

MORROW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING AGENDA

Wednesday, June 20, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

Bartholomew Building Upper Conference Room

110 N. Court St., Heppner, Oregon

See Zoom Meeting Info Below

1. **Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance:** 9:00 a.m.
2. **City/Citizen Comments:** Individuals may address the Board on issues not on the agenda
3. **Open Agenda:** The Board may introduce subjects not already on the agenda
4. **Consent Calendar**
 - a. Approve Accounts Payable & Payroll Payables
 - b. Minutes: July 13, 2022 Board of Commissioner Meeting
 - c. Minutes: July 13, 2022 Board of Commissioner Work Session
 - d. Letter of Support for the Town of Lexington – Downtown Improvement Plan Project
5. **Emergency Operations Center Update**
6. **Business Items**
7. **Department Reports**
 - Juvenile Department Quarterly Update
 - Columbia Development Authority Quarterly Update
8. **Correspondence**
9. **Commissioner Reports**
10. **Sign Documents**
11. **Executive Session:** Pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(g) – under ORS 192.660(2)(g): “To consider preliminary negotiations involving matters of trade or commerce in which the governing body is in competition with governing bodies”
12. **Adjournment**

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Pursuant to ORS 192.640, this agenda includes a list of the principal subjects anticipated to be considered at the meeting; however, the Board may consider additional subjects as well. This meeting is open to the public and interested citizens are invited to attend. Executive sessions are closed to the public; however, with few exceptions and under specific guidelines, are open to the media. The Board may recess for lunch depending on the anticipated length of the meeting and the topics on the agenda. If you have anything that needs to be on the agenda, please notify the Board office before noon of the preceding Friday. If something urgent comes up after this publication deadline, please notify the office as soon as possible. If you have any questions about items listed on the agenda, please contact Karen Wolff, Board of Commissioners Staff at (541) 676- 5613.

Zoom Meeting Information

<https://zoom.us/j/5416762546>

PASSWORD: 97836

Meeting ID: 541-676-2546

Zoom Call-In Numbers for Audio Only:

- 1-346-248-7799, Meeting ID: 541 676 2546#
- 1-669-900-6833, Meeting ID: 541 676 2546#
- 1-312-626-6799, Meeting ID: 541-676-2546#
- 1-929-436-2866, Meeting ID: 541-676-2546#
- 1-253-215-8782, Meeting ID: 541-676-2546#
- 1-301-715-8592, Meeting ID: 541-676-2546#

Total: \$ 2614.20

**FY 2022-23
Retirement Taxes
JULY 15, 2022**

**MORROW COUNTY
SIGNATURE SHEET**

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT ON THE 20TH DAY OF JULY, 2022, THE MORROW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS IN SESSION AND THE FOREGOING BILLS WERE APPROVED FOR PAYMENT ON THE 15TH DAY OF JULY, 2022 BY ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFER - BANK DRAFT NUMBER _____.

_____ COMMISSIONER

_____ COMMISSIONER

_____ COMMISSIONER

Shirley Adams
_____ FINANCE DIRECTOR

Jylene Pasmore
_____ COUNTY TREASURER

_____ COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

TOTAL \$83,818.01

PAYROLL PAYABLES

IMMEDIATES & ELECTRONIC

MORROW COUNTY

SIGNATURE SHEET

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT ON 20 DAY OF July 2022. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS IN SESSION
AND THE FOREGOING BILLS WERE APPROVED FOR PAYMENT ON 15 DAY OF JUNE 2022.
BEGINNING WITH CHECK NUMBER 191703 AND ENDING WITH NUMBER 191705.

COMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER

L. Snogan

HR DIRECTOR

Kyle R. Preece

COUNTY TREASURER

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

TOTAL \$95,245.40

PAYROLL PAYABLES

IMMEDIATES & ELECTRONIC

MORROW COUNTY

SIGNATURE SHEET

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT ON 20 DAY OF July 2022. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS IN SESSION
AND THE FOREGOING BILLS WERE APPROVED FOR PAYMENT ON 28 DAY OF June 2022.
BEGINNING WITH CHECK NUMBER 191827 AND ENDING WITH NUMBER 191829.

_____ COMMISSIONER

_____ COMMISSIONER

_____ COMMISSIONER

L. Snogan _____ HR DIRECTOR

Shelene Pappas _____ COUNTY TREASURER

_____ COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

TOTAL \$178,835.02

PAYROLL PAYABLES

MONTHLIES

MORROW COUNTY

SIGNATURE SHEET

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT ON 20 DAY OF July 2022. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS IN SESSION
AND THE FOREGOING BILLS WERE APPROVED FOR PAYMENT ON 30 DAY OF June 2022.
BEGINNING WITH CHECK NUMBER 191882 AND ENDING WITH NUMBER 191884.

