

**Minutes of the Board of Commissioners
Multnomah Building, Board Room 100
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd., Portland, Oregon
Thursday, March 13, 2014**

REGULAR MEETING

Acting Chair Marissa Madrigal convened the meeting at 9:38 a.m. with Vice-Chair Diane McKeel and Commissioners Liesl Wendt and Loretta Smith present. Commissioner Judy Shiprack was excused.

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

CONSENT AGENDA

- C.1 NOTICE OF INTENT to submit an application for \$100,000 to the HRSA, HIV/AIDS Bureau's Part C Capacity Development Grant Program
- C.2 NOTICE OF INTENT to Submit an Application for up to \$25,000 from March of Dimes Greater Oregon Chapter Community Grant Program
- C.3 RESOLUTION Authorizing the Private Sale of a Tax Foreclosed Property to University of Portland
- C.4 BUDGET MODIFICATION # DCA-16 Conversion of an Inventory/Stores Specialist 1 to an Inventory/Stores Specialist 2 in the Fleet Services program

Chair Madrigal: GOOD MORNING AND WELCOME TO TODAY'S REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING. MAY I HAVE A MOTION ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR? ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE?

[UNANIMOUS AYES]

Chair Madrigal: OPPOSED? THE CONSENT CALENDAR IS APPROVED. AND JUST TO NOTE THAT COMMISSIONER SHIPRACK IS OUT TODAY.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Opportunity for Public Comment on non-agenda matters. Testimony limited to three minutes per person unless otherwise designated by the presiding officer. This is a time for the Board to hear public testimony, not for Board deliberation.

Board Clerk: MADAM CHAIR, WE HAVE THREE PEOPLE SIGNED UP TODAY. IF YOU CAN PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN WE CALL YOUR NAME. PAUL ADOLPH PHILLIPS, SHEDRICK JAY WILKINS AND MR. JOE WALSH.

Mr. Phillips: YES, I'M PAUL PHILLIPS AND I SPOKE HERE THE 20th OF FEBRUARY AND THE SUBJECT THIS WEEK IS ERIC HOLDER AND MY SPEECH THAT I GAVE

FEBRUARY 13th AT 2014. I'M JUST LUCKY TO BE ALIVE. I SAID THAT THERE WAS 353,000 HIP SURGERIES A YEAR. THAT FIGURES UP TO LESS THAN 1 IN 900 PEOPLE EACH YEAR HAVE HIP SURGERIES. CONSUMERS REPORTS HAD SAID THAT THEY SHOULD COME WITH A 20-YEAR GUARANTEE BUT I DON'T THINK I GOT ANY GUARANTEE AS TO THAT. WITH ALSO CRIPPLING FRACTURING TO MY VERTEBRAE AND MY SPINAL CORD, THIS WAS FROM SEVEN DOG ATTACKS BY THE SAME DOG. ERIC HOLDER HAD TO GO TO THE HOSPITAL AND THEY DIDN'T SAY WHAT KIND OF A HOSPITAL IT WAS, IF IT WAS PSYCHIATRIC OR A REGULAR MEDICAL FACILITY, BUT THEY SAID THAT HE WENT THERE BECAUSE HE WAS LIGHTHEADED. THEY SAID ON THE NEWS THAT THERE WASN'T ANYTHING WRONG WITH HIM, HE DIDN'T HAVE A STROKE OR ANYTHING SO I GUESS HE'S JUST LIGHTHEADED. THE REASON WHY I SAY THAT IS THAT AFTER SEVEN DOG ATTACKS BY THE SAME DOG WITH ME BEING LEGALLY BLIND AND SERVICE ANIMAL, THAT THE POLICE CHIEF IN PENDLETON WAS INFORMED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE THAT I HAD A SERVICE ANIMAL AND AS YOU KNOW ED TABORS, A LIE DETECTOR, I FORGET THE NAME OF IT RIGHT NOW, THAT'S PART OF MY PROBLEM WITH THE SPINAL CORD INJURY, I HAVE TROUBLE WITH MEMORY AT TIMES. SO HE DEFINITELY KNEW AND, IN FACT, THE CITY AND EVERYBODY KNEW THAT I HAD A SERVICE ANIMAL. AND I ASK PEOPLE WHENEVER I SEE THEM, A GUIDE DOG OR SERVICE ANIMAL, HOW MANY TIMES THEIR DOG HAD BEEN ATTACKED AND SOMETIMES, THEY USUALLY SAY THAT THEY HADN'T MADE CONTACT TO POLICE WHICH I DID AND NOTHING WAS DONE, CONTACTED ANIMAL CONTROL AND NOTHING WAS DONE, AND I END UP GETTING INJURED AND HUMPTY DUMPTY WOULD HAVE HAD A BETTER TIME THAN I HAVE HAD IN THE LAST ALMOST FOUR YEARS THIS NOVEMBER 15th. IN A PERIOD OF LESS THAN SIX YEARS, I WAS ATTACKED SEVEN TIMES BY THAT DOG AND IT HAD CRIPPLED MY DOG AND DURING THE LAST ATTACK, I WAS THE ONLY ONE THAT GOT CRIPPLED. I HAD TO SPEND EIGHT DAYS AT OHSU AND 80 SOME ODD DAYS IN TWO CARE FACILITIES LEARNING HOW TO WALK.

Chair Madrigal: THANK YOU MR. PHILLIPS.

Mr. Wilkins: FOUR YEARS AGO I STARTED TALKING IN FRONT OF PORTLAND CITY COUNCIL. I'M GLAD, VERY GLAD THAT HAD OREGON LEGISLATURE JUST KILLED THE CRC BRIDGE, WHICH WOULD HAVE BEEN \$3 BILLION DOWN THE DRAIN BUILDING A BRIDGE THAT'S ALREADY THERE THAT JUST NEEDS TO BE RETROFITTED FOR \$500 MILLION! OKAY? NOW, THIS GUY JUST TALKED ABOUT MEDICAL THINGS OR STUFF OVER HERE ABOUT COLORECTAL CANCER. LET'S MAKE THIS STATE A MEDICAL INDUSTRY STATE. LET'S DO THAT AND STOP THIS CONSTRUCTION STUFF. WE DON'T NEED TO BUILD BRIDGES THAT ARE ALREADY THERE, THERE'S ALREADY -- THE I-205 BRIDGE. THE BRIDGE WAS KILLED BECAUSE THEY DIDN'T TELL YOU THERE WAS GOING TO BE A TOLL ON THE BRIDGE. WHEN I WAS 10 MY FATHER DROVE ACROSS THE BRIDGE WITHOUT A TOLL. LEAVE THIS STATE. THE STATE I LIVE IN, NOBODY STARVES BECAUSE WE ALL GET FOOD STAMPS AND WE ALL SHOULD PARTICIPATE IN BUILDING A MEDICAL INDUSTRY STATE SO WE CAN ALL LIVE LONGER. OKAY? ENOUGH SAID. THE BRIDGE IS DEAD, LET'S GO ON.

Chair Madrigal: THANK YOU.

Mr. Walsh: MY NAME IS JOE WALSH, I REPRESENT INDIVIDUALS FOR JUSTICE. LAST WEEK, I FORGOT TO SAY SOMETHING I REALLY WANTED TO SAY. AND THAT IS TO CONGRATULATE THE CHAIRPERSON ON HER DELIVERY TO THE STATE OF THE COUNTY. MY WIFE AND I WERE LISTENING TO IT AND WE WERE TALKING AT THE SAME TIME AND IN THE MIDDLE OF IT, SHE TURNED AROUND AND LOOKED AT ME AND SAID, YOU KNOW, MARISSA SOUNDS LIKE YOU! [LAUGHTER] YOU PRESENTED THE INFORMATION MUCH MORE GENTLE THAN I DO. THOSE PEOPLE THAT KNOW ME, I WAS THROWN OUT OF THE CITY HALL COUNCIL MEETING YESTERDAY. SO I'M NOT SHY SAYING THINGS VERY PASSIONATELY AND WITH A LOT OF VIGOR. I ALWAYS ADMIRE SOMEBODY THAT SAYS THE SAME THINGS THAT I SAY BUT THEY DO IT IN A GENTLE WAY AND YOU SIT THERE AND YOU LISTEN AND YOU SAY YOU KNOW, THOSE ARE THE WORDS THAT WE REALLY NEED TO HEAR. THERE'S ANOTHER STEP AFTER THOSE WORDS. AND THAT'S THE ACTION. AND THAT'S WHERE WE FAIL ALL THE TIME. WE HAD THE WORDS, BUT WE DON'T HAVE THE ACTION. AND IT'S AMAZING TO ME THAT SO MANY OF US WANT TO DO SO MANY GOOD THINGS AND AT THE END OF THE DAY, IT FALLS APART SOMETIMES. I MEAN, I THINK THAT EVERYBODY ON THIS BOARD IS SOMEBODY WHO REALLY CARES. I NEVER LEAVE THIS MEETING WITHOUT FEELING THAT. THAT'S NOT TRUE WITH CITY HALL. I'VE BEEN THROWN OUT A NUMBER OF TIMES. SO IT'S A COMPLIMENT TO YOU, MADAM CHAIRMAN AND IT'S A COMPLIMENT TO THE REST OF YOU AND I DON'T DO THAT EASILY, I DON'T DO IT VERY OFTEN SO IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE TO SAY THANK YOU FOR YOUR ADDRESS, THERE WERE THINGS THAT PEOPLE NEEDED TO HEAR, AND I'M REALLY SORRY YOU'RE NOT GOING TO BE HERE IN THE LONG TERM. SO I WISH YOU REALLY WELL WHATEVER IT IS THAT YOU AND COMMISSIONER WENDT DECIDE TO DO AFTER YOU LEAVE HERE. SO THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE.

Chair Madrigal: THANK YOU.

Mr. Walsh: AND I'LL SHUT UP NOW.

Commissioner Smith: WE DON'T NORMALLY TALK AFTER THIS, BUT I DO CONCUR WITH YOU, MR. WALSH, SHE DID AN EXCELLENT JOB, AND SHE REPRESENTED US WELL. I WAS PLEASED.

Chair Madrigal: THANK YOU.

Vice-Chair McKeel: AND I AGREE, TOO.

REGULAR AGENDA

R.1 PROCLAMATION Proclaiming March 2014 as Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month in Multnomah County, Oregon. Sponsor: Commissioner Smith, D-2. Presenters: LaRisha Baker, Program Supervisor, Health Dept., with Marsha Baker and, Michell Baker - Co-Founders of the Steve Baker Colorectal Cancer Alliance; Dr. Mark Whiteford, Gastrointestinal Surgeon, The Oregon Clinic; and, Tom Foeller, Advocate and Colorectal Cancer Survivor.

Chair Madrigal: MAY I HAVE MOTION?

Vice-Chair McKeel: SO MOVED.

Commissioner Wendt: SECOND.

Chair Madrigal: COMMISSIONER MCKEEL MOVES AND COMMISSIONER WENDT SECONDS, APPROVAL OF R.1. COMMISSIONER SMITH?

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. AT THIS TIME, I WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME OUR GUESTS TO THE TABLE TO SPEAK, MS. LARISHA BAKER, PROGRAM SUPERVISOR IN OUR VERY OWN MULTNOMAH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND COFOUNDER OF THE C. BAKER COLORECTAL CANCER ALLIANCE. MARK WHITFORD, MEDICAL DOCTOR AND DIRECTOR OF THE PROVIDENCE COLORECTAL CANCER SURGERY PROGRAM AT THE OREGON CLINIC, THANK YOU, TOM FOELLER, ADVOCATE AND COLORECTAL CANCER SURVIVOR. THANK YOU. TAMI MAHRT, BENEFIT OPERATIONS MANAGER AT MULTNOMAH COUNTY, MARSHA BAKER CO-FOUNDER OF THE STEVE BAKER COLORECTAL CANCER ALLIANCE. AND WHILE HE WON'T BE SPEAKING TODAY, WE ARE LUCKY TO HAVE KENT HOLMES, EXECUTIVE PRODUCT SPECIALIST. HE'S HERE WITH A GIANT INFLATABLE COLON AND YOU ALL JUST DON'T KNOW. I WAS IN D.C. ABOUT A WEEK AGO AND I WAS GOING BACK AND FORTH, AND I THINK WE HAD ABOUT 800 E-MAILS BECAUSE I WANTED THIS BIG INFLATABLE COLON TO COME INTO THE BOARD ROOM. AND I WAS LIKE, GIVE ME THE DYNAMICS BACK THERE. GIVE ME THE MEASUREMENTS FOR THE COLON. WHY CAN'T WE PUT IT THERE, WHY CAN'T WE PUT IT HERE? I HAVE TRIED TO DIAGRAM THIS BIG COLON BECAUSE I WANTED TO SEND A MESSAGE THAT THIS IS VERY REAL AND I APPRECIATE THE COLON, I APPRECIATE ALL THE EFFORTS BY MULTNOMAH COUNTY STAFF AND ALL OF OUR VIRTUAL CONVERSATION, BUT OF THE CANCERS THAT AFFECT BOTH MEN AND WOMEN, COLORECTAL CANCER IS THE SECOND LEADING CAUSE OF CANCER-RELATED DEATHS IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. MORTALITY RATES HAVE BEEN DECLINING SLIGHTLY FOR ALL RACIAL AND ETHNIC GROUPS IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY BUT THERE CONTINUES TO BE DISPARITIES IN SCREENING RATES FOR CERTAIN POPULATIONS. FORTUNATELY, WE ARE MAKING PROGRESS ON INCREASING SCREENING RATES, BUT WE STILL HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO TO PREVENTING COLORECTAL CANCER DEATHS IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND OUR MANY COMMUNITY PARTNERS ARE WORKING TO RAISE AWARENESS ABOUT COLORECTAL CANCER AND ENCOURAGING PEOPLE TO GET SCREENED. THEY ARE CONDUCTING A COMMUNITY AWARENESS CAMPAIGN, WHICH INCLUDES A HEALTH DEPARTMENT COLORECTAL CANCER DATA BRIEF, POSTING A STORY ON OUR WEBSITE ABOUT ONE OF OUR OWN EMPLOYEES, THANK YOU, MS. TAMMY, ASKING COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO SHARE THEIR SCREENING EXPERIENCE, AND MULTNOMAH COUNTY'S PRIMARY CARE CLINICS, CLIENTS AGED 50 TO 75 WHO ARE IN NEED OF SCREENINGS ARE OFFERED SCREENINGS AND REFERRALS FOR ADDITIONAL TREATMENT IF NEEDED. AND FINALLY OUR HEALTH DEPARTMENT CONTINUES TO ENCOURAGE HEALTHY EATING, ACTIVE LIVING AND BEING TOBACCO-FREE. AND THESE ARE THE KEY FACTORS THAT WE CAN CONTROL TO PREVENT CHRONIC DISEASE AND CANCER-RELATED DEATHS, INCLUDING COLORECTAL CANCER. WE

ARE SO PLEASED TO PARTNER WITH STEVE BAKER OF THE COLORECTAL CANCER ALLIANCE AND PROVIDENCE CARE CENTER TO BRING AN INTERACTIVE EXHIBIT ON COLON HEALTH, THE INFLATABLE STROLLIN' COLON TO THE COUNTY. AT THE CONCLUSION OF OUR MEETING, I INVITE YOU TO JOIN ME IN STROLLING THROUGH AND WE CAN ACTUALLY WALK THROUGH THIS, THIS IS SOMETHING, IT'S AN EXHIBIT, PLEASE WALK WITH ME THROUGH THIS COLON. [LAUGHTER]

Vice-Chair McKeel: WHERE IS IT?

Commissioner Smith: IT'S IN CONFERENCE ROOM 126.

Vice-Chair McKeel: I THOUGHT YOU WOULD HAVE IT RIGHT HERE.

Commissioner Smith: I TRIED! I SO TRIED TO GET IT HERE. BUT, AT ANY RATE, LET'S LET MS. LARISHA BAKER START THE PRESENTATION. THANK YOU FOR COMING THIS YEAR.

Ms. Larisha Baker: THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING.

Chair Madrigal: GOOD MORNING.

Ms. Larisha Baker: THANK YOU FOR HAVING US AGAIN THIS YEAR. REALLY GLAD TO BE HERE. AS COMMISSIONER SMITH MENTIONED, I'M A SUPERVISOR IN THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT, BUSINESS SERVICES AND EARLY CHILDHOOD SERVICES AND COFOUNDER OF THE COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS FOUNDATION. WE'RE HERE TO PROCLAIM MARCH AS COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH. WE'RE TRYING TO BRING AS MUCH ATTENTION TO THIS DISEASE AS POSSIBLE. AND IN HONOR OF OUR FATHER WHO LOST HIS BATTLE AT THE AGE OF 56, AND THE MANY SURVIVOR FRIENDS THAT WE'VE MADE ALONG THE WAY, MY SISTERS AND I, WE JUST RECENTLY RETURNED FROM A KICKOFF EVENT IN NEW YORK CITY WHERE WE CELEBRATED, WE'RE STILL CELEBRATING THE OVER 1 MILLION PEOPLE THAT ARE LIVING HERE IN THE UNITED STATES WITH COLORECTAL CANCER. AND THEN ON SATURDAY WE LEAVE FOR OUR ANNUAL TRIP, TO WASHINGTON, D.C. TO CONTINUE ADVOCACY AND ASK FOR CONTINUED FUNDING FOR RESEARCH AND SCREENING FROM OUR SENATE AND CONGRESS REPRESENTATIVES. AND AS YOU KNOW, COLORECTAL CANCER IS ONE OF THE MOST PREVENTABLE, TREATABLE AND BEATABLE FORMS OF CANCER. AND ONE OF THE ONLY FEW CANCERS THAT CAN BE PREVENTED THROUGH THE USE OF SCREENING. AND SO WITH THAT I WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOU ALL AGAIN FOR HAVING US THIS MORNING AND IN PARTICULAR COMMISSIONER SMITH FOR BRINGING FORWARD THIS PROCLAMATION AND THANK YOU TO MY COWORKERS BACK AT THE OFFICE FOR CONTINUING TO LET ME BRING ALL KINDS OF BUTT STUFF TO WORK AND LEAVE IT IN THE OFFICE. THEY'RE ALWAYS SUPPORTING ME. SO I THANK THEM. AND AGAIN, ALL THE FRIENDS THAT I'VE MADE ALONG THE WAY. I LIKE TO THANK PAIGE AND ELIZABETH AS WELL, AND TARA IN PROVIDENCE CANCER CENTER. I'LL PASS IT TO MARSHA OR DR. WHITEFORD.

Dr. Whiteford: HI, I'M MARK WHITEFORD, I'M ACTUALLY A COLON AND RECTUM SURGEON AND MY MOTHER TELLS HER FRIENDS THAT THAT'S WHAT I DO.

EMBARRASSMENT IS WHY THIS IS THE NUMBER TWO CANCER KILLER, NOT ONLY IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY BUT ACROSS THE UNITED STATES. IT'S SAD. IN THE 1970s, THE COLONOSCOPY WAS INVENTED AND THAT'S A CURE TO PREVENT COLON CANCER. IT REMOVES POLYPS BEFORE THE CANCER IS THERE. WE COULD CURE COLORECTAL CANCER IN ABOUT 85% OF PATIENTS IF WE ALL GOT PROPER SCREENING AND I THINK WE'VE SHOWN SOME SERIOUS HEADWAY. IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY WE HAVE CLOSE TO A 20% REDUCTION IN THE LAST 10 YEARS, THAT'S AN ENORMOUS REDUCTION BASED ON THE HANDOUTS THAT WE'VE BEEN SHOWN TODAY. BUT IT DOES NEED CONTINUOUS REASSURANCE OF PEOPLE AND ONCE YOU'VE HAD A COLONOSCOPY IF YOU'VE HAD THE GREAT JOY OF IT, I'M IN THE FAMILY HISTORY CLUB, MY GRANDMOTHER DIED OF COLON CANCER, A TRAGEDY, SHE IGNORED ALL OF HER SYMPTOMS. IT'S REALLY NOT THAT BIG OF A DEAL. AND THE KEY IS DO NOT WAIT FOR SYMPTOMS TO OCCUR. WHEN YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS, TYPICALLY IT'S ALREADY AN ADVANCED STAGE CANCER. COLON CANCER IN ITS EARLY STAGES IS SILENT AND WE CAN'T WAIT UNTIL YOU HAVE SYMPTOMS. YOU CAN'T SAY I EAT A VEGAN DIET, HOW MANY PORTLANDERS HAVE COME INTO MY OFFICE WITH CANCER SAYING "BUT I'M A VEGAN, HOW COULD I POSSIBLY HAVE CANCER?" IT HAPPENS. YOU NEED TO GET SCREENED. AND THIS IS ONE OF THE GREATEST THINGS THAT WE CAN DO IS TO CONSTANTLY REMIND PEOPLE TO GET OVER IT AND GET SCREENED. THANK YOU.

Commissioner Smith: DOCTOR, WHAT ARE SOME OF THE SYMPTOMS?

Dr. Whiteford: SO AGAIN, MOST CANCERS ARE IN THE EARLY PHASE WITH NO SYMPTOMS. SO THE RECTAL BLEEDING, HEMORRHOID BLEEDING, IT'S NOT YOUR HEMORRHOIDS UNTIL PROVEN OTHERWISE, CHANGE IN THE BOWEL HABITS. SO IF YOU NORMALLY HAVE ONE BOWEL MOVEMENT A DAY BUT NOW, YOU'RE HAVING DIARRHEA OR CONSTIPATION, WHICH IS GOING ON FOR A MONTH OR TWO, YOU SHOULD BRING THAT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE DOCTOR.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU. THANK YOU.

Ms. Marsha Baker: MARSHA BAKER, COFOUNDER OF THE ALLIANCE AND I WANT TO ECHO A FEW OTHER THINGS, THANK YOU TO THE COMMISSIONERS FOR BRINGING THIS AGAIN, PROCLAIMING MARCH AS COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH. IT DOES MATTER THAT YOU DO SUPPORT IT. LIKE DR. WHITEFORD SAID, WE HAVE SCREENING RATES INCREASING AND I BELIEVE THAT IS DIRECTLY RELATED TO PEOPLE BEING MORE COMFORTABLE WITH TALKING ABOUT IT. SO PROCLAIMING MARCH AS COLORECTAL CANCER MONTH, NOT ONLY IN THE COUNTY BUT AS WELL AS IN THE STATE, THIS IS ALSO THE FIRST YEAR THAT WE'RE ALSO ALMOST GETTING ALL OF OUR STATES ACROSS THE NATION TO PROCLAIM IT MARCH AS COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH. SO IT DOES MATTER. IT IS DIRECTLY RELATED TO SCREENING INCREASES BECAUSE THE MORE WE TALK ABOUT IT, WE SEE PEOPLE GOING OUT AND GETTING SCREENED. THAT IS THE BIGGEST KEY. WE JUST CELEBRATED THE ONE MILLION SURVIVORS IN TIME SQUARE, WE'RE ALSO EXCITED TO BRING THAT TO PORTLAND FOR THE FIRST TIME. IT WILL HAPPEN ON APRIL 12th. SO WE'RE VERY EXCITED ABOUT THAT AND WE JUST WANT TO KEEP ENCOURAGING EVERYONE TO GET SCREENED.

