

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

**RESOLUTION NO. 00-041**

Directing the Multnomah County Commission to Convene a Courthouse Work Group to Consider Recommendations of the 1995 Multnomah County Courts Task Force

**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Finds:**

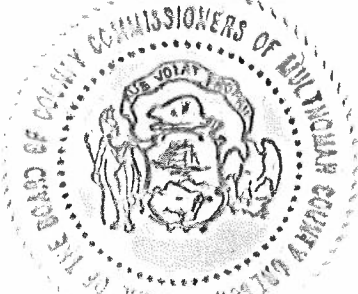
- a. In August 1995 the Board of County Commissioners adopted Resolution 95-174 which included the following goals and objectives recommended by SERA and the FCC in the Strategic Space Plan as guiding principles for future decisions regarding the management, acquisition, lease and disposal of County buildings, properties and facilities:
  1. Improve Critical County Facilities to a 40-Year Useful Life to Improve Functionality of Buildings and Preserve Assets.
  2. Accommodate Current Space Needs to Reduce Current Overcrowding.
  3. Meet Future Space Needs by Acquiring Additional Facilities to Accommodate Projected Growth.
  4. Achieve Operational Efficiencies and Savings by Consolidating Functions.
  5. Provide Well-located, Safe and Efficient Facilities to Provide Quality Customer Service and Increase Employee Productivity.
  6. Incorporate Environmentally Sensitive and Energy Efficient Systems into County Facilities.
  7. Respond to Technological Innovations and Incorporate Technological rather than Spatial Solutions when appropriate.
  8. Pursue innovative arrangements for financing approaches including, but not limited to, public/private partnerships; ground lease of County properties in high value areas; lease-back and lease-back purchase options, land swaps, and intergovernmental cooperation.
- b. Resolution 95-174 also created the Courts Task Force. The charge of the task force was to develop an optimal solution to the space needs of the courts system. Recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners were to be included in the County's 5-Year Capital Improvements Plan for County Facilities.

- d. The Multnomah County Auditor conducted an independent study to evaluate Courthouse usage, operations and future needs of the Courts system. The Auditor's recommendations were outlined in his report, Court Space Needs.
- e. Multnomah County has worked toward implementation of the Strategic Space Plan County wide. To date, there has been no action on the recommendations of the Courts Task Force and the County Auditor.


**The Multnomah County Board of Commissioners Resolves:**

1. That a new Courthouse Task Force be convened to examine recommendations of the previous task force and make new recommendations on future space needs for courts and funding options. The task force should include: Chair, Presiding Judge Jim Ellis; Honorable Sidney A. Galton; District Attorney Michael Schrunk or his representative; Sheriff Dan Noelle or his representative; Elyse Clawson, Director, ACJ, or her representative; Member of the Citizen's Crime Commission; President of the Multnomah Bar Association or Representative; Representative of the Multnomah County Criminal Defense Bar; East County Representative.
2. The Courthouse Task Force will report back to the Board of County Commissioners for further consideration by November, 2000.

ADOPTED this 6th day of April, 2000.




BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
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