [LAUGHTER]

Chair Kafoury: TO SAY THE LEAST.

Tim Scott: FOR THE FIRST TIME IN THE TEN YEARS I HAVE WORKED FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY WE HAD FOUR ELECTIONS IN THE FISCAL YEAR. IT OFTENTIMES FELT LIKE AS WE WERE PLANNING FOR EACH ELECTION THAT WE HAD TO SORT OF GROUND OURSELVES IN WHICH ELECTION WE WERE

TALKING ABOUT AS WE WERE HAVING PLANNING MEETINGS. VERY OFTEN THERE WERE PEOPLE SAYING ARE WE TALKING ABOUT MARCH? ARE WE TALKING ABOUT MAY? ARE WE TALKING ABOUT WRAPPING UP JANUARY? WE HAD A NEARLY COUNTY-WIDE SPECIAL ELECTION IN NOVEMBER 2017 WHICH WAS THE PCC BOND MEASURE WITH 32% TURNOUT. IN JANUARY WE HAD THE STATE SPECIAL ELECTION MEASURE 101 WITH 42% TURNOUT. THAT WAS ALSO THE ELECTION WHERE WE DEBUTED OUR VOTING CENTER EXPRESS IN THE MULTNOMAH EAST BUILDING WHICH I'LL TALK ABOUT MORE LATER. THEN WE ALSO HAD A VERY SMALL MARCH ELECTION FOR TUALATIN VALLEY FIRE AND RESCUE ANNEXATION ISSUES. EVEN THOUGH WE HAVE A VERY SMALL SLIVER OF THAT DISTRICT, WE STILL HAVE TO PLAN FOR IT IN EXACTLY THE SAME WAY THAT WE DO A LARGER ELECTION. THE ONLY DIFFERENCE IS SCALE. THEN OF COURSE WE HAVE THE MAY PRIMARY ELECTION COMING SOON. THE FILING DEADLINE WAS ESPECIALLY BUSY. WE HAD OVER 800 PRECINCT COMMITTEE PERSON FILINGS, WHICH IS HUGE. IT'S ALMOST DOUBLE THE NUMBER OF PCP FILINGS WE HAD LAST YEAR AND AS FAR AS WE KNOW THE LARGEST NUMBER EVER.

Chair Kafoury: DO YOU THINK PEOPLE ARE REALIZING MORE AND MORE LEGISLATIVE SEATS ARE BEING DETERMINED BY PEOPLE WHO SIT AROUND. I MEAN THE PCPS

Tim Scott: THERE HAVE BEEN A FEW VACANCIES. I THINK IT'S ALSO JUST A SIGN THAT PEOPLE ARE GETTING ENGAGED ON THE GROUND LEVEL. THAT'S WHAT I LIKE TO BELIEVE. NEXT I'LL TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE ORDER AHEAD REPLACEMENT BALLOT PROCESS. DESPITE THE STATE BEING 100% VOTE BY MAIL WITH A 20-DAY VOTING WINDOW WE STILL HAVE LINES ON ELECTION DAY. WITH OUR FOCUS BEING TO TRY TO IMPROVE THE EXPERIENCE WITH A VOTER, WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR SOLUTIONS TO REDUCE THE LINES. OUR 2016 BOARD PRESENTATION MENTIONED A PILOT WE CONDUCTED FOR THE PRIMARY THAT YEAR WHERE WE CREATED A WAY FOR VOTERS TO REQUEST THEIR OWN REPLACEMENT BALLOT THROUGH AN ONLINE FORM OR OVER THE PHONE BY CONTACTING US. WE WOULD THEN PREPARE THE BALLOT AND HAVE IT READY AT WILL CALL MUCH LIKE THE WAY YOU ORDER TVS FROM BEST BUY NOW. THEY COULD COME PICK IT UP. WE CREATED A DEDICATED LINE FOR WILL CALL SO ANYONE WHO ORDERED AHEAD WOULDN'T HAVE TO STAND IN LINE. THIS SHORTENED THE WAIT TIMES FOR EVERYONE. AS THE CHART SHOWS, WE SERVED ALMOST 700 MORE VOTERS IN THE ELECTIONS OFFICE ON ELECTION DAY AND THE DAY BEFORE THE ELECTION IN 2016 THAN WE DID IN 2012. THIS INCREASE IN SERVICES LIKELY CAUSED BY SEVERAL REASONS. OUR TOTAL VOTER REGISTRATION HAS NICKED SIGNIFICANTLY IN 2016. PARTLY DUE TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF OREGON MOTOR VOTER. PART IS DUE TO THE INCREASE IN POPULATION. WE HAVE MORE PEOPLE LIVING HERE, MORE PEOPLE REGISTERED TO VOTE. ALSO WE'RE DOING A BETTER JOB OF COMMUNICATING OUR SERVICES THROUGH OUR EDUCATION AND OUTREACH PROGRAM LED BY KATHERINE

MCMULLEN. PART IS DUE TO MAKING IT EASIER TO REQUEST A REPLACEMENT BALLOT. THE ELECTION DAY LINE HAS BEEN A BARRIER TO SOME PEOPLE WHO COULD NOT AFFORD TO TAKE TIME AWAY FROM WORK. SO THIS NEW PROCESS HAD A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON WAIT TIMES AND THE LINES. IN NOVEMBER 2012 WE HAD A LINE ALMOST ALL THE WAY AROUND THE BUILDING. ON ELECTION DAY WHICH RESULTED IN ALMOST AN HOUR WAIT TIME FOR VOTERS. IN NOVEMBER 2016 IT WAS ONE-THIRD THE LENGTH WHEN WE SERVED OVER 700 MORE VOTERS.