_____ COMMISSIONER

_____ COMMISSIONER

_____ COMMISSIONER

H. Snogan _____ HR DIRECTOR

Jaylene P. ... _____ COUNTY TREASURER

_____ COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

TOTAL \$2895.-

PAYROLL PAYABLES

IMMEDIATES & ELECTRONIC

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MORROW COUNTY

SIGNATURE SHEET

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT ON 20 DAY OF July 2022. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS IN SESSION
AND THE FOREGOING BILLS WERE APPROVED FOR PAYMENT ON 1 DAY OF June 2022.
BEGINNING WITH CHECK NUMBER EFT AND ENDING WITH NUMBER EFT.

COMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER

Rich Pof

HR DIRECTOR

Jaylene Papineau

COUNTY TREASURER

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

TOTAL \$80,417.64

PAYROLL PAYABLES

IMMEDIATES & ELECTRONIC

MORROW COUNTY

SIGNATURE SHEET

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT ON 20th DAY OF July 2022. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS IN SESSION
AND THE FOREGOING BILLS WERE APPROVED FOR PAYMENT ON 17 DAY OF May 2022.
BEGINNING WITH CHECK NUMBER 191428 AND ENDING WITH NUMBER 191430

COMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER

Paul Ross

HR DIRECTOR

Jaylene Rosemeare

COUNTY TREASURER

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

TOTAL \$82,836.40

PAYROLL PAYABLES

IMMEDIATES & ELECTRONIC

MORROW COUNTY

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AND THE FOREGOING BILLS WERE APPROVED FOR PAYMENT ON 1 DAY OF June 2022.
BEGINNING WITH CHECK NUMBER 191555 AND ENDING WITH NUMBER 191557.

COMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER

Mike Fox

HR DIRECTOR

Jaylene Raponeur

COUNTY TREASURER

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

TOTAL \$180,245.94

PAYROLL PAYABLES

MONTHLIES

MORROW COUNTY

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AND THE FOREGOING BILLS WERE APPROVED FOR PAYMENT ON 4 DAY OF June 2022.
BEGINNING WITH CHECK NUMBER 191600 AND ENDING WITH NUMBER 191602.

_____ COMMISSIONER

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_____ COMMISSIONER

[Signature] _____ HR DIRECTOR

[Signature] _____ COUNTY TREASURER

_____ COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

TOTAL \$ 3000.00

PAYROLL PAYABLES

IMMEDIATES & ELECTRONIC

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MORROW COUNTY

SIGNATURE SHEET

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED THAT ON 20 DAY OF July 2022. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS IN SESSION
AND THE FOREGOING BILLS WERE APPROVED FOR PAYMENT ON 13 DAY OF July 2022.
BEGINNING WITH CHECK NUMBER EFT AND ENDING WITH NUMBER 0 EFT.

COMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER

Lindsay Snogren

HR DIRECTOR

Jaylene Papineau

COUNTY TREASURER

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Morrow County Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes
July 13, 2022
Bartholomew Building Upper Conference Room
Heppner, OR 97836

Present In-Person

Chair Jim Doherty
Commissioner Melissa Lindsay
Karen Wolff, Board of Commissioner Staff
Justin Nelson, County Counsel

Present Via Zoom

Commissioner Don Russell

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance & Roll Call: 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Doherty welcomed Ms. Wolff who is filling in as Staff.

City and Citizen Comments: None

Open Agenda: No items

Consent Calendar:

Commissioner Lindsay requested to move two (2) items to Business Items for further discussion. Agreed by all.

Commissioner Lindsay moved to approve the following items in the Consent Calendar:

- a. Approve Accounts Payable & Payroll Payables*
- b. Minutes: May 4th*
- c. Independent Contractor Agreement – County Surveyor*
- d. Resolution No. R-2022-12: Transferring Operating Contingency to Emergency Management (Nitrate Water Emergency)*
- e. Contract – Bull Riding Challenge of Champions*
- f. Helion Software Contract Renewal*

Commissioner Russell seconded. Unanimous approval.

Emergency Operations Center Update

Paul Gray, Emergency Management Director

Morrow County continue to make water bottles and bulk water available to residents. 50 reverse osmosis systems have been ordered.

Commissioner Lindsay said that COVID levels in Morrow County are high. There is access to free COVID tests through the Public Health Department. Oregon Health Authority is recommending indoor masking. It will be up to individuals to decide if they will wear a mask.

Commissioner Russell would like to see if the level of nitrate levels are different in different aquifers. Commissioner Doherty and Tamra Mabbott, Planning Director have been working on this same subject. Ms. Mabbott said this was discussed by the Governor's Technical Committee lead by Courtney Warner Crowell. Multiple agencies are at the table now.

Public Hearing 9:24 a.m.
Psilocybin Election

Justin Nelson, County Counsel and Tamra Mabbott, Planning Director provided background information to the Commissioners.

