

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE BOARD SESSION – Regular Session

Wednesday, October 14, 2020  
9:00 a.m.

Senator Hearing Room  
555 Court Street NE  
Salem, OR 97301

**PRESENT:** Commissioner Colm Willis, Commissioner Sam Brentano and Commissioner Kevin Cameron. Also present were Jan Fritz, chief administrative officer, Jane Vetto as county counsel, and Brenda Koenig as recorder.

Commissioner Willis called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**PRESENTATION**

*(Video Time 00:00:47)*

COVID-19 (Novel Coronavirus) update. –Alisa Zoustople

- Ms. Zoustople reported the following updates for the COVID-19 pandemic as of 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 14, 2020:
  - There are currently an estimated 5,320 cases within the county:
    - The estimate includes presumptive and confirmed cases.
  - An estimated 5,070 individuals have tested positive; and
  - An estimated 54,607 individuals have tested negative.
- A recent increase of new positive cases has been traced back to social gatherings;
- Individuals are encouraged to keep indoor social gatherings to a minimum:
  - Limit gatherings to 10 individuals or fewer;
  - Wear face coverings;
  - Wash hands frequently;
  - Practice social distancing standards; and
  - Suggestions for safe gatherings can be located on the county’s website.
- Community partners have been requested to submit applications for COVID-19 programs that would provide culturally responsive services and supports to individuals that speak one of the following languages:
  - American sign language;
  - Spanish;
  - Russian;
  - Chuukese; or
  - Marshallese.

- Award letters have been sent to community based organizations that submitted applications for Phase I of the pandemic:
  - The dollar amounts have not yet been determined; and
  - Phase II is underway.
- Memorandums of Understanding have been submitted for signatures to all organizations contracting with the Oregon Health Authority for the following:
  - Contact tracing; and
  - Social wrap-around services.
- Graphics and tips for safe Halloween celebration practices can be located on the county's website;
- Ms. Zoustople provided the following suggestions for keeping face coverings dry during the fall and winter rains:
  - Wear a rain coat with a hood;
  - Shelter under an umbrella; and
  - Carry a dry replacement mask.
- A new data packet for COVID-19 statistics can be located on the county's website:
  - The data information will be updated every two weeks.

***Board discussion:***

- The county has seen an increase in positive cases for the daily counts; and
- Time is needed to determine where the positive case count increase occurred.

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Commissioner Brentano moved to add an item to the Action Agenda under Public Works: Consider establishing a policy for the temporary reduction in the cost to obtain building and septic permits from Marion County Building Inspection for property owners rebuilding or repairing primary residences damaged or destroyed by wildfires in September 2020. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

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***Board discussion:***

- Commissioner Willis expressed his concerns for item number four on the Action Agenda under the Clerk's Office: Consider approval of a Grant Agreement with the Center for Tech and Civic Life in the amount of \$195,075 to provide planning and an operational safe and secure 2020 election administration retroactive to June 15, 2020, through December 31, 2020:
  - The grant request is to fund ten outdoor ballot boxes;
  - The funding that was received exceeded the amount required for the ten ballot boxes;
  - A private organization will be providing the grant funding;
  - Commissioner Willis would like more clarification regarding the spending of the grant funds; and

- He suggested removing the item from the Action Agenda pending further discussion at a later date.
- Commissioner Cameron expressed that the outdoor ballot boxes conform to the purpose of the grant:
  - There is no outline for the remaining grant funds; and
  - He suggested allowing Mr. Burgess the discretion to determine where the remaining grant funds will be utilized.
- Commissioner Brentano would like to comment after Mr. Burgess presents his summary for the Action item:
  - His preference is to vote during the motion portion of the Action item.
- Commissioner Willis stated he may abstain from voting on Action item number four.

