

CLACKAMAS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Sitting/Acting as (if applicable) Policy Session Worksheet

Presentation Date: 10/04/2016
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Approx Start Time: 1:30 PM **Approx Length:** 30

Presentation Title: Welcome to City of Damascus Signing

Department: DTD – Transportation Safety Program

Presenters: Barb Cartmill, Mike Bezner, Joseph Marek

Other Invitees:

WHAT ACTION ARE YOU REQUESTING FROM THE BOARD?

- 1.) Remove all “WELCOME TO THE CITY OF DAMASCUS” signs that are along public roadways (white background with blue letters)

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The City of Damascus dis-incorporated on July 18, 2016. There are five “WELCOME TO THE CITY OF DAMASCUS” signs along County roadways. There is one “WELCOME TO DAMASCUS” gateway sign located at 20100 Highway 212. This sign is owned and maintained by Damascus Civic Club.

Since the City of Damascus is no longer a legally recognized City, traffic signs indicating the city boundaries are recommended to be removed. The gateway sign is owned and maintained by a separate entity and does not refer to Damascus as a “city”. It is recommended that this sign be allowed to remain, subject to any *County Zoning and Development Ordinance* regulations.

If there is a desire for community signing, the County has a “Hamlets and Villages” program that allows for special identities of certain areas of the County subject to certain requirements. When an area is officially adopted as a “hamlet” or “village” there is a signing policy that allows for community identification signs.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS (current year and ongoing):

Is this item in your current budget? YES NO

Removal of the traffic signs is covered as part of the normal maintenance costs for the
Transportation Maintenance Division – Traffic Maintenance Section

What is the cost? \$500

What is the funding source? Transportation Maintenance Division

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

- How does this item align with your Department’s Strategic Business Plan goals?
 - ***This conforms to the business plan goals for Transportation Maintenance related to roadway signing and removal of signs no longer needed.***
- How does this item align with the County’s Performance Clackamas goals?

- ***Yes – removal of the unneeded signs is consistent with goals for creating a safe and well maintained roadway system.***

LEGAL/POLICY REQUIREMENTS: **None**

PUBLIC/GOVERNMENTAL PARTICIPATION:

OPTIONS:

1. Remove the “WELCOME TO THE CITY OF DAMASCUS” roadway signs
2. Allow the signs to remain for a set period of time.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff respectfully recommends that all “WELCOME TO THE CITY OF DAMASCUS” signs (white background with blue letters) located along any public roadways be removed.

ATTACHMENTS:

SUBMITTED BY:

Division Director/Head Approval _____

Department Director/Head Approval _____

County Administrator Approval _____

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