Mr. Nelson explained that if this Ordinance is approved, the decision will be sent to the voters. There was a previous vote on marijuana, which is a different subject.

Mr. Nelson explained that this Ordinance applies only to the unincorporated areas. The local municipalities would need to complete their own Ordinances.

Commissioner Doherty asked for Public Comments in favor of the ordinance. None.

Commissioner Doherty asked for Public Comments opposed to the ordinance. None.

Commissioner Doherty asked for any neutral comments. None.

Commissioner Doherty closed the Public Hearing at 9:33 a.m.

Commissioner Lindsay moved to approve Ordinance No. ORD-2022-2 In the matter of referring ban on psilocybin service centers and then manufacture of psilocybin products to an election. Commissioner Russell seconded.

Commissioner Russell said he thinks the voters should decide.

Chair Doherty said he has visited with many experts from around the country on this subject. He does not want his vote to say he sees no value. He does not want the subject to be foisted onto the voters without their vote.

Vote. Approved unanimously.

Business Items

Department Head Level Interview Panels
Lindsay Grogan, Human Resources Director

Ms. Lindsay reviewed the summary document.

Commissioner Lindsay asked Commissioner Russell if he is comfortable moving forward with this today. Commissioner Russell said yes.

Commissioner Lindsay moved to approve allowing Human Resources the capability to assign liaison commissioners to Director Level Interview Panels as needed. Commissioner Russell seconded.

Commissioner Lindsay pointed out that commissioners do not do the hiring. They are part of a team.

Unanimous approval.

Fiscal agent for AWS Grant for Heritage Trail Interpretive Panels

Tamra Mabbott, Planning Director

Following review of the summary document and discussion:

Commissioner Lindsay moved to accept the AWS In Communities Grant of \$10,000 for the Heritage Trail Interpretive Panels and authorize the Board Chair to sign the agreement with BCDA (Boardman Community Development Association) to hold the funds and act as fiscal agent for the funds. Commissioner Russell seconded. Unanimous approval.

ODOT Agreement #35370 5310 Grant Program

Katie Imes, Transit Manager

Ms. Imes explained this grant will fund preventative maintenance on vehicles as well preserve assets and assure safety standards are met. This does not fund staff or maintenance of vehicles. The match is through state funds.

Following review of the summary document and discussion:

Commissioner Lindsay moved to approve and sign agreement #35370 with the Oregon Department of Transportation, effective upon full execution, through June 30, 2024 and to add a third signature line to allow all Commissioners to sign the document. Unanimous approval.

Permit OTJ to Work in County Right Of Way

Eric Imes, Public Works Director

Mr. Imes explained this permit is from Umatilla Electric Cooperative to allow them to cross a Right Of Way. This is a significant sized project, which is why this is being brought to the Commissioners.

Tamra Mabbott, Planning Director explained that Planning is working on the Land Use permits for this project. Going to the Planning Commission in July. Ms. Mabbott cautioned the Commissioners to be careful to only make a decision on the Road Permit today. No Land Use decisions. We don't want the public to believe the Commissioners are taking a position on the project prior to a Planning decision.

Chair Doherty asked Patrick Collins, UEC representative joining by Zoom, if he had any comment. He said he is OK moving forward with the Road Access Permit. Requesting an extension on a permit has been rather easy in the past, and they can apply for an extension on this permit if needed.

Commissioner Lindsay moved to approve Road Access Permit OTJ for Umatilla Electric Cooperative to cross Bombing Range Road. Commissioner Russell seconded. Unanimous approval.

Fair Grant Agreement

Ann Jones, Fair Manager

Ms. Jones explained this is a \$1,000,000 grant from the State of Oregon for infrastructure.

Commissioner Lindsay explained that Representative Greg Smith helped bring this money forward. She would like to see a joint work session with the Fair Board to decide how to move forward.

Commissioner Doherty moved to approve signing the House Bill 5202 General Fund Grant Agreement through the Department of Administrative Services for \$1,000,000 for Fair infrastructure and authorize Commissioner Lindsay, Fair Liaison Commissioner to sign on behalf of Morrow County. Commissioner Russell seconded. Unanimous approval.

Department Reports

Veterans Services Quarterly Report

Linda Skendzel, Veterans Services Officer, by Zoom

Ms. Skendzel reviewed the Quarterly Report of Activity. Discussion followed.

Justice Court Quarterly Report

No report.

Planning Department Monthly Report

Tamra Mabbott, Planning Director, by Zoom

Ms. Mabbott reviewed the Monthly Planning Update document. Discussion followed.

Treasurer Monthly Report

Jaylene Papineau, County Treasurer

Ms. Papineau reviewed the Monthly Treasurer's Report. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Russell

Went to Crook County and Prineville with the Community Renewable Energy Association. Very interesting.

