T. Leadership

TO: Board of County Commissioners

DEPARTMENT: County Administration

PRESENTED BY: Tony Bieda

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: Leadership Forum

DATE: September 14, 2004

Each candidate will have three minutes to make opening comments, followed by seven minutes for dialogue (Q&A) with the Commissioners. The segments will be timed, in order to give each candidate fair and equitable opportunity.

SCHEDULE: (Based on RSVPs 9.8.04)

9:00	House District 9	Arnie Roblan Susan Massey	9:00 - 9:10 9:10 - 9:20
9:20	House District 11	Michael Spasaro Phil Barnhart	9:20 - 9:30 9:30 - 9:40
9:40	House District 13	Gary Pierpoint Bob Ackerman	9:40 - 9:50 9:50 - 10:00
10:00	House District 14	Bev Ficek Debi Farr	10:00 - 10:10 10:10 - 10:20
10:20	House District 7	Bruce Hanna Shirley Cairns	10:20 - 10:40 10:40 - 10:50
10:50	House District 8	Paul Holvey	10:50 - 11:00
11:00	House District 10	Jean Cowan	11:00 - 11:10
11:10	Senate District 5	Joanne Verger Al Pearn	11:10 - 11:20 11:20 - 11:40

TOPICS:

- 1. What are the primary needs of Lane County's citizens and communities that must be addressed by the legislature during the next two years?
- 2. How would you stabilize or expand the capacity of the state general fund to pay for those programs/services/investments? Are there strategies (revenue options, cost controls, prioritization) you would pursue that you believe have NOT yet been fully explored, anticipating that the state general fund will fall at least \$500 million short of funding existing programs and services at continuing service level in the '05-'07 biennium?
- 3. What do you believe are **the primary drivers of cost** in delivering government services at the state and local level? How would you propose to contain/control/mitigate some of those cost drivers?
- 4. Which programs and services (notwithstanding public education and state transportation) do you believe should be **delivered in conjunction with, or primarily by, local government?**
- 5. How would you determine **the appropriate level of support** that the state should provide for those programs and services delivered at the county level? What kind of requirements/restrictions would you attach to those resources?