Tim Scott: WAIT TIMES FOR VOTERS WHO DID NOT ORDER AHEAD WERE ABOUT 20 MINUTES AS OPPOSED TO AN HOUR PREVIOUSLY. THOSE THAT ORDERED AHEAD THERE WAS NO WAIT AT ALL. THERE WAS NEVER A LONG LINE AT THAT WILL CALL WINDOW. WE THOUGHT THIS WAS A PRETTY GOOD OUTCOME SO WE PRESENTED THE IDEA TO THE ELECTION CENTER, WHICH IS OUR NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION, AND WE WON AN AWARD. [APPLAUSE] THE 2017 MINUTEMAN AWARD FOR AN IDEA THAT WAS MINIMAL COST OR MINIMAL TIME TO IMPLEMENT AND HAD A LARGE IMPACT ON VOTER WAIT TIME AND ACCESS.

Chair Kafoury: I THINK THAT ENCAPSULATES YOU. ALL YOUR IDEAS. THEY DON'T COST A LOT OF MONEY, THEY ARE SOMEWHAT EASY TO IMPLEMENT YET THEY HAVE REALLY OUTSIZED IMPACTS ON PEOPLE.

Tim Scott: THAT SPEAKS OF MY TEAM, NOT JUST ME. ELECTIONS IN GENERAL. THANK YOU. NOW I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE TO TALKING ABOUT OUR WORK AROUND VOTER ACCESS, OUTREACH AND EDUCATION. THERE YOU HAVE A PICTURE OF KATHERINE MCMULLEN, OUR OUTREACH AND EDUCATION SPECIALIST, WITH A GIRL SCOUT TROUPE THAT VISITED US ON ELECTION DAY. I BELIEVE IT WAS IN JANUARY. THEY WERE THERE RIGHT AT 6:00 AS WE WERE WRAPPING UP THE ENDS OF THE NIGHT. THEY GOT TO SEE ALL THE PROCESSES HAPPENING IN REAL TIME AND THEY WERE VERY IMPRESSED WITH THE MACHINERY, THE WAY EVERYTHING MOVED VERY FAST PACED. WE'RE HOSTING ANOTHER -- SAME TROUPE? ANOTHER GIRL SCOUT TROUPE FOR THE PRIMARY AT THE SAME TIME, 6:00 P.M. ON ELECTION NIGHT. WE'RE REALLY EXCITED ABOUT THAT PARTNERSHIP WE BUILT WITH THE GIRL SCOUTS. AS YOU ALL KNOW, THE JANUARY SPECIAL ELECTION WAS OUR PILOT FOR THE POP-UP VOTING CENTER EXPRESS. OUR GOAL, TO FIND A BETTER WAY TO SERVE VOTERS IN EAST MULTNOMAH COUNTY BY PROVIDING A CLOSER LOCATION FOR ASSISTANCE AND EXPAND ACCESS TO VOTING SERVICES. WE WORKED TO CREATE A WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT IN WHAT HAD ONCE BEEN AN EMPTY CORNER OF THE MULTNOMAH COUNTY EAST BUILDING, PUTTING UP INVITING MULTILINGUAL SIGNS AND STAFFING WITH EMPLOYEES THAT COULD PROVIDE SERVICE IN MULTIPLE LANGUAGES. WITH MORE THAN 440 VOTERS VISITING THE VOTING CENTER IN THE ROUGHLY TWO WEEKS THAT IT WAS OPEN, TO REPLACE A LOST OR DAMAGED BALLOT, GET HELP VOTING IF THEY HAD A DISABILITY OR SPOKE A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN

ENGLISH, UPDATE VOTER REGISTRATION INFORMATION, ASK QUESTIONS OF AN ELECTION OFFICIAL AND VOTE. OF THOSE THAT VISITED, 92% LIVED IN CIP CODES THAT STRADDLE OR ARE EAST OF 205. WHEN SURVEYED, 76% SAID THEY WOULD NOT HAVE VISITED THE DUNAWAY LOVEJOY ELECTIONS BUILDING IN INNER SOUTHEAST PORTLAND.

Tim Scott: THE LOCATION OF THE VOTING CENTER EXPRESS INSIDE THE EAST MULTNOMAH BUILDING COULD NOT HAVE BEEN A BETTER CHOICE WITH 29% OF VOTERS SAYING THAT THEY LEARNED A BIT WHEN VISITING THE BUILDING FOR ANOTHER REASON. EVEN ON OPENING DAY THERE WAS A GENTLEMAN WAITING FOR US TO OPEN SO HE COULD GET HELP READING AND MARKING HIS BALLOT BECAUSE OF A DISABILITY AND HE HAD HEARD OF THE VOTING CENTER EXPRESS FROM STAFF AT AGING, DISABILITY AND VETERANS SERVICES WHEN HE VISITED THEM THE WEEK BEFORE. 20% OF VOTER INTERACTIONS WHEN A VOTER REQUESTS HELP FROM AN ELECTIONS ASSISTANCE TEAM HAPPENED AT THE VOTING CENTER EXPRESS AND HALF THOSE REQUESTS WERE FOR ASSISTANCE IN A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH. THIS IS A VERY SUCCESSFUL PILOT AND I WANTED TO MENTION A FEW PEOPLE WHO WERE EXTREMELY HELPFUL IN MAKING THIS HAPPEN. FACILITIES PROPERTY MANAGERS AMBER AND ESTER FOR FIRST SUGGESTING THE SPACE.