Commissioner Lindsay

Commended Ms. Imes on her recent efforts on real estate.

Has worked with Work Force and Child Care and Preschool needs.

Courthouse revisions/remodeling project is a heavy lift. Working with judge Diehl and Circuit Court Judges. May need some staff assistance.

Excited about broadband efforts.

Working with the Oregon State University doctorate staff review and comment of recent nitrate issues and documents took a great amount of time. This will be a great help to LUBGWMA (Lower Umatilla Basin Groundwater Management Area committee).

Great meeting with GEODC (Greater Eastern Oregon Development Commission).

Trying to get the Heppner mill site out of the flood plain map.

Eastern Oregon Women's Coalition was a very good summit. The tours were amazing. Commissioner Lindsay is new to Board.

Commissioner Doherty

Briefly reviewed activities of the past week.

Recess 10:30 a.m.

Will resume with Work Session at 11:00 a.m.

Morrow County Board of Commissioners Work Session Minutes
July 13, 2022
Bartholomew Building Upper Conference Room
Heppner, Oregon

Present In-Person

Chair Jim Doherty
Commissioner Melissa Lindsay
Karen Wolff, Board of Commissioners Staff
Katie Imes, Transit Manager
Jaylene Papineau, County Treasurer

Present Via Zoom

Commissioner Don Russell,
Tamra Mabbott, Planning Director

Call to Order: 11:10 am

Grant Writing Consultant Process

Chair Doherty said the Grant Writing Consultant team has progressed through the process of narrowing down the applications for Grant Writing Consultant.

Tamra Mabbott, Planning Director explained that eight (8) applications were received. The goal is to have a Grant Writing Consultant of Record.

Ms. Mabbott for direction from the commissioners. Do we want a visioning expert or do we just want to have them work grants that are referred to them? Or something different.

Katie Imes, Transit Manager said Ms. Mabbott provided a good summary. Ms. Imes is comfortable writing the grants for her department. Federal grants are a different matter. She would support a Consultant of Record as a resource for departments. The committee really needs to know how the county wants to use this resource.

The Commissioners agreed with Ms. Mabbott that a centralized in-county repository for all grants would be a good thing to develop.

It was agreed by all commissioners that Commissioner Lindsay would be the liaison for this committee. Commissioner Lindsay will review the applications and provide input. Jaylene Papineau, County Treasurer will become part of the committee.

Next committee meeting will be Wednesday, July 20, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.

Adjournment 11:55 am



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Jim Doherty, Chair
Melissa Lindsay, Commissioner
Don Russell, Commissioner

July 20, 2022

Region 5 TGM Coordinator
Department of Land Conservation and Development
635 Capitol Street NE Suite 150
Salem, OR 97301
Cheryljarvis-smith@odot.state.or.us

RE: Letter of Support for the Town of Lexington – Downtown Improvement Plan Project

Dear Ms. Cheryl Jarvis-Smith,

Morrow County Board of Commissioners writes this letter in support of the proposal to develop a Lexington Downtown Improvement Plan that guides the development and redevelopment of the town's downtown. The Town of Lexington plans to use existing plans as guidance to provide a new vision for how downtown is developed, experienced, and traversed.

The Town's work will identify opportunities to increase housing options for all, attracts new businesses, increases multi-modal travel, and creates an inviting sense of place. These goals have been a supported commitment in Morrow County cities and towns for some time.

Additionally, Morrow County Public Transit is preparing to implement a fixed route system within Morrow County. The Heppner-Boardman Connector will travel through the Town of Lexington. This project will provide the opportunity for input on establishing a transit bus stop that will serve the residents and visitors of Lexington and Morrow County. Public Transit is vital to our rural communities allowing transportation disadvantaged populations access to healthcare, social services, grocery shopping and other quality of life services.

Thank you for considering the proposal from the Town of Lexington. The Morrow County Board of Commissioners looks forward to this project.

Sincerely,

Jim Doherty,
Chair Commissioner

Melissa Lindsay
County Commissioner

Don Russell
County Commissioner

Entry #: 2

Date Submitted:

Instructions

Be sure to download and review the [2022 Application Packet](#) and [2022 Application Instructions](#) before filling out this grant application.

You can save your progress and revisit this form at any time by clicking the "Save" button at the bottom of the page.

Applications must be received by July 28, 2022 at 11:59 p.m. (PDT)

Applicant information

Instructions: Complete this information for the applicant. Provide both a designated contact and an authorized representative (if different than the designated contact) for your entity.

Primary applicant jurisdiction

Town of Lexington

Mailing address

P.O. Box 461, Lexington, Oregon 97839

Website

<http://lexingtonoregon.com/>

Contact person name

Katie Imes

7/14/22, 8:45 AM

2022 Transportation Growth Management Grant Application - Entries

Contact person title

Council Member

Contact phone

(503) 475-9864

Contact email

ekimes2013@gmail.com

Would you like to receive TGM news and updates?

