



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST

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Meeting Date: 9/20/16
Agenda Item #: B.2
Est. Start Time: 11:15 am
Date Submitted: 9/14/16 Rev.

Agenda Title: **Informational Board Briefing on Presidential Election Preparations and Voter Education and Outreach Program**

Note: Title should not be more than 2 lines but be sufficient to describe the action requested.

Requested Meeting Date: July 21, 2016 **Time Needed:** 45 minutes
Department: DCS **Division:** Elections
Contact(s): Tim Scott and Catherine McMullen
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Presenter Name(s) & Title(s): Tim Scott – Director of Elections; Catherine McMullen – Voter Education and Outreach Specialist

General Information

- 1. What action are you requesting from the Board?** None – informational only
- 2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.**

Every four years, the presidential election cycle has the highest volume turnout. Over the last two years, the Elections Division has implemented new ballot counting technology and improved processes. These new processes were successfully tested in the May Primary election. This briefing will give an overview of successes and challenges as preparations are made for the November election. This briefing will also share information about the Voter Education and Outreach program launched in December 2015. We will discuss the program's goals, accomplishments and plans for this fiscal year and future elections. We will review the results of the spring voter survey and focus groups. We will discuss the educational resources created to deal with the influx of new voters from the Oregon Motor Voter Act and our preparation for increased access to languages other than English.
- 3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).** None
- 4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.** None
- 5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.**

By the nature of the program, Elections interacts with all registered voters, government jurisdictions within the county and the Secretary of State's office. The outreach program interacts with communities and County residents to register voters and provide educational

opportunities.

Required Signature

Elected Official

Sept. 14, 2016

or Department/

Kim Peoples /s/

Agency Director:

Date:

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