Mr. Foeller: COMMISSIONERS, THANKS FOR HAVING US BACK THIS YEAR. I'M ESPECIALLY HAPPY TO BE BACK BECAUSE I'M A SEVEN YEAR STAGE THREE COLORECTAL CANCER SURVIVOR. I'M PART OF THE 1 MILLION, OVER 1 MILLION SURVIVORS IN THE UNITED STATES NOW. MY STORY IS DON'T DO WHAT I DID. DO WHAT I SAY. AND I WAITED UNTIL I WAS 59, WAS VIRTUALLY ASYMPTOMATIC, WENT IN AND ASKED MY DOCTOR, ISN'T THERE SOME SORT OF A TEST I'M SUPPOSED TO GET FOR MY BOWELS AT THIS STAGE OF THE GAME? AND ARE YOU HAVING SOME PROBLEMS? NOT NECESSARILY. DID A QUICK LITTLE BUD TEST AND ORDERED A COLONOSCOPY. AND ALMOST RIGHT OFF THE BAT, ONE OF THE ATTENDEES SAID WHOA SO I FIGURED THAT SOMETHING WAS AND UP THERE WAS, I HAD A MASSIVE TUMOR IN MY RECTUM. I'VE HAD A FRIEND THAT'S HAD 44 POLYPS TAKEN OUT. I HAD ONE, A MAJOR ONE THAT TOOK ME ABOUT A YEAR OF CHEMO TREATMENTS, RADIATION, SURGERIES, AGAIN I'M ONE OF THE LUCKY ONES. VERY STAUNCH ADVOCATE. DON'T WAIT. GET SCREENED. AND THAT GOES FOR A LOT OF OTHER DISEASES AND IMMUNIZATIONS. I THINK PEOPLE NEED TO TAKE PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY. MY PHYSICIAN AT THE TIME DIDN'T RECOMMEND IT AT AGE 50. I WAITED NINE YEARS TO ASK ABOUT THIS THING I DIDN'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT. BY VIRTUE OF YOU ISSUING THIS PROCLAMATION AND THE PUBLICITY SURROUNDING IT, YOU'RE HELPING SAVE LIVES AND SAVING MONEY. THE ESTIMATE IN MY CASE, FOR INSTANCE, IT'S COST MY HMO TENS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS TO TAKE CARE OF ME. THEY'LL BE TAKING CARE OF ME FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE. IT WAS UNNECESSARY. IT TOOK ME OUT OF A PRODUCTIVE WORKFORCE TWO TO FIVE YEARS EARLIER THAN WHAT I WANTED TO RETIRE, PUT ME THROUGH A YEAR OF MISERY AND MY FAMILY AND MY FRIENDS. SO I'M A LUCKY ONE. I'VE GOT A STORY. LET IT BE KNOWN AND AGAIN, THANKS FOR WHAT YOU'RE DOING BECAUSE AGAIN, YOU'RE HELPING SAVE LIVES AND SAVE MONEY.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU.

Ms. Mahrt: GOOD MORNING.

Chair Madrigal: GOOD MORNING.

Ms. Mahrt: MY NAME IS TAMI MAHRT. MANY OF YOU KNOW ME AS OPERATIONS MANAGER IN EMPLOYEE BENEFITS FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY. FIRST, I WANT TO SAY COUNTY BENEFITS DO COVER ROUTINE SCREENINGS SO THAT'S AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR ME TO SEND. AND THE BENEFITS ARE PAID DIFFERENTLY DEPENDING ON WHAT PLAN YOU HAVE SO IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, COME AND SEE US OR CALL YOUR HEALTH PLAN. I CAN'T STRESS ENOUGH HOW IMPORTANT SCREENING IS. I WAS 52 WHEN I HAD MY FIRST SCREENING. I THOUGHT THAT I WAS IN PERFECT HEALTH. I HAD NO SYMPTOMS, I WENT IN BASICALLY BECAUSE MY GIRLFRIENDS, WE KIND OF HAD A BET, THEY ALL HAD THEIRS SO I HAD MINE. I WOKE UP WITH THE NEWS THAT I HAD A FOUR AND A HALF CENTIMETER TUMOR IN MY COLON. AND HAD MAJOR SURGERY AND THEY REMOVED IT ALL, I HAD NO TREATMENTS, SO IT SAVED MY LIFE. I'VE HAD TWO SURGEONS TELL ME THAT I WOULDN'T BE ALIVE TODAY HAD I LET THAT GO. THE SCREENING IS SO EASY. I MEAN, THE DRUGS ARE AWESOME -- [LAUGHTER] YOU JUST WAKE UP AND IT'S ALL DONE, AND THEN YOU GO HOME AND YOU GET TO

EAT, WHATS BETTER THAN THAT? I JUST WANTED TO STRESS HOW IMPORTANT IT IS AND THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK TODAY.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU. MARSHA, CAN YOU READ THE PROCLAMATION?

Chair Madrigal: CAN WE ASK SOME QUESTIONS? [LAUGHTER] COMMISSIONER MCKEEL?

Vice-Chair McKeel: I DO HAVE SOME COMMENTS, THANK YOU. THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE TODAY. AND I'VE SHARED THIS BEFORE BUT MY FATHER DIED OF COLON CANCER AT AGE 51 AND THAT WAS IN 1968 BEFORE SCREENINGS WERE AVAILABLE BUT I THINK HE IGNORED SOME SYMPTOMS, AS WELL. SO I HAVE REGULAR COLONOSCOPIES. I'VE HAD FOUR AND POLYPS EVERY TIME. AND THEY REMOVE THEM AND THAT'S IT. AND SO I ALSO NAG MY FRIENDS AND PEOPLE I KNOW TO HAVE THEIR COLONOSCOPIES. IN FACT, I'VE HAD FRIENDS COME TO ME AND SAY JUST WANT YOU TO KNOW I HAD MY COLONOSCOPY BECAUSE YOU NAGGED ME SO MUCH AND THAT'S FINE WITH ME BECAUSE IT IS SUCH A PREVENTABLE TYPE OF CANCER AND THE SCREENINGS AREN'T BAD. THE PREP IS A LITTLE BIT IFFY. BUT IT GETS BETTER EACH TIME AS I'VE GONE THROUGH MY FOURTH ONE. SO ANYWAY, IT IS SO IMPORTANT AS I'M LOOKING AT SOME OF THESE STATISTICS HOW MUCH CAN BE PREVENTED IF PEOPLE HAVE REGULAR SCREENINGS, YOU KNOW. IT JUST IS SO, SO IMPORTANT FOR EVERYONE TO HAVE THOSE COLONOSCOPIES DONE SO THANK YOU AND THANK YOU TO COMMISSIONER SMITH FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Chair Madrigal: I WANT TO THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER SMITH, FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD AND ALL OF YOU. MY MOTHER IS A 14-YEAR STAGE THREE COLORECTAL CANCER SURVIVOR. AND SHE WAS DIAGNOSED WHEN I WAS IN MY EARLY 20s AND MY BROTHER HAD JUST STARTED COLLEGE AND WE THOUGHT THEN THAT SHE WOULD NEVER MEET OUR CHILDREN. NOW, SHE'S MET THREE OF THEM, TWO OF MINE, ONE OF MY BROTHER'S. AND SHE HAD A DOCTOR WHO TOLD HER SHE HAD A HEMORRHOID FOR A LONG TIME AND SO I CAN'T STRESS ENOUGH THAT IT'S IMPORTANT TO LISTEN TO YOUR GUT. MY MOM KNEW SOMETHING WAS WRONG. BY THE TIME SHE PUSHED BACK, IT WAS VERY ADVANCED. BY THE GRACE OF GOD, SHE AND HER WONDERFUL DOCTORS, SHE'S STILL WITH US. I ASKED HER IF IT WAS OKAY FOR ME TO TALK ABOUT HER TODAY AND SHE SAID YES, AND SHE ALSO SAID IF I WANTED TO QUOTE HER I COULD AND HER FAVORITE QUOTE ABOUT THIS WHOLE EXPERIENCE IS THAT ANY DAY WITH HALF A RECTUM IS A GOOD DAY. [LAUGHTER] BETTER THAN NO DAY AT ALL. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR BRINGING THIS AND IT STARTED OUT EMBARRASSING FOR HER BUT WE JUST LEARNED HOW TO MAKE BUTT JOKES AND THAT HUMOR IS PART OF WHAT GOT US THROUGH THE EXPERIENCE. SO THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE AND FOR THE INFLATABLE COLON AND FOR EVERYTHING THAT YOU DO.

Commissioner Smith: DO WE HAVE IT ON INTERNET JUST TO SHOW UP ON THE SCREEN? OKAY. THIS IS WHY I LIKE THIS BOARD. I WAS LISTENING TO JUSTICE SOTOMAYOR THE OTHER NIGHT AND SHE WAS ASKED THE QUESTION WHO IS THE SMARTEST AND FUNNIEST OF THE JUSTICES AND SHE SAID SHE WASN'T GOING TO FALL INTO THAT TRAP. BUT WHAT SHE SAID THAT STUCK WITH ME AND I'M SO

GLAD I GOT A CHANCE TO HEAR THAT, SHE SAID WHAT'S VERY IMPORTANT IS THAT ALL OF US ARE SMART ABOUT CERTAIN THINGS AND TOGETHER, WE HAVE A WEALTH OF INFORMATION THAT WE ALL BRING TO THE COURT AND FOR ME, BEING ABLE TO SIT HERE WITH THE REST OF MY COLLEAGUES AND HAVE THEM TALK ABOUT THEIR FAMILIES AND THINGS THAT ARE IMPORTANT TO THEM, IT LETS ME KNOW THAT, YOU KNOW, I DON'T KNOW EVERYTHING BUT SITTING HERE WITH THESE YOUNG LADIES, I CAN KNOW A LOT, A LITTLE BIT ABOUT EVERYTHING AND IT'S IMPORTANT AND IT'S CRITICAL THAT WE GET THIS INFORMATION OUT. WHILE I DON'T HAVE A STORY ABOUT COLORECTAL CANCER IN MY FAMILY, BUT MY FATHER AND MY GRANDFATHER BOTH PASSED THE WAY OF PROSTATE AND PANCREATIC CANCER AND FOR MANY OF THE SAME REASONS WHY THEY DON'T GET THEIR PROSTATE CHECKED, THEY DON'T GO AND GET THEIR OTHER THINGS CHECKED, EITHER. SO FOR ME, THIS IS VERY PERSONAL AS WITH THE REST OF THE BOARD AND WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE HAVE INFORMATION FROM THEIR PUBLIC HEALTH AUTHORITY, THAT THIS IS SOMETHING THAT IS PREVENTABLE, YOU CAN DO A SCREENING AND WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE PROMOTE THIS AS MUCH AS WE CAN, NOT JUST DURING THIS MONTH OF MARCH BUT ALWAYS, BUT YOU ALL HAVE MADE THIS A VERY EXCITING AND ENGAGING OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO SHARE WITH THE COMMUNITY. SO I SO APPRECIATE ALL OF THE WORK THAT YOU ALL DO ON A DAILY BASIS AND FOR SPENDING SOME TIME WITH US TO EDUCATE THE PUBLIC. THIS IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED BY ALL OF US.

[MS. MARSHA BAKER READ THE PROCLAMATION INTO THE RECORD]

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU.

Chair Madrigal: ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE.

[UNANIMOUS AYES]

Chair Madrigal: OPPOSED? THE PROCLAMATION IS ADOPTED. THANK YOU.
[APPLAUSE]

R.2 Board Briefing on the FY 2015 General Fund 5-Year Forecast Update. Presenter: Michael Jaspin, County Economist & Karyne Kieta, Budget Director.

Mr. Jaspin: GOOD MORNING, MIKE JASPIN FROM THE BUDGET OFFICE. THIS MORNING WE'RE HERE TO GO OVER THE FY 2015 FIVE-YEAR GENERAL FUND FORECAST UPDATE. I WILL DO A VERY, VERY BRIEF ECONOMIC OVERVIEW BUT THEN I WANT TO SPEND MOST OF OUR TIME TALKING ABOUT THREE OF OUR REVENUE SOURCES THAT ARE IN THE GENERAL FUND THAT ARE A BIT LET'S SAY QUIRKY THIS YEAR AND INTO THE FORECAST. WE'LL THEN COVER SOME OF OUR EXPENDITURE ASSUMPTIONS FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR, AND THEN LAY OUT THE FIVE-YEAR FORECAST. WE'LL ALSO COVER ONE TIME ONLY FUNDS THE BOARD WILL HAVE AVAILABLE FOR NEXT YEAR, AND THEN A QUICK UPDATE ON THE GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR. SO OUR FORECAST CONTINUES TO ASSUME AVERAGE TO SLIGHTLY BETTER THAN AVERAGE ECONOMIC GROWTH IN THIS REGION AND THAT'S ONE REASON WE'RE

NOT GOING TO KIND OF GO OVER THE SAME CHARTS THAT HAVE BEEN SHOWING THE SAME TRENDS FOR THE LAST THREE OR FOUR YEARS. THE OTHER REASON IS RECENT ECONOMIC DATA HAS BEEN A LITTLE BIT WEAK AND THAT'S BEING DISTORTED BY THE EXTREME COLD WEATHER WE'VE HAD MOSTLY ON THE EAST COAST AND IN THE MIDWEST BUT I THINK THERE IS A GOOD EXAMPLE TO SHOW HOW IT'S INFLUENCED WHAT'S HAPPENED IN THE ECONOMY. SOMEBODY WAS LOOKING AT WHAT'S HAPPENED TO AUTO SALES AND SO FOR STATES, THEIR JANUARY TEMPERATURE WAS SEVEN DEGREES BELOW THEIR AVERAGE, THEIR AUTO SALES ARE DOWN BY 5% OR MORE. IF YOU MOVE SAY TO THE WEST COAST WHERE IT'S A LITTLE BIT SUNNIER AND WE'VE HAD A LITTLE BIT BETTER WEATHER, AUTO SALES ARE FLAT TO UP. AND YOU GO THROUGH THE ECONOMY AND THAT'S WHAT WE SEE CONSISTENTLY SO WHAT WE BELIEVE IS THE ECONOMY REALLY ISN'T WEAKENING, WHAT'S HAPPENING IS WE'VE HAD SOME BAD WEATHER THAT HAS DISRUPTED THE ECONOMY A BIT.

Vice-Chair McKeel: MIKE? CAN I INTERRUPT YOU FOR JUST A SECOND? THIS MORNING ON NPR THEY WERE TALKING ABOUT THAT VERY THING, HOW BUSINESSES HAVE NOT BEEN HIRING BECAUSE OF THE COLD WEATHER AND THAT NOW IT'S STARTING TO PICK UP AGAIN SO THAT'S AN INTERESTING POINT I THINK. THAT WE PROBABLY DIDN'T THINK ABOUT WITH ALL THE OTHER STUFF IN THAT COLD AND BAD WEATHER.

Chair Madrigal: THE POLAR VORTEX.

Mr. Jaspin: YEAH, I SHOULD HAVE PUT THAT IN. I DON'T KNOW HOW I COULD GET A POLAR VORTEX IN AN ECONOMIC FORECAST. [LAUGHTER] THE OTHER WAY TO THINK ABOUT THE ECONOMY IS THAT THE KEY DRIVERS REMAIN. WE SEE CONTINUING STRENGTH IN NEW RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION AND ONE WAY TO THINK ABOUT HOW WE SEE THAT IN OREGON IS THE OTHER DAY IN I THINK JOSEPHINE COUNTY, THEY ANNOUNCED THE ROUGH AND READY LUMBER MILL WAS REOPENING AND THAT WOULDN'T HAPPEN IF WE WEREN'T SEEING STRENGTH IN THE RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION. STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ARE NOT CONTRACTING ANYMORE. I THINK EVEN IF YOU LOOK AT THE PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS WHICH WENT THROUGH SOME TOUGH NEGOTIATIONS, THE ISSUE WAS REALLY HOW MANY TEACHERS WE ADD, NOT HOW MANY DO WE NEED TO REDUCE, HOW MANY SCHOOL DAYS DO WE ADD, NOT HOW MANY SCHOOL DAYS DO WE CUT? THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA RECENTLY ANNOUNCED THAT THEIR REVENUES WERE A BILLION DOLLARS ABOVE WHAT WAS IN THEIR FORECAST. SO THINGS CONTINUE TO IMPROVE, NOT QUITE AS FAST AS WE WOULD LIKE BUT THEY ARE IMPROVING. SO I'M NOT GOING TO GO THROUGH OUR NORMAL SLEW OF ECONOMIC CHARTS, IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN ANY OF THEM I WOULD BE HAPPY TO PROVIDE THEM. SO FOR OUR CURRENT YEAR REVENUES IN THE GENERAL FUND, THIS IS THE SAME CHART FORMAT THAT WE'VE USED FOR THE LAST FIVE, SIX YEARS. THE FIRST COLUMN IS OUR ADOPTED BUDGET. THE NEXT COLUMN IS HOW WE CHANGE THE FORECAST IN OCTOBER AND JUST AS A REMINDER WE LIFTED OUR REVENUES BY ABOUT \$1.6 MILLION AND THE NEXT COLUMN IS HOW WE'RE CHANGING THE FORECAST TODAY. AND THE BOTTOM LINE IS WE'RE GOING TO PULL OUR REVENUES DOWN ABOUT \$3.7 MILLION. THERE'S SOME UPS AND DOWNS AND I'LL GO THROUGH THE BIG DOWNS

IN MORE DETAIL IN A MINUTE. BUT VERY BRIEFLY, OUR PROPERTY TAXES ARE GOING TO BE UP ABOUT ANOTHER HALF MILLION DOLLARS. THAT'S BECAUSE WE'RE HAVING A BETTER COLLECTION RATE. OUR BUSINESS INCOME TAXES WILL PULL DOWN BY ABOUT \$2 MILLION.

WE CONTINUE TO SEE STRENGTH IN MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL TAXES SO WE'RE GOING TO INCREASE THOSE EVEN MORE THAN WE DID EARLIER. THE U.S. MARSHAL JAIL BED RENTALS CONTINUE TO FALL SO WE'RE GOING TO PULL THOSE DOWN VERY SIGNIFICANTLY FOR THE YEAR, DOWN ALMOST \$2.2 MILLION OR ALMOST HALF OF WHAT WE INITIALLY PLANNED FOR. THE OTHER BIG ONE IS THE RECORDING FEES. SO ALL TOLD WE'RE PULLING OUR REVENUES DOWN BY ABOUT A PERCENTAGE POINT. FOR THE YEAR, WE'RE ONLY DOWN \$2 MILLION, WHICH IS ABOUT A HALF PERCENTAGE POINT, AND IF YOU FACTOR OUT THE U.S. MARSHAL WHICH WE REALLY DON'T FORECAST, WE PLUG IN A TREND LINE AND HOPE THAT'S WHAT HAPPENS, WE'RE ACTUALLY EXACTLY WHAT WE PUT IN THE ADOPTED BUDGET. SO IT'S NOT BETTER NEWS BUT AT THE SAME TIME, IT IS ESSENTIALLY EXACTLY WHAT WE PLANNED FOR.

SO NOW, I WANT TO DIVE INTO A LITTLE BIT OF OUR QUANDARY HERE. THIS IS TABLE SHOWS OUR YEAR TO DATE COLLECTIONS FOR THE BIT FOR THE LAST SEVEN YEARS AND I BREAK IT OUT INTO THREE SEPARATE REVENUE STREAMS OR ACTUALLY IT SHOULD BE TWO REVENUE STREAMS AND ONE REFUND STREAM. AND SO IT SHOWS BY QUARTERLY PAYMENTS, YEARLY PAYMENTS, AND THEN OUR REFUNDS. AND WHAT YOU NOTICE ON THE RIGHT-HAND SIDE IS YEAR OVER YEAR WE'RE DOWN .4%, SO ESSENTIALLY, FLAT. OUR NOVEMBER FORECAST HAD US BEING UP NEARLY 7.8% FOR THE YEAR.

NORMALLY, I DON'T PUT TOO MUCH STOCK IN THE YEAR-TO-DATE BECAUSE IT BOUNCES AROUND SO MUCH AND REALLY IN APRIL, WE'LL COLLECT 16 TO \$18 MILLION, SO A LITTLE SWING IN APRIL CAN OVERWHELM WHAT HAPPENED IN THE PRECEDING SIX OR SEVEN MONTHS. HOWEVER, IF YOU LOOK AT WHAT HAPPENED WITH OUR JANUARY AND DECEMBER COLLECTIONS, SO KIND OF THINK THE SECOND QUARTER OF OUR YEAR OR THE FINAL QUARTER IF YOU WANT TO WORK ON THE CALENDAR YEAR, THEY WERE DOWN NEARLY 80%. YEARLIES WERE DOWN 20% AND REFUNDS WERE UP 9%. IT'S NOT A HUGE DOLLAR AMOUNT RELATIVE TO HOW MUCH WE'RE GOING TO COLLECT BUT THAT KIND OF GOT NOT JUST MY ATTENTION BUT IT GOT THE CITY ECONOMIST'S ATTENTION AND AT THE STATE FORECAST, THEY'RE PULLING DOWN THEIR FORECAST A BIT, AS WELL. AND THIS IS A BIT OF A CONTRADICTION BECAUSE NORMALLY, WHEN THE ECONOMY IS GROWING, OUR BIT REVENUES GROW. AND VICE VERSA. SO THE QUESTION IS WHAT IS GOING ON? AND THE SIMPLE ANSWER OR HYPOTHESIS IS THAT BUSINESSES OVERPAID OR PREPAID MORE IN OUR PRIOR FISCAL YEAR AND SO WHAT'S HAPPENING IS THEY'RE KIND OF TRUING UP THEIR QUARTERLY PAYMENTS AND THEIR YEARLY PAYMENTS AND THAT'S HOW COME YOU CAN HAVE A GOOD ECONOMY BUT OUR REVENUES ARE A BIT FLAT, AND I THINK THERE'S SOME EVIDENCE FOR THIS THAT TAKES A LITTLE BIT OF SQUINTING TO GET TO.

BUT IF WE LOOK AT OUR CREDITS AND THE EASIEST WAY TO UNDERSTAND THE CREDITS IS IMAGINE YOU FILLING OUT YOUR OWN PERSONAL TAXES. YOU GO

THROUGH AND AT THE END YOU EITHER OWE SOME MONEY OR ARE DUE A REFUND AND ONE OF THE FIRST THINGS THAT POPS UP IN YOUR SOFTWARE OR THE NEXT LINE ON THE FORM IS DO YOU WANT TO JUST APPLY THIS TO YOUR UPCOMING YEAR'S TAX LIABILITY? IN OTHER WORDS, DO YOU WANT TO PREPAY? AND THAT'S WHAT THIS SAME THING IS THAT HAPPENS TO CREDITS. SO THERE'S A VERY TYPICAL PATTERN.

IN OCTOBER WHEN BUSINESSES PUT IN THEIR FINAL RETURNS IF THEY FILED FOR EXTENSIONS, THEY TEND TO ROLL OVER THE BALANCE THAT THEY COULD TAKE AS A REFUND TO NEXT YEAR. THERE'S A GOOD REASON THEY DO THIS. THERE'S A 10% INTEREST PENALTY FOR NOT FILING YOUR QUARTERLIES IN A TIMELY FASHION OR PAYING ENOUGH BEFORE YOUR APRIL FILING. AND SO AND THEN IN APRIL YOU PUT IN YOUR FILE FOR YOUR UPCOMING YEAR AND YOU HAVE TO ESTIMATE HOW MUCH YOU WOULD OWE AND THEN PAY THAT AMOUNT. AND SO WHAT WE'VE SEEN IS IN OCTOBER THROUGH DECEMBER, THE AMOUNT THAT THEY PREPAID HAS BEEN GROWING. AND IT'S GONE FROM \$11.2 MILLION TO \$14.7 MILLION TO \$17.3 MILLION SO WHAT THAT TELLS YOU IS PEOPLE ARE ESSENTIALLY PREPAYING OR HAVE OVERPAID A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT AND SO IF YOU'RE A CORPORATE TAX ACCOUNTANT, WHAT THEY'RE REALLY DOING IS SAYING OH, WE'RE OVERPAYING TOO MUCH SO LET'S START DIALOGUE BACK OUR QUARTERLY PAYMENTS OR MAYBE WE'LL TAKE A LITTLE BIT AS A REFUND OR OUR YEARLY LIABILITY WON'T BE AS MUCH BECAUSE WE'VE ALREADY PREPAID.

THE OTHER THING TO KEEP IN MIND IS IF YOU GO BACK A YEAR, A LITTLE BIT MORE THAN A YEAR, THERE WAS GREAT UNCERTAINTY AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL ABOUT TAXES. SO WHEN YOU TALKED TO ACCOUNTANTS, THEY WERE SAYING THE IRS IS FRANTICALLY TRYING TO GET TAX CODE IN PLACE SO PEOPLE WERE OVERPAYING, BECAUSE WHAT ARE THEY GOING TO DO? PUT THE MONEY IN THE BANK AND ESSENTIALLY MAKE NO INTEREST. THE OTHER PLACE WHERE THIS COMES IN THAT CAUSES A BIT OF WORRY IS EVEN IF BUSINESS PROFITABILITY GROWS, LIKE WE THINK IT IS, THEY'VE ESSENTIALLY PREPAID. SO THE QUESTION IS HOW MUCH OF THAT \$17.3 MILLION WILL BE FOLKS NOT NEEDING TO PAY WHEN APRIL ROLLS ROUND? THAT'S ONE REASON WE'RE PULLING DOWN THE FORECAST BY ABOUT \$2 MILLION. YOU LOOK AT THOSE NUMBERS AND I COULD TELL YOU WE COULD MAYBE NEED TO PULL IT DOWN BY FOUR TO \$5 MILLION DEPENDING ON WHAT HAPPENS IN APRIL. THE REALITY IS WE WON'T KNOW AND WHAT YOU'VE SEEN IS THE STATES PULL DOWN THEIR FORECAST, THE CITY PULLED DOWN THEIR FORECAST BY \$4.1 MILLION. SO WE ALL HOPE WE'RE WRONG AND THAT IN APRIL, OR MAY WE'LL BE ABLE TO PULL THE FORECAST BACK UP. BUT IT COULD ALSO GO DOWN BY A COUPLE OF MILLION DOLLARS.