Yes

Authorized representative name, if different from the applicant contact

Verionca Hess

Authorized representative title

Town Recorder

Phone

(541) 989-8515

Email

lexington.oregon@gmail.com

List other participating local jurisdictions (if any)

Participating local jurisdiction

Providing match?

Project name and location

Project title

Downtown Improvement Plan

Project area: Using either of the two fields below, attach a map of the project area or describe the area your project is located in.

Option 1: Project area map

Option 2: Project area description

 [downtown_imp_area.pdf](#)
0.5 MB



ODOT region (1-5)

[ODOT Region Map](#)

Region 5

Type of grant

Category 1: Transportation System Planning

Summary description of project

The proposal is to develop a Lexington Downtown Improvement Plan that guides the development and redevelopment into an exceptional place to live, work, play, and visit. Using existing plans as guidance, the Town seeks to provide a new vision for how downtown is developed, experienced, and traversed. The project will adopt a new Downtown Improvement Plan into the Comprehensive Plan. The Town believes in the potential of the downtown and seeks a new plan that identifies opportunities to increase housing options for all, attracts new businesses, increases multi-modal travel, and creates an inviting sense of place. The outcome will be a detailed downtown plan that addresses alignment, safety, general design, road crossings, connections to other transportation options, materials, adjacent landowner concerns, etc. and positions the project for streamlined design, engineering and leveraging future funding.

Project cost table

TGM funds requested	Consultant	Local reimbursement	Total TGM funds requested
	\$175,000.00		\$175,000.00
Local match			Minimum Match (Calculated)
			\$23,863.64
Match to be provided	Labor, supplies and services during project	Payment when Intergovernmental Agreement is signed	
	\$23,865.00		

Certifications

Certifications

This application was prepared by staff of the primary applicant or staff of one of the involved jurisdictions

Certifications checkbox

By checking this box, I certify that my organization listed above supports the proposed project, has the legal authority to pledge matching funds, and has the legal authority to apply for Transportation and Growth Management funds. I further certify that matching funds are available or will be available for the proposed project.

Eligibility requirements

Applications are reviewed on a pass/fail basis on each of the following three requirements.

Applications found to not meet each of these requirements will not be scored against the award criteria and will not be awarded a grant.

1. Clear transportation relationship

A proposed project must have a clear transportation relationship and produce transportation benefits. A project must entail analysis, evaluation and selection of alternatives, development of implementation actions, and public involvement that results in a long range transportation plan, land use plan, or other product that addresses a transportation problem, need, opportunity, or issue of local or regional importance.

Certification: Clear transportation relationship

By checking this box, I certify that the project meets this eligibility criterion.

2. Adoption of products to meet project objectives

A proposed project must include preparation of an adoption-ready product or products that lead to a local policy decision and that directly address the project objectives, such as a transportation system plan, comprehensive plan amendment, land use plan, code amendment, implementation program, or intergovernmental agreement. Projects are expected to include adoption hearings (or equivalent) by the governing body or to prepare products which will be adopted as part of a larger project.

Certification: Adoption of products to meet project objectives

By checking this box, I certify that the project meets this eligibility criterion.

3. Support of local officials

A proposed project must clearly demonstrate that local officials, both the primary applicant and any co-applicants, understand the purpose of the grant application and support the project objectives. A resolution of support, meeting minutes, or authorized letter from the governing body of all applicants (e.g. City Council, Board of Commissioners, or Transit Board) must be submitted with the application to meet this requirement.

Upload your resolution, minutes or authorized letter from governing body of applying jurisdiction(s) here:

Award criteria

Criterion 1: Proposed project addresses a need and supports TGM objectives (up to 40 points)

The project clearly and effectively addresses a local or regional transportation or transportation-related land use issue, problem, need, or opportunity and will achieve one or more of the TGM objectives.

Response instructions are on page 8 of the 2022 Application Instructions.

Explain how your proposed project addresses a need and supports TGM objectives

Lexington's small downtown sits at the junction of Hwy. 74 and Hwy. 207 in Morrow County. This junction serves travelers from near and far as it serves as a gateway to the northern and southern areas of Morrow County. To the north are the communities of Boardman and Irrigon communities that are growing rapidly. Boardman is home to the second largest port in Oregon the Port of Morrow which has over 8,000 entry level jobs, this is a huge attraction for our area residents. Also to the north are the cities of Umatilla, Hermiston and Pendleton located 40-55 miles from Lexington, these communities also attract residents living in Southern Morrow county to employment, healthcare, social services and goods. This project addresses the following needs for: 1) appropriately sited, designed, and managed local, regional, and state transportation facilities such as roadway and sidewalk improvements. 2) A balanced, interconnected, and safe transportation system that provides a variety of transportation options such as walking and biking paths, safe crossings, and public transit access.

