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Subject: Learn About Josephine County's (JO CO's) Animal Control/Protection Program

Dear Diane:

Thanks again for making the time to hear our *Study Design* idea at two meetings: December 28, 2015 and March 7, 2016. We would very much like a followup meeting to share and learn.

Our interest is to learn about the JO CO's Animal Control/Protection Program as part of a project to research the six major public safety services (i.e., 1. Adult Jail, 2. Juvenile Justice, 3. District Attorney's Office, 4. Sheriff Rural Patrol Deputies, 5. Criminal Investigations & Related Sheriff's Office Support Services, and 6. Animal Control/Protection) identified in the last four county levies and the sales tax proposal (2012 - 2015). We will also research other PSS as a second project (e.g., Adult Corrections, etc.). Like most of our research, it would be web published (Appendix A). Our proposed agenda for the meeting has two items.

- Item # 1. Continue answering any questions you might have about *Study Design*, and its major project, *Study*, while focusing on information and studies that describe the Animal Control/Protection Program.
- Item # 2. We are interested in the county's PSS, including identified elective, necessary, and/or mandated services as policy. The descriptions and the standards could become part of a range of alternative solutions to be analyzed in the socio-economic impact *Study*. These descriptions could also act as the affected conditions analyzed for direct and indirect impacts from the *Study* alternatives.

Per the direction of the Management Team at our March 7, 2016 meeting, we are researching the county's budget document for elective, necessary, and/or mandated PSS (*Josephine County Animal Control/Protection Program, Josephine County, Oregon Adopted Budget: FY 2015-16*). What we found for the Animal Control/Protection Program is covered in Appendix B which is the context for any elective, necessary, and/or mandated Animal Control/Protection Program PSS, including other descriptive information and studies. The description of the Animal Control/Protection Program will also serve as a public awareness description for future levies.

We recognize you as the “expert” manager of the Animal Control/Protection Program. With that in mind, we would appreciate any comments on supplemental Animal Control/Protection Program information needs that should also be web published. We are especially interested in descriptive documents and/or references.

In conclusion, we hope you will be interested in sharing information with us, especially relating to Appendix B. We propose a one hour meeting over coffee.

Sincerely,

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Appendices

Appendix A. Josephine County Public Safety Services

Appendix B. Josephine County Animal Control/Protection Program, Josephine County, Oregon
Adopted Budget: FY 2015-16

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Public Safety Services

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The Animal Control/Protection Program is one of six major public safety services identified in the last four county levies and the sales tax proposal (2012 - 2015). Locally there are usually considered to be the six major components of the JO CO public safety program.

Appendix 4B. Josephine County's Minimally Adequate Level of Public Safety Services Standards, Section III.C. Components Of JO CO Public Safety Program For Increased Funding: 2012 - 2015.

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- Walker, Mike; Whalen, Jon, Members JS&PSS Exploratory Committee, Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society. Very Draft December 15, 2015. *Appendix 4B. JO CO's Minimally Adequate Level of Public Safety Services (MALPSS) Standards, Including Law Enforcement Staffing & Deployment.* Supporting Justice System & Public Safety Services Study Design: 2015. Hugo, OR.

1. Adult Jail.
2. Juvenile Justice.
3. District Attorney's Office.
4. Sheriff Rural Patrol Deputies.
5. Criminal Investigations & Related Sheriff's Office Support Services.
6. Animal Control/Protection.

Other PSS

7. Adult Corrections

Animal Control/Protection Program

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Appendix B. Josephine County Animal Control/Protection Program, Josephine County, Oregon Adopted Budget: FY 2015-16

- Josephine County (JO CO) Board of County Commissioners (BCC). June 17, 2015. *Josephine County, Oregon Adopted Budget FY 2015-16*. JO CO BCC Resolution Number 2015-026. Grants Pass, OR.

