

**Minutes for the Board of Commissioners
Multnomah Building, Board Room 100
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd. Portland, OR 97214
Thursday, May 30, 2012**

Budget Work Session #13

Chair Jeff Cogen called the meeting to order at 10:33 a.m. with Vice-Chair Loretta Smith and Commissioners Deborah Kafoury, Judy Shiprack, and Diane McKeel present.

Also present were Jenny M. Morf, County Attorney, and Marina Baker, Assistant Board Clerk.

10:30 am - 12:30 pm BWS-13 Budget Follow-Up & Amendments. Presenter: Karyne Kieta, Budget Director.

Ms. Kieta gave an overview of today's agenda. She summarized actions taken by the Board so far and explained that today they have the opportunity to propose, deliberate and review the Department Program Amendments, Board Amendments, and Budget Notes.

1. Amendments – Board Amendments (proposed to date)

Chair Cogen proposed a friendly amendment to item #10 under Proposed New Expenditures on the Board Amendments worksheet to be unbundled into four separate proposals so that they could be voted on individually. Commissioner Kafoury accepted this amendment to her Board amendment item #10.

Vice-Chair Smith proposed a friendly amendment to item #12 under Proposed New Expenditures on the Board Amendments worksheet to change the original request to restore 1.0 FTE Community Health Nurse for an expenditure of \$130k, to 1.6 FTE Community Health Nurse and increase the expenditure to approximately \$209k. She explained that she and Commissioner Kafoury found out that that a total of 1.6 FTE are being eliminated, not the 1.0 FTE they had originally thought. Commissioner Kafoury accepted this amendment to her Board amendment item #12.

Vice-Chair Smith proposed a new expenditure of \$65,000 to the Department of Community Justice for Employment Transition Services for Gang Members. She explained that this program has been vital in helping young high-risk African American males to reenter the community and build job skills.

Commissioner Kafoury provided updated figures for two proposed amendments she made at a previous Budget Work Session. Under item # 10, Program #25060A is now \$34,400, instead of \$39k, and Program #25136A is now \$39,880, instead of \$50k.

Commissioner McKeel proposed a new budget amendment for 1.0 FTE Drug Impact Area Deputy DA and 1.0 FTE Neighborhood DA with focus on prostitution and sex trafficking, to be reflected in the County budget. These positions are funded by the City of Portland and require no County General Fund dollars.

2. Amendments – Department Amendments (proposed to date)

No changes or additions were made to the Department Amendments proposed to date.

3. Budget Notes

Commissioner Kafoury requested a new Budget Note added that the Board directs the District Attorney's Office to provide a status briefing no later than July 31, 2012 on overall City funding and the impact of the loss of a 0.50 Deputy District Attorney 2 position assigned to the Service Coordination Team program. The Board is concerned that the loss of this position will adversely impact the effectiveness of the Service Coordination Team's efforts to address chronic crime issues and reduce recidivism rates for offenders entering the program.

4. Tax Supervising & Conservation Commission (TSCC) Hearing

Ms. Kieta reminded the Board that the TSCC Public Hearing on the budget approved by the Budget Committee for Multnomah County for FY July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013 will be held in the Board Room today at 1:30 p.m. This will be a public hearing and responses will be given to the questions from the TSCC Commissioners.

5. Next Steps

Ms. Kieta said that the TSCC hearing will conclude the Board's last hearing and tomorrow morning at 9:30 am, the Board will go through the process of adopting the FY 2013 budget.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:47 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:

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