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The following questions were asked during the bureau's budget work session. Responses are included in the attached packet.

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Multnomah County Department of Human Services is currently investigating if implementation of the Affordable Care Act will have an effect on CATC. In the first two months of 2014, CATC did not see an increase in the percentage of patients covered by Medicaid. The City Budget Office will continue to work with the County Department of Human Services to analyze the effects of the ACA as more data becomes available.

2. How much is received by the County for specified animal permits?

The County's Vector-Borne Disease Prevention and Code Enforcement program receives \$1,500 a year from permits and fines for the Specified Animal program.

3. Please provide an updated City/County spreadsheet that shows a revenue neutral proposal and what remains as a reinvestment.

The chart below reflects the total ongoing funds that the City would contribute towards the proposal. The first section reflects the realignment of funding responsibilities for currently shared City/County programs. The second section reflects additional ongoing investments in existing programs. The chart does not include additional ongoing investments that the County is also making in existing programs (these can be found on the original City/County funding proposal).

Realignment of Program Funding	City	County
Senior Centers	\$0	\$212,000
Specific Animals	\$117,000	\$0
Crisis and Treatment Center (CATC)	\$0	\$597,000
Sobering	\$658,000	\$0
Total Program Realignments	\$775,000	\$809,000
Program Reinvestments		
Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children (CSEC): Includes SARC (\$50K) and Janus Youth (\$247K)	\$297,000	
SUN Investments: 2014-15 GF increase is continue support for County SUN school passthrough (\$137K), pick up County share of passthrough (\$137K), \$165K to cover expiring grant funding used by the County to support SUN schools in PDX city limits, \$66K for additional City share required to cover sites in city limits, and \$235,000 to cover existing schools covered by one-time Parks Levy funds.	\$740,000	
Short-Term Rent Assistance (STRA)	\$250,000	
Youth Transitional Housing	\$500,000	
Total Reinvestments	\$1,787,000	
Grand Total	\$2,562,000	

Tree Code

April 9, 2014

TO: Andrew Scott, Director of City Budget Office

FROM: Paul L Scarlett, Director

Bureau of Deveopment Services

Mike Abbaté, Director

Portland Parks and Recreation

RE: Citywide Tree Project, follow up questions from the March 31, 2014 Special

Appropriations Budget Work Session

QUESTIONS

1. What would a phased-in approach look like for the Tree Code?

2. Do we have any data on the tree canopy on private property?

RESPONSE

1. What would a phased-in approach look like for the Tree Code?

Significant code amendments would be required for the Citywide Tree Program to be implemented in phases. The new Title 11 Trees (which includes amendments to other City Titles) was designed and written to be a holistic, integrated regulatory system and is very interwoven with corresponding changes to Title 33. It was written this way to address the problems with administering the existing disconnected regulations. To split it apart to create phases, would be to return to a fragmented system where trees are regulated in some situations but not others, creating confusion for the public, and inconsistently regulating trees. For example, if a 25-inch tree is regulated only in development situations, a property owner/developer could cut it down prior to applying for development permits, or cut it down after development is complete.

In order to break the new Citywide Tree Program into phases, staff would need to do a substantial code amendment package, to disconnect parts of the regulations from each other, so the regulations and processes could stand alone in discreet phases.

- Council would need to delay implementation for one year and direct staff to amend the new regulations.
- o BPS, BDS, and Parks staff would need to redirect their efforts from other projects and draft amendments to both the zoning code and the tree code.
- o Bureau review from inter-agency partners would be required (BES, PBOT, BES, Parks, BPS), as well as from the public.
- Approval from both the Planning and Sustainability and Urban Forestry Commissions would be required with a final vote by City Council.

2. <u>Do we have any data on the tree canopy on private property?</u>
In 2007, Portland Parks and Recreation published *Portland's Urban Forest Canopy Assessment and Public Tree Evaluation*. This report states that just over half (54%) of the property in Portland is privately owned and holds 53% of the City's canopy.