Chair Madrigal: AND WE DO HAVE A BIT STABILIZATION RESERVE THAT WE INSTITUTED MANY YEARS AGO IN THE EVENT OF A CATASTROPHIC --

Mr. Jaspin: YES AND SO WE HAVE THAT TO BUFFER, THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT IT'S FOR BUT AT THE SAME TIME, WE DON'T EXPECT A CATASTROPHIC DECLINE LIKE THIS CHART SHOWS BECAUSE WE DON'T -- THE UNDERLYING ECONOMY IS NOT SHRINKING. WE'RE NOT PROJECTING A RECESSION. IF WE WERE PROJECTING A RECESSION, WE WOULD BE TALKING ABOUT PULLING IT DOWN EIGHT, NINE, \$10

MILLION AND THAT'S NOT WHAT WE HAVE. SO FOR A QUICK REFERENCE, THIS CHART SHOWS OUR ANIMAL BIT COLLECTIONS IN THE BLUE LINE AND IT GOES UP AND DOWN WITH THE ECONOMY, SOMETIMES, QUITE RADICALLY AND WHAT I WANT TO POINT OUT IS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013, WE ACTUALLY HAD A VERY HEALTHY GROWTH, A LITTLE BIT NORTH OF 10%. SO ESSENTIALLY, WHAT WE'RE SEEING IS SOME OF THAT WAS PEOPLE PAYING TOO MUCH, SO THE FOLLOWING YEAR WE'RE GOING TO SEE LESS GROWTH. SO WE'VE ESSENTIALLY ADJUSTED THE FORECAST FROM THE DOTTED BLUE LINE DOWN TO THE GREEN LINE, MORE OF A TWEAK AROUND THE EDGES AS OPPOSED TO PROJECTING A RECESSION. SO MOVING ONTO OUR NEXT REVENUE SOURCE, WHICH IS A U.S. MARSHAL BED, THIS GRAPH SHOWS OUR AVERAGE DAILY U.S. MARSHAL BED RENTALS BY MONTHS FOR THE LAST THREE YEARS. THE RED AND THE BLUE LINES ARE THE NUMBER OF ACTUAL BEDS FOR 12 AND 13 AND THEY WERE JUST A BED OR TWO UNDER 112. AND 112 IS WHAT WE ASSUMED IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR. THE GREEN LINE UNFORTUNATELY SHOWS THE NUMBER OF BEDS ACTUALLY USED BY THE U.S. MARSHAL. IN DECEMBER WE WERE DOWN TO 48. FEBRUARY LOOKS LIKE WHEN IT'S ALL SAID AND DONE WE'LL BE DOWN IN THE MID-50s. IF YOU LOOKED AT THE FIRST WEEK IN MARCH, EVERY DAY WAS BELOW 50 IN THE MID-40s. SO WE PULLED THE NUMBER DOWN TO 95 IN OCTOBER, NOVEMBER ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT MAYBE WE WOULD GET LUCKY AND IT WOULD GO BACK UP. IT REALLY WASN'T A FORECAST. IT WAS -- WE NEEDED TO START PULLING IT DOWN AND VERY CLEARLY WE'RE NOT GETTING ANYWHERE CLOSE TO THAT.

IN TALKS THAT THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE HAS HAD WITH THE U.S. MARSHAL IT'S VERY CLEAR THAT THEY ARE SPENDING PEOPLE AND USING THEIR CAPACITY AT SHERIDAN. THEY ALSO HAVE SOMEWHERE BETWEEN 65 AND 70 PEOPLE IN THE COLUMBIA COUNTY JAIL. COLUMBIA COUNTY DOESN'T HAVE ENOUGH MONEY TO OPERATE THEIR JAIL. THEY HAVE PLANS TO CLOSE IT. THERE IS A THREE-YEAR LOCAL OPTION THAT WILL BE ON THE BALLOT MAY 20th FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY. IF THEIR JAIL CLOSES, IT'S POSSIBLE THAT SOME OF THOSE FOLKS WOULD COME TO MULTNOMAH COUNTY, DEPENDING ON CAPACITY AT SHERIDAN. IF THEIR LEVY WERE TO PASS, IT SEEMS WE CANNOT COUNT ON THOSE FOLKS, EVEN THE POSSIBILITY OF THEM COMING HERE WHICH MEANS THAT OUR FORECAST FOR NEXT YEAR SHOULD PROBABLY BE IN THE CLOSER TO THE RANGE OF 60, GIVE OR TAKE FIVE OR 10 BEDS EITHER DIRECTION. SO FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, WE'VE PULLED DOWN THE FORECAST. SO I THINK WE'RE ASSUMING WE'LL RUN ABOUT 60 FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR BUT FOR NEXT YEAR I WANT TO BE REALLY CLEAR THAT WE'RE ASSUMING 95 BEDS AND THAT I WOULD ARGUE IS GOING TO TURN OUT TO BE AN UNREALISTIC ASSUMPTION AND TO GIVE YOU A SENSE OF FINANCIAL IMPACT ASSOCIATED WITH THAT IF WE DROP THE FORECAST FROM 95 BEDS TO 60 BEDS, THAT MEANS WE LOSE ABOUT \$1.6 MILLION OF ONGOING FUNDS.

THIS IS A CHART WE'VE BEEN SHOWING THE LAST TWO FORECASTS, AND IT SHOWS THE 30 YEAR FIXED RATE MORTGAGE GOING BACK ABOUT 40 YEARS OR SO. AND ONE OF THE THINGS WE'VE PONDERED ABOUT THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS WHEN INTEREST RATES START GOING BACK AFTER ESSENTIALLY DECLINING FOR 25 OR 30 YEARS AND WHAT WOULD IT MEAN FOR HOUSE PRICES? IT ALSO IMPACTS THE ABILITY TO REFINANCE YOUR HOME, WHICH IN TURN IMPACTS OUR

RECORDING FEES. AND OUR RECORDING FEES HAVE DROPPED VERY SIGNIFICANTLY IN THE LAST SIX MONTHS. SO WHAT THIS CHART SHOWS IS THE BLUE LINE IS KIND OF THE HIGH WATER MARK FOR OUR RECORDING FEES WHICH HAPPENED IN 2006-2007. THE RED LINE IS OUR RECORDING FEES FROM LAST YEAR, WHICH BOUNCED AROUND ABOUT \$380,000 A MONTH. AND WE ASSUMED ESSENTIALLY THE SAME LEVEL WITH A LITTLE BIT OF INCREASE IN THE CURRENT YEAR'S BUDGET, WITH THE EYE THAT HOPEFULLY INTEREST RATES WOULDN'T SPIKE UP TOO QUICKLY OR THAT WE WOULD SEE A LARGER VOLUME IN HOME SALES TO HELP OFFSET SOME OF IT. UNFORTUNATELY, THE GREEN LINE IS WHERE WE'VE ENDED UP SO FAR THIS YEAR AND YOU CAN SEE THAT IN SEPTEMBER, FROM JULY TO SEPTEMBER, IT ESSENTIALLY FELL OFF A CLIFF. AND IT'S VERY EASY TO EXPLAIN WHY. THE PERCENTAGES ASSOCIATED WITH EACH OF THOSE MONTHS IS THE 30-YEAR FIXED RATE, TWO MONTHS BEFORE THE MONTHS THAT ARE DISPLAYED. THE WAY TO THINK ABOUT IT, TWO MONTHS PRIOR PEOPLE WERE LOOKING AT A 30 YEAR FIXED RATE AT 3.5% SO THEY COULD REFINANCE, AND THEN IN JULY IS WHEN THE DOCUMENT WOULD BE RECORDED.

SO AS INTEREST RATES SPIKE FROM 3.5% UP TO 4.5% IN DECEMBER, OUR RECORDING FEES WENT THE EXACT OPPOSITE AND DROPPED. THERE IS NO STORY THAT I CAN TELL THAT WILL GET REVISED AND THE ASSOCIATED RECORDING FEES BACK UP ANY TIME SOON. WE'RE AT HISTORIC LOWS. IF INTEREST RATES WENT DOWN SIGNIFICANTLY FROM HERE TO CREATE MORE RE-FI OPPORTUNITY, THE ECONOMY WOULD PROBABLY BE A MESS. SO THAT'S ABOUT THE ONLY WAY I CAN GET TO A LARGE INCREASE. WE WILL AS HOME SALE VOLUMES INCREASE, THAT WILL OFFSET IT SOME AMOUNT BUT NOT THE FULL AMOUNT BECAUSE I'M A DATA PERSON AND I WANTED TO TRY TO VALIDATE MY HYPOTHESIS HERE, I WANTED TO SEE DOES OUR DATA ACTUALLY SUPPORT THIS? AND I THINK THE ANSWER IS YES. SO WHAT I DID WAS I COMPARED OUR NOVEMBER 2012 RECORDINGS TO 2013 AND SO FOR THOSE OF US WHO DON'T SWIM IN RECORDING DOCUMENTS EVERY DAY, THE TRUST DEED IS WHAT YOU SIGN OVER TO THE BANKS TO SECURE YOUR LOAN. AND SO THAT WENT FROM ABOUT 3,150 DOWN TO 1,600 YEAR OVER YEAR COMPARISON. THAT'S 1,500 DOCUMENTS, ESSENTIALLY CUT IN HALF.

THE OTHER DOCUMENT IS THE DEED OF RECONVEYANCE AND THAT'S THE BANK SAYING YOU PAID OFF YOUR LOAN, HERE'S THE DEED BACK. AND SO WHEN YOU REFINANCE, YOU NEED TO USE BOTH THAT AND THE TRUST DEED, BECAUSE YOU PAY OFF YOUR LOAN, AND THEN YOU SIGN A NEW LOWER THAN AND YOU'LL SEE THAT THAT SHOWS ALMOST A MIRROR IMAGE OF THE TRUST DEED. A WARRANTY DEED IS WHEN YOU TRANSFER YOUR PROPERTY TO ANOTHER PARTY, UNENCUMBERED AND THAT IS WHAT YOU WOULD SEE MORE WITH NORMAL HOUSE SALES AND YOU SEE THAT HAS BASICALLY BEEN FLAT. SO IF YOU LOOK AT THE TOTAL DOCUMENTS RECORDED, IT WAS UP 14,725 AND IT DROPPED TO 10,800. ALMOST ALL OF THE CHANGE CAN BE EXPLAINED BY THOSE TWO TYPES OF DOCUMENTS MOVING AROUND. WE'RE FAIRLY CONFIDENT THAT THAT'S WHAT'S GOING ON BEHIND THE SCENES WHEN IT COMES TO RE-FIS.

SO MOVING ONTO SOME OF OUR EXPENDITURE ASSUMPTIONS FOR NEXT YEAR. THE SECOND HALF, PORTLAND CPIW CAME IN AT 2.7%. WE ASSUMED IT WOULD BE

2%. THIS IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE IT'S WHAT OUR COST OF LIVING ADJUSTMENTS ARE TIED TO IN OUR LABOR CONTRACTS. THAT WAS A BIT MORE THAN WE HAD FORECAST, A BIT MORE THAN THE CITY HAD FORECAST AS WELL AND IT WAS A BIT OF AN OUTLIER. THE CHART ON THE RIGHT KIND OF SHOWS THE DATA THAT WE WERE LOOKING AT. IF YOU LOOK AT THE VARIOUS CITY AVERAGES, THEY WERE ALL IN THE 1.8, UNDER 2% RANGE. SAN FRANCISCO, THE BAY AREA ESSENTIALLY WAS 2.6%. SEATTLE TACOMA WAS 1.5% AND WE'LL TAKE 2%. YOU WOULD HAVE BEEN WRONG AND IF YOU LOOK AT THE OTHER CITIES THAT ARE ONLY SURVEYED TWICE A YEAR LIKE PORTLAND IS, THEY'RE KIND OF ALL OVER THE MAP. ONLY ANCHORAGE HAD A MUCH MORE DRAMATIC INCREASE. WHEN YOU ONLY SURVEY TWICE A YEAR THERE'S SOME STATISTICAL ANOMALIES THAT CROP UP. NONETHELESS, OUR PERSONAL COSTS BECAUSE OF THAT WILL GROW AT 2.24%. I WANT TO POINT OUT THAT'S ACTUALLY REALLY GOOD NEWS. HISTORICALLY, YOU KNOW, WE'VE HAD YEARS WHERE IT'S FOUR OR 5% AND PART OF THE REASON THAT WE STILL HAVE VERY MODEST GROWTH IS OUR PERS RATES ARE DOWN AND OUR MEDICAL DENTAL IS FLAT. SO THE NEWS ISN'T AS GOOD BUT IT'S STILL OVERALL GOOD NEWS. THE INCREASED COSTS TO THE GENERAL FUND IS GOING TO BE SOMEWHERE BETWEEN 1.4 AND \$1.5 MILLION WHEN WE FINISH RUNNING ALL THE NUMBERS AND THE INCREASE IN THE OTHER FUNDS WILL BE SOMEWHERE BETWEEN 1.7 AND \$1.8 MILLION AND ALL THESE NUMBERS ARE BAKED INTO THE FORECAST NUMBERS. I WON'T GO OVER THIS CHART BUT IF YOU WANTED THE HISTORY OF THE INDEX, THERE IT IS.

SO WHERE DOES ALL THIS LEAVE FOR US OUR FORECAST? A COUPLE OF SIGNIFICANT CHANGES THAT WE'RE MAKING, THE FIRST THAT WE JUST TALKED ABOUT IS A HIGHER COLA ESTIMATE, THE BUSINESS INCOME TAX IS GOING TO BE WEAKER AND OUR RECORDING FEES ARE SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCED. SOME OF THAT'S GOING TO BE OFFSET BY HIGHER MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL TAXES. WE'RE STILL ASSUMING 95 BEDS FOR THE U.S. MARSHAL. ALL TOLD, OUR FORECASTED REVENUES FOR NEXT YEAR ARE STILL MORE THAN OUR EXPENDITURES FOR NEXT YEAR AND THAT'S DUE TO OUR LOWER LABOR COSTS AND WE'RE STILL GETTING AVERAGE MAYBE SLIGHTLY BETTER THAN AVERAGE REVENUE GROWTH. I DO WANT TO POINT OUT THAT STARTING IN FISCAL YEAR 2016, OUR COSTS WILL GROW FASTER THAN OUR REVENUES SO WE HAVE SOME LIMITED ABILITY TO SUPPORT ANY NEW ONGOING PROGRAMS AND I THINK WALKING THROUGH THIS TABLE KIND OF ILLUSTRATES THAT. SO THE GREEN STAGE LINE THAT SAYS OPERATING GAP AND THAT'S A POSITIVE OPERATING GAP, FOR THE NEXT YEAR, IT'S ABOUT \$8.3 MILLION, ABOUT 2% OF THE EXPENDITURES, AND THAT SHRINKS DOWN TO \$2.7 MILLION TO 2019. IF WE WERE TO ASSUME THAT WE TAKE ALL OF OUR OPERATING SURPLUS FOR NEXT YEAR AND, YOU KNOW, KIND OF RESTORE PROGRAMS FOR SOME OF THE CUTS WE'VE MADE OVER THE YEARS, WHAT THAT WOULD MEAN IS WHEN WE GET OUT TO FISCAL YEAR 2019, WE WOULD HAVE TO CUT ABOUT \$6.8 MILLION OF THOSE BACK. ANOTHER WAY TO LOOK AT IT, IF YOU WANTED TO BALANCE THE BUDGET OVER FIVE YEARS, WHICH IS WHAT THE CITY OF PORTLAND TRIES TO DO, WHICH IS WHY THEIR NUMBERS ARE -- ARE NOT AS OPTIMISTIC AS OURS, IS WE CAN ADD ABOUT \$2.5 MILLION OF ONGOING PROGRAMS AND SUPPORT THOSE OVER FIVE YEARS. SINCE THIS IS A REVENUE FORECAST, HERE IS ALL THE GLORIED NUMBERS OVER THE FIVE YEARS THAT FOLKS ARE INTERESTED IN. WHERE DOES ALL THIS LEAVE FOR US OUR ONE TIME

ONLY FUNDS FOR NEXT YEAR? THIS IS JUST TAKING THE TABLE THAT WE PRESENTED IN NOVEMBER AND ADDING ON SO I'M GOING TO START ABOUT TWO THIRDS OF THE WAY DOWN. IN NOVEMBER WE SAID WE HAD \$10.14 MILLION OF ONE TIME ONLY MONEY. TO THAT NUMBER YOU SUBTRACT OFF THE \$3.7 MILLION OF LOWER REVENUES IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR. BECAUSE OUR CORPORATE REVENUES ARE GOING TO BE LOWER, OUR RESERVES DON'T NEED TO BE QUITE AS LARGE AND THAT LEAVES YOU WITH \$6.8 MILLION OF ONE TIME ONLY MONEY FOR NEXT YEAR. ASSUMING YOU BALANCE THE BUDGET FOR THIS ONE YEAR. IF YOU GO TO THE OTHER EXTREME AND WANT TO BALANCE IT FOR FIVE YEARS, YOU ACTUALLY END UP WITH \$12.6 MILLION OF ONE TIME ONLY MONEY BECAUSE YOU'RE TREATING SOME OF THAT ONGOING MONEY AS ONE TIME ONLY MONEY. A COUPLE OF NOTES. THIS ASSUMES THAT WE FULLY SPEND OUR GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY AND DEPARTMENTS FULLY SPEND THEIR APPROPRIATIONS. MOST DEPARTMENTS DON'T USUALLY SPEND THEIR FULL APPROPRIATION BUT THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE ARE GOING TO COME DARN CLOSE TO SPENDING ALL THEIR APPROPRIATION THIS YEAR SO WE'LL PROBABLY BE IN KIND OF THE SAME BOAT WE WERE FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR THAT WE WON'T BE GETTING A LOT OF ONE TIME ONLY MONEY WHEN WE GET TO 2016 DUE TO UNDERSPENDING THIS YEAR.

SO A QUICK CONTINGENCY UPDATE. IT ACTUALLY HASN'T CHANGED ALL THAT MUCH SINCE NOVEMBER. SO SOME QUICK MATH HERE. WE NORMALLY SET ASIDE ABOUT \$1.25 MILLION. WE'VE USED A NUMBER FOR THE THREE OR FOUR ITEMS THERE, \$770,000 LEFT OF THAT. THERE WERE A NUMBER OF EARMARKS THAT THE BOARD SET ASIDE WHEN YOU ADOPTED THE BUDGET. THE \$30,000 WE SET ASIDE FOR THE AUTOMATIC VOTER WE DON'T NEED BECAUSE IT DID NOT PASS DURING THE REGULAR SESSION. WE SET ASIDE A MILLION DOLLARS TO DEAL WITH FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING ISSUES. WE HAVE \$468,000 LEFT IN THAT AFTER LAST WEEK'S CONTINGENCY REQUEST. WE'RE ASSUMING THAT THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE WILL FULLY GET APPROVAL TO USE THEIR OVERTIME FUNDS AND THEN THE BIT RESERVE, YOU TAKE THE REGULAR CONTINGENCIES OF \$30,000 AND THE REMAINING FEDERAL, STATE SET ASIDE AND YOU GET TO \$1.3 MILLION IS THE UNALLOCATED AMOUNT THAT IS STILL OUT THERE FOR YOU TO USE. SO WITH THAT, JUST NEED TO COVER A COUPLE OF RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES. IN THE FOUR THAT COME TO THE TOP OF MY LIST ARE WHAT WILL HAPPEN WITH THE BIT? LIKE I SAID EARLIER WE COULD BE HERE IN APRIL AND NEED TO PULL IT DOWN BY A COUPLE OF MILLION DOLLARS MORE. I HOPE IT GOES THE OTHER WAY. THAT COULD HAPPEN. THERE IS ALWAYS A LOT OF UNCERTAINTY IN THE WORLD, THERE ALWAYS HAS BEEN AND ALWAYS WILL BE. BUT THE THINGS THAT ARE AT THE TOP OF PEOPLE'S RADAR SCREEN RIGHT NOW IS WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE CHINESE ECONOMY AND THERE'S THE ISSUE ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING IN RUSSIA AND UKRAINE. THE TWO BIGGIES THAT ARE MUCH MORE LOCAL IS WHAT WILL HAPPEN WITH THE PERS AND VARIOUS LEGAL CHALLENGES TO THE REFORMS, AND THEN, OF COURSE, WHAT ARE OUR ASSUMPTIONS FOR THE U.S. MARSHAL BED USAGE? SO A QUICK SUMMARY. WE PULL DOWN THE FORECAST BY \$3.7 MILLION, ABOUT A PERCENTAGE POINT, DOWN \$2.1 MILLION FROM OUR ADOPTED. THERE'S NO ACTIONS THE BOARDS NEEDS TO TAKE TO ADDRESS THIS IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR. WE HAVE ABOUT \$1.3 MILLION LEFT IN OUR GENERAL FUND CONTINGENCY FOR THE CURRENT YEAR. FOR NEXT YEAR WE

HAVE ABOUT \$8.3 MILLION TO SPEND ONGOING DEPENDING ON HOW LONG YOUR PLANNING HORIZON IS. WE HAVE ONE TIME ONLY MONEYS OF \$68 MILLION. THAT NUMBER COULD BE HIGHER. AND ONCE WE GET TO 2016, WE DO EXPECT THAT OUR COSTS WILL GROW FASTER THAN OUR REVENUES. AND AGAIN, MAJOR RISK, PERS, U.S. MARSHAL, AND AT SOME POINT THERE WILL BE ANOTHER RECESSION. SO WITH THAT, IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?

Commissioner Smith: I HAVE A QUESTION. THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION. AND I KIND OF WANT TO GIVE YOU A SOFTBALL. HOW MUCH ONE-TIME AND ONGOING FUNDS IS AVAILABLE FOR FISCAL YEAR 15 IF WE WANT TO BALANCE OVER THE NEXT THREE YEARS?

Mr. Jaspin: THE SHORT ANSWER TO THAT IS YOU HAVE ABOUT \$15 MILLION TO SPEND. THE QUESTION IS HOW MUCH OF THAT IS GOING TO BE CONSIDERED ONE TIME ONLY VERSUS ONGOING? AND SO TO BREAK MY RULE AND TRY TO DO MATH IN PUBLIC --

Commissioner Smith: I'M SORRY ABOUT THAT.

Vice-Chair McKeel: BETTER YOU THAN ME.

Mr. Jaspin: IT'S -- IT'S --

Commissioner Smith: YOU WERE GREAT WITH THE ONE YEAR AND THE FIVE YEAR BUT I WANTED TO GO INTO MORE DETAIL.

Mr. Jaspin: IF WE'RE GOING TO BALANCE -- THERE'S A TABLE ON PAGE 14 IF FOLKS WANT TO GO BACK TO IT BUT IT'S ESSENTIALLY THERE'S ABOUT \$3.5 MILLION NEGATIVE GAP IN OR -- SO -- LET ME DO SOME MATH HERE. SO WE WOULD PROBABLY HAVE ABOUT FIVE TO \$6 MILLION ONGOING AND THE REST WE WOULD NEED TO CONSIDER ONE TIME ONLY.

Commissioner Smith: OKAY. FIVE TO \$6 MILLION ONGOING --

Mr. Jaspin: AND THE BALANCE OF THAT.

Commissioner Smith: THE 10 FOR ONE TIME ONLY.

Mr. Jaspin: ONE TIME ONLY.

