

BEFORE THE BOARDS OF HEALTH AND COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY,
OREGON

ORDER NO: 18-06-19-09

IN THE MATTER OF ENDORSING RECOMMENDAIONS
RELATED TO THE ADVANCEMENT OF HEALTH
EQUITY IN LANE COUNTY

WHEREAS, the Lane County Board of Commissioners constitutes and is the Lane County Board of Health under ORS 431.410 and ORS 431.415; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Commissioners, Sitting jointly as both that Body and the Board of Health, recognizes the critical importance of the impact of the social determinants of health on the quality of life and the overall physical and mental health of County residents; and

WHEREAS, the 2017 Lane County Health Equity Report revealed that numerous health disparities exist in Lane County; and

WHEREAS, in response to their review of the 2017 Lane County Health Equity Report the Board enjoined the Public Health Advisory Committee and the Equity and Access Advisory Board to engage the public in a discussion of and prioritization of the County's responses to these health disparities; and

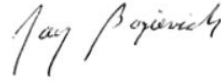
WHEREAS, the Public Health Advisory Committee and the Equity and Access Advisory Board convened a public forum and then met to assess and refine the ideas advanced at that forum;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Boards of Health and Commissioners of Lane County ORDERS as follows:

1. That it thanks the Public Health Advisory Committee and the Equity and Access Advisory Board, for convening a public meeting and for their collaborative work in organizing and distilling the public proposals set forth at the community forum; and
2. That it accepts the recommendations of the Public Health Advisory Committee and the Equity and Access Advisory Board, as expressions of the interest of the residents of Lane County and enjoins the County Administrator to work with staff to advance the institutionalization of the principles of equity in County Governance; and
3. That it takes this opportunity to publish the following Recommendations as articulated by the Public Health Advisory Committee and the Equity and Access Advisory Board:
 - a) That County staff will bring forth a Resolution for adoption that articulates a vision for advancing equity in Lane County.
 - b) That County staff invest sufficient time and resources to the creation of modifications to the Lane County Strategic Plan that will contain strategies designed to:

- a. Engage affected communities in decision-making designed to reduce health inequity.
 - b. Address forms of systemic oppression in Lane County.
 - c. Build organizational capacity in County government to permit it to mitigate health inequity.
 - d. Develop tools and practices that will center equity in decision-making.
- c) Institutionalize and embed equity practices in County government.

ADOPTED this 19th day of June, 2018



Jay Bozievich, Chair

Lane County Board of Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM
Date <u>6/19/18</u>
_____ LANE COUNTY OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL