

# **AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT**

**MEETING DATE:** June 24, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Consideration of a Memorandum of Understanding with Healthy Democracy for

a Citizens/Civic Assembly

# **RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

Move approval of County Administrator signature on Document No. 2024-459, a Memorandum of Understanding between Deschutes County and Healthy Democracy.

### **BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

Healthy Democracy seeks to establish and empower a Citizens/Civic Assembly ("Assembly"). The Assembly would be a group of Central Oregonians selected by a civic lottery who are broadly representative of the Deschutes County area. The Assembly would spend significant time learning and collaborating through facilitated deliberation to find common ground and form collective recommendations for policy makers, decision makers, and the community.

Attached is a draft MOU between Deschutes County and Healthy Democracy that outlines the proposed agreement between the two parties. Also attached is a draft invitation letter Health Democracy would send to prospective participants.

#### **BUDGET IMPACTS:**

None

# **ATTENDANCE:**

Erik Kropp, Deputy County Administrator Josh Burgess, Central Oregon Civic Action Project