PUBLIC SAFETY FUND (PSF), JOSEPHINE COUNTY, OREGON (PSF, pages 158/764 - 223/764)

PUBLIC SAFETY FUND DESCRIPTION (PSF, page 160/764)
BUDGET – RESOURCES AND REQUIREMENTS
PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS AND BUDGETS

1. Sheriff (PSF, pages 164/764 - 199/764)
2. District Attorney (PSF, pages 200/764 - 216/764)
3. Juvenile Justice (PSF, pages 217/764 - 223/764)

PUBLIC HEALTH FUND (PHF), JOSEPHINE COUNTY, OREGON (PHF, pages 262/764 - 321/764)

1. Communities, Perinatal, Reproductive Health/Family Planning, Healthy Start)
Animal Protection and Regulation (PHF, pages 300/764 - 302/764)

ADULT CORRECTIONS FUND (ACF), JOSEPHINE COUNTY, OREGON (ACF, pages 224/764 - 261/764)

JOSEPHINE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH FUND DESCRIPTION (PHF, page 264/764)

The Public Health Fund was formed effective July 1, 2007. It includes the Public Health Division which had previously been in the Health and Human Services Fund, which has been discontinued. The Public Health Division serves the public with health related resources and environmental health and communicable disease prevention programs. Public Health also operates the Animal Protection program.

The largest source of revenue for this fund is grants from the state. Some of the programs charge fees for services provided but are prohibited by regulation from setting fees at a rate higher than what it costs to provide the service. This Fund has received support from the County's General Fund previously and is requesting monies for Clinic, Animal Protection and Solid Waste enforcement this fiscal year.

The adopted budget is in balance, which means that the budgeted requirements (expenditures and ending fund balance) are equal to the resources (beginning fund balance and revenues) that are estimated to be available during the budget year. Bear in mind that the state mandates the provision of services on a sliding fee scale and regardless of a client's ability to pay, which makes revenue estimates challenging.

A summary of the Public Health Fund (Resources and Requirements) is presented first in the *Josephine County, Oregon Adopted Budget FY 2015-16*, followed by Schedule A, which summarizes the various programs in the fund. The money available for operating the programs is

estimated to be equal to total resources of the fund, less the requirement for Internal Service Fund charges.

Schedule A is supported by a Program Worksheet (Schedule B) for each program. Schedule B provides information about the purpose of the program, how much revenue it is expected to generate during the budget year, and a breakdown of its expenditure budget by the categories specified in Oregon Local Budget Law.

Schedules C, D, and E provide details of resources, personal services and other expenditures, respectively.

ANIMAL CONTROL/PROTECTION

1. Animal Control/Protection (PHF, pages 300/764 - 302/764)

Program: Animal Protection and Regulation (PHF, page 300/764)

Fund: Public Health Fund (14)

Office/Division: Public Health

Cost Center #: 2230

Purpose of Animal Protection and Regulation (APR) Program

Program Overview APR responds to citizen complaints on the following issues: 1) Dog bites and rabies control, 2) Humane complaints, 3) Livestock chased, injured or killed by dogs, 4) Dog nuisance trespassing, 5) Dog nuisance barking. Funding comes from shelter adoption fees, dog license fees and donations. APR encourages public involvement through volunteerism, donation and education programs and strives to provide transparent and efficient services to the whole community.

Outcomes 1) Respond to 100% of dog bite complaints to reduce rabies transmission, 2) Respond to 100% of humane check complaints, 3) Keep shelter doors open to the public a minimum of 4 days a week.

Mandates APR programs are mandated through ORS 609 and through Local Ordinance's 92-9 amended by Local Ordinance 96-1, in Josephine County Charter section 14.6, and OAR 333, Division 19.

2. Elective, Necessary, And/or Mandated Animal Control/Protection PSS

a) Oregon Revised Statutes

- ORS 609.

b) Oregon Administrative Rules

- OAR 333, Division 19.

c) Josephine County Policy/Law

- Josephine County Ordinance's 92-9 amended by Local Ordinance 96-1, in Josephine County Charter section 14.6.