Commissioner Smith: OKAY. AND THE LAST QUESTION IS WHAT OPTIONS DO WE HAVE IN REGARDS TO THE MARSHAL BEDS? I MEAN, PEOPLE ASK ME ABOUT THIS EVERY YEAR, WHY IS THIS SUCH A BIG DEAL, WHY CAN'T WE GET A CONTRACT FOR A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF BEDS OR WHY IS THIS OPEN ENDED? AND HOW ARE THOSE DOLLARS USED?

Mr. Jaspin: SO A COUPLE OF PARTS TO ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS. THE FIRST IS IT'S A BOARD POLICY ABOUT WHAT YOU WANT TO USE FOR THE FORECAST. WE CAN BE HOPEFUL OR WE COULD BE OVERLY CONSERVATIVE. SO THE 95 NUMBER

THAT WE HAVE INTO THE FORECAST KIND OF ASSUMES THAT COLUMBIA CLOSES DOWN AND IF YOU ASSUME HALF OF THOSE FOLKS END UP IN OUR JAILS, YOU CAN GET TO 95, IT'S A RELATIVELY -- THE MATH WORKS. THE ASSUMPTIONS UNDERNEATH THE MATH MAY NOT WORK AND YOU WOULD KNOW THAT ON MAY 20th IN THE ELECTION IS OR SHORTLY THEREAFTER. WE COULD BUILD THE COUNTY'S BUDGET ASSUMING THAT IF IT DOESN'T PAN OUT, THEN THE BOARD COULD COME BACK AND ADDRESS THE REVENUE SHORTFALL OR MAYBE WE WOULD -- MAYBE OUR REVENUES WOULD BE BETTER ABLE TO COVER IT. CONVERSELY WE COULD ASSUME A NUMBER THAT'S 50 OR 60, IN WHICH CASE YOU'RE GOING TO BE SHORT NORTH OF \$1.6 MILLION, RELATIVE TO THE CURRENT FORECAST IN WHICH CASE YOU WOULD HAVE TO MAKE REDUCTIONS. AND WE TREAT THE U.S. MARSHAL AS PART OF THE GENERAL FUND, SO EITHER YOU WOULD HAVE TO CUT NON-BED RELATED PROGRAMS BASICALLY TO SUBSIDIZE OR ESSENTIALLY ADD LOCAL OFFENDER BEDS. OR YOU WOULD HAVE TO CLOSE A DORM THAT WOULD BE ASSOCIATED WITH THE REDUCED USAGE OF THOSE BEDS.

Commissioner Smith: SO IS IT NOT LOGICAL TO ASK THE U.S. MARSHAL CAN WE HAVE A CONTRACT FOR SAY 50, IF WE KNOW WE'RE DOWN, WE NORMALLY HAVE 112 BUT IF WE'RE GOING TO BE IN THE 50-BED RANGE, DO WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO NEGOTIATE AND SAY OKAY LET'S JUST DO A CONTRACT FOR 50. WHY IS THIS SO OPEN ENDED? AND WE NEVER KNOW?

Mr. Jaspin: IT'S CERTAINLY POSSIBLE BUT IT'S A CONTRACT NEGOTIATION AND THAT IS NOT MY AREA OF EXPERTISE OR RESPONSIBILITY.

Commissioner Smith: IS THAT A POSSIBILITY TO PUT ON THE TABLE? WE'RE ALWAYS, YOU KNOW, HAVING A CHALLENGE ABOUT HOW MANY BEDS WE'RE GOING TO HAVE. WE NEVER KNOW AND IN OUR WORLD HERE AT MULTNOMAH COUNTY, WE KNOW WHEN WE CONTRACT OUT FOR CERTAIN SERVICES HOW MUCH IT'S GOING TO BE AND FOR WHAT BUT THIS ONE HAVE A VERY GRAY -- IS A VERY GRAY AREA. IS THAT A SHERIFF'S OFFICE KIND OF THING?

Chair Madrigal: I BELIEVE THAT IN THE PAST THE SHERIFF HAS NEGOTIATED THAT CONTRACT; IS THAT RIGHT?

Ms. Kieta: GOOD MORNING, KARYNE KIETA, BUDGET DIRECTOR. YES.

Commissioner Smith: I'M IN TROUBLE NOW THAT KARYNE'S UP. [LAUGHTER]

Ms. Kieta: THAT'S CORRECT. THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEGOTIATES THAT CONTRACT WITH THE U.S. MARSHAL.

Commissioner Smith: BUT IS THAT DOABLE OR IS THAT JUST NOT A THING THAT WE WOULD CONSIDER DOING?

Ms. Kieta: I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE COULD ASK THE SHERIFF THAT QUESTION. I THINK IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT WE ARE LEGALLY OBLIGATED TO TAKE U.S. MARSHAL INMATES KIND OF REGARDLESS. IF THEY DELIVER THEM HERE. SO I THINK WE WOULD NEED TO WORK --

Commissioner Smith: IF WE CAN JUST GUARANTEE 50 SO WE CAN PUT THAT IN OUR BUDGET BECAUSE IF WE'RE PUTTING 112 IN OUR BUDGET AND WE GO DOWN TO 50, THEN WE'RE OFF OUR BUDGET. IF WE GET EXTRA THEN I'M GOOD WITH THAT.

Ms. Kieta: AND I THINK THAT'S A FAIR QUESTION. AND WE WILL CERTAINLY ASK THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND GET BACK TO YOU WITH A RESPONSE. I KNOW THAT THE PAST CONTRACT THAT WE NEGOTIATED WE HAD AN OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE UP TO 125 BEDS AND I KNOW THERE WERE SOME VERY TOUGH NEGOTIATIONS TO SAY THAT YOU WILL PAY US REGARDLESS OF WHETHER OR NOT YOU FILL THOSE 125 SLOTS AND THAT DIDN'T OCCUR. THEY WOULD ONLY PAY US FOR THE SLOTS THAT THEY OCCUPIED.

Commissioner Smith: AND THEREIN LIES THE PROBLEM RIGHT THERE. WE ARE OBLIGATED TO HAVE THOSE 112 BEDS BUT THEY ARE NOT OBLIGATED TO PAY US AND SO THAT'S WHAT I HAVE A PROBLEM WITH.

Ms. Kieta: THAT'S CORRECT AND THAT IS THE CURRENT ARRANGEMENT RIGHT NOW. SO WE WILL CERTAINLY GET BACK TO YOU WITH A RESPONSE FROM THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE ON THAT.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU.

Chair Madrigal: OTHER QUESTIONS?

Vice-Chair McKeel: I JUST WANT TO ASK A QUESTION ABOUT THE BIT AND THIS FORECAST IS BASED ON THE BIT RATE, AM I SAYING THAT RIGHT? STAYING THE SAME AS IT IS RIGHT NOW.

Mr. Jaspin: CORRECT.

Vice-Chair McKeel: AND THE OTHER THING I PICKED UP FROM YOUR REPORT BECAUSE I CAME FROM THE TOURISM WORLD IS WE BETTER BE FOCUSING ON SOME TOURISM HERE FOR THE MOTOR VEHICLE RENTAL FEES TO GET THOSE UP RIGHT?

Chair Madrigal: COMMISSIONER WENDT?

Commissioner Wendt: A QUESTION ON THE OTHER REVENUE. I KNOW IT'S SMALLER THAN SOME OF THE ONES YOU TALKED ABOUT BUT THE TIMBER AND THE VISITORS FUND? ANY SORT OF FORECAST ON WHAT YOU EXPECT FROM THOSE TWO POTS OF MONEY?

Mr. Jaspin: IF I CAN GET BACK HERE. SO IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, WE DID GET A SMALL TIMBER SECURE SCHOOLS PAYMENT, I THINK IT WAS AROUND \$200,000 SO THAT'S ASSUMED IN THE FORECAST. WE HAVE NOT ASSUMED ANYTHING IN THE OUTYEARS FOR THAT AND MY UNDERSTANDING IS THERE'S NOTHING IN THE CURRENT LEGISLATION THAT WOULD PROVIDE WITH US ANY OF THOSE FUNDS. WE HAVE ASSUMED \$250,000 FROM THE VISITORS FACILITY TRUST

FUND IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR. I BELIEVE IT JUMPED UP TO \$500,000 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015 AND THEN GOING OUT THROUGHOUT THE FORECAST THE IGA SPECIFIES THE AMOUNT AND ALL THOSE ARE PLUGGED INTO THE FORECAST CURRENTLY. IT'S ALL ACCOUNTED FOR CURRENTLY.

Commissioner Wendt: THOSE GO INTO THE GENERAL FUND?

Mr. Jaspin: CORRECT.

Chair Madrigal: ANY OTHER QUESTIONS? NO? OKAY, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Commissioner Smith: THANKS.

R.3 PROCLAMATION Declaring March 2013 as Purchasing Month for Multnomah County. Presenters: Brian Smith, Purchasing Manager; Mark Campbell, Chief Financial Officer; Destiny Wright, Apprentice/Certified Welder, Sellwood Bridge Project.

Chair Madrigal: MAY I HAVE A MOTION?

Commissioner Smith: SO MOVED.

Vice-Chair McKeel: SECOND.

Chair Madrigal: COMMISSIONER SMITH MOVES, COMMISSIONER McKEEL SECONDES, APPROVAL OF R.3.

Mr. Campbell: GOOD MORNING CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS. I'M MARK CAMPBELL, I'M THE COUNTY CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER. I'M HAVING ISSUES WITH MY CHAIR. AND I'M HERE WITH BRIAN SMITH, THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING MANAGER TO PRESENT THE 2013 ANNUAL PURCHASING REPORT. THE PUBLICATION OF THE ANNUAL IS A REQUIREMENT OF THE PUBLIC CONTRACTS REVIEW BOARD AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, BUT IT IS ALSO MUCH MORE THAN A SIMPLE BUREAUCRATIC EXERCISE. THIS REPORT HIGHLIGHTS THE WORK THAT'S DONE INTERNALLY TO SUPPORT SERVICES AND ORGANIZATIONS IN THE COMMUNITY THROUGH THE PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES. TO PUT IT SUCCINCTLY, HOW WE BUY AND WHAT WE BUY MATTERS. THIS REPORT PROVIDES BENCHMARK DATA AND BASELINE DATA OVER A THREE-YEAR PERIOD. IT HIGHLIGHTS THE EFFORTS OF THE PURCHASING STAFF, ALL DEDICATED PROFESSIONALS WHO WORK TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS IN OUR OVERALL CONTRACTING PROCESSES, OUR SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS AND CREATING OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINORITY WOMEN AND EMERGING SMALL BUSINESSES. PURCHASING IS ONE IMPORTANT ASPECT OF THE COUNTY'S ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITY. IT IS INTEGRAL TO AND TOUCHES NEARLY ALL OF THE COUNTY'S DAILY FUNCTIONS. IN FY 2013, PURCHASING FACILITATED THE PROCUREMENT OF NEARLY \$80 MILLION IN GOODS AND SERVICES AND EXECUTED OVER 700 CONTRACTS AND CONTRACT AMENDMENTS. I AM VERY PROUD OF THE PURCHASING STAFF. THEY'RE AN OUTSTANDING GROUP OF PROFESSIONALS WHO PROVIDE SOME OF THE HIGHEST-QUALITY SERVICES OF ANY PUBLIC AGENCY IN THE NATION, AND WITH THAT, I

WILL TURN THE PRESENTATION OVER TO THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF GOVERNMENTAL PURCHASINGS 2013 MANAGER OF THE YEAR, BRIAN SMITH.

Commissioner Smith: CONGRATULATIONS! [APPLAUSE]

Chair Madrigal: THAT WAS AMAZING.

Mr. Smith: THANK YOU, MARK. [LAUGHTER] CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS, THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME HERE TODAY. MY NAME IS BRIAN SMITH, I'M THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING MANAGER. THE REPORT YOU HAVE IN FRONT OF YOU HIGHLIGHTS THE WORK THAT'S DONE INTERNALLY TO SUPPORT PURCHASINGS' INTERNAL CLIENTS WHO PROVIDE MANY OF THE SERVICES WHICH ARE CRITICAL TO THE COUNTY'S ACHIEVEMENT OF ITS MISSION. IT ALSO TELLS THE STORY OF SUPPORTING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AS WELL AS ORGANIZATIONS THROUGHOUT THE COMMUNITY THROUGH THE PURCHASE OF GOODS AND SERVICES. AS MARK SAID, WHAT WE BUY AND HOW WE BUY IT MATTERS. LAST YEAR, APPROXIMATELY \$650 MILLION OF THE COUNTY'S ONE AND A HALF BILLION DOLLARS BUDGET WAS SUBJECT TO THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING RULES. THAT'S A SIGNIFICANT INFLUENCE. AND WHILE WE CONTINUE TO BE A PARTNER ON THE HIGH-PROFILE PROJECTS, THE DAILY WORK THAT'S DONE BY PURCHASING STAFF IS REALLY CRITICAL TO BOTH THE SMOOTH FUNCTIONING OF THE COUNTY ACROSS EVERY DEPARTMENT AND ULTIMATELY IN FULFILLING OUR MISSION. SO IN ADDITION TO THE INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THE REPORT, I WANTED TO PAINT FOR YOU A LITTLE PICTURE OF THE DAILY WORK IN CENTRAL PURCHASING WE DO TO SUPPORT THE COUNTY. LAST YEAR, PURCHASING PROCESSED 737 CONTRACTS AND AMENDMENTS. AND OVER 900 PURCHASE ORDERS. IT CONDUCTED A TOTAL OF 70 FORMAL PROCUREMENTS. THESE ARE OUR FORMAL PROCESSES, OUR BIDS AND RFPs, THAT ARE FOR OVER \$150,000. THEY ALSO REVIEWED FOR COMPLIANCE WITH THE COUNTY RULES MORE THAN 160 PROCUREMENTS BETWEEN 5,000 AND \$150,000.

AND THOSE ARE THE NUMBERS BUT I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE A MOMENT TO PUBLICLY RECOGNIZE THE DEDICATED PROFESSIONALS WHO WORK DAILY TO MAKE IT ALL HAPPENED AND PROVIDE AN OUTSTANDING VALUE FOR THE COUNTY'S TAXPAYERS. I'VE ASKED THEM TO COME, IF YOU COULD ALL PLEASE STAND, THIS IS OUR CENTRAL PURCHASING GROUP AND THEY DO AN OUTSTANDING JOB EVERY DAY. [APPLAUSE] THIS IS A GROUP WHO IS REALLY COMMITTED TO OUTSTANDING CUSTOMER SERVICE AS WELL AS TRANSPARENCY FOR THE WORK THAT WE DO. WE STARTED THIS YEAR PUTTING OUR PERFORMANCE METRICS ON THE INTRANET, THE COMMONS, SO THAT WE COULD SHARE WITH EVERYONE HOW WELL OUR PURCHASING SYSTEM WAS PERFORMING AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO BILL ON THIS IN THE COMING YEAR. HOW WE BUY MATTERS AND PURCHASING'S A KEY ACTOR IN STRENGTHENING THE COMMUNITY BY BUILDING A STRONGER CONTRACTING MARKETPLACE. THE REPORT COMES OUR EFFORTS LAST YEAR TO INCLUDE STATE CERTIFIED MINORITY WOMEN AND EMERGING SMALL BUSINESSES OR MWESBs, AS WELL AS NUMEROUS SUSTAINABILITY INITIATIVES LAST YEAR. LAST YEAR, 23% OF THE CONTRACT AWARDS WERE MADE TO CERTIFIED MWESBs. WHILE THIS IS DOWN FROM THE PREVIOUS YEAR, PAYMENTS MADE TO MWESBs FOR THE FIRST TIME TOPPED \$7

MILLION. THAT'S REAL MONEY IN THE POCKETS OF BUSINESSES OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY. AND THE IMPACT FROM OUR ACTIVITIES MATTERS TO OUR CITIZENS. PURCHASING DIRECTED THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE WORKFORCE PROGRAM ON THE SELLWOOD BRIDGE PROJECT AND THIS INCLUDED REQUIRING AT LEAST 20% OF HOURS FOR MOST CONTRACTORS BE DONE BY APPRENTICES. AND I'M PLEASED TO INTRODUCE TO YOU THIS MORNING DESTINY WRIGHT. MS. WRIGHT? COME ON UP. SHE'S A PILE BUCK WHO CAME INTO OUR BRIDGE PROJECT AS AN APPRENTICE BUT HAS EARNED HER JOURNEY CARD AND I ASKED HER TO COME HERE TODAY TO HAVE A FEW WORDS WITH YOU ABOUT HER EXPERIENCE.

Chair Madrigal: ALL RIGHT. WELCOME.

Ms. Wright: THANK YOU. IT'S AN HONOR TO BE HERE TODAY GUYS. I GOT INTO THIS A FEW YEARS BACK. WENT TO COLLEGE, GOT MYSELF A MANAGEMENT JOB WITH A BIG COMPANY, DECIDED I WASN'T REALLY INTO SALARY OR BEING INSIDE. I WANTED TO GET OUTSIDE, WORK WITH MY HANDS, ACTUALLY GO HOME DIRTY AND PHYSICALLY EXHAUSTED. AND MY DAD AND MY GRANDPA AND GREAT-GRANDPA WERE ALL PILE DRIVERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SO I GOT MY DAD'S BLESSING AND HEADED DOWN TO THE UNION HALL. AT FIRST, I BOUNCED AROUND WITH DIFFERENT COMPANIES AND FOUND A HOME FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS, DID MOST OF MY APPRENTICESHIP THERE. WHEN I CAME DOWN TO SELLWOOD, I NEVER RAN A FORK LIFT BEFORE. NEVER DRIVEN A BOAT. HAD NEVER USED A CUTTING TORCH, NEVER WELDED, AND NOW I'M DOWN THERE, I'LL BE DRIVING AROUND IN THE BOAT, DRIVING AROUND IN THE FORK LIFT, I GOT MY WELDING CERTIFICATION, AND IT'S JUST AWESOME TO KIND OF SEE THIS PROJECT FROM THE BEGINNING, I WAS ONE OF THE FIRST FIVE PEOPLE OUT THERE AND NOW, THERE'S OVER 50 PEOPLE WORKING ON IT AND IT'S JUST -- IT'S AMAZING TO SEE HOW IT'S PROGRESSED AND WHAT I'VE LEARNED AND THE PEOPLE I WORK WITH, YOU KNOW, HAVE LEARNED, TOO. IT'S AN AMAZING EXPERIENCE AND IT KIND OF SUCKS I'M DOING THIS AT THE BEGINNING OF MY CAREER BECAUSE I DON'T KNOW WHAT I'M GOING TO DO TO PASS IT UP. [LAUGHTER]

Mr. Smith: WE HAVE A COURTHOUSE COMING.

Commissioner Smith: WE'VE GOT TO BUILD A NEW BRIDGE.

Chair Madrigal: I HEAR THERE ARE MORE BRIDGES THAT NEED TO BE REPLACED.

Mr. Smith: YES. [LAUGHTER]

Ms. Wright: THIS ONE'S DEFINITELY A PRETTY BIG ONE.

Chair Madrigal: THANK YOU.

Mr. Smith: IN CLOSING, I WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE BOTH YOU AND THE PUBLIC TO TAKE A LOOK AT THE REPORT. IT'S ON PURCHASING'S WEBSITE, WHICH IS MULTCOPURCH.ORG. IT'S THERE IN PDF VERSION. THIS REPORT IS A KEY MECHANISM TO SUPPORT TRANSPARENCY OF THE COUNTY'S PURCHASING ACTIVITIES AND BECAUSE OF THE RESULTS PURCHASING'S DELIVERED, THE

COUNTY'S SEEN AS A STATEWIDE LEADER IN OUR MWESB EFFORTS. WE HAVE A REPUTATION THAT WE CAN BE PROUD OF. AND I'M REALLY PROUD OF THE STAFF THAT'S HERE TODAY. WE'RE CURRENTLY WORKING ON RECRUITING A NEW SUPPLIER DIVERSITY OFFICER TO HELP CONTINUE THIS WORK. AND WE CONTINUE TO LOOK AT OUR PURCHASING EFFORTS STRATEGICALLY, WORKING WITH YOU, EXAMINING HOW WE CAN INTEGRATE BEST PRACTICES, SUSTAINABILITY AND SOCIAL EQUITY INTO HOW AND WHAT WE BUY. TO CELEBRATE THIS, YOU ALSO HAVE BEFORE YOU TODAY, THE PROCLAMATION TO DECLARE MARCH 2014 AS PURCHASING MONTH IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. SHOULD I READ IT?

Chair Madrigal: YEAH, GO AHEAD AND READ IT.

[MR. SMITH READ THE PROCLAMATION INTO THE RECORD.]

Chair Madrigal: ANY QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

Vice-Chair McKeel: I HAVE A COMMENT. THANK YOU, BRIAN. WE WON'T MAKE YOU TURN RED AGAIN. BUT CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU. THANK YOU. AND THANKS TO OUR EMPLOYEES. YOU ARE THE BEST. YOU ALL ARE THE BEST. AND WE APPRECIATE THAT. WE APPRECIATE YOUR WORK. SO THANK YOU SO MUCH. AND THANK YOU FOR SHARING YOUR STORY WITH US. THAT WAS A GREAT STORY AND IN MY OFFICE, WE'RE WORKING WITH SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN ON LEARNING THE STEM AND THE TRADES, TRYING TO INTRODUCE THEM TO THOSE TYPES OF JOBS, THEY'RE AVAILABLE, THEY'RE FUN, AND TO FIND THEIR PASSION. IT SOUNDS LIKE YOU FOUND YOUR PASSION, WHICH YOU STARTED SOMEWHERE ELSE, AND THEN YOU FOUND WHAT YOU REALLY WANTED TO DO. THAT'S JUST A GREAT STORY. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

Commissioner Smith: MADAM CHAIR? BRIAN, I WANT TO THANK YOU AND THANK YOUR STAFF FOR THE GREAT WORK YOU DO. I KNOW WE CALL ON YOU OFTEN AND IT'S GREAT TO KNOW THAT WE ARE A LEADER HERE REGIONALLY AND NATIONALLY. JUST CURIOUS. DO YOU HAVE HARD COPIES OF THIS REPORT? BECAUSE I WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO PUT SOME OF THESE REPORTS INTO THE COMMUNITY SO THAT THEY CAN SEE OPPORTUNITIES WHERE THEY MAY BE ABLE TO PARTNER WITH THE COUNTY IN TERMS OF THE THINGS THAT WE DO, WE'RE CONTRACTING OUT OVER \$6,050,000 IN GOODS AND SERVICES, PEOPLE NEED TO KNOW WHAT THAT IS.

Mr. Smith: ABSOLUTELY, COMMISSIONER SMITH AND, LIKE I SAID, IT'S AVAILABLE AS A PDF ON OUR WEBSITE AS WELL BUT WE WILL CERTAINLY MAKE SOME HARD COPIES AVAILABLE FOR YOU.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU.

Chair Madrigal: COMMISSIONER WENDT.

Commissioner Wendt: I WANT TO THANK YOU, AS WELL AND YOUR TEAM. I KNOW WE MAKE THE BUDGET DECISIONS BUT YOUR TEAM GETS THE RESOURCES OUT IN THE COMMUNITY. SO IT'S A HUGE ROLE AND I WANT TO THANK YOU IN

PARTICULAR FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP ON REALLY ADDRESSING THE MINORITY WOMEN AND SMALL BUSINESS GOALS THAT THE COUNTY HAS IN FIGURING OUT THE BEST AND MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO FIGURE OUT HOW OUR DOLLARS CAN GO TO THEM. I WENT ON MY SELLWOOD BRIDGE TOUR, AND I STILL HAVE MY VIDEO OF THE DIVERS WHO ARE WELDERS. IT'S WHAT I WANT TO BE WHEN I GROW UP. [LAUGHTER] THANK YOU FOR YOUR WORK.

Chair Madrigal: I WANT TO THANK YOU, AS WELL. THAT WAS A WONDERFUL STORY TO HEAR THAT YOU'RE CARRYING ON THE TRADITION OF YOUR FAMILY AND AT THE SAME TIME, BREAKING BARRIERS FOR OTHER PEOPLE WHO MAY NOT KNOW THAT THEY CAN HAVE A JOB LIKE THAT. SO EXCITING. AND SO INSPIRING. AND OUR PURCHASING STAFF, THANK YOU FOR BEING SO ETHICAL AND SO METICULOUS. IT'S BEEN MY EXPERIENCE THE ENTIRE TIME I'VE BEEN AT THE COUNTY THAT YOU CARE SO MUCH ABOUT THE WORK THAT WE DO. THANK YOU FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART. IF THERE ARE NO FURTHER COMMENTS, WE'LL VOTE. ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE –

[UNANIMOUS AYES]

Chair Madrigal: OPPOSED? THE PROCLAMATION IS ADOPTED, THANK YOU.

