

**Lane County Budget Committee**  
**Thursday, May 13, 2021**  
2:00pm – Virtual Meeting

Budget Committee members present: Chair, Herb Vloedman, citizen members: Chris Hazen, Dawn Lesley, Chris Pryor, Bruce Webber and Lane County Commissioners: Joe Berney, Jay Bozievich, Heather Buch, Pat Farr and Laurie Trieger

Staff Present: Lane County Administrator, Steve Mokrohisky, Budget and Financial Planning Manager, Christine Moody, Budget Staff, Jill Allen, Tawnya Ellis, Joe Szelesta

Presenting were:

City Counsel: Steve Dingle, Chief Counsel

For Budget Committee Purpose & Process, Budget & Financial Planning Manager, Christine Moody

**I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Chair Vloedman called the meeting to order at 2:03pm.

**II. COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

Minutes for May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 will be held until the end of the meeting.

**III. COUNTY COUNSEL**

Steve Dingle, Chief Counsel, presented the following slides and discussions:

- County Counsel department overview.
- FY 21-22 resources noting the indirect plan is the sole revenue source.
- FY 21-22 expenditures.
- COVID-19 and Holiday Farm Fire Impacts noting the departments work load to be redirected to providing legal advice regarding emergencies and planning and contracts.
- Legal Services division overview. 12 FTE with FY 21-22 resources \$1,874,902 and expenses \$2,170,835.
- FY 20-21 highlights.
- Future Challenges & Opportunities noting succession planning.
- Mr. Dingle shared how County Counsel fulfills the Lane County Strategic Plan noting Performance Measures can be found on page 153 of the Proposed Budget document.

QUESTIONS were opened for County Counsel.

Chris Hazen asked if Workers Compensation is a significant issue for Lane County. Mr. Dingle shared this year has been a challenge in regards to administrative rule changes and the goal is to get employees back to work as there is incentive in doing so.

**IV. BUDGET COMMITTEE PURPOSE & PROCESS**

Christine Moody, Budget and Financial Planning Manager, presented the following slides and discussions:

- Overall budget process.
- Budget Committee State Law noting Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 294.414.
- Budget Committee meeting requirements noting ORS 294.426.
- Budget Committee Hearings noting ORS 294.428.
- Lane County Budget Committee County policy noting Lane Manual 3.565.
- Budget Phases.
- Budget Cycle.
- Budget Committee job description/purpose noting Oregon Department of Revenue outline.
- Lane County Budget Committee process noting what is required by ORS.
- Lane County Budget Committee question & answer process noting ORS 294.428 and Lane County's 15 minute rule.

Discussions were held in regards to the Lane County Budget Committee process. The committee determined to schedule a work session for process improvement recommendations.

#### **V. COMMITTEE BUSINESS / PRE-DELIVERATION DISCUSSION**

Revisions for the May 6, 2021 Minutes were discussed. Commissioner Buch moved approval for May 6<sup>th</sup> minutes as amended with a 2<sup>nd</sup> from Chris Pryor, the motion passes unanimously.

Christine Moody presented a historical budget committee deliberation process. Ms. Moody requested individual budget committee proposals be turned in to her by 5:00pm on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

Discussions were held on the Motions to Approve for FY 21-22 budget in regards to Tax Rates, Transient Room Tax and Approval of entire budget.

Next meeting is 5:30pm on Thursday May 20<sup>th</sup>.

#### **VI. ADJOURN**

Committee Chair Vloedman adjourned the meeting at 4:13pm.

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