SECOND NOT CHARGING US FOR IT. THIRD, SUPPORTING THE CHANGES THAT WE NEEDED TO MAKE TO MAKE THIS AS SECURE AS POSSIBILITY. TYLER CUNTO FOR MAKING AND INSTALLING THE AMAZING SIGNS THAT DREW PEOPLE TO THE SPACE. I.T. NETWORK FOR GETTING US CONNECTED SO WE COULD GENERATE, ORDER AHEAD REPLACEMENT BALLOTS DOWNTOWN AND PRINT LABELS WHICH STILL SEEMS LIKE MAGIC TO ME. TO ALL THE STAFF AT 9 COUNTY BUILDING MAKING US WELCOME AND SENDING VOTERS OUR WAY. WE'RE DEEP INTO PREPARATIONS TO USE THE SPACE FOR THE MAY PRIMARY AND HOPE TO CONTINUE 24 INTO NEXT YEAR. ACCESS TO VOTING SERVICES AND ELECTIONS INFORMATION AND LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH IS IMPORTANT TO MULTNOMAH COUNTY VOTERS. OUR LANGUAGE ACCESS APPROACH GOES BEYOND FEDERAL MINIMUMS WHILE WORKING TO ENSURE MEANINGFUL ACCESS TO ELECTIONS INFORMATION AND SERVICES FOR VOTERS WITH LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY AND PERSONS WITH DISABILITY IN ACCORDANCE WITH MULTNOMAH COUNTY LANGUAGE AND CULTURE AL ACCESS POLICY.

ACCESS IN MULTIPLE LANGUAGES AND STAFF THAT SPEAK THE VOTERS' PREFERRED LANGUAGES MEAN A MORE SUCCESSFUL VOTER EDUCATION, INCREASED ACCESS AND MEANINGFUL INCLUSION IN THE CIVIC CONVERSATION AND ELECTORAL COMMUNITY. PRESS RELEASES ARE PROVIDED IN SIX LANGUAGES FOR EACH ELECTION. DURING THE NOVEMBER 2016 ELECTION THERE WERE 89 REQUESTS MADE BY VOTERS FOR ASSISTANCE IN LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH AND THERE WERE 37

REQUESTS DURING THE JANUARY 2018 SPECIAL ELECTION. WE HAVE SET AN EXAMPLE AT THE STATE AND FEDERAL LEVEL. RECENT CREATION OF OREGON VOTER REGISTRATION CARDS IN FOUR ADDITIONAL LANGUAGES BY THE OREGON SECRETARY OF STATE HAVE MADE HELPING MULTNOMAH COUNTY VOTERS WHO SPEAK THESE LANGUAGES MORE SEAMLESS. OUR LANGUAGE RESOURCES AND 2016 LANGUAGE ACCESS RESULTS ARE ALSO INCLUDED IN THE U.S. ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION'S BEST PRACTICES.

Tim Scott: NEXT I WOULD LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT OUR BALLOT TRACKING PROGRAM. IT'S ONE OF OUR MOST POPULAR PRODUCTS THAT WE OFFER. IT ALLOWS VOTERS TO SIGN UP TO RECEIVE MESSAGES LETTING THEM KNOW WHEN THEIR BALLOT HAS BEEN MAILED, RECEIVED AT THE ELECTIONS OFFICE AND ACCEPTED FOR COUNTING OR CHALLENGED IN SOME CASES. THESE MESSAGES ARE A GREAT WAY TO ALERT VOTERS TO THE UPCOMING ELECTION AND A GREAT TRANSPARENCY MEASURE TO ANSWER THE QUESTION DID MY VOTE COUNT. WE HAVE OVER 37,000 VOTERS PARTICIPATING, WHICH IS ABOUT 7% OF OUR REGISTERED VOTERS. THIS NUMBER TENDS TO INCREASE DURING LARGE ELECTION CYCLES AND DROPS SLIGHTLY IN BETWEEN BUT OVER ALL HAS BEEN STEADILY INCREASING OVER TIME. SINCE OUR FIRST ELECTION IN 2015. WE HAVE NOTICED OVER TIME THAT VOTERS SIGNED UP FOR BALLOT TRACKING VOTE HAD SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER RATES THAN THOSE NOT PARTICIPATING IN THE PROGRAM. WE'RE NOT ABLE TO SAY WHETHER BEING SIGNED UP INCREASES THE PROBABILITY THAT YOU WILL RETURN YOUR BALLOT OR WHETHER VOTERS WHO ARE SIGNED UP ARE JUST MORE ENGAGED.