R.4 NOTICE OF INTENT for Second Chance Act Re-entry Program for Adult Offenders with Co-Occurring Substance Abuse and Mental Health Disorders. Presenter: Ginger Martin, Deputy Director, DCJ.

Chair Madrigal: MAY I HAVE A MOTION?

Commissioner Wendt: SO MOVED.

Commissioner Smith: SECOND.

Chair Madrigal: COMMISSIONER WENDT MOVES AND COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDS, APPROVAL OF R.4.

Ms. Martin: GOOD MORNING CHAIR MADRIGAL AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I AM HERE TO REQUEST YOUR APPROVAL FOR OUR APPLICATION FOR A FEDERAL SECOND CHANCE ACT RE-ENTRY GRANT. WE HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO APPLY FOR UP TO \$600,000 OVER A 24 MONTH PERIOD. TO IMPROVE RE-ENTRY SPECIFICALLY FOR PEOPLE WHO HAVE MENTAL ILLNESS AND ADDICTION AND END UP IN JAIL. IMPROVING OUR SYSTEM RESPONSE TO OFFENDERS WITH MENTAL ILLNESS HAS BEEN A PRIORITY OF THE LOCAL PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL (LPSCC) FOR SOME TIME. ALSO, IMPROVING DISCHARGE PLANNING FROM JAIL TO COMMUNITY FOR PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESS HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS A SYSTEM NEED BY CORRECTIONS HEALTH, THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND COMMUNITY JUSTICE. SPECIFICALLY, WHAT WE ARE PROPOSING TO DO IS TO DO A VERY EXCELLENT ASSESSMENT OF WHY PEOPLE ARE STILL IN JAIL, TO FIND OUT EXACTLY WHAT NEEDS THEY HAVE AND TO BEGIN TREATMENT AND PREPARATION FOR TREATMENT BEFORE THEY LEAVE TO PUT TOGETHER A VERY SOLID TRANSITION PLAN AND THEN TO CONTINUE SERVICES IN THE COMMUNITY WITH

THE SAME PEOPLE WHO HAVE WORKED WITH THE INDIVIDUALS IN JAIL SO THEY BEGIN THEIR THERAPEUTIC RELATIONSHIP BEFORE THEIR RELEASE, WHICH MAKES IT MUCH MORE LIKELY THAT PEOPLE WILL STAY ENGAGED IN TREATMENT WHEN THEY LEAVE JAIL. WE BELIEVE THAT THE SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS THAT WE INTEND TO MAKE WILL LAST BEYOND THE GRANT. MUCH OF THE IMPROVEMENT THAT WE CAN BE MAKING NOW HAS TO DO WITH COORDINATION OF CARE. THE DOLLARS WILL BE INVESTED IN THE ENHANCED SERVICES, BUT WE'RE NOT REQUESTING ANY ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR PROBATION PAROLE OFFICERS BECAUSE THIS WORKLOAD EXISTS IN OUR SYSTEM NOW AND WILL CONTINUE AFTER THE GRANT IS OVER. WE'RE TRYING TO KEEP AN EYE TO SUSTAINABILITY AS WE PLAN THE DETAILS OF WHAT WE WOULD WANT TO INVEST IN. WE ANTICIPATE SERVING ABOUT 50 INDIVIDUALS PER YEAR IN THIS INITIATIVE, AND THIS IS A PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN COMMUNITY JUSTICE, CORRECTIONS, HEALTH, THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND CASCADIA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE. IN ADDITION WE'RE MINDFUL OF A NUMBER OF OTHER SIMILAR INITIATIVES THAT HAVE EITHER BEEN FUNDED OR PEOPLE ARE THINKING ABOUT GETTING FUNDED, SO WE'RE TRYING TO MAKE SURE IN OUR PLANNING THAT WE ARE ENHANCING RATHER THAN DUPLICATING WHAT OTHER FOLKS ARE THINKING ABOUT DOING. WE'RE TRYING TO KEEP EVERYBODY AT THE TABLE TO MAKE SURE AS FOR EXAMPLE THE FORENSIC ALTERNATIVE TREATMENT GRANT WAS JUST RECEIVED. WE WANT TO WORK IN SIMILAR WAYS WITH SIMILAR PARTNERS SO THAT WE ENHANCE WHAT'S AVAILABLE TO PEOPLE IN OUR SYSTEM RATHER THAN CONFUSING OURSELVES AND WORKING AT CROSS-PURPOSES. HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE.

Chair Madrigal: ANY QUESTIONS?

Commissioner Smith: YES, MADAME CHAIR, THIS SOUNDS LIKE A GREAT OPPORTUNITY, BUT I'M KIND OF CONFUSED A BIT. DON'T WE HAVE ACCESS FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR MENTAL HEALTH BECAUSE OF THE ACA?

Ms. Martin: CHAIR MADRIGAL, COMMISSIONER SMITH, YES, THAT IS A FACTOR. ONE OF OUR SERVICE IMPROVEMENTS WILL BE TO TAKE AN ASSERTIVE STANCE IN HELPING PEOPLE GET ELIGIBLE FOR BENEFITS SO THAT THEY ARE CONNECTED UP WHEN THEY LEAVE JAIL. I THINK THE UNIQUE FOCUS OF THIS PARTICULAR ACTIVITY IS IN THE SERVICES AND ASSESSMENTS THAT BEGIN BEFORE PEOPLE GET RELEASED SO THEY ARE NOT ELIGIBLE AT THAT MOMENT FOR INSURANCE COVERAGE SERVICES, BUT WE WANT TO MAKE SURE WE'RE PLANFUL IN OUR DISCHARGE AND THAT WE DO GET THEM CONNECTED WITH THE OTHER RESOURCES IN THE COMMUNITY AND PAYMENT SOURCES THAT THEY WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR.

Commissioner Smith: THE SERVICES THEY WILL BE RECEIVING, WILL THAT BE FROM COUNTY EMPLOYEES OR WILL THIS BE CONTRACTED OUT INTO THE COMMUNITY?

Ms. Martin: THESE WILL BE CONTRACTED SERVICES WITH CASCADIA. THEY ARE ALREADY WORKING WITH US AND OUR MENTALLY ILL OFFENDER UNIT.

Commissioner Smith: ARE THEY ON OUR APPLICATION?

Ms. Martin: YES.

Commissioner Smith: OKAY.

Ms. Martin: INTEGRAL TO THE PLANNING PROCESS.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU.

Chair Madrigal: OTHER QUESTIONS? COMMISSIONER McKEEL?

Vice-Chair McKeel: THANK YOU. NOT A QUESTION, BUT I APPRECIATE YOU LOOKING AT THIS SYSTEM-WIDE. YOU'RE LOOKING AT OTHER GRANTS AND HOW TO INTEGRATE ALL THIS TOGETHER. I THINK THAT'S SO IMPORTANT THAT AS WE GO FORWARD WE'RE MAKING SURE THAT WE'RE REALLY SERVING THE POPULATION THAT WE WANT TO SERVE. OF COURSE, I PARTICULARLY LIKE YOU HAVE SERVICES FOR VETERANS CALLED OUT IN THERE. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Chair Madrigal: IF THERE ARE NO FURTHER QUESTIONS, ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE.

[UNANIMOUS AYES]

Chair Madrigal: OPPOSED? THE NOTICE OF INTENT IS APPROVED.

R.5 PROCLAMATION Proclaiming March 10, 2014 as National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day in Multnomah County, Oregon. Sponsor: Commissioner Loretta Smith, D-2. Presenters: Alaiyo Foster, Mgr., Education Services, Cascade AIDS Project; Maricela Berumen, MAI Latino Services Navigator, Cascade AIDS Project; and Mariotta Gary Smith, AASHEP Health Educator - Health Dept. STD/HIV/Hep C Program.

Vice-Chair McKeel: SO MOVED.

Commissioner Smith: SECOND.

Chair Madrigal: COMMISSIONER McKEEL MOVES AND COMMISSIONER SMITH SECONDS, APPROVAL OF R.5.

Commissioner Smith: GOOD MORNING. I WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME OUR SPEAKERS TO THE TABLE. WE'RE JOINED BY MARIOTTA GARY SMITH FROM THE AFRICAN AMERICAN SEXUAL HEALTH EQUITY PROGRAM, HEALTH EDUCATOR FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT STD, HIV, HEP C PROGRAM. MARICELA BERUMEN, MAI LATINO SERVICES NAVIGATOR AND ALAIYO FOSTER OF THE CASCADE AIDS PROJECT. MARCH 10, 2014 IS NATIONAL WOMEN AND GIRLS HIV/AIDS AWARENESS DAY. THIS IS A DAY I HAVE RECOGNIZED FOUR YEARS CONSECUTIVELY, ONE THAT I TAKE VERY PERSONAL, SO I MAKE SURE EVERY YEAR IN FEBRUARY THAT I TAKE MY OWN HIV TEST. WAS GIVEN A CHALLENGE BY

CASCADE AIDS TO COME DOWN AND TAKE THEIR 20-MINUTE TEST. YOU KNOW, I AM OLD SCHOOL. I WANT TO GET THAT BLOOD, HAVE IT SENT BACK TO THE LAB AND TELL ME IN A WEEK WHAT MY RESULTS ARE. BUT I DO KNOW FOR THOSE FOLKS WHO REALLY NEED TO KNOW WHAT THEIR STATUS IS, PARTICULARLY WOMEN AND GIRLS, THAT THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO FIND OUT WHAT THE STATUS IS. THIS YEAR'S THEME, SHARE KNOWLEDGE AND TAKE ACTION, REMINDS US THAT IT IS IMPORTANT TO BE INFORMED BUT THAT WE MUST ALSO ACT ON WHAT WE KNOW TO KEEP WOMEN AND GIRLS SAFE FROM THE IMPACTS OF HIV/AIDS. TODAY OUR FANTASTIC PRESENTERS WILL SHARE INFORMATION ABOUT HIV/AIDS AS IT IMPACTS WOMEN AND GIRLS IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY, AND WHAT WE ARE DOING TO HELP PEOPLE STAY INFORMED AND TO TAKE ACTION. MS. MARIOTTA, PLEASE GET US STARTED.

Ms. Gary Smith: THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER SMITH. GOOD MORNING, CHAIR AND OTHER COMMISSIONERS. I'M MARIOTTA GARY SMITH. AS COMMISSIONER SMITH SAID, THERE ARE A LOT OF WORDS. I'M LEARNING THE COUNTY HAS A LOT OF ALPHABET SOUP GOING ON. MY PRIMARY WORK AND RESPONSIBILITY IS TO DO COMMUNITY BASED EDUCATION IN THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY IN PORTLAND. I'M A NATIVE BORN AND RAISED SECOND GENERATION PUBLIC SCHOOL EDUCATED, RECEIVED A LOT OF MY PRIVATE POST HIGH SCHOOL EDUCATION IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA, SO MY PERSPECTIVE IS A LITTLE DIFFERENT HAVING BEEN RAISED IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST AS A PERSON OF COLOR, IDENTIFYING AS SUCH, HAVING ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE AND OTHER INFORMATION A LOT OF PEOPLE MAY NOT HAVE ACCESS TO OR UNDERSTAND. MY EXPERIENCE, I HAVE LEARNED THE FIRST THING THAT I TRY TO DO IS TO MAKE SURE THE INFORMATION I HAVE IS ABLE TO BE COMMUNICATED CLEARLY, HEALTH LITERACY IS A SIGNIFICANT PART OF THE WORK THAT I DO. IN WORKING WITH COMMUNITIES AND FAMILIES SPECIFICALLY AT WOMEN AND CHILDREN I HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO EDUCATE AND TO BE ABLE TO INFORM ENTIRE GENERATIONS, ENTIRE NEIGHBORHOODS AND COMMUNITIES. I BELIEVE WHEN YOU INDICATE WOMEN AND GIRLS ABOUT THE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE TO THEM BY GIVING THEM INFORMATION AND ACCESS TO RESOURCES THAT ALLOW FOR HEALTHIER OUT COMES AND CHOICES YOU'RE ALLOWING A CHOICE TO BE MADE THAT'S GOING TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF SO MANY OTHERS. SO THE WORK THAT I DO IS COMMUNITY BASED. WE TALK ABOUT SAFER SEX PRACTICES FOR THOSE ENGAGING IN SEXUAL ACTIVITY WHICH INCLUDES HIV TESTING, COMMUNITY TESTING SITES, AND ALSO OTHER RESOURCES THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO PEOPLE REGARDLESS OF THEIR STATUS OR INCOME. I ALSO TALK ABOUT HOW TO PROTECT ONESELF AND NEGOTIATE WITHIN RELATIONSHIPS, HEALTHY COMMUNICATION SKILLS, SO YOUNG WOMEN ARE AWARE OF THE ABILITY FOR THEM TO SAY NO AND TO HAVE THAT RESPECTED IF THAT IS THEIR CHOICE. WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE WHEN YOU CHOOSE TO NOT ENGAGE IN SEXUAL ACTIVITY WHAT ARE THE OPTIONS AVAILABLE, HOW ARE YOU ABLE TO MAINTAIN AND SUSTAIN HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS. SO THAT THEY ARE ABLE TO HAVE A FIRM GROUNDING, UNDERSTANDING WHAT THEY MAY WANT FOR THEMSELVES IN THEIR FUTURE. THE OPPORTUNITIES I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO EXPERIENCE HERE AT THE COUNTY HAVE BEEN TREMENDOUS IN THAT I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO REACH OUT AND TO REALLY CONNECT WITH WOMEN AND GIRLS IN A WAY THAT I HAD NOT BEFORE IN GRADUATE SCHOOL. I'M ABLE TO MAKE A DIRECT IMPACT, DO CLASSES WITH AS

LITTLE AS FOUR OR FIVE PEOPLE AND I HAVE ALSO PRESENTED TO WORKSHOPS WITH OVER 30 AND 40 PEOPLE AND HAVE ALSO PRESENTED TO CONFERENCES WITH OVER 200 PEOPLE. MY ABILITY TO REACH PEOPLE AT A VERY BASIC LEVEL IS SOMETHING I CHERISH. I APPRECIATE THAT MULTNOMAH COUNTY IS VERY COMMITTED TO SERVING THE COMMUNITY AND I APPRECIATE YOUR TIME THIS MORNING. THANK YOU.

Chair Madrigal: THANK YOU.

Commissioner Smith: MARIETTA, I'M USED TO YOU WHEN YOU COME BEFORE US GIVING US A PRESENTATION. I COULD NOT GET THAT -- I'M STILL DISAPPOINTED ABOUT THAT. PEOPLE, PLEASE GO UPSTAIRS IN ROOM 126 AND LOOK AT THE COLON. WE SPECIFICALLY BROUGHT THE COLON HERE TODAY SO YOU CAN ACTUALLY SEE AND WALK THROUGH IT, BUT USUALLY YOU COME HERE YOU SHOW US HOW TO PUT ON CONDOMS AND THOSE KINDS OF THINGS. WE DON'T HAVE A DEMONSTRATION TODAY. SO, IF PEOPLE ARE WAITING, THAT'S NOT HAPPENING TODAY. [LAUGHTER] SO THANK YOU.

Ms. Gary Smith: THANK YOU.

Ms. Berumen: GOOD MORNING, THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME A SPACE TO TALK ABOUT THE JOB THAT I DO AT THE PROJECT. I HAVE BEEN WORKING FOR CASCADE PROJECT EIGHT YEARS NOW. ONE OF THE THINGS MY JOB UNIQUE IS THAT AS A LATINO WOMAN I HAVE BEEN DEALING WITH HIV FOR TEN YEARS, SO I FOUND AN OPPORTUNITY WHERE I WAS OFFERED A POSITION AS AN MAI, MINORITY AIDE AND ASSISTANT. PART OF MY JOB IS ENGAGING WOMEN IN MEDICAL CARE, JUST RECENTLY OVER THE PAST YEAR I HAVE HAD THREE DIFFERENT WOMEN WHO HAVE BEEN NEWLY DIAGNOSED IN THEIR THIRD TRIMESTER OF PREGNANCY. YOU CAN IMAGINE HOW HARD THAT IS FOR A WOMAN RECEIVING A DIAGNOSIS OF BEING POSITIVE AND HAVE TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THEIR PROGRESS WILL LOOK LIKE GETTING THEM ENGAGED IN MEDICAL CARE, MAKING SURE THEY UNDERSTAND THEY HAVE TO TAKE MEDICATION FOR THE REST OF THEIR LIVES AND ALSO START GIVING MEDICATION TO THEIR CHILDREN AFTER THEY ARE BORN. ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I SEE PART OF MY SERVICES THAT I PROVIDE TO THESE INDIVIDUALS IS THAT I LOOK BACK WHEN I GOT DIAGNOSED THAT I WOULD HAVE REALLY BENEFITED FROM A PROGRAM IF IT WAS AVAILABLE BACK THEN IS THAT I DON'T SEE IT AS NAVIGATION BUT MORE OF ENGAGING THIS INDIVIDUAL INTO CARE. A LOT OF THEM GET LOCKED INTO CARE. THEY GET THEIR DIAGNOSIS AND YOU WILL NEVER SEE THEM AGAIN. THAT'S ONE THING I WORRY A LOT BECAUSE THESE INDIVIDUALS ARE -- THEY FEEL THEY ARE ALONE. COMING FROM A BACKGROUND THAT I UNDERSTAND WHERE THEY ARE COMING FROM, I COULD GET THEM ENGAGED AND EARN THAT TRUST FROM THE COMMUNITY TO ACCESS TO THESE SERVICES. I KNOW HOW TO GET THEM INTO MEDICAL CARE. HOUSING IF THAT'S THE CASE, INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING. SAFER SEX. ALSO MOST IMPORTANT EDUCATING THEM THAT SOME OF THESE WOMEN ARE YOUNG WOMEN GETTING INFECTED REALLY YOUNG, AND THEY HAVE THIS IDEA THAT THEY ARE NEVER GOING TO BE ABLE TO BEAR A CHILD OR HAVE A CHILD. THAT'S NOT THE CASE ANY MORE. I RECENTLY JUST HAD A BABY. HE'S GOING TO BE TWO. BELIEVE IT OR NOT, WITH THE RIGHT MEDICAL CARE AND

ACCESSING TO MEDICATIONS AND TAKING ALL THE STEPS THAT YOU NEED TO DO, THE LIKELIHOOD OF TRANSMITTING HIV TO A CHILD DROPS TO 2%. SO MY CHILD HAS ALREADY GOT ALL HIS TESTS AND HE'S NEGATIVE. THOSE ARE THE THINGS THAT PART OF THE JOB THAT I DO IS ENGAGING THESE WOMEN IN CARE. AND ALSO BEING A SUPPORT TO THEM. THANK YOU.

Chair Madrigal: CAN I ASK A QUESTION ABOUT PREGNANCY AND HIV? HOW IMPORTANT IS IT TO KNOW YOUR STATUS EARLY ON IN YOUR PREGNANCY TO REDUCE THE RISK TO YOUR BABY?

Ms. Berumen: THE NUMBER ONE THING IS THAT WHEN I WAS -- I TALKED TO MY HIV PROVIDER, THE ONE THING THEY FOCUSED, TO MAKE SURE YOU HAVE YOUR VIRUS SUPPRESSED OR UNDER CONTROL AND UNDETECTABLE. WHEN WE'RE GETTING THESE WOMEN WHERE WE CALL THEM LATE TESTERS BECAUSE THEIR VIRAL LOAD IS SO HIGH AND RISK OF TRANSMITTING HIV TO YOUR CHILD GOES UP AS THE VIRUS IS HIGHER. SO WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE TREAT THESE WOMEN AND PUT THEM ON THE RIGHT HIV REGIMEN THAT THEY ARE SUPPOSED TO BE ON AND ALSO THAT THEY HAVE MOST OF THEM BECAUSE OF CULTURAL, BREASTFEEDING IS ONE THING THAT IS HARDER FOR THEM TO UNDERSTAND BESIDES BEING ON MEDICATION, HOW DO WE EDUCATE THEM THAT THEY HAVE OPTIONS AND BREASTFEEDING IS NOT ONE OF THEM. SO IT'S IMPORTANT TO GET TESTED AND GET THEM ON THE RIGHT HIV MEDICATION AND THEN GO FROM THERE.

Chair Madrigal: THANK YOU.

Ms. Foster: GOOD MORNING, CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS. THANK YOU FOR HAVING ME. I'M ALAIYO FOSTER, MANAGER OF EDUCATION SERVICES AT CASCADES PROJECT. I WOULD LIKE TO HIGHLIGHT AS COMMISSIONER SMITH MENTIONED THIS IS THE FOURTH YEAR THAT WE WILL BE HAVING THE NATIONAL WOMEN AND GIRLS HIV/AIDS AWARENESS STATE HEALTH FAIR AT PCC CASCADE FRIDAY, MARCH 21. WE WILL WATCH A FILM CALLED COVER, PROVIDE DINNER AND HAVE A CONVERSATION ABOUT THE THEMES OF THAT FILM WHICH REALLY LOOKS AT A MARRIED COUPLE AND BEHAVIORS IN THEIR RELATIONSHIP THAT MAY CAUSE TRANSMISSION OF THE VIRUS. WE WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT A FILM THAT WAS RELATABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC. ALL THESE EVENTS ARE FREE. WE ALSO HAVE AN ALL DAY HEALTH FAIR ON SATURDAY, MARCH 22nd, AGAIN AT PCC CASCADE. BREAKFAST IS PROVIDED FOR PARTICIPANTS, LUNCH IS PROVIDED. WE HAVE 13 WORKSHOPS THIS YEAR INCLUDING ONE FROM OUR BOARD MEMBER JENNIFER JACKO, WHO IS IN THE PT-MONTHLY MAGAZINE. SOME YOUTH PANELS. WE'LL ALSO HAVE HIV TESTING AVAILABLE ALL DAY AS WELL AS VISUAL ACUTE, BLOOD PRESSURE, HEARING, DIABETIC SCREENING WITH THE THREE-HOUR FAST. WHAT WE TRY TO DO WITH THIS HEALTH FAIR IS MAKE IT A FAMILY EVENT. IT'S FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS AND THE MEN APPEARED BOYS WHO LOVE THEM. IT'S OPEN TO ALL AGES, GENDERS, IDENTITIES. IT'S TO HAVE A GOOD TIME AND NORMALIZE THE CONVERSATION ABOUT HIV. THE HEALTH FAIR WILL GO FROM 9:30 TO 5:00, SO A FULL DAY ENGAGEMENT. REALLY A LOT OF WORK GOING INTO THIS AND WE'RE EXPECTING ABOUT 250 PEOPLE THIS YEAR. SO THAT'S WHAT WE'RE PREPARED FOR. IT'S BEEN GROWING EVERY YEAR.

Chair Madrigal: THANK YOU. ANY QUESTIONS? COMMISSIONER WENDT?

Commissioner Wendt: I HAVE A COMMENT, I THANK YOU FOR YOUR NAVIGATION WORK. I THINK THE MORE WE LEARN ABOUT HEALTH CARE AND BEGINNING TO MAKE THOSE PERSONAL CONNECTIONS AND REALLY MEET PEOPLE WHERE THEY'RE AT IN LIFE AND WALKING WITH THEM DURING THEIR JOURNEY [INAUDIBLE DUE TO TURNED OFF MIC AND BACKGROUND NOISE] THANK YOU FOR THE WORK THAT YOU DO.

Vice-Chair McKeel: THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING HERE AND FOR THE WORK THAT YOU DO. WOULD YOU GO OVER AGAIN YOUR HEALTH FAIR, WHERE IT IS AND WHAT TIME SO EVERYONE CAN HEAR THIS?

Ms. Foster: FRIDAY NIGHT, THE HEALTH FAIR WILL BE AT PCC IN TERRELL HALL, ROOM 122 AND 120, I BELIEVE. IT'S ON THE FLYER WHICH I LEFT ON THE TABLE. AS WELL AS ALL DAY SATURDAY STARTING AT 9:30. REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST. WE'LL HAVE A YOUTH PANEL TO KICK OFF THE DAY AND THEN MOVE INTO A SERIES OF WORKSHOPS. THERE ARE 13 OPTIONS AVAILABLE, MOST YOUTH LED INCLUDING ONE THAT I'M REALLY EXCITED ABOUT. THERE'S AN 18-YEAR-OLD WHO HAS DECIDED TO DO A WORKSHOP WHICH IS REALLY IMPORTANT IN THE --

Commissioner Smith: ON WHAT?