### **CONSENT**

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#### **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

##### **OLCC Applications – Recommended Approval**

Urban Park Concessionaires, Inc. - dba Silver Falls Recreation Company (Site #1); and  
 Urban Park Concessionaires, Inc. - dba Silver Falls Recreation Company (Site #2).

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

Approve the recommendation to uphold pay grades for classification #081, Program Supervisor; #082, Program Coordinator 2; #084, Program Coordinator 1; and adjust upward the pay grade for classification #466, Groundskeeper.

#### **PUBLIC WORKS**

Schedule final consideration to adopt an administrative ordinance for October 21, 2020, granting Zone Change/Comprehensive Plan/Conditional Use (ZC/CP/CU) Case #19-002/ TLM Holdings, LLC.

#### **TAX OFFICE**

Approve an order advancing tax levies to certain small taxing districts pursuant to ORS 311.392 for the year 2020-21.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brentano moved for approval of the consent agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

## ACTION

(Video Time 00:09:49)

### BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

1. Consider approval of a proclamation recognizing the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the incorporation of the City of Jefferson on October 20, 1870. –Michael Myers, City of Jefferson, Mayor

#### ***Summary of presentation:***

- A two hour celebration event recognizing the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the incorporation of the City of Jefferson will entail the following:
  - The event is scheduled for October 17, 2020;
  - The celebration starts at 2:00 p.m. and continues through to 4:00 p.m.;
  - A personal vehicle tour through the city;
  - Stops at predetermined sites; and
  - Cakes and other treats.
- Memorabilia from both past and current events will be placed in a time capsule;
- A weeklong event to celebrate the anniversary is anticipated during the summer of 2021; and
- Mayor Myers invited the commissioners to attend and participate in the celebration.

#### ***Board discussion:***

- The City of Jefferson's history entails some of the following:
  - The city was founded by Jacob Conser;
  - It was named in honor of Thomas Jefferson, a former president of the United States;
  - The community was originally called Syracuse;
  - The City of Syracuse was located near the Santiam River and downstream from its current location;
  - The Santiam River flooded and dislodged a bridge in the City of Syracuse;
  - Mr. Conser and two other families moved north to what is now known as the City of Jefferson;
  - Mr. Conser provided the community with the following:
    - A ferry system with free passage to community members;
    - A mill;
    - A school; and
    - The platting of the City of Jefferson.
  - There were three bridge structures at one point in the city's history; and
  - The city's revenue history includes some of the following:
    - Flax mills;
    - Woolen mills;
    - Mint agriculture; and
    - Mint mills.
- The city hosts an annual mint festival which includes a frog jumping contest;
- Located within the city's limits are some of the following:
  - The Jefferson Historical Society and Museum;
  - The historical Conser House which is currently under renovation; and

- A library completed in the year 2018 that was entirely funded by donations and contributions:
  - No taxpayer dollars were used for the construction of the library.
- Mayor Myers presented the commissioners with the following commemorative items that mark the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary:
  - A pen;
  - A coin; and
  - A document containing the city's history.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Cameron moved to approve a proclamation recognizing the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the incorporation of the City of Jefferson on October 20, 1870. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

The commissioners read the proclamation.

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2. Consider approval of a proclamation declaring October 18-24, 2020, as Hands & Words Are Not For Hurting® Week in Marion County. –Ann Kelly

***Summary of presentation:***

- Ms. Kelly expressed her appreciation to the commissioners for their continued support of the Hands & Words Are Not For Hurting® Project;
- The weeklong event is recognized in the month of October and coincides with the following events:
  - National Domestic Violence Awareness Month; and
  - National Bullying Awareness Prevention Month.
- The purpose of the national annual proclamation is to provide community awareness and promote unity;
- Ms. Kelly expressed her gratitude to the following for helping to implement the project 23 years prior in the Salem-Keizer School District:
  - School principals;
  - Teachers;
  - School counselors; and
  - School staff.
- The project is now recognized globally on the following levels:
  - State;
  - National; and
  - International.
- Ms. Kelly, who is proficient in martial arts, taught self-defense to women and children within the community for an estimated 25 years;
- Ms. Kelly's husband was an emergency room physician who retired from Salem Health Hospital after 34 years of service:
  - Hospital personnel are a part of the frontline care system for individuals who have been:
    - Hurt;

