

LANE COUNTY BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, May 10, 2018

2:00 p.m.

Board of Commissioner's Conference Room

Chair Denis Hijmans presided with Budget Committee members present: Commissioner Gary Williams, Larry Abel, Commissioner Sid Leiken, Vice-Chair Herb Vloedman, Commissioner Jay Bozievich, Commissioner Pat Farr, Dale Stoneburg and Commissioner Pete Sorenson

Financial Management Overview: Christine Moody, Robert Tintle, Greg Rikhoff, Steve Mokrohisky

Policy Lab: Greg Rikhoff, Rich Margerum and Ben Clarke from the University of Oregon School of Planning Public Policy and Management (PPPM)

Housing Improvement Plan: Steve Mokrohisky, Karen Gaffney and Steve Manela. Also present: Lynise Kjolberg, Andrea Muzikant

Road Fund Projects & Reserve: Dan Hurley and Tanya Heaton, Orin Schumacher, Peggy Keppler. Also present, Sheriff Trapp, Chief Deputy Cliff Harrold, Debby Haller.

General Fund Reserve: Steve Mokrohisky, Christine Moody

I. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Chair Hijmans calls the meeting to order.

Minutes from May 3rd meeting are approved, all in favor, none opposed.

II. FY 18-19 INITIATIVES

Ms. Moody, Mr. Tintle, & Mr. Mokrohisky present the following slides and discussions on Financial Management at Lane County:

1. Housing Incentive Program

- The Team: Description of staff and their titles/responsibilities
- Partnerships & Guidance, Rules & Law
- Financial Cycle
- Financial Services Reports
- Financial Highlights
- Becoming Resilient
- Looking Forward: Lane County Strategic Plan: Safe, Healthy County, Vibrant Communities, Robust Infrastructure, Our People and Partnerships

2. PERS Side Account

- PERS Side Account Proposal
- PERS System Information

- PERS System Funding Status
- Lane County's Funding Status
- Employer Incentive Fund
- Side Account
- Side Account Source of Funds

Herb Vlodeman asks what the total unfunded liability is for PERS.
Ms. Moody answers that it is \$210.7 million.

Commissioner Sorenson states that he thinks PERS has been very conservative about what their liability is going to be. He asks Ms. Moody if she agrees. Ms. Moody states that they are talking about two different scenarios, short and long term. It is also discussed that this plan is proposed to begin next year, not this year.

Greg Rikhoff, Rich Margerum and Ben Clarke from the University of Oregon School of Planning Public Policy and Management (PPPM) present the third part of FY Initiatives:

3. Other Budget Initiatives

- PPPM Organization Tree
- Faculty Expertise
- Current & Identified Projects
- PPPM's Investment & Interest in the Policy Lab

Commissioner Sorensen asks the team if they have studied other similar models. They have, and have learned from them, however emulating those models wouldn't necessarily be helpful for what they are trying to do here. A current project is underway and they will have results soon.

III. BUDGET COMMITTEE DELIBERATION

Housing Improvement Plan: Steve Mokrohisky, Karen Gaffney, and Steve Manela present the following slides:

- Housing Crisis in Lane County
- Frequent User System Engagement (FUSE)
- Housing Improvement Plan
- Source of \$2 million investment

Road Fund Projects & Reserve: Dan Hurley and Tanya Heaton present the following slides:

- Road Fund: Secure Rural Schools (SRS) Reserve Policy
- Road Fund Reserve
- Road Fund Risk Analysis
- Road Fund Reserve Policy
- Road Fund Reserve Matrix
- Oregon House Bill 2017
- Oregon Highway Fund Payments
- Secure Rural Schools

- Road Fund Investment Plan

Commissioner Bozievich asks that if their budget was to be reduced by about a third, and they have to stretch as far as six years out, what kind of impact that might have. Mr. Hurley answers that they can always cut and push projects out, even though some have already been pushed and they are anxious to complete them. Ms. Keppler also answers that certain problems need to be addressed sooner than others in order to save a larger expense in the long run.

Commissioner Farr asks how easy it will be fill the previously discussed new police positions. Sheriff Trapp answers that they use a reassignment list, and once they are transferred into the division, it is eleven months before they are on patrol. Currently, they are looking to fill seven positions.

General Fund: Christine Moody and Steve Mokrohisky present the following slides:

- General Fund Reserve History
- Revised General Fund Reserve
- Secure Rural Schools

The committee receives a handout on the budget deliberation process.

Chair Hijmans asks if the committee is still open to deliberation of a transfer from the Roads Fund Project to the Sheriff's Department for additional deputies. Has five in favor, therefore reconfirming that it is a viable discussion.

Chair Hijmans adjourns the meeting.