IN THE MATTER OF Authorizing Youth Services to Develop and Submit a Grant Application to the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission (OCJC) for \$300,000.

Agenda Date: March 22, 2006

To:

Lane County Board of Commissioners

Department: Youth Services

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Title:

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I. MOTION:

Move approval of Board Order 06- \ IN THE MATTER OF AUTHORIZING

the Department of Youth Services to develop and submit a grant application to the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission (OCJC) for

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II. ISSUE:

Should Lane County submit an application to the OCJC to fund a Lane County juvenile drug court?

III. **DISCUSSION:**

Background a.

Program Background - The Lane County community is acutely aware of the negative impact of alcohol and other drug (AOD) issues. AOD manufacturing, delivery and abuse has produced crime, medical costs, child welfare trauma, domestic violence, the loss of life's potential, and other negative impacts. In response, the community has developed and implemented AOD prevention and treatment options.

As part of this effort, the Department of Youth Services (Youth Services) has focused on interrupting the cycle between juvenile crime and AOD usage for juvenile offenders. This work has produced a synergy between a) working with substance-abusing juvenile offenders, b) learning more about their needs and the needs of their families,