

Board of County Commissioners Business Meeting Minutes – APPROVED 06/22/2023

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Thursday, June 15, 2023 – 10:00 AM

In person and via virtual technology (Zoom)

PRESENT: Chair Tootie Smith
Commissioner Mark Shull
Commissioner Paul Savas
Commissioner Martha Schrader
Commissioner Ben West

CALL TO ORDER

I. PRESENTATION

A. Metro Regional Supportive Housing Services FY22 Regional Annual Report

Health, Housing, and Human Services Deputy Director Adam Brown introduced Metro staff, including Patricia Rojas, Director of Housing, Liam Frost, Assistant Director of Housing, Nui Bezaire, Supportive Housing Services Manager, Susan Emmons, Co-chair of the Supportive Housing Services Oversight Committee, and Dr Mandrill Taylor, Co-chair of the Supportive Housing Services Oversight Committee, who presented the annual report.

Commissioner West asked about efforts to manage related workforce issues, such as pay equity. Dr Taylor explained Metro's efforts to lobby for legislative fixes and the efforts to build support for employers who may not be appropriately staffed for the monies now available. Chair Smith made comments on work the County is doing to address these issues, including an example offered by Deputy Director Adam Brown.

Commissioner Savas offered comments on the high cost of living and work that is needed to encourage folks to move to the region.

Commissioner Schrader offered comments on the need for childcare and other supports to allow folks to participate in the economy.

Commissioner Shull offered comments on work the County is doing with the Supportive Housing Services funds and the need for additional work around illegal drugs and addiction with regards to housing and homelessness issues.

Commissioner West offered additional comments on the County's leadership in this area, including the recent resolution on recovery-oriented systems of care.

Chair Smith offered comments on the recent survey of homeless individuals in Clackamas County and the trends that we are seeing thanks to these funds and the efforts they're supporting.

Assistant Director Liam Frost made comments in response to the comments offered by commissioners and thanked them for their work on reducing homelessness.

Commissioner Savas asked if the Metro planning body is looking at doing something regionally with the dollars that have been set aside at the Metro level from this ballot measure.

Chair Smith thanked the presenters for their attendance and presentation.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Elected Officials

1. Approval of Previous Business Meeting Minutes – BCC
2. Approval of a Cooperative Law Enforcement Agreement with the United States Forest Service for law enforcement services in the Mt. Hood National Forest. Agreement value is \$70,212 for 1 year. Funding is through the United States Forest Service. No County General Funds are involved. – CCSO

3. Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon State Police for user access to the Automated Biometric Identification Systems. Agreement value is \$62,520 over 5 years. Funding is through budgeted County General Funds. – CCSO
4. Approval of a Goods and Services Contract with Ryder Election Services, LLC for ballot printing services. Total value shall not exceed \$800,000 over four years. Funding through Clerk's Office revenue. No County General Funds are involved. – County Clerk

B. Disaster Management

1. Approval to apply for FY23 State Homeland Security Program Grant. Anticipated grant value is \$605,113.50 for 2 years. Funding through US Department of Homeland Security. No County General Funds are involved.

C. Transportation & Development

1. Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with Hood River County and Wasco County to continue administration of the Mt. Hood Economic Alliance. No fiscal impact. No County General Funds are involved.
2. Approval of a Public Improvement Contract with Eagle-Elsner, Inc. for 242nd & Borges Realignment Project. Total Value is \$254,025.50. Funding through the Damascus Roads Fund. No County General Funds are involved.
3. Approval of a Guaranteed Maximum Price Amendment to a Contract with P&C Construction for construction of Gladstone Library. Amendment value is \$6,978,163, contract value is increased to \$7,342,900. Funding through County ARPA, State ARPA and \$2.4MM in budgeted County General Funds.

