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AGENDA COVER MEMORANDUM

Agenda Date: April 27, 2011

TO: Board of Commissioners

DEPARTMENT: Department of Management Services

PRESENTED BY: Cheryl Betschart, County Clerk
Department of Management Services

AGENDA ITEM TITLE:

REPORT BACK - DISCUSSION/PROCESS TO REVIEW
POPULATION DENSITIES OF EACH COMMISSIONER DISTRICT
AND MODIFY BOUNDARIES WHERE NECESSARY

I. DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

How should the Board of Commissioners comply with review of commissioner district boundaries required every 10 years?

A task force will be appointed to review the population densities of each commissioner district and modify boundaries where necessary (see appointment recommendations in the consent calendar).

Second, is to review options for analyzing the census data and redrawing the district lines to efficiently review the impact of those changes and determine an agreed upon boundary. The process in which the review should occur needs to be determined by the BCC.

II. OPTIONS/FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

1. To utilize Lane Council of Governments for the redistricting process as they provided in 1981, 1991, and 2001. This would include interactive sessions (Arc View) with the redistricting task force to view results as boundaries are altered in the development of scenarios and maps for the BCC's final boundary decision. Cost would be \$3,100-4100 for the preparation of scenarios, tables, and maps. Cost for reprecincting would be \$3520.
2. To purchase the web based application from Moonshadow Mobile. The application could be independently utilized by the redistricting task force when considering boundary changes. Cost to purchase the application is \$5,000. Additional costs for generation of scenarios, maps, tables, and support throughout the process could be \$3,500-?

IV. RECOMMENDATION

1. That an intergovernmental agreement be signed with Lane Council of Governments (LCOG) for the commissioner redistricting and reprecincting process.
2. That LCOG begin work in July 2011.

3. That LCOG consider final legislative boundary changes in its recommendation.
4. That LCOG consider final City of Eugene Ward boundary changes in its recommendation.
5. That the proposal for data analysis from LCOG be reviewed by staff and recommendations be submitted to the BCC.
6. That LCOG complete its work with sufficient time allotted to present their recommendation to the Board and for the Board to adopt the final district boundaries no later than the date required by Lane County Charter.

III. **FOLLOW-UP**

As the Board may determine.

IV. **ATTACHMENTS**