WE ARE ALSO INTERESTED IN WHETHER VOTERS USING BALLOT TRACKING HAD A HIGHER PROBABILITY OF CURING A CHALLENGED BALLOT SO WITH THE HELP OF DR. MEGAN BEAN FROM THE U.S. DIRECTOR'S OFFICE WE WERE ABLE TO LOOK AT HOW BEING SIGNED UP FOR THE SERVICE MIGHT IMPROVE THE LIKELIHOOD THAT VOTERS WILL CURE A BALL 4R09 CHALLENGE. THE INTEREST RESULTS SHOW VOTERS SIGNED UP FOR THE SERVICE DID CURE THEIR CHALLENGE SIGNATURES AT A RATE OF 54% TO 40% BUT CURED BALLOTS WITH NO SIGNATURE AT THE SAME RATE. IT'S DIFFICULT TO SAY WHETHER BALLOT TRACKING CAUSED THIS INCREASE OR IF VOTERS USING BALLOT TRACKING WOULD HAVE RESPONDED AT HIGHER RATES ANYWAY. EITHER WAY, WE RECEIVED MORE POSITIVE FEEDBACK FROM VOTERS THAN ANY OTHER PRODUCT WE OFFER. I WOULD LIKE TO ALSO HIGHLIGHT OUR REGISTER AT 16 VOTED 18 CAMPAIGN WHICH IS IN RESPONSE TO A NEW STATE LAW CHANGING THE PRE-REGISTRATION AGE FROM 17 TO 16, OUR OUTREACH PROGRAM DEVELOPED THIS CAMPAIGN TO COMMUNICATE THIS CHANGE TO YOUTH. THE CAMPAIGN CONSISTS OF MESSAGING AND INFORMATION TO ENCOURAGE YOUNG ADULTS TO REGISTER TO VOTE AS EARLY AS THEY ARE ELIGIBLE TO FORM A LIFELONG HABIT OF CIVIC PARTICIPATION EARLY ON. THE CAMPAIGN'S TIME FRAME IS LAUNCHED IN

FEBRUARY OF THIS YEAR AND GOES UNTIL NOVEMBER OF THIS YEAR. THE AUDIENCE AGAIN IS YOUNG ADULTS AGE 16 TO 24 AND ADULTS WHO SUPPORT YOUNG ADULTS LIKE TEACHERS, PARENTS AND COACHES. THE GOALS ARE TO PROVIDE YOUNG ADULTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO REGISTER TO VOTE, RAISE AWARENESS OF THE ABILITY TO REGISTER TO VOTE AT 16, AND ENCOURAGE PRE-REGISTRATION TO BEGIN A LIFETIME HABIT OF VOTING.

Tim Scott: AND PROVIDE INFORMATION TO RESOURCES TO PEER GROUPS AND ADULTS THAT WORK WITH YOUNG ADULTS TO HELP REGISTER TO VOTE. TWO RECENT EVENTS WAS THE FEBRUARY PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS INTERNATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, WHERE KATHERINE TALKED TO 50 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS THAT WERE EMERGING BILINGUALS, AND THEN MARCH 13 AT THE NORTHWEST YOUTH CAREERS EXPO WHERE THERE WAS OVER 7,000 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS FROM 70 HIGH SCHOOLS IN OREGON AND SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON WHERE SHE PASSED OUT MORE THAN 300 REGISTER AT 16 VOTE AT 18 CAMPAIGN FLYERS AND REGISTERED 46 YOUNG ADULTS TO VOTE FROM AROUND THE STATE. FINALLY AROUND OUR ACCESS PROGRAM I WOULD LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT OUR DROP BOXES. OUR ICONIC 24-HOUR DROP SITES ARE A SIGN THAT IT'S ELECTION TIME. THE FLAG GOES UP AND THE BOX IS OPEN AND READY FOR BALLOTS. SECURE, WELL MAINTAINED DROP SITES, STRATEGICALLY PLACED, INCREASE ACCESS AND ENCOURAGE VOTER PARTICIPATION.

WE'RE MAKING PROGRESS IN NEGOTIATIONS WITH MOUNT HOOD COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO CITE ONE IN THE PARK ROSE NEIGHBORHOOD WHICH HAS BEEN A LONG STRUGGLE TO FIND A SITE, BUT WE BELIEVE WE HAVE IT DONE AND IT SHOULD BE INSTALLED IN JUNE. NOT IN TIME FOR THE PRIMARY -- PRIMARY BUT IN TIME FOR THE NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTIONS. THEN JUST TO GIVE YOU A BRIEF UPDATE ON INSTALLATION OF THE NEW HIGH SPEED BALLOTS ORDER, THIS WAS A ONE-TIME ONLY OFFER FROM LAST YEAR FOR PURCHASE OF THE ORDER TO IMPROVE OUR PROCESSING RATE AND REDUCE RISK OF DOWNTIME ON ELECTION NIGHT FROM MECHANICAL FAILURE. AS YOU CAN SEE FROM THE PICTURE IT'S BEEN INSTALLED AND AS OF ABOUT THREE WEEKS AGO WE HAVE SUCCESSFULLY RUN SOME INITIAL TESTS. THE FIRST TIME IT WILL BE USED IS IN THE PRIMARY, AND YESTERDAY WE ACTUALLY COMPLETED A DAY-LONG ANALYSIS OF THE BALLOT INTAKE PROCESS TO UTILIZE BOTH IN THE MOST EFFICIENT WAY. NEXT I'M GOING TO TALK ABOUT SECURITY A LITTLE BIT, WHICH SEEMS TO BE SOMETHING THAT WE NEED TO BE TALKING ABOUT MORE AND MORE OFTEN.