Criterion 2: Proposed project is timely and urgent (up to 25 points)

The application demonstrates timeliness and urgency. The project is needed now to:

- address pressing local transportation and land use issues
- make amendments to local plans or regulations necessitated by changes in federal regulations, state requirements or regional plans
- make amendments to local plans or regulations necessitated by changes that were not anticipated in previous plans, including growth or lack of growth, changes in land-use patterns or changes in available funding
- build on, complement or take a necessary step toward completing or implementing other high priority community initiatives, including Governor's Regional Solutions Team priority
- resolve transportation or land use-related issues affecting the project readiness of local, regional or state transportation projects for which funding is expected to be obligated within the near future

Response instructions are on page 10 of the 2022 Application Instructions.

Explain how your proposed project is timely and urgent

The Town of Lexington desires to review and study the town's downtown project area in order to access transportation barriers for those who are transportation disadvantaged. Morrow County Public Transit is currently underway with plans to implement a fixed route system in Morrow County. One of the proposed routes (Heppner-Boardman Connector) will travel through Lexington's downtown area. Lexington seeks to study and review the development of our downtown to allow for better accessibility to transit and activity centers. It is crucial to our town's citizens that we prepare for added public services that will allow access to healthcare, social services, healthy foods, and recreation. Lexington council is aware of the infrastructure opportunities that are available through the Oregon Department of Transportation and the Federal Transportation Administration but we must prepare for these opportunities by conducting crucial stakeholder outreach and education, review and study in order to better prepare for this development.

Criterion 3: Proposed project approach supports policy decision (up to 20 points)

The application demonstrates a clear approach to achieving the expected outcome and includes consideration for adoption. Where substantial coordination with other local, regional, and state planning efforts will need to occur, the mechanisms and responsibilities for the coordination are clear.

Response instructions are on page 11 of the 2022 Application Instructions.

Explain how your proposed project approach supports policy decision

Lexington council understands the importance of planning for project development. Below are a set of possible tasks that the council seeks from this project.

Pre-project task: Education and Outreach with TGM - Main Street and downtown revitalization

Task 1: Appoint a project committee for the Lexington Downtown Improvement Plan

Task 2: Committee to develop a Request for Proposal to contract a planning consultant firm.

Task 3: Review and award a planning firm to conduct planning work

Task 4: Planning firm deliverables would include but are not limited to stakeholder outreach sessions and surveys, downtown inventory assessment, downtown transportation facilities assessment, downtown zoning assessment, needs assessment, strategies to improve the needs and barriers of downtown, funding resources, Draft Downtown Improvement Plan, present to Lexington's town council for review and adoption.

Criterion 4: Proposed project has community support (up to 5 points)

The application demonstrates that there is local support for project objectives, a commitment to participate, and a desire to implement the expected outcome.

Response instructions are on page 13 of the 2022 Application Instructions.

Upload letters of support from stakeholders here

Criterion 5: Proposed project sponsor is ready and capable (up to 10 points)

The application demonstrates that the local government is ready and able to begin the project within the TGM timetable and that there is local commitment and capability to manage and complete the project. The application demonstrates, if applicable, successful performance on previous TGM projects.

Response instructions are on page 14 of the 2022Application Instructions.

Explain how proposed project sponsor is ready and capable

The Town of Lexington consists of the following personnel and elected officials:

- One FTE Town Recorder
- One FTE Maintenance Specialist
- One elected mayor
- Four elected council members

The town recorder will be the main point of contact for correspondence and documentation. The recorder will keep the mayor and council members informed of tasks to be planned and performed. The council will appoint stakeholders to a committee of volunteers to assist the council and staff with this project. Lexington was recently awarded a grant through the AWS ChangeX program to improve the Town Hall's Technology. This project will update the Lexington website and provide the equipment to offer virtual meeting access to public meetings.

If applicable, list local jurisdiction's TGM projects within last 10 years and their status

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TGM File Code	Project Title	Status
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Required forms

Title VI: Racial & Ethnic Impact Statement form

[Download the Racial & Ethnic Impact Statement form here](#)

7/14/22, 8:45 AM

2022 Transportation Growth Management Grant Application - Entries

Today's date

7/14/2022

If you encounter any issues with the submittal process, please contact:

Rachael Levasseur

Planning Section Web Coordinator

Rachael.LEVASSEUR@odot.oregon.gov



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The Town of Lexington

Downtown Improvement Plan Project Area

Date Saved: 5/17/2022 5:01 PM

Cartography By: Stephen Wrecsics
 Morrow County Planning Department
 Coordinate System: NAD83 Oregon GIC Lambert ft
 Datum: North American 1983
 Projection: Lambert Conformal Conic



Juvenile Department Quarterly Report to the Board of County Commissioners

Director: Christy Kenny

Report Date: July 14, 2022

Updates/Notes

We are excited to report that we have filled our open office support staff position and George Nairns will begin on July 21, 2022. George has been working in the planning department for the last year and we look forward to her joining our team.

