

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Maintaining Funding )  
for Law Enforcement Purposes )

RESOLUTION NO. 66-2006

WHEREAS, on August 16, 2006, the Board of County Commissioners adopted Order No. 65-2006, "In the Matter of Calling an Election to Consider the Columbia County Law Enforcement Local Option Tax Levy", and placed the measure on the November 7, 2006, election ballot; and

WHEREAS, if the measure passes, the funds raised would be used to increase the number of road deputies and sergeants; provide uniforms and equipment for the new personnel; provide a resident deputy for the Vernonia and Mist areas; and for other law enforcement purposes as necessary, including medical and behavioral drug treatment for incarcerated offenders; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners is committed to maintaining and enhancing existing funding for law enforcement purposes;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED as follows:

1. If the Local Option Tax Levy is approved by voters, the Board of County Commissioners resolves that the revenue raised by the levy will be dedicated to and used only for law enforcement purposes.
2. The Board of County Commissioners also resolves to spend other revenues raised by the Columbia County Sheriff's Office (such as from bed rentals, state grants and SB 1145 funds for Measure 11 criminals) solely for law enforcement purposes.
3. The Board of County Commissioners further resolves to maintain current levels of General Fund support for the Sheriff's Office.
4. This resolution is subject to the Oregon Constitution and laws of the State of Oregon, particularly the Local Budget Law. This resolution shall not be interpreted in a manner which would be inconsistent with applicable law. The Board reserves the right to reconsider paragraph 3 of this resolution in the event of serious revenue shortfalls.

DATED this 16th day of August, 2006.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Chair

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Commissioner

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Commissioner

Approved as to form

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Office of County Counsel

RESOLUTION NO. 66-2006