Ms. Foster: SLUT SHAMING. SLUTTY BEHAVIOR, AND SHAMING THE INDIVIDUAL FOR THAT.

Commissioner Smith: SO BULLYING?

Ms. Foster: YES. A VERSION OF BULLYING, YES, THAT AN 18-YEAR-OLD CAME UP WITH THIS CONCEPT I'M SEEING THIS IN MY SCHOOL AND WANT TO ADDRESS IT. SHE SUBMITTED THE PROPOSAL AND WENT THROUGH THE ENTIRE AMBIGUOUS PROCESS OF --

Vice-Chair McKeel: IMPRESSIVE.

Ms. Foster: VERY IMPRESSIVE. THEY ARE ONE OF OUR SEXPERTS. THEY WILL BE DOING THEIR WORKSHOP. I'M PROMOTING THAT FOR A LOT OF PEOPLE TO SUPPORT THIS YOUTH. 9:30 TO 5:00 IN THE STUDENT CENTER, PCC CAMPUS ON SATURDAY, MARCH 22nd.

Vice-Chair McKeel: THANK YOU. WHAT A GREAT EVENT. THANK YOU.

Commissioner Smith: CHAIR MADRIGAL, I DIDN'T KNOW WE HAD THE SLUT POLICE IN PORTLAND, OREGON. WHAT ARE SOME OF THE BIGGEST CHALLENGES THAT WOMEN FACE HERE AND GIRLS IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY WHEN IT COMES TO RECEIVING SERVICES FOR HIV AND AIDS?

Ms. Foster: I THINK THERE'S A STIGMA ASSOCIATED TO GETTING SERVICES. WHEN

WE TALK ABOUT SELF-ESTEEM WE TALK ABOUT A BELIEF THAT AS A WOMAN OR A GIRL, I DESERVE NOT TO HAVE MY VOICE HEARD. WE HEAR THAT A LOT FROM OUR YOUTH, SO WE'RE DOING A LOT OF WORK AROUND THAT. THERE'S FOUR WORKSHOPS THIS YEAR TARGETING SPECIFICALLY SELF-ESTEEM AND AS MARIOTTA SAID, HAVING YOUR OWN VOICE IN RELATIONSHIP AND HAVING THAT RESPECTED AND KNOWING WHAT THAT EMPOWERMENT FEELS LIKE. ONE VIDEO IS *WE ARE EMPOWERED*, WITH THE FIVE HIV POSITIVE WOMEN TO GIVE THESE GIRLS A CHANCE TO SEE THIS IS NOT A ROAD THEY HAVE TO TAKE OR BE PRIVY TO IF THEY CHOOSE NOT TO.

Chair Madrigal & Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU.

Commissioner Smith: ALAIYO, CAN YOU READ THE PROCLAMATION?

Ms. Foster: YES MA'AM.

[MS. FOSTER READ THE PROCLAMATION INTO THE RECORD.]

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU.

Chair Madrigal: ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE.

[UNANIMOUS AYES]

Chair Madrigal: OPPOSED? THE PROCLAMATION IS ADOPTED. THANK YOU.
[APPLAUSE]

R.6 Annual Fuel Audit. Presenter: Dr. Steve March, Auditor; Judith DeVilliers and Jennifer McGuirk of the Auditor's Office; Garret Vanderzanden, Program Manager, Fleet Services; and Tony Dornbusch, Finance Manager – DCM.

Chair Madrigal: GOOD MORNING.

Dr. March: GOOD MORNING, CHAIR MADRIGAL AND COMMISSIONERS. WITH ME TODAY, FOR THE RECORD I'M STEVE MARCH, MULTNOMAH COUNTY AUDITOR, WITH ME IS GARRETT VANDERZANDEN, WHO IS A MANAGER THERE, AND JUDITH DEVILLIERS AND JENNIFER MCGUIRK, IN OUR OFFICE AS AUDITORS. I'LL TURN THE REPORT ON OVER TO THEM.

Ms. DeVilliers: GOOD MORNING CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS. I'M JUDITH DEVILLIERS WITH THE COUNTY AUDITOR'S OFFICE. THIS IS JENNIFER.

Ms. McGuirk: I'M JENNIFER MCGUIRK. WE HAD TWO OBJECTIVES FOR OUR AUDIT WHICH WERE TO REVIEW CONTROLS THAT WOULD REDUCE RISK OF POTENTIAL FRAUD OR ABUSE AND REVIEW FIELD PURCHASES FOR COMPLIANCE WITH BEST PRACTICES AND CONTRACT TERMS. IT WAS IMPORTANT FOR OUR OFFICE TO LOOK AT FUEL FOR A COUPLE OF REASONS. FIRST, FUEL ACCOUNTS FOR ABOUT 21% OF FLEET'S AND WALL EXPENDITURES. THIS MEANS THAT THERE'S A POTENTIAL FOR FUEL FRAUD THAT COULD BE MATERIAL IN TERMS OF DOLLAR

LOSS. SECOND, FUEL IS A LIQUID ASSET THAT MAKES IT CHALLENGING TO CONTROL AND RAISES THE LIKELIHOOD FOR POTENTIAL FRAUD OR ABUSE. BEFORE I GO INTO OUR FINDINGS I'LL TALK BRIEFLY ABOUT THE COUNTY FUEL MANAGEMENT APPROACH. THE COUNTY OWNS FOUR BULK FUELING STATIONS BUYING FUEL AT BULK PRICES PROVIDES SOME COST SAVINGS. ALSO MEANS THE COUNTY HAS AN INDEPENDENT FUEL SOURCE WHICH COULD BE IMPORTANT IN A TIME OF EMERGENCY. ABOUT 37% OF FUEL IS OBTAINED AT COUNTY BULK SITES. 58% IS OBTAINED AT CAR LOT SITES AFFILIATED WITH PETROCARD, THE COUNTY'S COMMERCIAL CARD VENDOR. THEY ARE OPEN 24 HOURS A DAY AND ARE ACROSS THE NORTHWEST. THEY PROVIDE CONVENIENCE. EMPLOYEES WHO WORK DURING THE NIGHT OR ON WEEKEND OUTSIDE TYPICAL WORKING HOURS CAN USE CARD LOCK SITES TO OBTAIN FUEL. IF AN EMPLOYEE IS WORKING FAR FROM THE SITE THEY CAN SAVE TIME USING THIS AS OPPOSED TO DRIVING TO A FUEL SITE. THESE PRIMARILY ENABLE UNDERCOVER OFFICERS TO OBTAIN FUEL WITHOUT BREAKING COVER AND ABOUT 4% OF FUEL COMES FROM THE CITY OF PORTLAND AS PART OF THE COUNTY-CITY PILOT FOR FLEET MAINTENANCE. OUR REVIEW PERIOD WAS FROM SEPTEMBER THROUGH NOVEMBER 2013, AND DURING THAT PERIOD EMPLOYEES USED ABOUT 60 CARD LOCK STATIONS AND ALL FOUR BULK SITES. THIS MAP SHOWS CLOSE-IN LOCATIONS WHERE EMPLOYEES OBTAINED FUEL DURING THE REVIEW PERIOD AT THE TWO PRIMARY SOURCES. AS WOULD BE EXPECTED, THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND TRANSPORTATION USED THE MAJORITY OF FUEL. THE SLICE OF THE PIE FOR FACILITIES INCLUDES MOTOR POOL VEHICLES THAT ARE USED BY MULTIPLE DEPARTMENTS. WE ESTIMATE THAT THE COUNTY USES ABOUT 350,000 GALLONS OF FUEL A YEAR. NOW I'LL MOVE TO OUR FIRST OBJECTIVE, REVIEW CONTROLS THAT WOULD REDUCE THE RISK OF FRAUD OR ABUSE. WE LOOKED AT PREVENTIVE AND DETECTIVE CONTROLS. FIRST PREVENTIVE CONTROLS. THESE HINDER PEOPLE FROM OBTAINING FUEL WHEN THEY ARE NOT SUPPOSED TO. TECHNOLOGY HAS ADVANCED WE HAVE SEEN IMPROVEMENTS IN THESE KINDS OF CONTROLS. WE ASSESS THE COUNTY'S FUEL SOURCES AGAINST GENERATIONS OF PREVENTIVE CONTROLS WHICH START WITH THE FIRST GENERATION THAT RELIES ON LOCKS AND MANUAL LOGS AND MOVES UP TO ELECTRONIC CONTROLS OVER FUEL USE AND REAL TIME DATA. AS SHOWN, THE MAJORITY OF COUNTY FUEL SOURCES USES NEWER GENERATION.

Ms. DeVilliers: THANK YOU, JENNIFER. WE VISITED AND OBSERVED CONTROLS AT THE SKYLINE ROAD SHOP. THIS SLIDE SHOWS BULK FUEL PUMP AT THE SKYLINE ROAD SHOP, BOTH SKYLINE AND SPRINGDALE SHOPS ARE IN MORE REMOTE AREAS. 10% OF THE TOTAL BULK FUEL USAGE IS FROM THE ROAD SHOPS. THEY HOUSE ROAD EQUIPMENT AND PROVIDE BOTH REGULAR AND DIESEL FUEL WHICH IS PRIMARILY USED BY TRANSPORTATION PROGRAMS. CONTROLS FOR BULK FUEL AT THE ROAD SHOPS LACK AUTOMATED CONTROLS FOR OTHER SOURCES. CONTROLS INCLUDE ROAD SHOPS ARE GATED AND LOCKED DURING NONWORKING HOURS AND BREAKERS TO FUEL PUMPS ARE TURNED OFF. USAGES MANUALLY RECORDED IN LOGBOOKS AND THEY ARE FAIRLY COMPLETE. MOST OF THE LOG DATA IS RECORDED MANUALLY INTO FLEETS'S AUTOMATED FUEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM HOWEVER ODOMETER READINGS WERE SOMETIMES MISSING FROM THE LOGBOOKS AND SOMETIMES APPEARED TO BE INACCURATE. WE ALSO VISITED THE COUNTY'S OTHER TWO BULK FUEL SITES. ONE IS AT THE DOWNTOWN MOTOR POOL ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE RIVER WHICH HAS ONLY

REGULAR FUEL. THE BLANCHARD SIDE ON THE EAST SIDE HAS BOTH DIESEL AND REGULAR. THESE TWO SITES MADE UP 27% OF FUEL USAGE DURING OUR AUDIT PERIOD. CONTROLS AT THESE TWO BULK FUEL SITES USE BEST FUEL CONTROL TECHNOLOGY CURRENTLY AVAILABLE. THE BLANCHARD SIDE HAS -- SITE HAS PHYSICALITY SECURITY WITH LOCKED GATES AT NIGHT. THE MOTOR PATROL IS PATROLLED BY A SECURITY COMPANY. AN EMPLOYEE MUST INSERT THE VEHICLE CHIP KEY AND ENTER A VALID EMPLOYEE IDENTIFICATION NUMBER. THEY ARE ALSO REQUIRED TO ENTER THE VEHICLE ODOMETER READING BUT SOME EMPLOYEES LOG A ZERO OR WRONG NUMBER. IT RECORDS THE FUEL TYPE AND QUANTITY FOR EACH TRANSACTION. THE STATUS IS UPLOADED BY FLEET ON A WEEKLY BASIS AND PUT INTO THE CONTROL SYSTEM TO FACILITATE MONITORING. MONITORING IS SOMEWHAT HINDERED BECAUSE OF THE INACCURATE ODOMETER READINGS.

Ms. McGuirk: AT THE COMMERCIAL CARD LOCK STATIONS EMPLOYEES MUST ALSO ENTER ODOMETER READINGS TO OBTAIN FUEL BUT IT'S POSSIBLE TO GET FUEL WITHOUT AN ACCURATE READING. FOR EXAMPLE IN OCTOBER 2013, NO MILEAGE WAS RECORDED FOR 30% OF PETROCARD TRANSACTIONS. OVER ALL, HOWEVER, THE CARD LOCK STATIONS HAVE FAIRLY EFFECTIVE CONTROLS. THE VEHICLE EMPLOYEE, FUEL QUANTITY AND TYPE ARE RECORDED FOR EACH TRANSACTION AND THESE ARE AVAILABLE.

Ms. DeVilliers: THANK YOU, JENNIFER. THE COUNTY UTILIZES THE CITY'S BULK FUEL SITES FOR SOME VEHICLES INCLUDED IN THE COUNTY'S PILOT PROJECT WITH THE CITY OF PORTLAND FLEET MAINTENANCE. ONLY 4% OF THE FUEL USAGE WAS FROM THE CITY PLUCK FUEL SITES BECAUSE THE COUNTY LIMITED USAGE TO VEHICLES THAT HAD A SPECIAL DEVICE CALLED A CAN SEVER, THIS RECORDS THE VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION AND ODOMETER READING. LIKE THE COUNTY BULK FUEL SITES, THE PORTLAND SITES ARE GATED AND LOCKED AT NIGHT. THE CITY PLUCK FUEL SITES LIKE THE COUNTY SITES ALSO AUTOMATICALLY RECORD THE QUANTITY AND TYPE OF FUEL USED FOR EACH TRANSACTION. HOWEVER PORTLAND HAS NOT BEEN PROVIDING DETAILED TRANSACTIONS OF FUEL USAGE TO THE COUNTY FOR INPUT INTO THE FLEET CONTROL SYSTEM TO FACILITATE MONITORING.

Ms. McGuirk: OVERALL WE FOUND THAT FLEET HAS THE MOST ADVANCED PREVENTIVE CONTROL TECHNOLOGIES. THE EXCEPTIONS AT THE DISTRICT ROAD SHOPS DUE TO THE UNIQUE FUEL USAGE AT THESE SITES AND REMOTENESS WE FEEL IT WOULD NOT BE COST EFFECTIVE TO UPGRADE CONTROLLING AT THESE AREAS: YOU NEED EFFECTIVE DETECTIVE CONTROL AS WELL AND WE'LL TALK ABOUT THOSE NOW. BEST PRACTICES FOR DETECTIVE CONTROLS INCLUDE ALL FUEL RELATED DATA BE WAREHOUSED IN THE SAME SYSTEM AND ALL TRANSACTIONS AUDITED. MONITORING IS IMPORTANT AND SHOULD INCLUDE EXAMINING FUEL USAGE OVER TIME AND IDENTIFYING EXCEPTIONS TO NORMAL USE. THE SOFTWARE CONTAINS THE MAJORITY OF FUEL TRANSACTION DATA BUT IS NOT COMPLETE. FOR EXAMPLE AS JUDITH MENTIONED IT DOES NOT INCLUDE TRANSACTION DATA FROM PORTLAND'S CITY FLEET. IN ADDITION MONITORING MILES PER GALLON IS IMPORTANT FOR FINDING POTENTIAL FRAUD. ONE-THIRD OF FLEET'S LICENSED VEHICLES DID NOT HAVE ODOMETER READINGS FOR ONE OR

MORE TRANSACTIONS. THERE WERE MORE THAT WERE INACCURATE. THESE INACCURACIES LIMIT FLEET'S ABILITY TO MONITOR FOR MISUSES. MONITORING HAS BEEN POOR. FLEET HAS NOT FULLY UTILIZED AVAILABLE REPORTS. IN OUR OPINION FLEET FOCUS COULD BE USED FOR SYSTEMIC MONITORING. WE DOWNLOADED THREE MONTHS OF FUEL USAGE DATA AND GENERATED REPORTS SUCH AS TOTAL FUEL USAGE BY YEAR GOAL, NUMBER OF FILLINGS AND GALLONS PER DAY AND FUELING BY LEAKS AND DAY OF THE WEEK. WE WERE ABLE TO CALCULATE MILES PER GALLON. REPORTS AVAILABLE ON DEMAND ARE ON A SCHEDULE FROM PETROCARD TO SUPPLEMENT FLEET REPORTS TO SUPPORT ANALYSIS. SO OVER ALL WE FOUND THAT FLEET FOCUS CAN GENERATE THE INFORMATION NEEDED TO MONITOR FUEL USAGE BUT IT IS NOT BEING FULLY UTILIZED. MANAGEMENT CANNOT DETECT POTENTIAL FRAUD OR ABUSE. THEREFORE WE RECOMMEND THAT SYSTEM CONTROLS BE IMPROVED TO DETECT POTENTIAL FRAUD OR ABUSE. FLEET SHOULD EXPLORE AND IMPLEMENT ADDITIONAL REPORTS FROM FLEET FOCUS AND PETROCARD TO CALCULATE MILES PER GALLON FLEET SHOULD HOLD DEPARTMENTS RESPONSIBLE FOR ENTERING ACCURATE ODOMETER READINGS. FLEET SHOULD INPUT FUEL TRANSACTION DETAILS INTO FLEET FOCUS AND INPUT ODOMETER READINGS FROM ROAD SHOP LOG ALONG WITH DETAILED USAGE DATA NOW BEING INPUT.

WE ALSO LOOKED AT FUEL PURCHASING FOR COMPLIANCE WITH BEST PRACTICES IN CONTRACT TERMS. EFFECTIVE FUEL CONTRACTING TYPICALLY INVOLVING MULTIPLE FUELING OPTIONS AND TIED TO THE OIL PRICE INFORMATION SERVICE OR OPUS. THE COUNTY HAS A VARIETY OF OPTIONS. FOR EXAMPLE WE HAVE A FIVE-YEAR REQUIREMENTS CONTRACT WITH PETROCARD THAT EXPIRES IN 2016. AS MENTIONED, THE PETROCARD AGREEMENT PROVIDES ROUND THE CLOCK ACCESS TO FUEL ACROSS THE COUNTY. FOR BULK FUEL THE COUNTY TAKES ADVANTAGE OF THE STATE'S PRICING AGREEMENT WITH JOHN THOMAS PETROLEUM. THAT ENDS THIS NOVEMBER. COUNTY OWNED BULK FUEL PROVIDES THE COUNTY WITH AN IMPORTANT INDEPENDENT FUEL CAPACITY. AND THE COUNTY IS PARTICIPATING IN A PILOT WITH THE CITY FOR FLEET MAINTENANCE. SOME VEHICLES IN THE PILOT HAVE BENEFIT WITH CAN FEVERS. WE UNDERSTAND A NEW IGA MAY BEGIN WITH THE CITY STARTING JULY 1. WITH PETROCARD, THE CONTRACT INCLUDES SPELLING OUT THAT FUEL PRICES ARE TO BE COMPUTED DAILY BASED ON OPUS FIGURES HOWEVER STAFF AND FLEET AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE HUB HAVE REVIEWED INVOICES FOR TECHNICAL ACCURACY, STAFF HAS NOT MONITOR PRICING AGAINST OPUS INDEXES. IT'S IMPORTANT TO VERIFY PRICING TO MAKE SURE THE COUNTY ISN'T BEING OVERCHARGED. I'LL ONCE AGAIN PASS THE PRESENTATION TO JUDITH.

Ms. DeVilliers: THANK YOU, JENNIFER. BULK FUEL IS PURCHASED AS NEEDED BY FLEET FOR THE MOTOR POOL ON BLANCHARD FUEL SITES AND DISTRICT ROAD SHOPS. DELIVERY QUANTITIES RANGE FROM 500 TO 2,000 GALLONS. BECAUSE THE COUNTY PURCHASES IN BULK THE PRICE PER GALLON IS LOWER THAN THE DAILY PER GALLON PRICING FOR THE COMMERCIAL CARD LOT STATIONS. INVOICES FOR DELIVERIES ARE VERIFIED BY FLEET AND ADMINISTRATIVE HUB, HOWEVER THE PRICE PER GALLON IS NOT VERIFIED TO THE AGREEMENT WHICH IS BASED ON OPUS PRICES. THE COUNTY ENTERED INTO A PILOT PROGRAM BASED ON AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF PORTLAND TO PROVIDE

FLEET SERVICES WHICH ALSO INCLUDE OPTIONS TO OBTAIN FUEL AT THE CITY BULK FUEL SITES. THE CITY CHARGES AN ADDITIONAL 14 CENTS PER GALLON OVER COST OF FUEL. THE CITY SENDS AN INVOICE WITH TOTAL DOLLAR AMOUNTS OF FUEL CHARGED FOR EACH VEHICLE, HOWEVER THE COUNTY HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVING DETAILED FUEL TRANSACTIONS NECESSARY TO VERIFY THE PRICING TO THE CITY AGREEMENT. JENNIFER?

Ms. McGuirk: THANKS. SO WE FOUND THAT COUNTY IS FOLLOWING BEST PRACTICES FOR FUEL PURCHASES WHICH ENSURE ACCESSIBILITY AND HELP MEAD MEET NEEDS. WE FOUND, HOWEVER, THAT CONTRACT MONITORING NEEDS TO BE IMPROVED OF THE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES ARE NOT CLEARLY SPECIFIED BETWEEN THE ADMINISTRATIVE HUB AND FLEET, AND CONTRACT MONITORING HAS NOT BEEN TAKING PLACE. THEREFORE WE RECOMMEND THAT VENDOR FUEL BILLINGS BE VERIFIED FOR ACCURACY. DAILY OPUS PRICE SHOOS BE OBTAINED TO VERIFY VENDOR INVOICES TO CONTRACT TERMS. TRANSACTION DETAILS SHOULD BE OBTAINED FROM THE CITY OF PORTLAND TO VERIFY INVOICES TO THE TERMS OF THAT AGREEMENT. THE CONTRACT MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY OF FLEET AND ADMINISTRATIVE HUB NEED TO BE CLARIFIED TO ENSURE CONTRACTS ARE MONITORED. HUB SHOULD REVIEW PRIOR AND FUTURE BILLINGS FOR ACCURACY. THE PRACTICE OF PROVIDING MULTIPLE FUELING OPTIONS TO MEET COUNTY NEEDS SHOULD BE CONTINUED. WE BRIEFLY TALK ABOUT OUR SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS, I'LL MOVE TO THE LAT SLIDE. WE WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT MANAGEMENT HAS STARTED TO ADDRESS SEVERAL ISSUES WE IDENTIFIED DURING THE AUDIT INCLUDING INSTITUTING NEW PRACTICES TO RECONCILE BULK FUEL TO OPUS AND THEY ARE INVESTIGATING WHETHER THE COUNTY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE STATE OF OREGON'S PRICING AGREEMENT WITH PETROCARD WOULD BE MORE BENEFICIAL TO THE COUNTY. THEY HAVE STARTED REVIEWING AND CLEANING DATA AND FLEET FOCUS SUCH AS REMOVING OBSOLETE USERS. AND WITH THAT WE WOULD BE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE.

Commissioner Wendt: CHAIR, A QUESTION?

Chair Madrigal: COMMISSIONER WENDT.

Commissioner Wendt: BACK TO THE FIRST OBJECTIVE YOU MENTIONED A THIRD DIDN'T HAVE READINGS. ARE THERE OTHER POLICY ISSUES THAT YOU LOOKED AT OR INTERVIEWS WITH EMPLOYEES? NOT KNOWING WHAT'S REQUIRED OF THEM, NOT HAVING TOOLS OR WHAT WAS THE ROOT OF THAT?

Ms. McGuirk: WE THROUGH SOME CONVERSATIONS THE SUGGESTION WE GOT WAS THAT PEOPLE MAY HAVE KNOWN THEY DIDN'T HAVE TO PUT AN ACCURATE NUMBER IN. AND THE REASONING BEHIND THE NEED FOR ACCURATE NUMBER, THERE MAY BE A NEED FOR EDUCATION AROUND THAT, WHY WE NEED TO KNOW MILES PER GALLON. NOT JUST TO PREVENT FRAUD, ALSO TO MAKE SURE MAINTENANCE IS OCCURRING, FOR EXAMPLE.

Mr. Vanderzanden: FIRST OFF JUST WANT TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SAY THANK YOU TO THE AUDITOR'S OFFICE FOR TAKING A LOOK AT THE SUBJECT. IT'S

BEEN A PLEASURE WORKING WITH JENNIFER AND JUDITH. AS THEY IDENTIFIED IN THEIR REPORT, IT'S A MISSION CRITICAL ASSET TO THE COUNTY FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS. ONE FROM A STANDPOINT OF COST, TWO FROM A STANDPOINT OF WE NEED TO HAVE ACCESS TO FUEL FOR OUR DAILY OPERATIONS AND ALSO WE ALL KNOW WE LIVE IN AN EARTHQUAKE ZONE. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE ACCESS SEWS TO FUEL TO DO OUR MISSION CRITICAL THINGS ON A DAILY BASIS.

