CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS <u>Policy Session Worksheet</u>

Presentation Date: 07/20/21 Approx. Start Time: 1:30pm Approx. Length: 1 hour

Presentation Title: Formation of an Emergency Preparedness Council for Disaster Mitigation

- **Department:** Disaster Management and Public and Government Affairs
- **Presenters:** Daniel Nibouar, Interim Director of Disaster Management Sue Hildick, Director of Public and Government Affairs

WHAT ACTION ARE YOU REQUESTING FROM THE BOARD?

The Board of County Commissioners (BCC) will receive a concept to form a new advisory committee to the County – an Emergency Preparedness Council – that will also be presented for BCC approval.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The County faced historic disasters in the last year, including raging wildfires and a debilitating ice storm. In order to engage our community leaders and the public going forward, Chair Smith proposed the formation of this Council in January 2021. The Board hopes to strengthen community engagement around emergency preparedness. The formation of a new advisory council will create a forum for community input around specific aspects of all hazards disaster planning and response that requires deep partnership with the public.

The purpose and mission of the advisory committee is to create partnership and an information forum for the community and the County to strengthen disaster preparedness and to include the BCC in the process. The Preparedness Council will be in alignment with Disaster Management's Performance Clackamas strategic results, specifically the results relating to Community Zone Planning. It is proposed that the Council will have engagement in that process. The Preparedness Council members will form sub-groups based off of Performance Clackamas envidentified game or ergo of improvement that

Clackamas and after-action reports to address any identified gaps or areas of improvement that require additional community involvement. It is expected that the BCC members will participate/lead those sub-groups.

The group should be comprised of 15 key partners including, but not limited to: community representatives from CPOs, utility partners such as Portland General Electric, local business owners, tourism industry representatives, nonprofit leaders, local city officials and members of the BCC.

This group will meet quarterly and the community members will be appointed by the BCC from a county-wide application process in accordance with existing ABC recruitment and application processes. The sub-groups will meet as needed.

If the BCC supports this concept, the next step is to define the scope of the advisory committee, draft by-laws, recruit members and make appointments.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (current year and ongoing):

Is this item in your current budget? \square YES \square NO

What is the cost? \$ TBC What is the funding source? Convening, support costs, and any unique recruiting costs of the Council will be absorbed by the current Disaster Management budget.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This item aligns with three of the County's Performance Clackamas focus areas:

- 1. Build public trust though good government;
- 2. Build strong infrastructure;
- 3. Ensure safe, healthy, and secure communities

LEGAL/POLICY REQUIREMENTS:

N/A

PUBLIC/GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPATION: The Emergency Preparedness Council will function as part of the ecosystem of 46 other ABC's currently in place in the County. PGA's role is to help settle the scope and mission of this advisory group; expectations of community members; recruitment of community members for service and then to monitor regular good governance requirements for the group such as posting meeting schedules and minutes on line.

OPTIONS:

- 1. Approve Preparedness Council concept.
- 2. Provide direction regarding any revisions to the concept
- 3. Do not approve the Preparedness Council concept

RECOMMENDATION:

1. Approve Preparedness Council concept.

ATTACHMENTS:

• Disaster Response Zone

SUBMITTED BY:

Division Director/Head Approval _____ Department Director/Head Approval __<u>Daniel Nibouar</u> County Administrator Approval _____

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