WHEN I WAS HERE TALKING TO YOU PRIOR TO THE 2016 GENERAL ELECTION, I SPENT A BIT OF TIME TALKING ABOUT HOW SERIOUSLY WE TAKE THE SECURITY OF ELECTIONS. AS I SAID TWO YEARS AGO WE DIDN'T GIST START TALKING ABOUT SECURITY IN 2016. IT'S ALWAYS BEEN A FOCUS OF OUR PROCESS. OUR BALLOT TALLY SYSTEM RESIDES ON AN ISOLATED NETWORK NEVER CONNECTED TO THE INTERNET. THE TALLY SYSTEM IS EXAMINED BY

OUR I.T. SECURITY GROUP EVERY ELECTION LOOKING FOR VULNERABILITIES AS WELL AS CHANGES FROM THE ENVIRONMENT FROM THE PREVIOUS ELECTION CYCLE. PHYSICAL SECURITY OF OUR BUILDING AND THE BALLOTS WITHIN ARE A TOP PRIORITY, AND WE HAVE CHECKS AT EACH STEP THAT WOULD DETECT TAMPERING. THERE ARE STILL VERY REAL THREATS TO OUR ELECTION SYSTEMS. BY NOW IT'S COMMON KNOWLEDGE THAT STATE VOTER REGISTRATION SYSTEMS WERE THE TARGET OF CYBER-SCANNING ACTIVITIES BY THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT.

Tim Scott: INTELLIGENCE EXPERTS BELIEVE WE HAVE JUST AS MUCH TO WORRY ABOUT IN 2018. BUT THE GOOD NEWS IS THAT NOW WE HAVE MORE RESOURCES AVAILABLE THAN EVER BEFORE TO COMBAT THE THREAT OF CYBER-ATTACKS. I WILL HIGHLIGHT TWO OF THESE. THE DEFENDING DIGITAL DEMOCRACY PROJECT AT HARVARD KENNEDY SCHOOL FOR SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS RELEASED THREE PLAYBOOKS DESIGNED TO IDENTIFY RISKS AND OTHER ACTIONABLE SOLUTIONS THAT WILL HELP SAFEGUARD ELECTIONS. OREGON STATE ELECTIONS AS WELL AS MULTNOMAH COUNTY WERE TWO OF THE JURISDICTIONS THAT WERE STUDIED BY THE GROUP AT THE BELFORD CENTER. WE GOT TO HOST THE VERY IMPRESSIVE TEAM OF INDIVIDUALS WHO WERE WORKING ON THIS PROJECT. WE SPENT AT LEAST IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY SPENT A WHOLE DAY WITH THEM GOING THROUGH OUR PROCESSES, TALKING ABOUT THE SECURITY TAKE WE USE, AND THAT IN TURN SHOWS UP AS BEST PRACTICES IN THESE PLAYBOOKS.

THEN INFORMATION SHARING BETWEEN FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS HAS NEVER BEEN BETTER. AFTER ELECTION SYSTEMS WERE DESIGNATED AS CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE THE DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY RECENTLY CREATED THE ELECTIONS INFRASTRUCTURE INFORMATION SHARING AND ANALYSIS CENTER. THIS BUILDS ON ALREADY ESTABLISHED MULTI STATE ISA, C, OF WHICH ARE MULTNOMAH COUNTY I.T. SECURITY TEAM IS ALREADY A MEMBER. MYSELF AND SEVERAL MEMBERS OF MY TEAM ARE IN THE PROCESS OF JOINING THE ELECTIONS INFRASTRUCTURE ISAC, AND WE HAVE ALREADY BEGUN TO RECEIVE VALUABLE INFORMATION. THIS IS ALL INFORMATION THAT WAS NOT AVAILABLE TO US SO READILY EVEN AS SHORT A TIME AGO AS 2016. THEN IN THE RECENT FEDERAL BUDGET BILL, YOU MAY HAVE HEARD THAT THERE WAS \$300 MILLION RELEASED TO THE ELECTION ASSISTANCE COMMISSION FOR GRANT FUNDING TO PASS DOWN TO THE STATES FOR ELECTION SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS AND OREGON IS THE RECIPIENT OF ABOUT 5.2 MILLION OF THAT. THE STATE HAS ALREADY MADE A COMMITMENT TO THE COUNTIES TO WORK WITH COUNTIES TO HELP IDENTIFY THE BEST WAY TO SPEND THAT MONEY TO SECURE OUR ELECTIONS. THEN FINALLY, I WOULD LIKE TO JUST BRIEFLY GIVE YOU AN OVERVIEW OF OUR PREPARATIONS FOR THE 2018 FEDERAL ELECTION CYCLE. WE OFTEN GET ASKED WHAT DO YOU DO IN BETWEEN ELECTIONS BECAUSE IT JUST TAKES ONE DAY, RIGHT? [LAUGHTER]

