



AGENDA COVER MEMO

Memorandum Date: August 22, 2025
Order Date: September 9, 2025

TO: Board of County Commissioners

DEPARTMENT: Public Works/Engineering and Construction Services/Surveyors

PRESENTED BY: Mikeal J. Blommé, Lane County Surveyor

AGENDA ITEM TITLE: ORDER / IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING TWO PUBLIC ROAD EASEMENTS TO BE USED FOR COUNTY ROAD PURPOSES FOR RIVERVIEW DRIVE, COUNTY ROAD NO. 12. (16-04-15-00)

I. MOTION

TO APPROVE THE ORDER ACCEPTING TWO PUBLIC ROAD EASEMENTS RECORDED ON INSTRUMENTS 2025-025005 AND 2025-026010, LANE COUNTY OREGON DEEDS AND RECORDS, LANE COUNTY, OREGON. APPROVAL OF THIS REQUEST WILL FORMALLY ACCEPT THE PUBLIC ROAD EASEMENTS GRANTED TO LANE COUNTY AND ESTABLISH THEM AS COUNTY ROAD RIGHT OF WAY.

II. AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Two private landowners have granted public road easements to Lane County to provide the right of way necessary to accommodate a vehicular turnaround for public motorists and County operational needs. Lane Manual Chapter 15 requires the Board of County Commissioners formally accept all public road and county road easements.

III. BACKGROUND/IMPLICATIONS OF ACTION

A. Board Action and Other History

In 2023, a private land surveyor performing survey work near the end of Riverview Drive, County Road No. 12, requested Surveyor's Office assistance to research and confirm if the location of the End of County Maintenance (ECM) sign was consistent with the legal end of the County Road. After reviewing the road records for Riverview Drive and comparing the results of our research with the location of the ECM sign at the end of the road, it was determined that the location of the ECM sign was approximately 350 feet further than it should be. Due to this discovery, Lane County relocated the ECM

sign to the legal end of the County Road and discontinued maintenance activities along the former 350-foot stretch of roadway.

Prior to adjusting the ECM, the Riverview Drive dead ended at a location where three private driveways converged. The road, combined with the three driveways, provided sufficient space for a vehicular turnaround.

The new ECM sign was relocated along an area of the road that did not provide adequate road surface for a vehicular turnaround, which resulted in motorists travelling the extra 350 feet to the former ECM for a convenient location to turn around. Two of the landowners residing in the area have repeatedly contacted Lane County expressing their trespass concerns and desire to work with the County to return the ECM to its former location as it existed prior to 2023.

In consultation with Road Maintenance Manager Orin Schumacher and Director Dan Hurley, it was agreed that returning the former 350 feet of roadway into the County Road system would benefit the public by providing motorists a more convenient space to turn around, while the landowners would benefit from the annual maintenance activities fronting their properties.

The Surveyor's Office drafted the public road easement documents and negotiated a donation of right of way with the landowners acquiring the right of way necessary to accommodate the turnaround while meeting the minimum standard for a county road per Lane Code. Both public road easements have been recorded at Lane County Deeds and Records.

B. Policy Issues

Lane Manual Chapter 15 requires that the County Surveyor's Office present to the Board all public road and County Road easements for formal acceptance.

C. Board Goals

One of Lane County's Strategic Priorities for 2022-2024 is Robust Infrastructure. Accepting the Public Road Easements for right of way purposes will help ensure the improvements located within the right of way will be maintained as part of the County Road, while providing a more convenient location for motorists to turn around.

D. Financial and/or Resource Considerations

The two acquired Public Road Easements were donated to Lane County. Road maintenance operations will revert to its historical level as provided by Lane County prior to 2023.

E. Health Implications

There are no health implications.

F. Analysis

The formal acceptance of the acquired right of way by the Board will ensure they will be included as part of the County Road right of way record and receive annual maintenance.

