



WILLAMETTE FALLS LOCKS COMMISSION

Commission Meeting #11

Wednesday, November 13, 2019

1:00 PM to 4:30 PM

West Linn City Hall Council Chambers

22500 Salamo Road, West Linn, Oregon 97068

Agenda

Commission Process Goals:

- Negotiate agreement with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to allow transfer of the Locks to a willing public or private recipient (or in the alternative allow Corps to permanently close the Locks with a concrete bulkhead);
Develop agreement on a transferee and governance model for owning and operating the Locks; and
Develop agreement on a fiscal structure and funding to allow for (1) repair and restoration, and (2) ongoing maintenance and operation of the Locks.

Meeting Objectives:

- Share updates since the September WFLC meeting;
Review and agree on preliminary materials for a December report to the Legislature on the Budget Note below, including:
- Approve revised public corporation legislative concept and give direction for support team to work with Legislature on requested changes
- Approve revised business plan, and
Chart next steps for the December meeting and the February 2020 short session.

Budget Note (HB 5024): Willamette Falls Locks Commission

The Joint Committee on Ways and Means requests that the Willamette Falls Locks Commission resubmit its proposal for lottery revenue bond authorization to repair and reopen the Willamette Falls navigation canal and locks in the February 2020 legislative session. The request for state funding should include details on:

- planned ownership of the Locks,
actions required to transfer ownership,
contributions toward renovations from the US Army Corps of Engineers,
availability of other funds to support project costs, and
a long- term sustainable business plan for continued operation and maintenance.

Table with 2 columns: Time (1:00 - 1:20) and Agenda Item (Welcome, Agenda Overview, Introductions and Business Items). Includes sub-points like Welcome and agenda review, New Commissioner welcome, Introductions, and Commission business items.

1:20 – 1:50	<p><b>Federal Updates</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• USACE Disposition Study and Final Director’s Report (<i>Jeff Hicks</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Overview of Study/Report and workplan for Locks repairs</li> <li>○ Questions and discussion</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Federal legislation for transfer – WRDA update (<i>Michelle Giguere</i>)</li> </ul>
1:50 – 2:45	<p><b>Public Corporation – Draft Legislation to Establish</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review draft from Legislative Counsel</li> <li>• Questions and discussion</li> <li>• <b>Action Item:</b> <i>Seek Commission approval of draft for filing in the February legislative short session and provide authority for support team to work with legislators to make non-substantive changes</i></li> </ul>
2:45 – 3:00	<p><b>BREAK</b></p>
3:00 – 3:45	<p><b>Revised Business Plan for a Willamette Falls Locks Public Corporation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview of revised business plan (<i>John Southgate</i>)</li> <li>• Review of Locks Repair costs</li> <li>• Questions and discussion</li> <li>• <b>Action Item:</b> <i>Seek Commission approval of a “preferred alternative” for the long-term business plan for inclusion in the report to the legislature</i></li> </ul>
3:45 – 4:30	<p><b>Next Steps and Project Timeline</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update on upcoming legislative days and hearings leading up to the February short session (<i>Lisa Naito and legislators</i>)</li> <li>• Update on needed report to the legislature as requested by the budget note (<i>Lisa Naito</i>) (<i>adoption at the December meeting</i>)</li> <li>• Coordinated timeline document (<i>John Southgate</i>)</li> <li>• Other next steps (<i>as needed</i>)</li> </ul>
4:30	<p><b>Adjourn</b></p>