D. Health, Housing, & Human Services

1. Approval of Amendment #1 extending the duration of an Intergovernmental Revenue Agreement with the Oregon Department of Transportation for the purchase of Transit Vehicles. Amendment value is 3 years, agreement value is now \$205,000 for 5 years. Funding is through the Federal Transit Administration. No County General Funds are involved.
2. Approval to Apply for a COVID Relief Discretionary Grant through Oregon Department of Transportation Section 5311 Funds for Operations of Mt Hood Express. Grant value is \$260,000 for 2 years. Funding is through the Federal Transit Administration. No County General Funds are involved.
3. Approval of a Motel/Hotel Services Contract and Settlement and Release Agreement with YKC Hospitality, LLC for 10 hotel rooms and up to 15 additional on-call hotel rooms for temporary housing. Contract value is up to \$1,200,625 for one year. Funding is through Supportive Housing Services Measure funds, Federal Emergency Management Agency and other federal funds. No County General Funds are involved.
4. Approval of a Local Subrecipient Grant Agreement with Recovery Works NW LLC for the establishment of a Medically Monitored Withdrawal Management Program. Total Agreement value is \$236,075 for 12 months. Funding through Oregon Health Authority. No County General Funds are involved.
5. Approval of Amendment #1 to increase duration of a Blueprint Grant with Cascade AIDS Project for Senior Nutrition. Amendment value is 3 months, agreement value is now \$108,000 for 15 months. Funding through Federal Older Americans Act Title IIIB. No County General Funds are involved.
6. Approval of Amendment #1 for time and budget changes with Washington County and South Metro Area Regional Transit (SMART) for I-205 / Borland Rd / Bridgeport Village pilot transit service. Amendment value is 6 months, agreement value is now is \$720,000 for 1.67 years. Funding through Statewide Transportation Improvement Funds. No County General Funds are involved.

7. Approval of Amendment #1 expanding the scope of work, extending the term, and increasing the funding to a personal services contract with Up and Over, LLC for mobile and/or site-based outreach & engagement, housing navigation, supportive housing case management and on-call emergency services. Amendment value is \$828,040.09 for 1 year, agreement value is increased to \$1,150,643.09 for 1.6 years. Funding is through Supportive Housing Services Measure Funds. No County General Funds are involved.

Clerk to the Board Tony Mayernik read the consent agenda.

Chair Smith asked if any Commissioner wished to remove any item from the consent agenda. No requests were received.

Commissioner West: "I move that we approve the consent agenda as read." Commissioner Schrader seconded the motion.

Chair Smith asked if there was any further discussion. None was heard.

Clerk called the poll

Commissioner Schrader Aye

Commissioner Savas Aye

Commissioner West Aye

Commissioner Shull Aye

Chair Smith Aye; motion passes 5-0.

Chair Smith recessed as the Board of County Commissioners and convened as the North Clackamas Parks & Recreation District Board of Directors.

III. NORTH CLACKAMAS PARKS & RECREATION DISTRICT CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with Oregon City School District for Development and Ongoing Provision of Park Facilities at the Jennings Lodge Elementary School Property. Fiscal impact is minimum of \$166,784 for planning and design and up to \$2.9M total if future funds are identified for engineering and construction. Funding is through NCPRD Capital Asset Funds. No County General Funds are involved.

Clerk to the Board Tony Mayernik read the consent agenda.

Chair Smith asked if any Director wished to remove any item from the consent agenda. No requests were received.

Director West: "I move that we approve the consent agenda as read." Commissioner Savas seconded the motion.

Chair Smith asked if there was any further discussion. None was heard.

Clerk called the poll

Director West Aye

Director Schrader Aye

Director Shull Aye

Director Savas Aye

Chair Smith Aye; motion passes 5-0.

Chair Smith adjourned as the North Clackamas Parks & Recreation District Board and convened the Water Environment Services Board of Directors.

IV. WATER ENVIRONMENT SERVICES CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of an Amendment to a Contract with Carollo Engineers, Inc for additional scope of work for the Clackamas Area Interceptor Project. Amendment value is \$296,238, contract value is increased to \$4,027,811 for 5.5 years. Funding is through Water Environment Services Sanitary Sewer Construction Fund. No County General Funds are involved.

Clerk to the Board Tony Mayernik read the consent agenda.

Chair Smith asked if any Director wished to remove any item from the consent agenda. No requests were received.

Director Shull: "I move for approval of the Water Environment Services consent agenda." Director Schrader seconded the motion.

Chair Smith asked if there was any further discussion. None was heard.

Clerk called the poll

Director Schrader Aye

Director Shull Aye

Director West Aye

Director Savas Aye

Chair Smith Aye; motion passes 5-0.

Chair Smith adjourned the Water Environment Services Board and reconvened the Board of County Commissioners.

V. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

Chair Smith opened the meeting for public testimony.

Cindy Lou Evans (Beavercreek) – Seeking the Board's support for additional time to move the Carus Schoolhouse

The Board discussed with Ms. Evans what work has been done to this point and asked staff what role and/or jurisdiction the County would have in the matter. Staff indicated that the Board's potential involvement would be limited to contact with the Canby School District leadership advocating for a delay, as the land use actions have been completed at this point and the County doesn't have any standing to request or direct a delay.

Commissioner West: "Chair, I move that the BCC provides a letter to the school board of Canby and the superintendent advocating for additional time to move this school house to the parking lot and then the Evans property." Commissioner Savas seconded the motion.

Chair Smith asked if there was any further discussion. None was heard.

Clerk called the poll

Commissioner Schrader Aye

Commissioner Shull Aye

Commissioner Savas Aye

Commissioner West Aye

Chair Smith Aye; motion passes 5-0.

Stephen Hunter (Wilsonville) – Against Equity and Inclusion Office Budget

Chair Smith closed the meeting for public testimony.

VI. COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATE

County Administrator Gary Schmidt recognized child abuse preventions by County staff and CCOM staff for their efforts in a "stork" delivery.

VII. COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATION

Commissioner West made comments on Measure 110.

Commissioner Schrader made comments on childcare and an award received by the County courthouse project for the transaction that resulted in the construction of the new courthouse.

Commissioner Shull made comments on the upcoming budget hearings, the Gladstone Library, and Father's Day.

Commissioner Savas made comments on the Clackamas County Coordinating Committee Retreat, his trip to Washington, DC with the Metro Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation, and tolling.

Commissioner West made comments on his recent tour of the Clackamas Community College campus and ongoing efforts to reduce homelessness.

Chair Smith made comments on the Supportive Housing Services Tri-County Planning Body, ongoing efforts to reduce homelessness, an upcoming meeting with city mayors, and Father's Day.

Chair Smith adjourned the meeting at 11:42 AM.

June 14, 2023

Clackamas County Chair Smith
Commissioners Schrader, Savas, Shull, West

Dear Commissioners,

I wish to register my comments on the current county budget deliberations and my opposition to the approximately \$800,000 earmarked for diversity, inclusion and equity.

Not having the time to study all 739 pages of the proposed budget as you and the citizens budget board have, I am sure that this line item expense will be used to form a new office with a new supervisor and complementary staff. This will be a replication of existing HR offices and staff, rules and procedures, and a waste of precious resources. This is an expense that Clackamas County and her taxpayers cannot afford, is not needed and will be a forever expense as most government programs seem to be.

Regardless of where we are currently in the financial realm, we will not be here long. We are in a recession*, caused by exorbitant spending during the pandemic years, and the current war in Europe that has already consumed trillions of dollars and soon will be consuming more American lives. The economy is not growing, the GDP has shrunk, fuel prices are high and income is stagnant. In a word this is inflation that all of us must deal with now with our limited funds.

Regardless of how the word game is played, all money is taxpayer money. Local state and federal, it all comes from the consumers pocket. An interesting admission was made recently by HHS Secretary Becerra when being questioned by Representative Kiley, that if states wanted to receive federal dollars they must comply to the whims of the federal government. I know this is true at the state level also. Reject playing the game, don't be intimidated by these thieves. You will gain the respect of myself and many fellow Clackamas County citizens.

In closing I request you strike the DIE program from the budget and use those funds for the rainy day we all know is coming. DIE is not a popular concept with the majority of European Americans, it's even less popular in the Hispanic and Arab communities. Everyone knows it is code for normalizing perverse sexual desires and only a small minority is in favor of spending tax dollars to encourage and support this perversion.

Sincerely

Stephen Hunter

Wilsonville, OR

Tracking the Federal Deficit: May 2023 *

- \$236 billion deficit, *increasing* year-over-year (YOY) by \$170 billion.
 - \$308 billion in revenues, *decreased* YOY by \$81 billion (21%).
 - \$544 billion in outlays, *increased* YOY by \$89 billion (20%).
 - The May 2022 deficit was impacted by unique timing shifts in outlays, if not for which it would have been \$131 billion instead of \$66 billion, resulting in a YOY increase of \$105 billion.*