- Abused; or
  - Attempted suicide.
- In 1995 Mr. and Mrs. Kelly along with the Salem Health Medical Education Director held a domestic violence conference for professionals:
  - The conferences continued for an estimated seven years.
- Ms. Kelly stated she wanted to do more to educate children of all ages about violence and to break the cycle of abuse in homes:
  - Bullying in schools and on social media was increasing; and
  - The teen suicide rate was escalating.
- The Purple Hands Pledge was started in 1997:
  - An estimated 20 educators representing the following collected over 11,000 Purple Hands Pledges:
    - Elementary schools;
    - Middle schools; and
    - High schools.
  - Students' hands were traced on purple paper and then signed;
  - The purple hands were displayed at a domestic violence conference;
  - Positive feedback related to the Purple Hands Pledge was immediate;
  - The Purple Hands Pledge movement expanded to the following:
    - All 50 states within the United States; and
    - An estimated 23 countries around the world.
- Ms. Kelly has presented the project to some of the following:
  - Harvard students and staff;
  - The Navajo Nation;
  - Multiple Native American tribes;
  - United States Army soldiers and their families stationed at bases in Germany;
  - United States Navy personnel and their families stationed in Japan; and
  - Military bases located within the United States.
- The Purple Hands Project has expanded to include some of the following:
  - Government agencies;
  - Hospitals;
  - Business communities;
  - Places of worship;
  - Youth organizations;
  - Battered women shelters;
  - Homeless shelters;
  - Batterer treatment programs;
  - Correctional facilities;
  - Daycare facilities; and
  - Birthing centers for parents of newborns.
- The pledge is for individuals of all age groups;
- Ms. Kelly stated the following:
  - Every individual has the moral and legal right to live free of abuse and violence;
  - Every individual is included;
  - Every individual should be treated with dignity and respect;
  - Every individual is valuable and irreplaceable; and

- No individual should be treated better than another individual.
- The following illustrates the meaning of the purple hand:
  - The color purple represents the following:
    - All ethnic races and cultures from around the world:
      - There are no limitations for the following:
        - Color of skin;
        - Age;
        - Race;
        - Gender;
        - Sexual orientation;
        - Religion; or
        - Nationality.
      - The color is used nationally to honor and remember the victims and the survivors of abuse, violence, murder, and suicides;
      - The color is used to represent National Domestic Violence Awareness Prevention Month; and
      - The Purple Heart is awarded to individuals wounded or killed in combat in order to honor their sacrifice and their service to the United States.
    - The red heart located in the palm of the purple hand serves to represent the following:
      - An individual who hurts the following:
        - Themselves; or
        - Another individual.
      - An individual who hurts you with their actions or their words;
      - Words and actions that can hurt an individual's heart; and
      - Words and actions that can damage an individual's spirit.
    - The open palm of the hand represents the following:
      - Nationally it means stop:
        - An individual needs to stop and think before hurting themselves or others with actions or words.
      - Individuals raise their open hand when they take an oath:
        - It represents commitment; and
        - It represents a promise that an individual makes.
- Awareness is increased every time the pledge is recited;
- Ms. Kelly estimated that over one million children and families have recited the pledge;
- Ms. Kelly encouraged families to sit down and communicate when anger is not present:
  - Anger is a feeling;
  - Abuse and violence are choices;
  - Discuss the choices that every family member makes when they are angry or upset;
  - Promise to stop with the following when anger is present:
    - Name calling;
    - Demeaning speech;
    - Hitting;
    - Slapping;
    - Kicking; and
    - Spitting.