MY GENERAL ANSWER IS THAT WE ANALYZE THE LAST ELECTION AND OUR PROCESSES TO SEE WHAT WE CAN DO BETTER AND GET READY FOR THE NEXT ONE. SPECIFICALLY, HERE IS WHAT WE HAVE DONE TO PREPARE FOR THE 2018 ELECTIONS. WE REDUCED ELECTION DAY LINES AND MADE IT EASIER TO GET REPLACEMENT BALLOTS. WE IMPROVED ACCESS BY CREATING A CLOSER LOCATION FOR ONE-THIRD OF THE COUNTY TO GET SERVICE. WE HAVE PROVIDED VOTING INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION IN SIX LANGUAGES. WE PROVIDED MESSAGING TO VOTERS ON THE STATUS OF THEIR BALLOT AND WE HAVE TARGETED YOUTH PRE-REGISTRATION TO ENCOURAGE ENGAGED YOUNG VOTERS. WE PROVIDED AN ADDITIONAL LOCATION TO DROP BALLOTS. WE HAVE IMPROVED BALLOT PROCESSING TIMES AND REDUCED RISK BY ADDING A SECOND SORTER AND ARE CONTINUALLY WORKING ON SECURING OUR ELECTION PROCESSES. IN SHORT WE'RE READY FOR 2018. THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT TO YOU TODAY. I WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS IF YOU HAVE THEM.

Chair Kafoury: THANK YOU. QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

Commissioner Stegmann: THANK YOU, CHAIR, THANK YOU, TIM. I'M ESPECIALLY EXCITED ABOUT THE VOTER CENTER EXPRESS IN EAST COUNTY. MANY PEOPLE KNOW THAT ROCKWOOD IS ONE OF THE NEIGHBORHOODS IN GRESHAM HAS I BELIEVE ONE OF THE LOWER VOTER TURNOUTS AND HIGHEST CONCENTRATION OF PEOPLE, ESPECIALLY LIVING IN POVERTY AND THE MOST DIVERSE WITH OVER 70 LANGUAGES SPOKEN. THIS IS JUST SO SIGNIFICANT TO ADDRESS THAT VOTING POPULATION. I JUST WANTED TO SAY THANK YOU, AND I FEEL A LITTLE BIT BETTER ABOUT OUR ELECTION SECURITY AFTER THE TWO PROGRAMS THAT YOU MENTIONED. THEN I JUST -- YOU HAD ACCIDENTALLY SAID SOMETHING ABOUT THESE PROGRAMS GIVE HELP BUT YOU ACTUALLY SAID HOPE BUT I THINK YOU'RE RIGHT. A LOT OF PEOPLE JUST DO NOT HAVE -- THEY DON'T KNOW WHERE TO TURN OR WHAT TO ASK. SO JUST HAVING THAT VOTER CENTER EXPRESS IS JUST HAVING A WARM BODY THAT YOU CAN LOOK SOMEBODY IN THE FACE WHO SPEAKS YOUR LANGUAGE IS SO IMPORTANT. GOOD WORK. I'M REALLY EXCITED ABOUT THE GRANT THAT'S COMING. THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK.

Tim Scott: THANK YOU.

Commissioner Vega Pederson: THANKS SO MUCH FOR THIS UPDATE. IT'S GOOD TO GET THE OVERALL VIEW OF WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE ELECTIONS. I DIDN'T REALIZE THERE WERE FOUR ELECTIONS THIS YEAR. I DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT THE ONE THAT HAPPENED IN MARCH. THAT'S AMAZING FOR YOU AND YOUR TEAM. I ALSO AM REALLY EXCITED TO HEAR THERE'S A BALLOT BOX GOING IN IN PARK ROSE. WE TALKED ABOUT THE STRUGGLES OF FINDING A NEW LOCATION BUT I KNOW THE MOST RECENT ONE PUT IN BY THE MOVIE THEATER ON DIVISION WAS EXTREMELY HELPFUL FOR FOLKS WHO DIDN'T

HAVE ONE NEAR. I APPRECIATE YOUR CONTINUING EFFORTS TO MAKE THOSE MORE ACCESS -- ACCESSIBLE TO PEOPLE AROUND OUR COMMUNITY. I HEARD BRIEFLY SOMETHING ON THE RADIO THE OTHER DAY ABOUT ELECTION SAFETY ISSUES AND THE ROLE OF THE NATIONAL GUARD IN THAT. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'VE HEARD ANYTHING ABOUT THAT. HAVE YOU? IT WAS BACK I THINK OBAMA HAD SAID ELECTIONS, ELECTIONS ARE A NATIONAL SECURITY ISSUE. BECAUSE OF THAT THERE WILL BE SOME ADDITIONAL ROLE.

Tim Scott: CHAIR KAFOURY, COMMISSIONER VEGA PEDERSEN, I HAVE NOT. YOU KNOW, THE DESIGNATION OF ELECTION SYSTEMS AS CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PUT IN PLACE BY PRESIDENT OBAMA WAS A BIG STEP. IT SORT OF TAKES ELECTIONS OUT OF THE SHADOWS AND PUTTING THEM FRONT AND CENTER SAYING THESE SYSTEMS ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS AND WE NEED TO GIVE THEM THE SAME PROTECTIONS. THAT SORT OF AT FIRST WAS A LITTLE SCARY SORT OF THIS INVOLVEMENT OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IN ELECTIONS IN A WAY THAT HAS NEVER BEEN THERE BEFORE, BUT OVER TIME AND THROUGH THE PARTNERSHIP OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SECRETARIES OF STATE, NATIONAL STATE ELECTION DIRECTORS AND DOWN TO NATIONAL ELECTION ASSOCIATIONS LIKE THE ELECTIONS CENTER, THIS GREAT PARTNERSHIP HAS FORMED THAT'S ALLOWED THIS INFORMATION SHARING AND I THINK, YOU KNOW, WE'RE JUST STARTING TO SEE THE BENEFITS OF THAT EVEN THOUGH THAT ACTION WAS TAKEN IN 2016 FOR THIS DESIGNATION. AS TO WHAT THE ROLE OF THE NATIONAL GUARD IS IN THIS PROCESS, I HAVE NOT HEARD.

