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Memorandum Date: November 30, 2005

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**TO:** Board of County Commissioners

**DEPARTMENT:** CAO/C&ED

PRESENTED BY: Peter Thurston, Community and Economic Dev. Coordinator

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: ORDER/IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE VIDEO

ALLOCATION POLICY OF CHAPTER 4 OF THE LANE MANUAL TO REVISE THE DEFINTION OF ECONOMIC

**DEVELOPMENT (LM 4.100-4.110)** 

I. MOTION: IT IS MOVED THAT THE ORDER BE ADOPTED IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE VIDEO ALLOCATION POLICY OF CHAPTER 4 OF THE LANE MANUAL TO REVISE THE DEFINTION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (LM 4.100-4.110)

# II. AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Shall Lane Manual Chapter 4 be amended to focus economic development activities on business development/job creation and workforce development/training, as recommended by the Economic Development Standing Committee?

### III. BACKGROUND/IMPLICATIONS OF ACTION

# A. Board Action and Other History

The current description of economic development was first codified in Lane Manual in 2002 at the recommendation of a citizen advisory panel and has provided guidance for the past three years for allocation of video lottery economic development funds. The current definition of economic development is based on best practices including general and specific activities and strategies in the areas of: organization development, community development, business development, and workforce development. The Economic Development Standing Committee (EDSC) to the Board of County Commissioners recognizes in the proposed amendment that all of these types of activity are important to successful economic development, however, limited resources need to be focused through two principal activities: business development that directly increases jobs and employment opportunities and workforce development through training that increases upward mobility and increased family wages.

# B. Policy Issues

This is an adjustment of the existing policy to emphasize business development and workforce development. Procedures for implementing the video lottery allocation policy are unchanged and General Allocation projects will continue to be eligible for funding under these focused criteria.

#### C. Board Goals

The Board of Commissioner's goals over the past three years have focused on job creation and training that increases family wage jobs. Strategic Plan goals include: "Work for a strong regional economy to expand the number of family-wage jobs available in Lane County. . . . Contribute to appropriate community development in the areas of transportation and telecommunications infrastructure, housing, growth management, and land development".

# D. Financial and/or Resource Considerations

Lane Manual Chapter 4 policy is directed to the allocation of video lottery economic development funds. The amendment clarifies the priority uses and expected outcomes from these funds. Current funding of Strategic and General Allocation projects is not affected by this amendment.

# E. Analysis

Infrastructure development and improvement of organizational capacity are recognized as important components in the current definition of economic development. These types of economic development activities remain in the proposed definition (LM 4.105) while the emphasis provided by the amended language is on: Business Development and Workforce Development. The objective of all activities is to increase the number of higher paying jobs that have upward mobility and increase training that provides employees with family wages above median household income for Lane County. The 2000 Census median household income for Lane County is \$36,942.

The change in definition will focus attention and funding on projects and activities that create more higher paying jobs and provide training that moves employees toward higher paying jobs. The next request for proposals may be released in mid-2006, depending on funding availability, and will include the new Lane Manual provisions. These guidelines will take effect immediately and will be applied to any proposals for funding from video lottery economic development funds.

# F. Alternatives/Options

The Board may: 1) adopt the Order as recommended by EDSC in the form recommended by County Counsel, 2) amend the proposed wording and approve the Lane Manual amendment, 3) choose not to amend Lane Manual Chapter 4 at this time.

# **IV. TIMING/IMPLEMENTATION**

If the changes are approved, they will go into effect immediately and continue until such time as the Board of Commissioners elects to amend this Chapter of Lane Manual.

# V. RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Number 1 alternative, above, to implement the policies recommended by the Economic Development Standing Committee.

# VI. <u>FOLLOW-UP</u>

Upon approval, the Order will be signed and the official Lane Manual documents will be updated accordingly.

# VII. ATTACHMENTS

- -ORDER and amended Lane Manual, Chapter 4
- -Legislative format of LM Chapter 4

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### IN THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO.

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE VIDEO AL-LOCATION POLICY OF CHAPTER 4 OF THE LANE MANUAL TO REVISE THE DEFINITION OF ECO-NOMIC DEVELOPMENT (LM 4.100-4.110)

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

Lane Manual Chapter 4 is hereby amended by deleting, substituting, and adding the following section:

# **DELETE THIS SECTION**

4.100 through 4.110 as located on pages 4-7 through 4-8 (a total of 2 pages)

# **INSERT THIS SECTION**

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Said section is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference. The purpose of this substitution and addition is to amend the Video Allocation Policy to revise the definition of economic development (LM 4.100-4.110).

Adopted this	day of	2005.	
	Chair,	Lane County Board of Com	missioners

APPROVED AS TO FORM
Date 10/27/05 Lane County
OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

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#### VIDEO LOTTERY ALLOCATION POLICY

### 4.100 Purpose.

The Video Lottery Allocation Policy reaffirms that video lottery receipts must be applied to programs and activities which support economic development in Lane County. Video lottery revenue is received from the State of Oregon as a transfer from the Oregon State Lottery Fund. The Oregon State Lottery Fund is governed by Oregon Constitution, Article XV Section 4. This policy defines economic development activities for Lane County and provides guidance for strategic allocation of video lottery funds to economic development programs and activities. This policy reaffirmation is the basis for all video lottery allocation decisions for the benefit of Lane County citizens, and is meant to encourage partnerships between the County, communities within the county, non-profit organizations, private parties, and others directly involved in economic development activities, which meet one or more of the economic development objectives or categories listed in paragraph 4.105 below. (Revised by Order No. 01-2-21-2; Effective 5.1.02)

# 4.105 Definition of Economic Development.

Economic development is a program, a group of policies, and/or activity that seeks to improve the economic well being and quality of life for a community. Ideally, it will create and retain jobs, enhance employment opportunities, increase family wage income, and provide a stable tax base. Creation of new high paying jobs and improvement of worker's wages are the principal outcomes anticipated from this economic development policy. Outcomes may also include community development investments in infrastructure, commercial and business parks, other public/private partnerships, organization capacity development, and strategies that leverage funds and resources to accomplish the following:

- (1) Business Development. Programs that encourage business growth and investment that create new employment opportunities, attract and expand business, increase tourism, and facilitate start-up and emerging businesses.
- (2) Workforce Development. Partnerships between business, education and government that build the skills of the local workforce and increase opportunities for families to meet or exceed the median household income for Lane County. (Revised by Order No. 01-2-21-2; Effective 5.1.02)

#### 4.110 Allocation.

Within the above definition, the revenues derived from the State's 2.5% video lottery distribution for economic development shall be allocated between two economic development categories. Through the annual budget process, the Board shall appropriate a maximum of 50% of the annual receipts to general allocation programs and the remainder (50% minimum) of the annual receipts for economic development strategic investment projects. All (100%) of unspent monies from previous years shall be appropriated for economic development strategic investment projects.

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