- Discuss what individuals will not do with their hands and words when angry;
- Display the Purple Hand and the pledge in prominent locations as a visible and tangible reminder;
- Memorize the 14 word pledge and repeat it often:
  - Reciting the pledge encourages individuals to stop and think before they hurt themselves or others; and
  - It encourages individuals to ask for help if they are victims of abuse or violence.
- Share the pledge with other individuals, communities, businesses, and schools:
  - It is easy to implement;
  - It is an inexpensive tool;
  - It is effective; and
  - It inspires accountability in everyone.

***Board discussion:***

- The commissioners expressed their appreciation to Ms. Kelly for her work and efforts to bring attention to the nationwide issue of violence.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brentano moved to approve a proclamation declaring October 18-24, 2020, as Hands & Words Are Not For Hurting® Week in Marion County. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

The commissioners read the proclamation; and  
The Hands & Words Are Not For Hurting® Pledge was recited.

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DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

3. Consider approval of a proclamation declaring October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Marion County. –Commissioner Kevin Cameron

***Board discussion:***

- Commissioner Cameron expressed the need for domestic violence awareness;
- Contributing factors for a rise in domestic violence cases may include the following:
  - Increased awareness; and
  - The isolation requirements associated with COVID-19.
- The Marion County Sheriff's Office and the Marion County District Attorney's Office have received multiple calls related to domestic violence:
  - There is no tolerance for domestic violence within the county.
- The commissioners declared October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Marion County.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Cameron moved to approve a proclamation declaring October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Marion County. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

The commissioners read the proclamation.

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#### CLERKS OFFICE

4. Consider approval of a Grant Agreement with the Center for Tech and Civic Life in the amount of \$195,075 to provide planning and operational safe and secure 2020 election administration retroactive to June 15, 2020, through December 31, 2020. –Bill Burgess

#### ***Summary of presentation:***

- The Center for Tech and Civic Life issued an invitation to Mr. Burgess to apply for a grant;
- A grant application was submitted in September, 2020;
- Mr. Burgess's original intent was to utilize any awarded funds for drop site improvements;
- A grant in the amount of \$195,075 was awarded to Marion County:
  - The awarded funding exceeded what was originally anticipated.
- The increased funding will be utilized for enhancing the counties voting capabilities with some of the following:
  - Vote-by-mail;
  - Voter pamphlet drop sites;
  - Upgrading 17 vote tally personal computers;
  - Purchasing five additional scanners;
  - Advertising needs; and
  - Possible temporary employment of an individual for social media monitoring.
- The State of Oregon legislature has offered additional funding:
  - The rules related to the funding are still unclear.
- The awarded funding has provided the county with the opportunity to make improvements and upgrades that were not originally in the budget.

#### ***Board discussion:***

- Commissioner Brentano expressed the following:
  - It is not necessary to have drop boxes when postage is an option;
  - Citizens have the opportunity to drop voter pamphlets off at the Marion County Clerk's Office if needed;
  - Drop site funding was originally anticipated to come out of the county's general fund;
  - The general fund has been impacted by unplanned crises in 2020;
  - The Clerk's Office may benefit from the awarded funding; and
  - The terms of the agreement must be followed so that the county is not penalized.

- Commissioner Willis expressed the following:
  - He would like more clarity in writing that describes how the funding will be utilized;
  - A private organization will be awarding the funding;
  - It is important for voters to have confidence in the election system;
  - The awarded funding needs to be utilized in a way that will not interfere with the county's election process; and
  - He stated his intent to abstain from voting on the grant agreement.
- Commissioner Cameron conveyed the following:
  - There are specific requirements for utilizing the funding;
  - If the utilization requirements are not met, then the funding must be returned to the Center for Tech and Civic Life;
  - The grant requires recording how the awarded funds will be applied;
  - A public record will be available that lists how the funds were appropriated; and
  - Commissioner Cameron requested a cost breakdown for each item.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brentano moved to approve a Grant Agreement with the Center for Tech and Civic Life in the amount of \$195,075 to provide planning and operational safe and secure 2020 election administration retroactive to June 15, 2020, through December 31, 2020. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion passed 2-1 with Commissioner Willis abstaining from the vote.

