



Management Update Minutes

OREGON

Tuesday, January 24, 2023, 9:30 a.m.

Courthouse Square, 555 Court St. NE, Salem
5th Floor, Suite 5231, Commissioners Boardroom

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners Kevin Cameron, Danielle Bethell, and Colm Willis, Jan Fritz, Matt Lawyer, Shawnnell Fuentes, Carl Lund, Jessica Stanton, Kelli Weese, Chris Eppley, Lari Rupp, Lani Radtke, Max Hepburn, Brian May, Renata Wakeley, Jane Vetto, and Chad Ball.

Jan Fritz called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

INFORMATIONAL:

Legislative Update

-Jessica Stanton

Summary of presentation:

- The Board was given a copy of the final draft of the federal agenda, and a list of the bills being tracked.

Potential Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Woodburn regarding Butteville Road Jurisdictional Transfer

-Max Hepburn, Lani Radtke

Summary of presentation:

- Two options have been drafted that meet the needs that both the city and the county have expressed; and
- Staff recommends option A as it reduces the county's liability and maintenance responsibilities.

Board discussion:

- The City of Woodburn also supports option A;
- Commissioner Willis would like the realignment of LeBrun Road to be completed before the county gives up control; and
- The Commissioners and staff need to discuss this issue in detail at another time.

Santiam Rail Trail Budget Match Authorization

-Chris Eppley, Kelli Weese, Carl Lund, Lari Rupp

Summary of presentation:

- The goal of the Santiam Rail Trail is to construct a 4.5 mile paved bike trail in the North Santiam Canyon;
- Staff is looking for direction on the following three items:

- Authorization to take the next step and apply for grant funding through the Oregon Department of Transportation's Community Paths program;
- Authorization to use local funds for the grant match; and
- Review and choose a preferred alternative for the trail design.
- One of the proposed bridges and the location of the path have been redesigned to reduce costs; and
- The lowest estimate that staff was able to develop is \$6,970,000.

Board discussion:

- The wildfire recovery property tax refund reserve can be used for the match;
- Road Fund dollars cannot be used for the match;
- The Commissioners are not concerned with redesigning the path, but they do want a different funding source for the match;
- Due to the uncertainty of final grant amounts staff does not know exactly what match will be required, and which trail design the county will be able to fund;
- Mill City is anticipating that they will replace one of the bridges that was included in the original design as it was burned during the wildfires:
 - This reduces the scope and cost of the total project; and
 - There is a possibility that these costs may be able to go towards the county match.
- The Commissioners want to explore funding alternatives for the match.

Preliminary Guidance on Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Economic Development Program Budget

-Kelli Weese

Summary of presentation:

- There are four program areas:
 - Administration;
 - Lottery distribution;
 - Business and workforce; and
 - Infrastructure and economic investments.
- Staff is looking for guidance from the Board on the changes that they would like to see in the Economic Development budget for the upcoming year.

Board discussion:

- The housing inventory project has been combined with the buildable land inventory, housing needs analysis, and economic opportunity analysis;
- Since economic development dollars can be used for education Commissioner Willis would like to explore supporting after school or other educational activities; and
- The next Economic Development work session will be focused on the upcoming budget.

Communication Update

-Jon Heynen

Summary of presentation:

- Researched the type of reports that GovDelivery could provide to summarize the topics of the emails the county receives from the public:
 - GovDelivery can provide a count by category; and
 - All departments may not be comfortable with using GovDelivery:
 - Mr. Heynen is planning on meeting with the District Attorney's Office and the Sheriff's Office to hear what their objections are.
- Would like to recommend that the Board's Office use a social media monitoring and reporting tool:
 - Public Works currently uses the tool being considered, so additional licenses could easily be added;
 - One license is \$150 per month, or \$1428 annually; and
 - The tool aggregates data across all platforms.
- The Commissioners will receive a packet for review this week with *Marion County Today* content.

Board discussion:

- Commissioner Bethell does not think that the Commissioners need to be included in the discussions of why a department does not want to use GovDelivery, but she would like all department heads included;
- The Commissioners agreed with using the social media monitoring and reporting tool if all departments participate;
- The Commissioners would like to include an article on Covanta in the next issue of *Marion County Today*; and
- *The Canyon Weekly* inquired about the status of Scotts Mills Dam.

OHCS Wildfire Funding Update

-Commissioner Danielle Bethell

Summary of presentation:

- Last week there was a meeting with Andrea Bell, the director of Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS):
 - Ms. Vetto reviewed the lottery dollars intergovernmental agreement (IGA):
 - It is a priority of OHCS to get the county the IGA; and
 - The county may receive approximately \$12.7 million, but the amount has changed several times.
 - OHCS has to allocate the dollars by June 30, 2023, or they have to get an extension from the legislature.
- The tiny home interim housing project has been cancelled so that the funds can go towards permanent housing;
- 44 percent of the remaining case managed households are above the 80 percent area median income (AMI) threshold, so they are not eligible for Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) funds:
 - The majority of these households own their own land.
- Rental housing for wildfire victims is another challenge that needs to be solved.

Meeting adjourned at 11:33 a.m.

COMPLETED BY: **Betsy Orr**
Reviewed by: Shawnnell Fuentes