



## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

**MEETING DATE:** April 2, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Public Health Advisory Board By-Laws Update

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:**

Move approval of the updated by-laws for the Public Health Advisory Board.

**BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:**

The Public Health Advisory Board (PHAB) periodically updates its By-Laws to better serve Deschutes County Public Health and the Deschutes County Board of County Commissioners. These updates improve strategic and operational functions with the aim of making PHAB more effective in improving the health of Deschutes County residents.

The majority of substantive updates made to the By-Laws occur in Article V, Membership. PHAB members identified a need to be more strategic and deliberate in creating a robust committee through improved member expertise and experience related to local public health. Also, member expectations have been more clearly defined and a new recruitment process for membership has been created. The updates have been reviewed and approved by Public Health Leadership, as well as County Legal.

**BUDGET IMPACTS:**

None

**ATTENDANCE:**

Tom Kuhn, Project Manager, Health Services  
Rob Ross, MD, PHAB Chair  
Colleen Sinsky, PHAB Vice-Chair