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#### INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

5. Consider approval of the Contract for Services with OnPlan Consulting, LLC in the amount of \$456,488 to provide project management for the Oracle eBusiness Suite Upgrade Project through December 31, 2021. –Scott Emry

#### ***Summary of presentation:***

- The Information Technology (IT) Department is seeking an upgrade to the current Oracle eBusiness Suite software applications;
- The software suite supports the work flows related to the following:
  - Accounting;
  - Human resources;
  - Payroll; and
  - Purchasing.
- Vendor support for the current suite expires in December of 2021:
  - Critical security and system updates will not be available once the vendor support ends.
- The upgrade process is anticipated to occur in two sequential phases:
  - Underlying databases will be upgraded during the first phase; and
  - The business applications will occur in the second phase.
- The IT Department went through a competitive bid process;

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- An estimated fifteen proposals were received;
- OnPlan Consulting, LLC. was awarded the contract based on the best value analysis for the following:
  - Qualifications;
  - Planning; and
  - Project expense.
- The contract total is for a not to exceed amount of \$456,488.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Cameron moved to approve the Contract for Services with OnPlan Consulting, LLC in the amount of \$456,488 to provide project management for the Oracle eBusiness Suite Upgrade Project through December 31, 2021. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

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6. Consider approval of the Purchase Order Contract with Northside Electric in the amount of \$450,327 to provide low voltage wiring replacement and upgrade at the Marion County Jail through June 30, 2021. –Scott Emry

***Summary of presentation:***

- The Marion County Jail facility utilizes the following to support critical operations:
  - Low voltage analog cabling; and
  - Digital wiring.
- The low voltage wiring does not meet the challenges of modern equipment:
  - It is outdated; and
  - It is incompatible with high bandwidth demands.
- The project will entail replacing the existing wiring with current standard, higher digital wiring in order to support the following:
  - A surveillance video upgrade;
  - A door control replacement;
  - A digital radio network; and
  - Network firewall upgrades.
- The contract covers the following:
  - Labor;
  - Materials;
  - Removal of the old wiring; and
  - Installation of the new wiring.
- The contract total is for a not to exceed amount of \$450,327.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brentano moved to approve the Purchase Order Contract with Northside Electric in the amount of \$450,327 to provide low voltage wiring replacement and upgrade at the Marion County Jail through June 30, 2021. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

*(Video Time 01:09:46)*

#### LEGAL COUNSEL

7. Consider approval of a resolution declaring a State of Emergency due to health hazards caused by the Lionshead and the Beachie Creek wildfire. –Jane Vetto

##### ***Summary of presentation:***

- The resolution declares a state of emergency due to health hazard concerns resulting from the Lionshead and the Beachie Creek wildfires;
- The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) would like to start the hazardous waste cleanup in the areas affected by the wildfires;
- FEMA requires that the Board of Commissioners take action and declare an emergency before starting the cleanup process;
- FEMA requires submission of the following documents before phase I of the cleanup process is implemented:
  - An approved resolution from the board; and
  - Right-of-entry forms from property owners.

