


EMERGENCY
DISPATCH

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 6, 2007
TO: LANE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
From: Anette Spickard, Assessor 

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: **IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE AMENDED COUNTY ASSESSMENT FUNCTION FUNDING ASSISTANCE (CAFFA) GRANT APPLICATION TO THE OREGON DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE FOR FY 2007-08**

I. MOTION

MOVE APPROVAL OF ORDER NO. 07-6-6-xx, IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING SUBMISSION OF THE COUNTY ASSESSMENT FUNCTION FUNDING ASSISTANCE (CAFFA) GRANT APPLICATION TO THE OREGON DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE FOR FY 2007-08.

II. AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Lane County annually submits a grant application to the Oregon Department of Revenue (DOR) by May 1, of each year, in order to participate in the County Assessment Function Funding Assistance (CAFFA) program. The Board previously approved the grant application on April 15, 2007. Based upon action taken by the Budget Committee on May 30, 2007, the grant application and board resolution need to be amended.

III. RECOMMENDATION

I recommend the Board approve the amended grant application and adopt a new resolution certifying CAFFA related expenditures based upon the budget recommendation passed by the Budget Committee on May 30, 2007.

IV. TIMING/IMPLEMENTATION

Lane County submitted its FY 2007-08 CAFFA Grant document on Friday, April 20, 2007. The DOR completed its review on May 1, and met with the Assessor to review the work plan, staffing levels and budget. By June 1, 2007, the DOR needs to approve or deny participation in the funding program and provide an estimate of the county's grant distribution. An updated 2007-08 CAFFA Grant document was provided to the DOR on Thursday, May 31, 2007, based on Budget #1 adoption by the Budget Committee and pending Board of Commissioners Approval. The amended order will be submitted as well.

V. ATTACHMENTS

Amended Board Resolution and Order

IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

RESOLUTION AND ORDER NO

) IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING
) THE AMENDED COUNTY
) ASSESSMENT FUNCTION FUNDING
) ASSISTANCE (CAFFA) GRANT
) APPLICATION TO THE OREGON
) DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE FOR
) FY 2007-08

WHEREAS, Lane County is applying to the Department of Revenue in order to participate in the Assessment and Taxation Grant. This state grant provides funding for counties to help them come into compliance or remain in compliance with ORS 308.027, 308.232, 308.234, Chapters 309, 310, 311, 312 and other laws requiring equity and uniformity in the system of property taxation; and

WHEREAS, Lane County has undertaken a self-assessment of its compliance with the laws and rules which govern the Oregon property tax system; and

WHEREAS, the Lane County Board of Commissioners believes that the budget proposals prepared by the Department of Assessment & Taxation, the Department of Management Services, and the Department of Public Works as amended on May 31, 2007, are generally in compliance with ORS 308.027, 308.232, 308.234, Chapters 309, 310, 311, 312, and other laws requiring equity and uniformity in the system of property taxation; and

WHEREAS, Lane County agrees to appropriate the budgeted dollars based on 100 percent of the expenditures certified in the grant application in the amount of \$6,873,614. If 100 percent is not appropriated, no grant shall be made to the county for the quarter in which the county is out of compliance

RESOLVED and ORDERED, that the amended Property Tax Program Grant Application Document for FY 2007-08 for Lane County be completed on the necessary forms and be submitted to the Oregon Department of Revenue not later than June 1, 2007; and further

RESOLVED and ORDERED, that the County Administrator be the designated contact person for these amended grant documents and that he be authorized to sign any grant documents necessary to complete and submit this request.

Dated this _____ day of June 2007.

APPROVED AS TO FORM

Date 6-4-07 lane county


OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL

Faye Stewart, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners