

**Minutes of the Board of Commissioners
Multnomah Building, Commissioners Conference Room 635
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd. Portland, Oregon
Tuesday, March 13, 2012**

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chair Jeff Cogen called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. with Vice-Chair Loretta Smith and Commissioners Deborah Kafoury, Judy Shiprack and Diane McKeel present.

ES.1 The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners will meet in Executive Session Pursuant to ORS 192.660(2) (h). Only representatives of the news media and designated staff are allowed to attend. Representatives of the news media and all other attendees are specifically directed not to disclose information that is the subject of the Executive Session. Final decisions are decided in public Board meetings. Contact: Jenny Morf, Acting County Attorney. Presenter: Susan Dunaway, Assistant County Attorney

Executive Session was held.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:32 a.m.

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BOARD BRIEFINGS

Chair Jeff Cogen called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. with Commissioners Deborah Kafoury, Judy Shiprack and Diane McKeel present and Vice-Chair Loretta Smith excused.

Also attending was Lynda Grow, Board Clerk.

B.1 Informational Board Briefing on the Office of Sustainability. Presenter: Kat West, Director, and John Wasiutynski, Resource Conservation Coordinator - Office of Sustainability.

Chair Cogen welcomed the presenters. Introductions were made by Kat West. She reviewed the last 10 years of the Multnomah County Sustainability Program. She gave the Executive Overview, and reviewed their Mission. She presented the Sustainability Dashboard, touching on the key accomplishments including energy use reductions; increased recycling rate; reduction of paper usage; CROPS farm success growing food on surplus County land and donating food to feed the hungry; the Multnomah Food Action Plan; and, the development and implementation of sustainability policies and goals. She discussed the success of the BUFA Restitution Garden and the milestones that had been achieved.

Chair Cogen and the Commissioners thanked the presenters for attending and participating in this Briefing.

B.2 25 Years of the Gatekeeper Program. Sponsor: Commissioner Shiprack, District 3. Presenters: Lee Girard, Paul Iarrobino & Lynn Schemmer-Valleau – Aging & Disability Services, Multnomah County; Brad Crawford, Bank Manager - US Bank; Jim Cook, President - National Assoc. of Letter Carriers Branch 82; and, Cheri Hansen, Customer Relations - PGE.

Introductions were made by Mr. Iarrobino. He gave a history of the program as a component of Elderlink, which links seniors at risk with health, mental and social services to sustain them at home. Now, 25 years later, this program is still training people as gatekeepers. They learn the warning signs that would signal that elderly members in the community may be struggling and need support or assistance. He provided current data on training, referrals and those referred to Adult Protective Services. He addressed trends and what the program foresees going forward.

The other presenters discussed their roles, the importance of the training, the success they have had in instituting this program, and the referrals that they have made as a result. They responded to Board questions and comments.

Chair Cogen and the Commissioners thanked the presenters for attending and participating in this Briefing.

B.3 Sellwood Bridge Project Update. Presenters: Mr. Ian Cannon, Sellwood Program Manager, DCHS - Multnomah County & Michael Baker, Owner's Representative.

Mr. Cannon updated the Board on the Sellwood Bridge project. He gave a construction job progress report and an overview of next steps pertaining to construction. He went over the Shoo-fly pile installation and land work and the upcoming early work packages including landslide stabilization and condominium deconstruction and alteration. He discussed project funding, percentage of secured funding; and total project estimate. He reviewed the project dashboard highlights including additional state funding secured with the assistance of the Chair and Commissioner Kafoury's offices; design work is on schedule; winter in-water work time was extended to allow for important additional construction work; landslide and condo construction is planned to start this month; preparations are ongoing for GMP pricing; and, the right-of-way is on schedule.

Mr. Baker reviewed the Diversity Dashboard and DMWESB highlights. They responded to Board questions and comments.

Chair Cogen and the Commissioners thanked the presenters for attending and participating in this Briefing.

B.4 Informational Board Briefing on the Southeast Health Clinic Primary Care Clinic Remodel Preliminary Planning and Project Proposal. Presenters: Greg Hockert, Project Manager, FPM & Susan Kirchoff, Director, Health Centers Operations - Multnomah County.

Chair Cogen welcomed everyone for attending. Ms. Kirchoff reviewed the discussions at November's meeting and the steps the Board authorized. This was due to an evaluation which identified Southeast Portland as the most under-served populace in Multnomah County

that lacks health care providers and causes residents to go outside their neighborhoods for care. As a result, many are not getting care. She said the Board authorized an expanded partnership with Central City and moving medical patients there and developing a Dental Clinic. The last component is then moving medical services from the west side to Southeast Clinic by refurbishing the Center.

Ms. Kirchoff said that on Thursday, March 15, the Board will be asked to approve FAC-1 to complete design of SEHC based on concept plan; investigate a new location for Environmental Health; approve \$150,000 for design of the Primary Care Center at SEHC and Administrative Services. She said in April they will return to the Board for approval to relocate Environmental Health, identify funding sources, and execute a lease with the landlord. Project construction approval, including the plan, final budget and funding sources will come to the Board in June. When the new center opens, in approximately a year, it will be able to immediately provide medical, behavioral and pharmacy services. It is hoped to begin with 3,500 clients and expand to 5,000. Based on the new health care reforms, and expansion of the Oregon Health Plan (OHP), there will be 600,000 new Medicaid members by 2014 statewide, so the clinics must be prepared for a larger patient load. It is calculated it will take 50 employees to run this clinic. She added that they will continue homeless outreach at the St. Francis site in Southeast Portland. They will ask for start-up costs and work on contingency plans and talk to key community partners, should they need to do so for funding. She responded to Board questions and comments.

Chair Cogen and the Commissioners thanked the presenters for attending and participating in this Briefing.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:33 a.m.

The minutes reflect the actions of the Board. For more detail, you are welcome to view the presentation material and/or video at:

http://multnomah.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=3

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