##### ***Board discussion:***

- The county has declared two state of emergencies related to the following in 2020:
  - COVID-19; and
  - Forest fires.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Cameron moved to approve a resolution declaring a State of Emergency due to health hazards caused by the Lionshead and Beachie Creek wildfire. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

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#### PUBLIC WORKS

8. Consider adopting an administrative ordinance granting Legislative Amendment (LA) Case #20-002/Amending the Aurora-Donald Interchange Area Management Plan (IAMP) and conforming amendments. –Brandon Reich

##### ***Summary of presentation:***

- The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) prepared an Interchange Area Management Plan (IAMP) in order to address the following for the Aurora-Donald interchange located off of Interstate 5 (I-5):

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- Safety concerns; and
- Interchange improvements.
- ODOT submitted the plan as an amendment to the Marion County Rural Transportation System Plan (RTSP) for the board to consider adopting;
- On August 26, 2020, the board approved an order authorizing the following:
  - Initiating the consideration to adopt the Aurora-Donald IAMP into the county's RTSP; and
  - Scheduling a public hearing.
- A public hearing was held on September 30, 2020:
  - Testimony during the hearing was received and reviewed;
  - The public hearing record was closed;
  - Adoption of the IAMP was approved; and
  - Staff was directed to return with an ordinance reflecting the board's decision.
- On October 7, 2020, the board scheduled formal adoption of the ordinance for October 14, 2020;
- Staff recommends the board adopt the ordinance as provided:
  - Approval of the ordinance adopts the following:
    - The Aurora-Donald IAMP into the Marion County RTSP; and
    - Conforming amendments.

***Board discussion:***

- ODOT's proposal implements interchange improvements in two phases:
  - The following changes will occur during the two phase project:
    - Traffic approaches to the intersection;
    - Improvements to bridges that extend over the intersection;
    - Some roadways may be relocated;
    - Additional roadways may be constructed;
    - Travel lanes will be added; and
    - Access to properties in the area may be altered.
- It is anticipated that traffic flow will significantly improve upon completion of the two phases;
- ODOT has performed extensive outreach related to the changes:
  - Benefits resulting from the interchange improvements were outlined during the outreach process.
- The county applied for two federal grants in an effort to reduce expense and shorten the production time frame from two phases down to one phase:
  - Grant efforts for the project were denied.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brentano moved to adopt an administrative ordinance granting Legislative Amendment (LA) Case #20-002/Amending the Aurora-Donald Interchange Area Management Plan (IAMP) and conforming amendments. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

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9. Consider approval of an order establishing a policy for the temporary reduction in the cost to obtain building and septic permits from Marion County Building Inspection for property owners rebuilding or repairing primary residences damaged or destroyed by wildfires in September, 2020. –Brandon Reich (**Revised 10/14/2020 – Motion made and approved to add item to the Board Session Agenda**)

**Summary of presentation:**

- The purpose of the order is to provide financial relief in the form of a fee waiver to individuals with primary dwellings in the wildfire area:
  - The county's fees associated with the Building Inspection Division's building and septic permits would be waived for primary dwellings.
- Related fees collected by cities and other entities are not part of the county's fee waiver:
  - Marion County only has authority to waive county fees;
  - Fees collected by cities and other entities may still apply; and
  - It will be up to the cities and other entities to make decisions related to their own fees.
- The fee waiver for each primary residence is estimated to be \$2,000:
  - The estimate is based off of a 1,500 square foot home with a garage; and
  - The waiver applies to the following:
    - The first dwelling permit; and
    - The first septic permit which could potentially be applied to the following:
      - A structural dwelling; or
      - A recreational vehicle located on the property that requires temporary septic services.
- It is a benefit to property owners to determine early if the property's septic system is still functioning correctly;
- The fee waiver begins on September 8, 2020:
  - Refunds may be available for property owners that applied prior to September 8, 2020; and
  - The fee waiver period is in effect for five years.
- Marion County Public Works encourages property owners to flag their septic systems:
  - Heavy equipment driving over a septic system could potentially damage the system; and
  - Individuals should stay away from the septic system until it can be inspected.