Last quarter we were selected to begin Project LEAP and I have completed all the training provided by the Oregon Social Learning Center. Samantha joined our team at the end of the training timeframe but was able to join the study. She is currently participating in training and will have it completed by the end of the month.

We have seen an increase in referrals this quarter with some of those being sex offenses. We also had 3 youth that were admitted to NORCOR this quarter.

NORCOR did hire a new detention manager after Jeff Justesen retired. The new manager is Daniel White and he has been there for over a month now.

In June, folks from the Youth Development Division (YDD) came to Irrigon to provide information regarding program and grant opportunities that are offered. Several community partners were able to attend this but the schools were not. I have enclosed the brochure provided by YDD and I have forwarded this information on to the schools. These grant opportunities are not just for justice involved youth. YDD has been trying to reach the smaller counties that may not be aware of these funds in hopes that more counties apply.

Respectfully submitted by:



Christy Kenny, Juvenile Department Director

Youth Development Division Program & Grants Overview

Mission, Vision & Strategies

Vision

All of Oregon's youth have the opportunity to thrive and achieve their full potential.

Mission

YDC/YDD aligns systems and invests in communities to ensure equitable and effective services for youth ages 6 through 24. Throughout Oregon and Tribal Nations, we support educational and career success, disrupt youth crime and violence, and affirm youth strengths and safety.

- Identify and Remove System Barriers and Gaps
- Reduce Disparities and Achieve Equitable Outcomes
- Build Assets, Protective Factors and Strength-based Practices for Youth
- Engage, Reengage, and Advance Youth Learners
- Prevent and Disrupt Crime and Violence and Promote Youth Safety

Key Agency Roles

Youth Development Grantmaking

YDD provides critical investment to community-based organizations, educational agencies, Federally-recognized Tribes, County Juvenile Departments, and other entities across the state. Grants support in-school and out-of-school youth development and enrichment programs, workforce readiness training, youth reengagement, juvenile crime prevention and diversion, youth violence and gang prevention and intervention, and more.

YDD & the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act

The Youth Development Council is the State Advisory Group for compliance with federal JJCPA core protections for juveniles in the justice system. The YDD is the monitoring agency, charged with ensuring sight and sound separation of juveniles and adults in secure custody, the deinstitutionalization of status offenders, jail removal, and the reduction of racial and ethnic disparities at juvenile justice decision points. The YDD also makes grants to support this work.

Oregon Youth Reengagement System

The Oregon Youth Reengagement System (OYRS) is a YDD-coordinated effort to support regional, community-based efforts to reengage youth who leave school before earning a diploma or GED. Established as part of the Student Success Act, the system will support and connect reengagement opportunities for youth ages 14-21 (expanding to age 24 in the 2021-23 biennium).

For more information, please contact:

Paul Sell, Reengagement System Manager
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Community Investments

Youth Promise: Grants for existing youth development programs to improve and sustain engagement in education and remove barriers to success for youth ages 6-24.

Youth Solutions: Grants for new and innovative youth development programs to improve and sustain engagement in education, remove barriers to success, and address systems change to improve services and opportunities for youth ages 6-24.

Youth Workforce Readiness: Grants for community-based programs providing youth ages 14-24 with career exploration and skill development that will lead to employment success.

Youth Violence and Gang Prevention: Grants for community-based programs for youth ages 12-24 at risk of victimization, criminal activity or gang involvement.

Oregon Youth Reengagement System

Reengagement Opportunity Grants: Grants for direct reengagement services to youth ages 14-21. Services include outreach, education, workforce readiness, support services, and assistance with the transition into post-secondary education and/or career pathways.

Reengagement Collaborative Grants: Grants supporting regional and cross-sector collaboration and coordination of reengagement programs and services.

Future Ready Oregon

Future Ready Oregon Funding: Will deliver workforce readiness services to out-of-school or unemployed youth ages 14-24 in order to increase access, training, and placement for certain priority populations into sustainable living-wage career opportunities.

Juvenile Crime Prevention

State Juvenile Crime Prevention Grants: Formula funding provided to all Oregon counties and Tribal Nations, for the provision of pro-social activities, training, and supports designed to reduce the risk of entering the juvenile justice system.

Federal Title II [OJJDP] Grants: Funding for prevention, intervention and diversion programs for youth at risk of entering, already involved in, and exiting the juvenile justice system.

