



Board of County Commissioners
Board Work Session
Thursday, June 8th, 2023
3:30pm to 4:30pm
3000 Pacific Avenue SE, Room 110

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AGENDA

I. BoCC Budget Brainstorm – *Informational*

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EXAMPLES OF PRIORITIES FROM PAST COMMISSIONS

- Promote telework
- Fish passages
- Open Deschutes Park
- The Bountiful Byway website
- Support county fair
- Contributions to EDC, VCB
- Economic Development Coordinator
- Support for WSU Extension
- Thurston Thrives
- Legislative Liaison
- Additional Sheriff Deputies
- Criminal Justice Reform
- Disaster Contingency Set-aside
- Update technology



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Subject: Budget Work Session_ Brainstorm on Thursday, June 8
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Attachments: [Examples of Priorities.pdf](#)

Good afternoon, Commissioners,

At the budget work session on Thursday morning (June 8, 2023), I'll be asking you for items you would like to consider for funding during the fall budget development.

I'm attaching a few examples of items that were given by past commissions during the brainstorming process. This will be the opportunity for each of you to make suggestions of what you would like to see in the 2024-25 biennium budget.

To be clear, you won't be making decisions at this time about what will be added to the budget. Instead, we will create a list that reflects your individual priorities of what you hope to allocate money to in the coming two years. Staff will take the list, add cost estimates, review potential funding sources, and enter the items into the budget system. This will create the opportunity for your priorities to be part of the budget deliberations this fall as the board considers funding for these items in the context of all the items that come forward for funding.

As you can see from the examples, the items can be broad concepts or very specific, for community partners or in a county office / department, supporting a current program or enabling a whole new policy direction. This is the time to be creative about strategic direction for the county.

To jump start your thinking, here are a few items I've heard you talking about in the last few months:

- Parks and Trails
- Climate change
- Childcare

Please let me know if you have questions. I'm looking forward to hearing your ideas!

Kind Regards,

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