Commissioner Smith: I'M HOPING I WAS MISTAKEN ON THE NATIONAL GUARD THAT WOULD HAVE A ROLE. ANY TIME YOU HAVE MILITARIZATION OF A VOTING PROCESS THAT'S A SCARY CONCEPT. YEAH. BUT I DO THINK THAT THE -- I DON'T KNOW. TRYING TO PRIORITIZE IT IN A SECURITY ISSUE IN TERMS OF BEING ONE OF THE FUNDAMENTAL BEDROCK OF OUR DEMOCRACY AND THAT IT'S IMPORTANT TO KEEP THAT AS SECURE AND WELL FUNCTIONING AS POSSIBLE IS SOMETHING AND ESPECIALLY PROVIDING RESOURCES, EDUCATION, TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO SMALLER COUNTIES AND SMALLER JURISDICTIONS THAT DON'T NECESSARILY HAVE THEIR OWN CAPACITY TO DO THAT IS A REALLY GOOD IDEA. I'M GLAD YOU GUYS ARE WORKING WITH THESE NATIONAL ASSOCIATIONS TO HEAD LEARN SOME THINGS AND SPREAD THE GOOD PRACTICES THAT WE'RE DOING HERE, SO THANK YOU SO MUCH.

Chair Kafoury: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS? THANK YOU, TIM. THIS WAS GREAT. THIS WAS WONDERFUL. TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHEN YOU TALK TO THOSE FOLKS AT HARVARD AND THE OTHER PEOPLE THAT CAME HERE, WHERE DID WE RATE? DID YOU JUST TELL THEM WHAT WE WERE DOING AND THEY SAID, YES, YOU'RE DOING IT RIGHT, OR DID THEY GIVE YOU STRATEGIES ON HOW TO MAKE OUR VOTING SYSTEM A LITTLE BIT MORE SECURE?

Tim Scott: COMMISSIONER SMITH, THE PROCESS THAT THEY WENT THROUGH, THEY INTERVIEWED JURISDICTIONS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. SELECTIVELY TARGETED JURISDICTIONS THAT THEY WANTED TO WORK WITH. IT WAS AN INTERESTING PROCESS BECAUSE THESE WERE PEOPLE FROM A BROAD SPECTRUM. THE POLITICAL SPECTRUM AS WELL AS THE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY, AND IT WAS A LITTLE INTIMIDATING. THE COLLECTIVE KNOWLEDGE IN THE ROOM WAS AMAZING AND REALLY WE JUST SORT OF WALKED THEM THROUGH OUR PROCESSES. THEY DIDN'T GIVE A WHOLE LOT OF FEEDBACK AT THE TIME, BUT THERE WAS A COMMITMENT FROM THEM TO INCLUDE THE DATA THAT WE GAVE THEM AS PART OF THEIR DEVELOPMENT OF THESE PLAYBOOKS. SO A LITTLE BIT OF US ENDED UP IN THOSE PLAYBOOKS, BUT AS TO SORT OF --

Commissioner Smith: DIDN'T HAVE LIKE TEN HAVE AND WENT DOWN THE STRATEGY

Tim Scott: THESE ARE IN THE PLACE BOOKS.

Commissioner Smith: THE PLAYBOOKS THEY CREATED. THEY DIDN'T COME WITH THE PLAYBOOK AND SAID YOU SHOULD HAVE THIS, YOU SHOULD HAVE THAT, YOU SHOULD HAVE THIS AND WHAT WOULD MAKE YOUR SYSTEM MORE SAFE. I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT EXACTLY -- IT'S GREAT THAT THEY CAME BUT I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT THEY BROUGHT IN TERMS OF NEW INFORMATION TO US.

Tim Scott: THEY DIDN'T BRING ANYTHING TO US WHEN THEY CAME TO VISIT. THEY WERE MORE THERE JUST TO SEE WHAT OUR PROCESS WAS. THEY SPENT SOME TIME WITH THE STATE A FEW DAYS ACTUALLY, AND RANSOM TABLE TOP EXERCISES WITH THE STATE. THEN THEY CAME TO VIEW THE LARGEST ELECTION JURISDICTION IN OREGON TO GET A SENSE OF ABOUT WHAT WE WERE --

Commissioner Smith: THEY DIDN'T SEE ANY HOLES. THEY DIDN'T CRITIQUE US OR NOT?

Tim Scott: NO, THEY DID NOT CRITIQUE US.

Commissioner Smith: HOW DO WE REALLY KNOW WE'RE DOING WHAT WE NEED TO BE DOING?

Tim Scott: WE HAVE DONE A COUPLE OF SECURITY EXAMINATIONS OVER THE YEARS. LAST I THINK WAS 2015. WE HAVE ALWAYS SCORED VERY WELL ON THOSE SECURITY EXAMINATIONS. WE'RE FOLLOWING --

Commissioner Smith: HOW OFTEN DO WE DO THOSE?

Tim Scott: 2015 WAS THE LAST.

Commissioner Smith: DO WE DO IT EVERY TWO YEARS, THREE YEARS, FOUR YEARS?