G. Alternatives/Options

The Board of County Commissioners has the options to:

1. Approve the acceptance and establishment of the public road easements as County Road as referred to in the Order.
2. Deny the Order to accept the public road easements and their establishment as County Road.

IV. RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Board support Option Number 1, approving formal acceptance of the public road easements recorded on Instruments 2025-025005 and 2025-026010 as public road, specifically establishing the public road easements as part of County Road No. 12.

V. TIMING/IMPLEMENTATION

Staff requests the Board consider this in a timely manner.

VI. FOLLOW-UP

If the Board of County Commissioners approves the Order accepting the Public Road Easements, the Order is to be filed into the Board of County Commissioners' Journal of Administration, after which copies are to be forwarded to the County Surveyor and Lane County Assessor for appropriate action. If the Order is denied, an Order to Deny will be presented to the Board at a later regularly scheduled meeting.

VII. ATTACHMENTS

Order with Exhibit:
Map – Exhibit "A"

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF LANE COUNTY, OREGON

ORDER NO.

IN THE MATTER OF ACCEPTING TWO PUBLIC
ROAD EASEMENTS TO BE USED FOR COUNTY
ROAD PURPOSES FOR RIVERVIEW DRIVE,
COUNTY ROAD NO. 12. (16-04-15-00)

THIS MATTER now coming before the Board of County Commissioners of Lane County and said Board deeming it in the best interest of Lane County to accept two public road easements granted to Lane County for the purpose of establishing and extending the right of way of Riverview Drive, County Road No. 12.

WHEREAS, the public road easements were acquired by Lane County to provide a convenient turnaround area for vehicular traffic; and

WHEREAS, the public road easements have been executed as Instrument Numbers 2025-025005 and 2025-026010, Lane County Oregon Deeds and Records, Lane County, Oregon; and

WHEREAS, the County Surveyor's Office is required to submit for formal acceptance by the Board all public road and county road easements pursuant to Lane Manual Chapter 15; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED the public road easements recorded on Instrument Numbers 2025-025005 and 2025-026010 are hereby accepted by the Board of County Commissioners of Lane County as a public road easement, and expressly established as part of Riverview Drive, County Road No. 12, by this Order; and

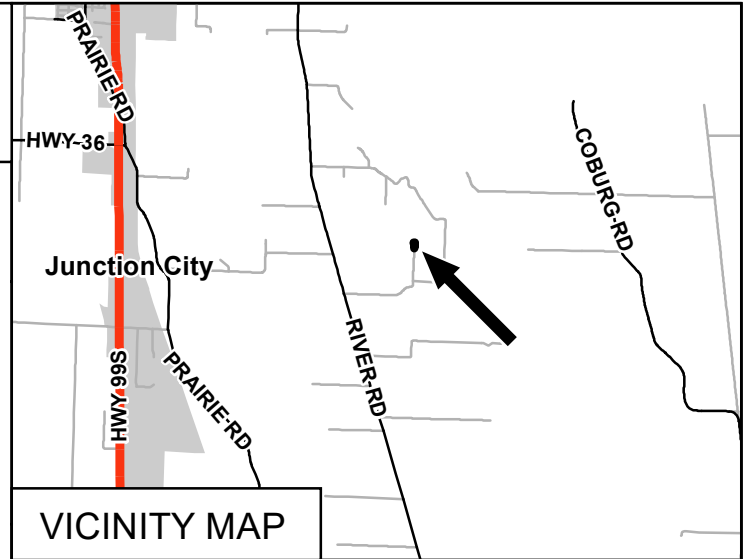
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED the above Order shall be entered in the records of the Board of County Commissioners' Journal of Administration and a copy of which be forwarded to the County Surveyor for their inclusion in the road records for County Road Number 12 in the regular numbered road files in the County Surveyor's Office.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2025.

David Loveall, Chair
Lane County Board of Commissioners

TO BE DEDICATED FOR COUNTY ROAD PURPOSES

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