Multnomah County				
Program #91021B - Land	Use Planning Code Compliance			2/20/2019
Department:	Community Services	Program Contact:	Mike Cerbone	
Program Offer Type:	Existing Operating Program	Program Offer Stage:	As Requested	
Related Programs:	91021A			
Program Characteristics	: Out of Target			

Executive Summary

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This program offer seeks to continue an existing position within the Land Use Planning Division's Code Compliance program. The offer would maintain the current service levels of the Compliance program. Without this program offer, the Compliance program will be less timely in their response to new complaints raised to the county. Retaining this position will also enable the Compliance program to continue to make progress resolving the historic backlog of complaints. Without this position, we will likely be adding to the existing backlog.

Program Summary

Multnomah County is a unique and highly sought after location to live, work and recreate because the area offers vast open spaces, natural and scenic resources, forests and farmland. Land Use Planning develops and implements codes and policies to preserve the rural character by preventing urban sprawl. The Code Compliance program responds to possible land use and transportation right-of-way complaints through a voluntary compliance program. This offer has been submitted in response to community feedback - it will enable the compliance section to continue to be responsive to new complaints while also providing the resources to continue to address the backlog of historic complaints. This additional FTE directly addresses these concerns by ensuring there are adequate resources to respond to compliance complaints in a reasonable time frame.

A significant resource challenge for the program has been the ability to conduct inspections to verify that the conditions of a permit approval have been satisfied. Roughly half of all land use application requests are associated with open compliance cases requiring resolution. By maintaining staff capacity, we will more efficiently meet the community's expectations for service and demonstrate the county's commitment to serving the community's needs. This position is pivotal in that it resolves existing compliance situations while striving to reduce the overall number of historic compliance cases that have yet to be addressed.

In FY18, the county opened 54 compliance cases and closed 49 cases. In FY17, the county opened 41 compliance cases and closed 59 cases. With two staff, the county is currently able to address the cases that come in. If this position is not restored, the number of compliance cases that are opened is unlikely to go down but our ability to respond will be greatly reduced. The Compliance program is also responsible for administering the Solid Waste and Recycling License Program for the county as well as conducting erosion control inspections. With one employee, complaints may not be addressed as efficiently as the public would like.

Performance Measures						
Primary Measure	FY18 Actual	FY19 Purchased	FY19 Estimate	FY20 Offer		
Number of land use/compliance inquiries	8,639	8,000	8,100	8,000		
Total number of compliance cases closed	49	55	45	50		
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Performance Measures Descriptions

The output measure is the total amount on inquiries to the compliance and land use programs. The outcome measure is the total number of complaints resolved (cases closed).

Legal / Contractual Obligation

Multhomah County must adopt a Comprehensive Plan that meets Statewide Planning Goals, including enacting and implementing regulations as provided under ORS 92, 195, 196,197, 215 and 390. The county regulates land uses in the National Scenic Area in accordance with federal law. These land use laws mandate the county review all development within its jurisdiction, prescribe extensive procedures the County must follow to ensure due process and set out a timeframe within which land use reviews must be completed. The county must update its codes to comply with new laws adopted each legislative session or when the Gorge Commission revises its rules. The county must appoint a Planning Director and employ staff necessary to carry out these responsibilities.

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds		
Program Expenses	2019	2019	2020	2020		
Personnel	\$0	\$0	\$114,979	\$0		
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$0	\$114,979	\$0		
Program Total:	\$0	\$0		\$114,979		
Program FTE	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00		
Program Revenues						
Total Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		

Explanation of Revenues

This program will be supported with County General Fund.

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2019: 91021-19 Land Use Planning

The Compliance program assumed responsibility for conducting erosion control inspections. These inspections were historically completed by an inspector in the Transportation Division. If this position is not restored, the Compliance program will have less resources to devote to investigating complaints. The number of complaints is unlikely to go down. The prioritization of the caseload will mean some complaints may not get investigated until additional resources are committed to the program. Cases that are not investigated will go into the backlog which will continue to grow each year.