I WAS HAPPY WITH THE FACT THAT THE AUDIT WAS ABLE TO VALIDATE BEST PRACTICES FROM A PREVENTIVE STANDPOINT BUT IT POINTED OUT WORK FROM A DETECTIVE STANDPOINT THAT WE NEED TO WORK ON IMPLEMENTATION ON. THE GOOD NEWS IS WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT NEEDING TO INVEST A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF RESOURCES TO GET THERE. A LOT OF IT IS JUST MAKING USE OF PREVENTIVE MEASURES AND HOW WE MAKE USE OF IT ON AN ONGOING BASIS FROM A MONTHLY STANDPOINT IN TERMS OF HOW WE ANALYZE THAT DATA AND BACK TO THE QUESTION REGARDING THE OUTREACH TO OUR CUSTOMERS, FROM AN EDUCATIONAL STANDPOINT AND ALSO FROM A COMPLIANCE STANDPOINT, THAT WHEN WE HAVE THESE SPECIFIC PROCESSES IN PLACE THE REASON THIS INFORMATION IS BEING REQUESTED ACTUALLY HAS A CRITICAL BACK END TO IT. THAT IT'S NOT SOME SORT OF REDUNDANT THING THAT YOU DON'T NEED TO WORRY ABOUT. I THINK SOME OF THAT IS ABOUT WHETHER IT BE ATTRITION FROM PEOPLE TURNING OVER IN TERMS OF MOVING TO OTHER JOBS OR NEW PEOPLE COMING IN, WE HAVEN'T DONE OUTREACH IN A BIT ON THIS SUBJECT AND IT'S SOMETHING WE NEED TO REVISIT, WHETHER IT BE THROUGH THINGS LIKE THE WEDNESDAY WIRE AS FAR AS EDUCATION UP FRONT, NEW EMPLOYEE ORIENTATION, BUT ALSO ON THE BACK END SO WHICH WE -- WHEN WE IDENTIFY TRENDING, WHICH IS SOMETHING THEY TALKED ABOUT, WE NEED TO TALK WITH PROGRAMS ABOUT WHAT WE'RE SEEING THAT THIS SPECIFIC COMPLIANCE IS NOT HAPPENING. PART OF IT THAT I EXPECT TO SEE IS AS WE DO THAT AS PEOPLE RECOGNIZE THIS IS SOMETHING BEING MONITORED AND IT HAS IMPORTANCE TO WHAT WE'RE DOING, THAT IT WILL START TO BECOME BETTER AND THAT IF NOT WE'LL HAVE PLACES TO ESCALATE THAT TO IMPROVE THAT.

Commissioner Smith: MADAME CHAIR? THANK YOU FOR THE PRESENTATION. I KNOW YOU HAVE SUCH LIMITED FUNDS AND TIME IN THE DAY, HOW DO YOU PRIORITIZE THIS PARTICULAR AUDIT AT THIS TIME?

Dr. March: THIS WAS DONE ON THE BASIS OF -- IT'S AN AREA OF POTENTIALLY HIGH RISK IN TERMS OF LOSS OF MONEY, LOSS OF ASSETS, OR MAINTENANCE PROBLEMS. FOR EXAMPLE MILEAGE ISN'T CORRECTLY CAPTURED AND WE GO PAST A MAINTENANCE POINT. IN THIS PARTICULAR CASE IT WAS ALONG THOSE LINES THAT WE PUT IT INTO OUR RISK ASSESSMENT THAT WAY.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU.

Vice-Chair McKeel: MADAME CHAIR, I HAVE A QUESTION. BACK TO OUR AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF PORTLAND, AM I UNDERSTANDING THAT WE PAY 14 CENTS A GALLON MORE THAN THE CITY PEOPLE PAY FOR THEIR GAS? AM I UNDERSTANDING THAT?

Mr. Vanderzanden: ACTUALLY I BELIEVE IT'S WHAT INTERNAL CUSTOMERS PAY AS WELL. THEY HAVE A MARKET THEY HAVE INTERNALLY A COUPLE MARKETS THEY PASS ON TO THEIR CUSTOMERS. THAT'S THE SAME PRACTICE THAT WE HAVE INTERNALLY IN TERMS OF THE BULK PRICE THAT WE PAY IS NOT THE SAME PRICE THAT OUR CUSTOMERS INTERNALLY PAY. SO IT'S ABOUT THE ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS THAT GO INTO MANAGING IT.

Vice-Chair McKeel: OKAY, THANK YOU.

Chair Madrigal: ANY ADDITIONAL OTHER QUESTIONS? THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

Presenters: THANK YOU.

R.7 Authorizing Settlement of Warren v. Multnomah County, et. al. Presenter: Katharine von Ter Stegge, Asst. County Attorney.

Chair Madrigal: MAY I HAVE A MOTION?

Vice-Chair McKeel: SO MOVED.

Commissioner Wendt: SECOND.

Chair Madrigal: COMMISSIONER McKEEL MOVES AND COMMISSIONER WENDT SECONDS, APPROVAL OF R.7.

Ms. Von Ter Stegge: THANK YOU. HI, I'M ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY KATE VON TER STEGGE, AND I HAVE DONE THIS BEFORE, ALTHOUGH I MIGHT NOT GIVE THAT IMPRESSION. I'M HERE SEEKING AUTHORIZATION TO SETTLE WARREN VERSUS TAYLOR AND MULTNOMAH COUNTY FOR THE REASONS AND AMOUNT WE DISCUSSED AT THIS TUESDAY'S EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Chair Madrigal: ANY QUESTIONS? ALL IN FAVOR VOTE AYE.

[UNANIMOUS AYES]

Chair Madrigal: OPPOSED? THE AUTHORIZATION OF THE SETTLEMENT IS AUTHORIZED.

Ms. Von Ter Stegge: THANK YOU.

R.8 Briefing about Disparities for Families in Communities of Color. Sponsor: Commissioner Smith, D-2. Presenters: Commissioner Loretta Smith & Invited Guests: including: Dr. Ann Curry-Stevens, AP, Dir. Ctr to Advance Racial Equity, SoSW, PSU; Matt Morton, ED, NAYA; Lee Po Cha, AD, IRCO & Dir, AFC; Carmen Rubio, ED, Latino Network & Tony Hopson, Pres/CEO Self Enhancement.

Chair Madrigal: COMMISSIONER SMITH?

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU. AT THIS TIME I WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME OUR PRESENTERS: ANN CURRY-STEVENSON, ASSOCIATE SUPERVISOR DIRECTOR AT THE CENTER TO ADVANCE RACIAL EQUITY SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK AT PORTLAND STATE, MATT MORTON, LEE PO CHA, CARMEN RUBIO AND TONY HOPSON, SR. I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR COMING TODAY. REALLY, THE GOAL IS TWOFOLD. FIRST PROFESSOR CURRY-STEVENSON WILL GROUND US IN THE DISPARITIES EXPERIENCED BY FAMILIES OF COLOR IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. SECOND, OUR PARTNERS WILL PROVIDE A BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THEIR STRATEGIES FOR ENGAGING THEIR COMMUNITIES WITH CULTURALLY SPECIFIC SERVICES. AS A BOARD, WE HAVE REPEATEDLY HEARD ABOUT THE DISPARAGING FACTS FOR COMMUNITIES OF COLOR. ACCORDING TO THE REPORT, COMMUNITIES OF COLOR IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY AN UNSETTLING PROFILE, IN THE MEASURES EXPLORED IN THIS REPORT, INCOMES, POVERTY, OCCUPATION, EDUCATION, COMMUNITIES OF COLOR HAVE BEEN 15 TO 20% WORSE IN OUTCOMES. IT'S MORE DIFFICULT TO GET AHEAD HERE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY THAN IT IS MORE GENERALLY ACROSS THE UNITED STATES. THESE STATISTICS ARE SHOCKING AND VERY INFURIATING TO ME. WHY? BECAUSE WE KNOW THAT YOUTH OF COLOR WHO GROW UP WITH LESS OPPORTUNITIES FROM THE BEGINNING OF THEIR LIFE DON'T HAVE THE CHANCE THAT THEY DESERVE TO BE A SUCCESSFUL CONTRIBUTING MEMBER OF THEIR FAMILY, THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD, AND THEIR GREATER COMMUNITY. THE REPERCUSSIONS OF THESE LESSENED OPPORTUNITIES ARE YOUTH WHO HAVE LOWER GRADUATION RATES, HIGHER RISK FOR CHRONIC HEALTH PROBLEMS, LESS ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, AND A HIGHER CHANCE OF ANSWERING THE CRIMINAL -- ENTERING THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM. WHEN KIDS ARE NOT GIVEN THEIR BEST CHANCE, TAXPAYERS PAY MORE FOR REACTIVE PUBLIC SAFETY POLICIES THAT IMPRISON OUR YOUTH OF COLOR AND PUBLIC HEALTH THAT TRIES TO HEAL THEIR LONG DEVELOPED PHYSICAL AND MENTAL ILLNESS. SO TODAY, OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS WHO ARE HERE WILL SHARE INFORMATION ABOUT THE WAYS THAT THEY ARE ENGAGING YOUTH OF COLOR THROUGH POSITIVE EMPOWERING, CULTURALLY SPECIFIC PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES AND STRATEGIES. DR. CURRY-STEVENSON, PLEASE BEGIN.

Mr. Hopson: JUST WANT TO IN CONTEXT, CHAIR MADRIGAL AND COMMISSIONERS AND COMMISSIONER SMITH, I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO ALLOW US TO SHARE WITH YOU THE INFORMATION YOU JUST SHARED ABOUT THE DATA. WE'LL GIVE YOU A LITTLE BIT MORE OF THAT. JUST WANTED TO BE ABLE TO SAY AS MUCH AS WE HAVE BROUGHT THIS KIND OF INFORMATION AND MADE IT PUBLIC AND WE ALL SEE IT, HEAR IT, UNDERSTAND IT, FEEL IT, WE ALSO WANT TO BE ABLE TO SAY WE ALREADY KNOW ALL WE NEED TO KNOW TO FIX THIS. WE HAVE AGENCIES, PROGRAMS, WE HAVE SERVICES THAT SPEAK DIRECTLY TO THE OUT COMES IN THE DATA THAT YOU HAVE INFORMATION ON. SO WE SEE THIS AS A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. IT'S ONE THING TO SHOW UP CONSISTENTLY WITH BAD NEWS. TODAY WE'RE HERE TO SHOW UP WITH SOME OF THE GOOD NEWS AND TO SAY THE BAD NEWS WE HAVE GOTTEN WOULD BE FAR WORSE WITHOUT THE SERVICES THAT WE'RE PROVIDING AND WITH ADDITIONAL RESOURCES WE CAN TAKE SOME OF THAT DATA AND MAKE MUCH OF IT GO AWAY.

Commissioner Smith: GREAT TO HEAR SOME GOOD NEWS, MR. HOPSON.

Dr. Curry-Stevens: THANK YOU. IT'S NICE TO BE HERE WITHOUT A POWER POINT TO BE ABLE TO SPEAK TO THE DATA. SO COUPLE OF QUICK REMINDERS. OUR RESEARCH WORK HAS PROFILED 28 DIFFERENT SYSTEMS AND INSTITUTIONS. IN THOSE SYSTEMS AND INSTITUTIONS, WE INCLUDE BOTH UPSTREAM FACTORS AND DOWNSTREAM CONSEQUENCES. SO IN THE UPSTREAM ARENA WE'RE TALKING ABOUT EVERYTHING FROM WEALTH AND HOMEOWNERSHIP TO WHERE ONE GETS TO RESIDE IN THE CITY, TO WHICH NEEDS GET INVESTED BY PUBLIC INVESTMENTS AND BY FOUNDATION INVESTMENTS AND THE INEQUITIES THERE TO ROLES AND INVOLVEMENT IN POLITICAL REPRESENTATION, GETTING GOOD JOBS, BEING ABLE TO CASH IN ON THE VALUE OF ONE'S EDUCATION. ALL OF THOSE ARE MARKED WITH DISPARITIES. AT THE DOWNSTREAM LEVEL WE KNOW THAT FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES ARE STRUGGLING HEAVILY IN A DAMAGING SYSTEM SUCH AS THE JUSTICE SYSTEM OR CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM. OUR COMMUNITIES OF COLOR ARE PENETRATING THOSE SYSTEMS WITH GREATER FREQUENCY AT HIGHER DEPTHS AND WITH WORSE OUTCOMES. IN A BENEFICIAL SYSTEM SUCH AS HIGHER EDUCATION OR PRESCHOOL LEARNING OR GETTING SUCCESSFULLY THROUGH SCHOOL OUR COMMUNITIES AND FAMILIES AND KIDS OF COLOR ARE GETTING INVOLVED IN THOSE SYSTEMS LESS FREQUENTLY WITH LESS BENEFICIAL EFFECTS AND WITH THEREFORE HIGHER CONSEQUENCES AND RISK FACTORS DOWN THE ROAD.

PRECARIOUS LIVING CONDITIONS ARE RIPE IN COMMUNITIES OF COLOR. SOME OF THE METRICS TO JUST REMEMBER ONCE AGAIN IS THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT INCOME LEVELS THAT ARE ROUGHLY HALF AT POVERTY LEVELS THAT ARE ROUGHLY TRIPLE, HOUSING VULNERABILITY AND WEAKER PREPARATION FOR SUCCESS IN SCHOOL AT THE EARLY END OF THAT. SO THE CONSEQUENCE AT FAMILY LEVELS THEY HAVE ON AVERAGE WEAKER PROTECTIONS. THE PROTECTIVE FACTORS ARE LESS ABUNDANT, AND LESS MANIFEST. THE RISK FACTORS ARE HIGHER AND DEEPER. AT THE INDIVIDUAL LEVEL, FAMILIES ARE NAVIGATING SYSTEMS AND LIFE EXPERIENCES WITH THAT COMBINATION OF WEAKER PROTECTIONS AND MORE DEEP RISK FACTORS. AT A SOCIETAL LEVEL AS COMMISSIONER SMITH WAS CLEAR ABOUT, THIS POSES SIGNIFICANT SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC CHALLENGES FOR THE REGION. WE END UP WITH HIGHER, MORE EXPENSIVE EXPENDITURES LATER ON IN LIFE, AND WE END UP WITH A NARROWED SET OF PROSPECTS FOR OUR CHILDREN. SO THE MESSAGE AT THE CONCLUSION I WANTED TO REACH AND REMIND US ABOUT TODAY IS THAT THE BENEFITS OF INVESTING IN SUPPORTS AND RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES OF COLOR ARE AT A IMMEDIATE LEVEL TO ALLEVIATE SUFFERING. AT A MEDIUM TERM LEVEL EXPAND OPPORTUNITIES AND THE POSSIBILITIES OF MORE POSITIVE FUTURES FOR OUR FAMILY AND OUR CHILDREN. AND AT THE SOCIETAL LEVEL TO EXPAND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES AND THE ECONOMIC VITALITY OF THE REGION, AND AS A FINAL REMIND THEY'RE REDUCED INEQUALITY BENEFITS THE QUALITY OF LIFE FOR ALL OF US. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

Chair Madrigal: THANK YOU.

Mr. Morton: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. IT'S A PLEASURE TO BE HERE THIS MORNING. GOOD MORNING. I'M MATT MORTON. I'M FROM THE SQUAXIN ISLAND TRIBE FROM

WESTERN WASHINGTON AND I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF SERVING AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF AN ORGANIZATION CALLED THE NATIVE AMERICAN YOUTH AND FAMILY CENTER. YOU MAY BE FAMILIAR WITH US. I THINK WE HAVE NOW OVER 20 AGREEMENTS WITH THE COUNTY SERVING A VARIETY OF PROGRAMS FROM IF AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMMING LIKE THE SUN SCHOOLS, TO HUD HOUSING, TO HOMELESS YOUTH, TO [COMPUTER MAKES MUSICAL SOUND] -- LIKE THE OSCARS! [LAUGHTER]

Chair Madrigal: THE RED CARPET WILL UNFURL IN A MOMENT.

Mr. Morton: LIKE TO THANK MY MOM -- [LAUGHTER] TO AGING AND DISABILITY SERVICES AND DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SERVICES. AT NAYA, WE ORGANIZE THESE PROGRAMS AND MANY OTHERS INTO THREE FUNCTIONAL AREAS. THE FIRST IS YOUTH AND EDUCATION SERVICES, WHICH HANDLES AND WORKS WITH OUR YOUTH THAT ARE RANGING FROM THE AGES OF ABOUT SIX THROUGH 18 AND OLDER. KIND OF THE K-12 YOUTH RANGE. THIS INCLUDES ALL OF OUR AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMMING AND INCLUDES OUR CULTURAL ARTS AND SPORTS PROGRAMMING AND INCLUDES OUR TUTORING AND SO ON. IT ALSO INCLUDES OUR WORK WITH HOMELESS YOUTH, YOUTH AFFECTED BY GANGS, ET CETERA. THE SECOND FUNCTIONAL AREA IS OUR FAMILY SERVICES. THEIR WORK HAS A MUCH BROADER AGE RANGE FROM OUR YOUNG INFANTS WHO ARE ZERO TO THREE PARTICIPATING IN OUR PARENT AND CHILD PLAY GROUP TO THE YOUTH PARTICIPATING IN OUR TWO HEADSTART CLASSROOMS, THREE TO FIVE. TO OUR YOUTH WHO ARE AND FAMILIES WHO ARE PART OF THE FOSTER CARE SYSTEM HERE IN THE LOCAL AREA. OUR HEALTHY RELATIONSHIP INITIATIVES, OUR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE WORK THROUGH OUR HEALING CIRCLE, AND FINALLY OUR ELDER SERVICE, WHICH ARE MODEST BUT WE HAVE A VERY ACTIVE ELDER PROGRAM. THE THIRD FUNCTIONAL AREA INCLUDES WHAT I SORT OF LOOSELY REFER TO AS ADULTS SERVICES. THESE INCLUDE WORK FORCE DEVELOPMENT, EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES. THEY INCLUDE THE WHOLE SPECTRUM OF HOUSING ALL THE WAY FROM EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE AND ENERGY ASSISTANCE TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO EVEN HOMEOWNERSHIP. IT ALSO INCLUDES FINANCIAL WELLNESS FOR OUR COMMUNITY BOTH YOUTH AND ADULTS, AND THAT INCLUDES OUR IDA PROGRAM, WHICH IS INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS, OPPORTUNITIES FOR SAVERS TO SAVE MORE MONEY AS THEY GO THROUGH THE PROGRAM. OUR OUT COMES IN THESE AREAS ACROSS THE BOARD, I'M VERY HAPPY TO REPORT, ARE PRETTY OUTSTANDING. I'LL GIVE YOU A FEW EXAMPLES OF THOSE. OUR YOUTH WHO PARTICIPATE IN OUR FULLY CASE MANAGED GRADUATE AT A RATE JUST OVER 80% FROM HIGH SCHOOL. IF THESE SAME YOUTH PARTICIPATE IN OUR EARLY COLLEGE ACADEMY, THEY GRADUATE AT A RATE 90%. NOW, THIS ISN'T OUR IDEAL 40/40, 20/20 STATE GOAL YET BUT WHEN YOU COMPARE IT TO YOUTH, NATIVE YOUTH IN SURROUNDING AREAS, THE AVERAGE IS ABOUT 40% GRADUATION. SO IT'S A SIGNIFICANT DIFFERENCE THAT THESE YOUTH ARE EXPERIENCING.

IN OUR FAMILY SERVICES OUR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAM OVER THE LAST DECADE, WOMEN IN DANGER HAVE GONE FROM AN OVERNIGHT STAY OF ABOUT THREE DAYS TO NOW OVER 30 DAYS. THIS IS A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE FOR NATIVE WOMEN WHO ARE SUFFERING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND A GREAT

EXAMPLE OF REMOVING THOSE WOMEN FROM DANGEROUS SITUATIONS AND SETTING THEM ON A NEW PATH. IN OUR ADULT SERVICES, ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, WE SEE EVEN MORE POSITIVE OUT COMES. FOR THOSE COMMUNITY MEMBERS WHO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN OUR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WORK, PARTICULARLY WORK FORCE, WORK THEY HAVE SEEN AN AVERAGE INCREASE IN THEIR SALARIES BY 25%. THIS IS SIGNIFICANT. NOW, THIS IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HAVING A JOB THAT ACTUALLY IS A DISS INCENTIVE TO GO TO WORK, TO HAVING A JOB WHERE YOU CAN COVER YOUR EXPENSES AND TAKE CARE OF YOUR FAMILY. THAT'S A BIG, BIG GAP TO JUMP IN A FAIRLY SHORT PERIOD OF TIME. RESOURCES PLAY AN EXTREMELY IMPORTANT ROLE IN THIS WORK, BUT THERE ARE A COUPLE OF OTHER THINGS I WANT TO MENTION TO YOU THAT REALLY MAKE THE NAYA FAMILY CENTER UNIQUE AND I THINK INTERESTING AND SPECIAL. THE FIRST IS OUR FOUNDATIONAL VALUES AROUND INDIGENOUS PEOPLE. THESE INDIGENOUS VALUES ARE AT A FUNDAMENTAL LEVEL. THEY INCLUDE INCLUSIVITY, THEY INCLUDE THE VALUES OF REALLY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT. THAT MEANS THAT AS AN ORGANIZATION WE FEEL LIKE THE SOLUTIONS TO OUR CHALLENGES ACTUALLY EXIST WITHIN THE COMMUNITY ITSELF. IT'S NOT OUR ROLE TO BRING AN EVIDENCE-BASED OR BEST PRACTICE TO OUR COMMUNITY. IT'S OUR ROLE TO DRAW OUT THOSE BEST PRACTICES FROM OUR COMMUNITIES BECAUSE WE KNOW THOSE SOLUTIONS EXIST. THE SECOND THING IS LEVERAGE. AS A WRAP-AROUND SERVICE PROVIDER, WE'RE ABLE TO BRING IN INDIVIDUALS AT ANY POINT AND OFFER OTHER SERVICES. NOT JUST THOSE SERVICES THAT THEY CAME FOR. I'LL GIVE YOU AN EXAMPLE. IN OUR ANTI-POVERTY WORK, OUR EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE AND ENERGY ASSISTANCE. WE LEVERAGE THOSE INDIVIDUALS 300% OVER THE REST OF THE ORGANIZATION. SO FOR EVERY PERSON THAT COMES IN AND ACCESSES THAT, THERE ARE THREE OTHER PROGRAMS ACROSS THE ORGANIZATION THAT THEY SERVE. THAT'S A SIGNIFICANT OPPORTUNITY. THIS IS SOMETHING THAT WE CAN DUPLICATE AND WE HAVE. THE WORK THAT WE DO ACROSS THE ORGANIZATION YOU SEE AT THE DIAS, IN FACT DO LEVERAGE INDIVIDUALS AND COMMUNITIES ACROSS OUR ORGANIZATIONS.

Commissioner Smith: MATT? WE HAVE TO MOVE. WE ONLY HAVE A FEW MINUTES.

Mr. Morton: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [LAUGHTER]

Commissioner Smith: I DIDN'T MEAN TO CUT YOU OFF. YOU HAD SOME GREAT INFORMATION. YOU HIT THOSE KEY POINTS.

Mr. Morton: OKAY, THANK YOU.