**Board discussion:**

- The fee waiver is for primary residences only;
- The county's fee waiver is a contribution to assist property owners and encourage rebuilding;
- At a Detroit City Council meeting, residents with secondary homes damaged or destroyed by the wildfires expressed their concerns for being excluded from the fee waiver option;

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- It is estimated that the county will potentially lose approximately \$1.2 million in revenue by offering the fee waivers to residents with primary homes in the wildfire area:
  - The county's revenue loss would increase if secondary homes were included in the fee waivers:
    - An estimated 800 homes were damaged or destroyed by the wildfires:
      - It is estimated that 470 out of the 800 homes are primary homes; and
      - An estimated 330 out of the 800 homes are secondary homes.
- The Marion County Building Department's revenue is based off of collected fees:
  - The county does not want to discharge employees due to revenue loss;
  - Employees are needed to process permits, perform inspections, and other essential tasks; and
  - Revenue is needed in order to continue providing services.
- The wildfires have had a larger destructive impact on Marion County verses the neighboring counties:
  - Marion County's needs following the wildfires may be higher than neighboring counties.
- Resources may be available to property owners impacted by the wildfires through some of the following:
  - Small Business Administration(SBA) loans; and
  - FEMA.
- Marion County has limited resources:
  - County employees rely on the revenue provided by their jobs;
  - Employees are needed to process permits and provide services; and
  - Potentially discharging employees due to a loss in revenue may prolong the permitting process.
- The county only has the authority to waive fees associated with Marion County:
  - Property owners will still need to pay the fees charged from the following:
    - The state of Oregon;
    - Cities; and
    - Other entities not governed by Marion County.
- The fee waiver will be based on the size of the structure that was damaged or destroyed and not on the structure size that may be potentially rebuilt;
  - The fee will be prorated if a property owner determines they want a larger structure; and
  - Property owners will be required to pay anything that exceeds the amount of the original permit fees.
- The commissioners expressed their support for the victims of the wildfires; and
- They encouraged residents to rebuild their homes and their lives.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Cameron moved to approve an order establishing a policy for the temporary reduction in the cost to obtain building and septic permits from Marion County Building Inspection for property owners rebuilding or repairing primary residences damaged or destroyed by wildfires in September, 2020. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

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### SHERIFF'S OFFICE

10. Consider approval of Amendment #2 to the incoming funds Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon State Hospital to add \$813,310.21 for a new contract total of \$2,420,000 for the Sheriff's Office to provide on-call and emergent medical transport services for Oregon State Hospital Guilty Except for Insanity (GEI) clients. –Commander Eric Hlad

#### ***Summary of presentation:***

- The term date for Amendment #2 is through June 30, 2021;
- The Marion County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) will provide medical transport in conjunction with staff members from the Oregon State Hospital (OSH) for GEI patients;
- GEI patients are required to wear restraints when attending appointments outside of the OSH;
- The contract provides for the following:
  - Two full time deputies:
    - The deputies are also assigned to the State of Oregon Judicial Security Unit:
      - The deputies will provide services at the Marion County Courthouse when OSH GEI patients do not require transport.
  - Two on-call deputies;
  - Personnel cost;
  - Material and supply expense;
  - Two MCSO vehicles; and
  - One Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) rated transport van.
- A rise in medical appointments scheduled by the OHA has necessitated the \$813,310.21 amendment increase to the incoming funds IGA:
  - The impacts from COVID-19 have required rescheduling prior daily medical appointments to a future date that may have already had prescheduled medical appointments; and
  - A rise in lengthy hospital visits requiring 24 hour care for multiple days has also been a factor for the incoming funds IGA increase.

#### ***Board discussion:***

- A MCSO Deputy provides security alongside an OSH employee for GEI patients requiring 24 hour care for multiple days.

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**MOTION:** Commissioner Brentano moved to approve Amendment #2 to the incoming funds Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon State Hospital to add \$813,310.21 for a new contract total of \$2,420,000 for the Sheriff's Office to provide on-call and emergent medical transport services for Oregon State Hospital Guilty Except for Insanity (GEI) clients. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**  
9:30 A.M.

None.

Commissioner Willis read the calendar;  
Commissioner Willis adjourned the meeting at 10:34 a.m.

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