

Limited Tax Exemption BIG LOOK Policy Review Committee

Friday, May 6, 2011, 9:00-11:00am Portland City Hall – Rose Room 1221 SW 4th Ave

MEETING NOTES

<u>Welcome & Introductions</u> Commissioner Fish opened the meeting and welcomed the Committee and other attendees.

<u>Review 2/25 meeting notes – questions, comments?</u> None noted

LTE Programs in Context – brief presentations on strategic plans and budgets

Portland Plan - Steve Dotterrer presented overview of Portland Plan, highlighting intersections with housing policy – Healthy Connected Neighborhoods & Economic Prosperity and Affordability.

Portland Housing Bureau - Budget & Strategic Plan – Margaret Van Vliet presented overview of PHB Strategic Plan and priorities and annual and projected budgets, highlighting declining revenue, leverage achievable via Portland Plan strategies and PHB priority on serving most vulnerable populations and advancing equity across all business lines and operations.

Multnomah County - Policy Goals and Financial Picture – Marissa Madrigal presented Multnomah County At a Glance, highlighting the growing structural deficit in the General Fund forecast resulting from State and Federal cuts and foregone revenue. Presentation emphasized impact of cuts on most vulnerable when some exemption programs are serving higher income ranges.

State of the Schools – David Douglas, Portland Sara Carlin Ames for Portland Public School District, and Annette Mattson for David Douglas School District presented current state of funding and budget impacts of LTE's. Follow up materials forwarded for committee.

<u>Discussion: LTE's as tools to advance policy goals</u> Committee directed clarifying questions on the presentations to staff and presenters. Committee did not have sufficient time to discuss draft recommendations in context of the presentations.

Chair Cogen called for a very specific list of potential actions to frame the discussion at the next meeting.

<u>Updates – Legislative, Reports, Interim Actions</u> on the new multiple unit housing exemption statute and the non-profit exemption were reported. Both bills are in progress, and are supported by the Housing Alliance.