



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

9:00 AM

THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2022

Barnes Sawyer Rooms
Live Streamed Video

Present were Commissioners Patti Adair, Anthony DeBone, and Phil Chang. Also present were Nick Lelack, County Administrator; Interim Finance Director Wayne Lowry, Budget Manager Dan Emerson, Senior Budget Analyst Betsy Tucker, and (via Zoom) Sharon Keith, BOCC Executive Assistant.
Budget Committee Members: Bruce Barrett, Jim Fister, and (via Zoom) Judy Trego

This meeting was audio and video recorded and can be accessed at the Deschutes County Meeting Portal website www.deschutes.org/meetings

The purpose of today's meeting was for a presentation from the Health Services Department for their budget review.

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Bruce Barrett called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ACTION ITEMS:

1. **FINANCE DEPARTMENT REMARKS:** Budget Manager Dan Emerson presented remarks.

2. HEALTH SERVICES BRIEFING

- a) **Introduction** of all present in the room were made.
- b) **Agenda & Health Services Funds Overview:** Deputy County Administrator Erik Kropp presented the overview of the Health Services department's budget and funding sources. Business Officer Cheryl Smallman presented an overview of funding sources and special requests. Presentations for today's briefing are attached to the meeting record.
- c) **Behavioral Health & Special Requests:** Janice Garceau, Director of Behavioral Health presented regarding the behavioral health services division. Special requests for behavioral health include a total 5.5 FTE for staffing for harm reduction, IDD, and CCBHC integrity.
- d) **Public Health & Special Requests:** Nahad Sadr-Azodi Director of Public Health presented regarding the public health services division. Bend La Pine school district request continued support of the partnership of Deschutes County public health. Special requests for public health include a total of 7.9 FTE for staffing for health officer, healthy schools, and public health modernization.

RECESS: at the time of 11:07 a.m. the Committee went into recess and reconvened at 11:23 a.m.

Continued discussion was held on the public health special requests.

- e) **Administrative Services & Special Requests:** Health Services Operations Officer Chris Weiler presented regarding the director's office and administrative services. Special requests for administrative services include a total of 2.0 FTE for staffing for the public information officer, fiscal support, and front office technician.
- f) **Summary and Closing Remarks:** The department asked the committee what additional information they would like to review prior to the budget hearing week. Commissioner Chang requested information on the environmental health food inspections and impacts of COVID. Jim Fister

requested information on staffing levels related to growth. Bruce Barrett requested cultural and demographic issues and the impact to the health services department administering services. Commissioner DeBone could see an annual work plan to review staffing needs. Commissioner Chang commented on needs for the community and benefits of strategic analysis. Commissioner Adair commented on the needs to encourage better health practices for our community.

ADJOURN: Being no further items to come before the Budget Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 12:22 p.m.

Submitted by:


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