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AGENDA DATE:

February 26, 2003

TO:

LANE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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LANE COUNTY OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

PRESENTED BY:

Teresa J. Wilson, County Counsel

AGENDA ITEM TITLE:

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF LANE MANUAL

TO INCREASE FEES FOR LANE MANUAL AND LANE CODE

SUBSCRIPTIONS (LM 2.050, 2.090)

I. MOTION: I move to approve the order updating Lane Manual sections 2.050 and 2.090.

II. ISSUE OR PROBLEM: Lane Manual currently contains fees pertaining to the sale of volumes of the Lane Manual and the Lane Code as well as yearly updates. These fees were last set in 1993 and have not been updated since that time.

III. **DISCUSSION:** It has been 10 years since the fees for purchasing new volumes of Lane Manual and Lane Code and for purchasing the annual updates were last revised. The costs associated with updating, indexing, printing, and distributing the initial publication and the updates as well as associated personnel costs have continued to increase during that time.

In early 2000, at the direction of the Board of Commissioners, County Counsel began investigating the procedures to publish the Manual and Code on the County's internet and intranet. In March 2002, Lane Manual chapters 4 and 21, and Lane Code chapters 1,2,4 and 6 were published on the County Counsel website. By September, the entire Lane Manual and all but two chapters of Lane Code were available on-line. Staff anticipates having the remaining two chapters of Lane Code on-line by the end of June, 2003. Despite the availability of the Manual and Code on-line, there remain some subscribers who would prefer purchasing paper copies of these publications. This means we now maintain two systems with attendant increased cost implications.

The proposed fees represent an average increase of approximately 15% to help offset the additional costs incurred in continuing the availability of the paper versions of the Lane Manual and Lane Code. We have seen a decrease in revenue as more users prefer the on-line versions, but as they have not yet been completed we are unable to determine a solid estimate of how many subscribers of the paper versions there will continue to be. We anticipate this will become more clear in the next year.

Lane Code Initial Purchase* Lane Code Annual Updates	Current \$135 \$75	Proposed \$150 \$85	
Lane Manual Initial Purchase*	\$75	\$90	
Lane Manual Annual Updates	\$65	\$75	

*includes binder

IV. OPTIONS/IMPLICATIONS:

- 1. Approve the order, which will be effective immediately. Bills for updates go out in early July; this will give us time to advise subscribers of the options for web access as well as the fee increase, so they can make informed choices.
- 2. Do not approve the order. This would mean the County General Fund would continue to absorb the cost increases.
- V. RECOMMENDATIONS: Recommend Option 1. The Finance and Audit Committee reviewed the proposed fee increases on February 11, 2003, and recommended their approval to the Board.

VI. ATTACHMENTS:

- 1. Board Order.
- 2. Lane Manual 2.050 through 2.090

IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO.

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The Board of County Commissioners of Lane County orders as follows:

Lane Manual Chapter 2 is hereby amended by removing, substituting and adding the following sections:

REMOVE THESE SECTIONS 2.050 as located on page 2-4 (a total of 1 page)	INSERT THESE SECTIONS 2.050 as located on pages 2-4 (a total of 1 page)
2.090	2.090
as located on page 2-6	as located on pages 2-6
(a total of 1 page)	(a total of 1 page)

Said sections are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The purpose of these substitutions is to increase fees for Lane Manual and Lane Code subscriptions (LM 2.050, 2.090)

Adopted this	day of 2003.	
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	Peter Sorenson, Chair	

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IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO.

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING CHAPTER 2 OF LANE MANUAL REGARDING PROVISIONS FOR MAINTENANCE AND AMENDMENT OF THE LANE MANUAL AND LANE CODE (LM 2.030-2.045, 2.065-2.082)

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2.030-2.045, 2.065-2.080 as located on pages 2-3 to 2-6	2.030-2.045, 2.065-2.082 as located on pages 2-3 to 2-6
(a total of 4 pages)	(a total of 4 pages)

Said sections are attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The purpose of these substitutions and additions is to amend LM sections 2.030–2.045 and 2.065–2.082, and add new LM 2.082 to revise the provisions regarding maintenance and amendment of the Lane Manual and Lane Code.

Adopted this day of , 2001

Chair, Lane County Board of Commissioners

(Revised by Order No. 01-12-5-7, Effective 12.5.01)

2.045 Initiation, Drafting, and Processing the Proposed Manual Amendment.

See LM 2.065 through 2.080, substituting the words "Manual" for "Code" and "order" for "ordinance" and remembering that an order requires only one reading while an ordinance requires two. (Revised by Order No. 01-12-5-7, Effective 12.5.01)

2.050 Distribution of the Manual.

The initial cost of the Lane Manual is \$90.00 and is available to any member of the public requesting a copy. An additional \$75.00 annual update charge will be charged and is payable in advance for the fiscal year for which updates are charged. (Revised by Order No. 93-3-31-8, Effective 3.3.93)

2.055 Failure to Comply.

LM 2.035 to 2.045 above are directory rather than mandatory, and failure to comply with them shall not invalidate an order or a policy, procedure or rule promulgated by an order or resolution. (Revised by Order No. 93-3-31-8, Effective 3.3.93)

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