Mr. Lee: MADAME CHAIR, COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, I'M LEE PO CHA. I'M DIRECTOR OF ASIAN FAMILY CENTER. I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SHARE OUR NEEDS WITH YOU. MY COMMENTS WILL BE MUCH MORE PARTICULAR TO THE ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER, REFUGEE COMMUNITIES. JUST TO HIGHLIGHT SOME OF THE THINGS THAT WE ARE DOING, THIS IS AN ORGANIZATION THAT'S PART OF THE CORE PROVIDER UNDER THE REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT SYSTEM, AND UNDER THAT SYSTEM WE ARE THE AGENCIES THAT PROVIDE FAMILY SUPPORT AND EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING AND EMPLOYMENT

AND DRAINING TRAINING IS ONE OF THE KEY SERVICES UNDER THE SYSTEM OUTSIDE OF THAT, WHEN WE THINK BEYOND THE REFUGEE DAYS, THEN THAT'S REALLY WHERE WE NEED TO THINK ABOUT HOW DO WE HELP TO NOT ONLY INTEGRATE THIS POPULATION SUCCESSFULLY TO THIS COMMUNITY BUT HOW DO WE GO BEYOND THAT SO THEY TRULY BECOME OUR PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS OF THIS NEW STATE AND THIS NEW COUNTRY. SO WITH A LONG STORY SHORT, SOME OF THE THINGS WE PROVIDE OUTSIDE OF THAT ARE EARLY CHILDHOOD, YOUTH GANG INVOLVEMENTS SERVICES, SUBSTANCE ABUSE. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, ANTI-POVERTY SERVICES, HEALTHY FAMILIES, AND SENIOR SERVICES. ONE OF THE CONCEPTS WE LOOKED AT IS THAT WE TRULY LOOK INTO THE CULTURE OF PACIFIC SERVICES AS THE CORE. THAT IS OUR ENGINE. WE MODIFY AND TAILOR PRACTICES THAT WOULD BE BEST SUITED TO SERVE THIS POPULATION SO THE DIFFERENCE OF WHAT WE DO IS EVERYBODY IS TALKING ABOUT MULTI-CULTURAL, CULTURAL SENSITIVITY, BUT WE THINK THAT WE ARE THE CULTURAL FUNDAMENTALLY WE ARE THE CULTURAL -- VALUES OR WHATEVER YOU SAY IT, WE SPEAK FOR IT. WE ARE JUST TAILORING ANY OTHER PROGRAMS OR MODELS THAT WOULD BEST SERVE THIS POPULATION.

SO THE OTHER WAY THAT WE LOOK AT OURSELVES IS WE TRY TO BE VERY COMPREHENSIVE, ONE-STOP SHOP IDEA. LOOKING FROM CRADLE TO THE GRAVE. WE'RE LOOKING AT EARLY CHILDHOOD, SENIOR SERVICES, THEN TRULY LOOKING INTO THE CULTURALLY SPECIFIC AND MULTI-CULTURAL MODEL TO PROVIDE THE SERVICES. THAT WAY WE CAN BE MORE EFFECTIVE. VERY QUICKLY, I LIKE TO JUST HIGHLIGHT SOMETHING THAT WE ARE VERY PROUD OF, WHICH IS YOUR SUN SERVICE SYSTEM, TO GO BACK TO THE YEAR 2000, 2001, WHEN THIS INITIATIVE FIRST STARTED AS SCHOOL AGE POLICIES FRAMEWORK WE TRULY WANTED TO FIND WAYS TO ADDRESS THE MOST VULNERABLE AND UNDER-SERVED ISSUE. I THINK THAT WE'RE SO PROUD -- PERSONALLY I'M VERY PROUD TO BE A MEMBER OF -- CITIZENS IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY THAT YOU TAKE A GREAT MEASURE IN TERMS OF TRYING TO MODIFY AND TAILOR YOUR POLICY AND SYSTEM TO BETTER ADDRESS THE MOST VULNERABLE. THAT MEANS AT THE TIME WE LOOKING AT AT LEAST 67, 8% OF ELIGIBLE CLIENTS THAT ARE SUPPOSED TO BE GOING INTO THE SYSTEM ARE STUDENTS OF COLOR AND PEOPLE OF COLOR. SO I THINK WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED THAT AFTER 14 YEARS, LOOK BACK, IF YOU LOOK AT THE DATA, 2012, 2013, 70% OF THE PEOPLE SERVED WERE PEOPLE OF COLOR. YET I THINK IF WE WERE TO LOOK AT IT WITHOUT THE CULTURAL SPECIFIC SERVICE PROVIDER TO BE A PART OF THAT I DON'T THINK WE WOULD ACHIEVE THIS. SO JUST AN AGENCY WHILE THE COUNTY IS THE SYSTEM SERVING 70%, EVERY ONE OF OUR CULTURALLY SPECIFIC 70 TO 80% ARE CLIENT IN THE SYSTEM, AND NOT ONLY THAT BUT WE HELP BE THE SPECIALISTS FOR YOU.

WE HELP TO BE THE SPECIALISTS FOR YOU SO EVERYONE ELSE BE THE GENERALISTS AND WE ARE THE SPECIALISTS. THAT MEANS WE HELP YOU TO SERVE THE MOST DIFFICULT CLIENTS TO SERVE. WITH THAT I KNOW THAT WE HAVE A LOT MORE WORK TO DO. I THINK THAT WE HAVE SUCCESSFULLY ADDRESSED THE SYSTEM, THE UNDER-SERVED, BUT AS A GOAL IF YOU WANTED TO TRULY ADDRESS THE MOST VULNERABLE, THAT MEANS THAT WE HAVE A HUGE DISPARITY STILL EXISTING. IF YOU TRULY WANT TO ADDRESS TO THE DISPARITY AND BETTER YET THROUGH THE LENS IF YOU WANTED TO CLOSE THAT ACADEMIC

ACHIEVEMENT GAP AND LOOK AT ACADEMIC EDUCATION TO END POVERTY WE HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO. WE NEED TO LOOK AT OUR CAPACITY, OUR SYSTEM, HOW DO WE GO ABOUT THAT. YOU'RE HEADING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION BUT WE NEED TO INVEST MORE TO TRULY CLOSE THE DISPARITY GAP, AND ACHIEVEMENT GAP. THAT WAY WE ALL CAN BE SO PROUD OF WHAT WE DO IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. THANK YOU FOR THE TIME.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU.

Ms. Rubio: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS CARMEN RUBIO, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF LATINO NETWORK IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. WE WERE FOUNDED IN 1996 TO ADVOCATE FOR THE NEEDS OF THE GROWING LATINO COMMUNITY BACK IN A TIME WHEN OUR POPULATION WAS SOARING BUT WE WERE SEVERELY UNDER-RESOURCED AND THERE WERE INADEQUATE SUPPORTS. THE COUNTY HAD A LARGE HAND IN ESTABLISHMENT OF LATINO NETWORK BACK THEN THROUGH SOME FUNDING, SEED FUNDING WE WERE ABLE TO DO OUR FIRST EVER GAP ANALYSIS IN 1998. THAT GAVE US OUR FIRST OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE A SCAN OF THE COUNTY AND KNOW WHERE OUR PROGRAMS WERE SEVERELY IN NEED OF DEVELOPMENT. SO TODAY OUR MISSION IS TO PROVIDE TRANSFORMATIVE OPPORTUNITIES SERVICES AND ADVOCACY FOR EDUCATION, LEADERSHIP AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT OF OUR FAMILIES AND LEADERS IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. WE OFFER A CONTINUUM OF SUPPORT BEGINNING EARLY CHILDHOOD EXTENDING THROUGH HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION AND INTO PARENTING. WE'RE COMPRISED OF FOUR PROGRAM AREAS. OUR FIRST IS EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS. SOME OF YOU HAVE BEEN OUT TO VISIT, WHICH WE'RE VERY PROUD OF. WE ALSO HAVE OUR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT AND FAMILY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMS WHERE WE CONDUCT AFTER SCHOOL AND SUMMER PROGRAMS AND WE ACTUALLY HAVE ONE STRONG COLLABORATION WITH SCI, AT JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL. WE ALSO WORK WITH HIGH RISK AND DISCONNECTED YOUTH, NAMELY YOUR CONTRACTOR FOR THE COMMUNITY HEALING INITIATIVE WHERE WE WORK TO PROVIDE WRAP-AROUND SUPPORTS FOR YOUTH AND FAMILY OF ADJUDICATED YOUTH IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY. WE ALSO RUN OUR LAST COMPONENT IS CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP CLASSES. WE HAVE AGGRESSIVE CIVIC ACADEMY FOR GRASS ROOTS AND IMMIGRANT LEADERS AS WELL AS -- [COMPUTER MUSIC STARTS PLAYING]

Chair Madrigal: -- FIGURE OUT WHERE THE FOLKSY GUITAR IS COMING FROM. [LAUGHTER]

Mr. Morton: WE DEMAND BACK-UP MUSIC LIKE THAT ALL THE TIME. [LAUGHTER]

Ms. Rubio: SO QUICKLY WE OPERATE PRIMARILY OUT OF SCHOOLS FOR A LOT OF OUR PROGRAMS, HOWEVER WE HAVE TWO OFFICES, ONE IN THE LLOYD DISTRICT, ONE ON 187th AND STARK IN ROCKWOOD. OUR PROGRAMS ARE FIRMLY ROOTED IN OUR GUIDING VALUES OF ORGANIZING AS A CATALYST FOR SOCIAL CHANGE, HISTORY AND LANGUAGE, PARTNERSHIPS AND COLLABORATION AND EDUCATION, ADVANCEMENT OF OUR CHILDREN AND YOUTH. AS YOU ALL KNOW BECAUSE OF RACISM, ECONOMIC OPPRESSION AND LANGUAGE BARRIERS LOW INCOME AND IMMIGRANTS COMMUNITIES EXPERIENCE INVISIBILITY AND MARGINALIZATION

WHICH EXACERBATES POVERTY, DEPRESSION, LOW STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AND SENSE OF EXCLUSION FROM CIVIC AND PUBLIC SPHERES. OUR THEORY OF CHANGE SUGGESTS WHEN LATINOS PARTICIPATE MEANINGFULLY IN THE DECISIONS OF THE LIVES OF THEIR FAMILIES IT STRENGTHENS THE COMMUNITY. OUR SERVICES ARE DIFFERENT FROM MAINSTREAM BECAUSE OUR PROGRAMS APPEAL TO LATINO FAMILY, CULTURAL AND EDUCATIONAL VALUES BECAUSE THEY ARE DESIGNED FOR AND BY LATINO COMMUNITY MEMBERS. FROM PARTICIPANTS TO STAFF. IT'S ALSO DEVELOPED USING A FAMILY CENTERED STRENGTH BASED APPROACH RATHER THAN ONE OF DEFICIT OR DISS EMPOWERMENT MODEL. THAT'S VERY CRITICAL DIFFERENCE FOR US. WE BELIEVE THE PATH TO CHANGE BEGINS WITH HEALTHY, CONFIDENT AND LEADING CHILDREN, PARENTS AND ADULTS. WE BUILD UPON THEM. OUR LEADERSHIP STAFF AND ORGANIZATIONAL THE FOLLOWING THREE COMPONENTS, WE HAVE A STRONG HISTORY OF PARENT INVOLVEMENT. PARENT INVOLVEMENT IS CRITICAL IN A CENTRAL OPERATING PHILOSOPHY LATINO NETWORK. ENTIRE FAMILY IS INTEGRATED INTO EVERY ASPECT OF OUR PROGRAMMING. OUR PROGRAMMING WOULD NOT WORK WITHOUT THAT APPROACH. OUR SECOND AREA IS EQUIPPING YOUTH AND PARENTS TO BECOME SUCCESSFUL LEADERS AND TEACHERS. THIS IS CRITICAL AS IT PROVIDES THE FOUNDATION NECESSARY FOR POSITIVE LIES CHOICES AND TO EQUATE ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AND PERSONAL FAMILY ADVANCEMENT WITH OUR CULTURAL VALUES. THIRD, ACCOUNTABILITY TO THE COMMUNITY. WE WERE FOUNDED AND RUN BY LATINO COMMUNITY LEADERS THUS WE TAKE PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY TO ENSURE SUCCESSFUL CULTURALLY AFFIRMING EXPERIENCE FOR EACH OF OUR PARTICIPANTS. THERE'S A DEEP OWNERSHIP AND ACCOUNTABILITY TO THE COMMUNITY.

EACH CHILD AND PARENT IS USED AS A PERSONAL INVESTMENT IN OUR COLLECTIVE COMMUNITY'S FUTURE. WE'RE HONORED TO HOLD THE TRUST OF OUR COMMUNITY IN OUR WORK EVERY DAY. SO JUST TO END, I WANT TO SAY THAT CULTURALLY SPECIFIC INTERVENTIONS ARE CRITICAL STRATEGIES TO CLOSING THESE GAPS. JUST IN OUR EARLY CHILDHOOD DATA ALONE WE HAVE SEEN AMAZING OUT COMES FOR OUR PROGRAM FOR LATINO PRE-K AND PARENTS. WE SERVE 150 PRE-K AND 150 PARENTS EVERY YEAR. WE HAVE SEEN AMONG 11 INDICATORS THAT WE DO PRE-IMPOSED TESTING FOR OUT COMES BETWEEN 91 AND 100 OF INCREASES IN GAINS AN RECOGNITION OF LETTERS, MATCHING LETTERS WITH SOUNDS, RECOGNITION OF NUMBERS, ALSO NAME RECOGNITION, ABILITY TO COUNT, CORRELATION, SEQUENCING, FOLLOWING DIRECTIONS, ET CETERA. WE KNOW THAT THESE WORK BECAUSE THEY ARE BASED FROM THE COMMUNITIES. THESE ARE WHAT OUR PARENTS HAVE ASKED FOR AND WE BUILD AROUND WHAT THEIR NEED IS BECAUSE THEY LIKE MATT SAID THEY KNOW WITHIN THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES WHAT THEY NEED. THERE THE EXPERTS OF THEIR OWN LIVES. THANKS FOR LETTING US BE HERE. I WILL END NOW.

Commissioner Smith: THANK YOU. TONY, CAN YOU THIS UP?

Mr. Hopson: I CAN. CHAIR MADRIGAL AND COMMISSIONERS, APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY AGAIN. I THINK THE KEY HERE IS NOT TO TALK TOO MUCH ABOUT THE NEED FOR CULTURALLY SPECIFIC SERVICES, BUT WHERE ARE THERE

DIFFERENCES. FROM THE SELF-ENHANCEMENT STANDPOINT I WON'T TALK A LOT SPECIFICALLY ABOUT WHAT WE DO. WE DO A LOT SAME THINGS YOU JUST HARTFORD ABOUT. I COULD RUN OFF A LIST. BUT GIVEN THE TIME I'LL MOVE TO THE NEXT PART. I THINK THE WAY WE LOOK AT THIS IS WHAT DO YOU DO? WHO DOES IT? AND HOW DO YOU DO IT? I THINK WHEN WE START TALKING ABOUT CULTURALLY SPECIFIC SERVICES IT'S THE WHO AND THE HOW THAT I THINK CHANGES THE GAME FOR THE KINDS OF SUCCESSES THAT WE HAVE. WHEN WE THINK ABOUT HIRING PEOPLE WE'RE TALKING ABOUT A PERSON THAT HAS A CERTAIN KIND OF WORLD VIEW THAT IS A POSITIVE WORLD VIEW OF ALL PEOPLE. WE TALK ABOUT THE KINDS OF THINGS THAT THEY BELIEVE. BELIEVE THAT ALL KIDS CAN LEARN. CAN FIND SOMETHING POSITIVE IN EVERY SINGLE KID, IS WILLING TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE SCHOOLS' COMMUNITY. STEP OUTSIDE AND UNDERSTAND WHAT'S HAPPENING THERE. VALUES DIVERSITY, RESPECTS AND LIKES THE STUDENTS AND THEIR FAMILIES THAT SHOW UP. OPERATES FROM A POINT OF RESPECT, NOT GUILT OR PITY.

WE'RE LOOKING FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE FAMILIAR WITH THE CULTURES THAT THEY ARE DEALING WITH, HAVE AN ACCEPTANCE OF THAT CULTURE, HAVE THE ABILITY TO BUILD INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL TRUST WITH KIDS, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITIES. THEN YOU TALK ABOUT THE COLOR OF THE PEOPLE THAT ARE DOING THE WORK. IT GETS TO BE VERY, VERY IMPORTANT. I CAN TELL YOU THAT THE FACT THAT WE HAVE BLACK INDIVIDUALS IN FRONT OF BLACK KIDS MAKES A DIFFERENCE. WHEN YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT 70% OF OUR FAMILIES SHOWING UP AT SCHOOL SINGLE PARENT HOUSEHOLDS, MOTHERS, I HAVE A LOT OF BLACK MEN WHO WORK FOR SELF-ENHANCEMENT, THIS FILLS A GIGANTIC GAP THAT ONLY THOSE BLACK MEN CAN ACTUALLY FEEL WHEN THEY SHOW UP AND CAN BE THE BIG BROTHER, THE UNCLE, OR IN SOME CASES ACT AS THE FATHER TO THESE KIDS. WHO YOU HIRE AND WHO YOU PUT INTO THESE POSITIONS FROM A CULTURALLY SPECIFIC PERSPECTIVE MAKES A HUGE DIFFERENCE. THEN THE HOW YOU DO THE WORK. WORKING THROUGH AS WAS SAID EARLIER A CULTURAL LENS THAT BELIEVES IN AN ASSET MODEL INSTEAD OF A DEFICIT MODEL. FUNDAMENTAL BELIEFS. ALL CHILDREN CAN AND WILL SUCCEED. ALL CHILDREN HAVE A GIFT. ALL CHILDREN CAN LEARN. SEE KIDS FOR WHAT THEY CAN BECOME, NOT JUST WHO THEY ARE TODAY. ADULTS BEING 100% RESPONSIBLE FOR RELATIONSHIP WITH KIDS. I GUARANTEE YOU CAN GO INTO MANY SCHOOLS AND THAT WILL NOT BE THE CASE. TEACHERS AND ADMINISTRATORS SAY THE KID HAS TO MEET ME HALFWAY. WHO SAID? YOU'RE THE ADULT. YOU SHOULD BE SPENDING 100% OF YOUR TIME REACHING TO THAT KID, NOT EXPECT A KID TO GO OUT OF THEIR WAY TO GET TO KNOW YOU.

RELATIONSHIP MODELS THAT WE USE THAT TEACHES OUR PEOPLE HOW TO BE A MENTOR, A TEACHER, AND A PARENT. A LOT OF OUR KIDS SHOW UP IN PLACES THEY HAVEN'T BEEN PARENTED. SOMEBODY NEEDS TO PUT THAT PARENTAL HAT ON AND STEP IN AND BE WILLING TO GIVE OF THEMSELVES TO EMOTION LANDLORD TO A KID. WE FIRST WHAT WE CALL FIRST EVERY KID. FIRST, WHICH STANDS FOR THE FACT THAT WE START WITH THE KID APPEARED WE WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THEIR RELATIONSHIP, WE WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THEIR INTERESTS, EXCUSE ME, STARTS WITH THEIR FAMILY, THEIR INTERESTS, THEIR RELATIONSHIPS, THEIR SOCIAL FRIENDS AND THEIR SCHOOL FRIENDS. WE

ACTUALLY WANT TO GET INTO A KID'S LIFE AND PUT OUR LAST NAME ON EVERY ONE AS IF THEY WERE OUR OWN SON OR DAUGHTER. IN A CULTURALLY SPECIFIC WORLD THAT'S HOW YOU DO BUSINESS. YOU GO WELL BEYOND WHAT OTHER PROGRAMS DO. TO GIVE YOU A LITTLE BIT OF THE OUTCOME, WE GRADUATE 98% OF OUR KIDS. WE SEND 85% ON TO COLLEGE. POSITIVE CONTRIBUTING CITIZEN TO US IS A KID THAT GRADUATES FROM HIGH SCHOOL, SPENDS A MINIMUM OF TWO YEARS IN A FOUR-YEAR SCHOOL, VOCATIONAL TRAINING OR FAMILY WAGE JOB. WE HAVE A 90% SUCCESS RATIO WITH. THAT OUR ACADEMY AT SEI, ONE OF TWO SCHOOLS IN ALL THE PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS WITH A LEVEL 5 RATING, CONSIDERED A MODEL SCHOOL, ONLY TWO IN ALL OF PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE ACADEMIES.

Commissioner Smith: THAT'S OUR CHARTER SCHOOL?

Mr. Hopson: YES. LAST THING I'LL SAY, IF YOU WANT TO LOOK AT WHAT CULTURALLY SPECIFIC SERVICES CAN DO, JUST GO TO JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL. THOSE OF US THAT'S BEEN AROUND FOR A LONG TIME KNOW JEFFERSON HAS BEEN UNDER SIEGE FOR YEARS. WE HAVE THROWN MONEY, WE HAVE THROWN PROGRAM AFTER PROGRAM AT JEFFERSON BUT NOT UNTIL SEI WAS GIVEN RESOURCES TO DO A WHOLE SCHOOL MODEL HAVE THEY GROWN TO A DEGREE THEY HAVE THIS YEAR WHERE THREE YEARS AGO, FOUR YEARS AGO, WE TOOK A GRADUATION RATE OF 47% AND WE SAID GIVE US FOUR YEARS WE'LL GIVE YOU AN 80% GRADUATION RATE, WE'RE WELL ON OUR WAY TO DOING. THAT WE MAY FALL A LITTLE SHORT OF 80, BUT EVEN IF WE'RE 75 TO GO FROM 47 TO 75 IN FOUR YEARS IS VIRTUALLY UNHEARD OF ANYWHERE IN THIS NATION. THAT'S WHAT CULTURALLY SPECIFIC SERVICES CAN DO. WITH ADDITIONAL RESOURCES WE CAN SCALE THIS UP TO TOUCH MANY, MANY MORE KIDS IN ALL OF OUR RESPECTIVE PROGRAMS THAT WE'RE NOT ABLE TO TOUCH TODAY SIMPLY BASED ON MONEY.

Commissioner Smith: I THINK YOU SAID IT RIGHT THERE. THAT WAS GOING TO BE MY LAST QUESTION. WHAT WOULD WE DO HERE IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY IF WE DIDN'T HAVE LATINO NETWORK OR SELF-ENHANCEMENT, THOSE NUMBERS THAT WE WERE GIVEN EARLIER BY PORTLAND STATE, I CRINGE TO THINK HOW EGREGIOUS, HOW MUCH MORE THOSE NUMBERS WOULD BE. I APPRECIATE YOU ALL STAYING THROUGH THIS LONG BOARD MEETING TODAY. THIS WAS VERY EDUCATIONAL. I KNOW MANY OF US ON THIS BOARD ARE OFTEN ASKED ABOUT QUESTIONS ABOUT SPECIFIC CULTURALLY SPECIFIC PROGRAMS AROUND THE CITY AND WHAT THEY DO. THIS WAS A GREAT EDUCATION. I THINK I KNOW A LITTLE BIT ABOUT ALL OF YOU OUT THERE BUT YOU ALSO GAVE ME SOME MORE INFORMATION TODAY. SO THIS WAS VERY HELPFUL. CHAIR?

Chair Madrigal: I JUST WANT TO THANK ALL OF YOU FOR BEING HERE TODAY. EXPLAINING A LITTLE BIT MORE ABOUT WHAT YOUR ORGANIZATIONS DO. BUT MOSTLY FOR APPLYING THAT EMPOWERMENT, PROVIDING A SPACE FOR OUR FAMILIES TO GO AND FEEL PROUD OF WHERE THEY COME FROM APPRECIATE WHO THEY ARE. THAT THEY HAVE STRENGTHS. I'M SO INSPIRED BY THE SOTOMAYOR EVENT. AND THE VIDEO THEY PLAYED BEFOREHAND AND ONE OF THE WOMEN SAID THAT WHAT MAKES YOU UNIQUE IS WHAT MAKES YOU SUCCESSFUL LATER IN

LIFE. I THINK THAT THAT'S TRUE FOR ALL OF US AND ESPECIALLY TRUE FOR OUR FAMILIES AND OUR COMMUNITIES OF COLOR. SO THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING THAT YOU DO. WE LOOK FORWARD TO HAVING YOU BACK AGAIN.

Chair & Commissioners: THANK YOU.

Presenters: THANK YOU.

BOARD COMMENT

BC.1 Opportunity as time allows, for the Commissioners to provide comment on non-agenda items.

Chair Madrigal: NOW IS THE TIME FOR BOARD COMMENTS ON NONAGENDA ITEMS. DOES ANYONE HAVE AN ITEM TO DISCUSS? I WANT TO BRIEFLY MENTION THAT IF YOU'RE WATCHING ON CABLE ACCESS, WE DO NOW HAVE CLOSED CAPTIONING AVAILABLE FOR THESE MEETINGS AND I THINK WE'RE ALSO WORKING ON GETTING IT ON OUR ONLINE STREAMING. SO THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Madrigal: THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, WE ARE ADJOURNED.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

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