For more information and to sign up for the YDD email list, please visit:

www.oregon.gov/youthdevelopmentdivision



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Youth Report by Referral Received Date

Most severe offense per youth in referral date range, grouped by Crime Group, ORS Chapter Rollup and Offense Category Rollup

Original Referral County: Morrow
Start Date: 4/1/2022
End Date: 6/30/2022

Crime Group	Total		Gender			Age at Referral			Race/Ethnicity					
	#	% of Grand	F	M	U	< 13	13 to 15	> 15	Afr Amer	Asian	Hisp	Native Amer	Other	White
<u>Criminal</u>														
Person														
Assault	1		1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Sex Offense	3		1	2	0	0	2	1	1	0	1	0	0	1
Total Person	4		2	2	0	1	2	1	1	0	2	0	0	1
Public Order														
Disorderly Conduct	1		0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Harassment	1		0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total Public Order	2		0	2	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Total Criminal	6	54.5%	2	4	0	1	4	1	1	0	4	0	0	1
% of Demographic	100%		33.3%	66.7%	0.0%	16.7%	66.7%	16.7%	16.7%	0.0%	66.7%	0.0%	0.0%	16.7%
<u>Non-Criminal</u>														
Alcohol/MIP														
Alcohol/MIP	1		1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total Alcohol/MIP	1		1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Marijuana Offenses														
Marijuana Offenses	2		1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Total Marijuana Offenses	2		1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
Tobacco														
Tobacco	2		1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
Total Tobacco	2		1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1
Total Non-Criminal	5	45.5%	3	2	0	0	2	3	0	0	2	0	0	3
% of Demographic	100%		60.0%	40.0%	0.0%	0.0%	40.0%	60.0%	0.0%	0.0%	40.0%	0.0%	0.0%	60.0%
Total Youth	11	100%	5	6	0	1	6	4	1	0	6	0	0	4
% of Demographic	100%		45.5%	54.5%	0.0%	9.1%	54.5%	36.4%	9.1%	0.0%	54.5%	0.0%	0.0%	36.4%

ORS Type by ORS Class Code

ORS Type	A	B	C	D	U	Total Youth
Felony	1	0	0	0	0	1
Misdemeanor	2	1	2	0	0	5
Violation	0	2	0	2	1	5
Total Youth	3	3	2	2	1	11

ORS Chapter Rollup by ORS Type



Columbia Development Authority

The CDA continues to work towards the conveyance of the property.

The Army/CDA MOA which is the main document that includes the deed and exhibits, retained easements, is currently under review by CDA Board members.

Parcel 1 land transfer from the Army to the CDA will happen in July or August. This consists of 9511.39 acres. The CDA has been very busy working with the Army, BRAC, the Army Office of General Counsel, Army Corps of Engineers real estate division out of DC and the Seattle District legal team, CDA legal team and engineer. We have also been working closely with the Oregon Military Department (NG) to determine easements. Work has been done regarding, rail, water, and access.

A tremendous amount of work has been accomplished on the historical side on how the land was acquired by the Army in the 1940's. We have been working with our legal team and title companies over the past few months gathering information to be able to get a preliminary title report and have been successful.

CDA met in-person at the Depot with (BRAC) Base Realignment and Closure Division of the Army on July 19th.

Parcel 2 which is approximately 26 acres and is currently going through mitigation clean up. This parcel will transfer from the Army to CDA sometime in 2023.

Once CDA acquires parcel 1, then the process will be to transfer 4019 acres of the wildlife habitat refuge over to CTUIR. This should occur by 2023.

CDA staff continues to work with projects that are wanting to locate at the property. We are very instrumental in bringing local and utility partners together to determine the usages and needs. We believe that this property is strategically located in the Pacific Northwest and will be a major hotspot for industry and be able to provide great jobs for our region.

Best Regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Greg Smith".

Greg Smith, CDA Executive Director



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December 15, 2021

Re: Public Health Department

To: All Public Health Department Employees, County Administrator, Human Resources Director, Finance Director, and Potentially Affected Parties

To whom it may concern,

As you may or may not be aware, the Health Department has been the subject of various employee complaints and allegations the past few months. Morrow County takes these issues very seriously. Due to the complexity of these issues and the time limitations of the Commissioners, I have determined it is best to bring in an outside investigator to interview all involved parties.

While this matter is being investigated, you must refrain from any conduct that could reasonably be expected to affect the integrity of the investigation. This includes communication of any kind with other employees who may be witnesses that would tend to influence their recollections and/or statements regarding the subject matter of the investigation. You are also directed not to engage in any communications regarding the investigation while on duty working for the County.

If any employee or potential witness indicates that he or she does not want to discuss the investigation with you, whether on or off-duty, you must honor that request. You are, of course, also expected to cooperate with all aspects of the investigation and answer all questions posed to you, truthfully and completely.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Don Russell".

Don Russell, Chair
Morrow County Board of Commissioners