Tim Scott: THERE'S NO SET --

Commissioner Smith: WE COULD CALL FOR A SECURITY EXAMINATION.

Tim Scott: ABSOLUTELY.

Commissioner Smith: I'M TRYING TO GET A SENSE OF HOW COMPREHENSIVE THE VISIT WAS. YES, GREAT. THEY DIDN'T LOOK UNDER THE HOOD MUCH BUT YOU'RE NOT DOING X, Y, Z. I WANT TO MAKE SURE WHAT'S REALLY PROBABLY DRIVING THIS IS THAT THE FACT ON THE FEDERAL LEVEL THAT WE SEE NOW THAT RUSSIA DID HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH OUR ELECTIONS. I'M JUST TRYING TO FIGURE OUT WHAT WE COULD DO. I DON'T WANT A FALSE SENSE OF SECURITY THAT THESE FOLKS CAME OUT AND THEY DID SOME SORT OF EXAMINATION BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T. WE HAVE DONE THIS BEFORE IN 2015. I THINK WE SHOULD PROBABLY DO IT AGAIN SINCE 2016 BECAUSE OF WHAT HAPPENED IN THE 2016 ELECTION. WE SHOULD PROBABLY THINK ABOUT DOING AN EXAMINATION. IT'S PROBABLY TOO LATE FOR THE PRIMARY BUT WE SHOULD CERTAINLY BE DOING SOME SORT OF EXAMINATION AFTER 2016. I THINK IT'S GREAT THAT THE HARVARD PEOPLE WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE US AS A GOLD STANDARD BUT WE HAVE TO BE SURE WE'RE THAT GOLD STANDARD THAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT.

Tim Scott: THANK YOU. WE ACTUALLY WORK WITH OUR I.T. SECURITY TEAM EVERY ELECTION, EVERY ELECTION THEY ARE DOING AN EXAMINATION OF OUR SYSTEMS TO TRY TO MAKE SURE THAT THERE'S NO VULNERABILITIES, NO GAPS. WE ARE FOLLOWING INDUSTRY BEST PRACTICES. THEY ARE ALSO SCANNING OUR NETWORKS TO MAKE SURE THERE'S BEEN NO CHANGES FROM PREVIOUS ELECTIONS. THE SYSTEM, NOTHING HAS BEEN LOADED ON THE SYSTEM. NOTHING HAS CHANGED. WE ARE ACTIVELY ENGAGED IN THE PROCESS OF EXAMINING SECURITY BOTH FROM AN INTERNET NETWORK PERSPECTIVE AS WELL AS FROM A PHYSICAL SECURITY STANDPOINT EVERY ELECTION CYCLE AND WE SUBMIT A SECURITY PLAN TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE EVERY YEAR ADDRESSING THE COMPONENTS OF OUR SECURITY.

Commissioner Smith: IT'S HELPFUL LIKE WE DO WITH OUR BUDGET TO HAVE AN OUTSIDE AUDITOR TO DO THAT. AGAIN, I DON'T WANT TO HAVE A FALSE SENSE OF SECURITY AS IT RELATES TO SOMETHING SO IMPORTANT, AND HAVING THAT OUTSIDE AUDITOR WILL ASSIST IN GIVING US A CLEAR IDEA OF WHERE WE REALLY ARE. DOESN'T TAKE ANYTHING AWAY FROM WHAT WE'RE DOING. I THINK WHAT WE'RE DOING IS GREAT. I THINK THE FACT THAT WE HAVE A

VOTER EDUCATION OUTREACH PERSON, WHICH IS WONDERFUL, IT REALLY HELPED MAKING SURE THAT WE HAVE SOMETHING IN EAST COUNTY FOR FOLKS. I THOUGHT THAT WAS GREAT. WHAT YOU'RE DOING IS GREAT. WE'RE HAVING THESE BABY STEPS THAT HAVE TURNED OUT TO BE GOOD THINGS FOR THE RESIDENTS OF MULTNOMAH COUNTY AND I LIKE IT. I LIKE WHAT I'M SEEING. I AM JUST A LITTLE BIT NERVOUS ABOUT ELECTIONS AS THE LAST TWO YEARS HAVE BEEN VERY UNCOMFORTABLE TO LOOK AT WHAT HAPPENED ON THE NATIONAL LEVEL, TO THINK THAT SOMETHING LIKE THAT COULD HAPPEN HERE LOCALLY I DON'T WANT US TO BE BEHIND THE 8-BALL ON THAT.

Tim Scott: THANK YOU. I'M MORE THAN WILLING TO SEE WHAT AN OUTSIDE AUDIT WOULD LOOK LIKE.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU.

Chair Kafoury: THANKS FOR COMING. WE KNOW THAT YOU HAVE A BIG YEAR AHEAD OF YOU. REST OF THE YEAR ACTUALLY MAY BE THE BIGGEST PARTS OF THE YEAR STILL TO COME. I APPRECIATE YOU GIVING US A BRIEFING ON WHAT YOU HAVE BEEN DOING AND WHAT WE CAN LOOK FORWARD TO IN THE PRIMARY AND GENERAL ELECTIONS.

Tim Scott: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. HAVE A GOOD DAY.

Chair Kafoury: THANKS. ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU FOR DCS DAY AT MULTNOMAH COUNTY. SEEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS,

ADJOURNMENT – 11:24 a.m.

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