



BOARD OF RAMSEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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RAMSEY COUNTY BOARD MEETING

May 6, 2008

Council Chambers - Third Floor Court House

ROLL CALL and Call to Order – 9:00 a.m. - Council Chambers

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA of the May 6, 2008 Board Meeting is presented for approval.

MINUTES of the April 22, 2008 Board Meeting are presented for approval.

PRESENTATION of the *Changing Lives Award* from United Arts. This award recognizes excellence within workplace charitable contribution campaigns in both the public and private sector.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

10.0 ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS GOING DIRECTLY TO THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL

10.1 PUBLIC WORKS – Agreement for Railroad Crossing Surface on Eagle Avenue in White Bear Township.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approve the agreement between Ramsey County Department of Public Works and Soo Line Railroad Company for the installation of concrete grade crossing surface on Eagle Avenue at Soo Line Railroad, in White Bear Township;
- 2) Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute said agreement on behalf of Ramsey County; and
- 3) Authorize a budget adjustment in the amount of \$19,053.

10.2 PUBLIC WORKS – 2008 – 2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Adopt the 2008-2012 Public Works Transportation Improvement Program;
- 2) Authorize the County Engineer to prepare plans and agreements in accordance with the TIP, to prepare consultant engineering contracts up to \$100,000, to prepare right of way acquisition consultant contracts up to \$100,000 to acquire temporary and permanent easements, and to advertise for bids;
- 3) Authorize the County Manager to approve and execute consultant engineering contracts up to \$100,000, right of way acquisition consultant contracts to \$100,000, and to approve and execute construction contracts utilizing County State Aid, Federal and participating funding associated with the construction projects in the 2008-2012 Public Works Transportation Improvement Program subject to County Attorney and Budgeting & Accounting approval;

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- 4) Authorize the County Manager to approve and execute the necessary budget adjustments utilizing County State Aid, Federal and participating funds to fund consultant engineering contracts (up to \$100,000), right of way acquisition consultant contracts (up to \$100,000) and construction contracts associated with the projects listed in the 2008-2012 Public Works Transportation Improvement Program;
- 5) Authorize the County Manager to approve and execute appropriate budget adjustments funding force account maintenance projects and the purchase of easements utilizing County State Aid Highway and participating funds;
- 6) Authorize temporary cash loans from the County General Fund to the Road and Bridge CIP fund for project costs of projects listed in the 2008-2012 Public Works Transportation Improvement Program pending receipt of Federal, County State Aid Highway Construction funds and participating funds;
- 7) Authorize temporary cash loans from the County General Fund to the 2008 CIP Bond Fund for road maintenance project expenditures occurring before bond proceeds are received;
- 8) Authorize the County Engineer and County Attorney to acquire temporary and permanent easements by negotiation or condemnation;
- 9) Authorize the County Manager to approve negotiated settlements for up to \$10,000 over the appraised value per parcel for temporary and permanent easements;
- 10) Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute acquisition documents for right of way acquisition; and
- 11) Authorize the County Manager to approve cooperative agreements with cities and counties for their participation in projects listed in the 2008-2012 Public Works Transportation Improvement Program.

10.3 BOARD OF RAMSEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS – Appointment to the Personnel Review Board.

Board Action Requested:

Appoint Sarah Reindl to the Personnel Review Board for a term beginning with the date of appointment and ending August 1, 2010.

10.4 PARKS AND RECREATION – Cooperative Deer Management Implementation Program for Fall 2008.

Board Action Requested:

Approve the Ramsey County Cooperative Deer Management Implementation Program for Fall 2008, including the following sites: Otter Lake and Tamarack Units of Bald Eagle-Otter Lakes Regional Park, Pig's Eye Lake and Battle Creek Units of Battle Creek Regional Park, Long Lake Regional Park, Snail Lake Regional Park, Vadnais Lake Regional Park, Poplar Lake County Park, Fish Creek Open Space and Turtle Creek Open Space.

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10.5 COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS – Amendment to the Agreement with 180 Degrees.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approve the Amendment to the Agreement with 180 Degrees, 236 Clifton Avenue, Minneapolis, MN 55403, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for 2008 and \$50,000 for 2009 for Electronic Home Monitoring (EHM) services; add Global Positioning System monitoring at a cost of \$15/day per juvenile; extend the term through December 31, 2009;
- 2) Authorize the County Manager to execute the Amendment to the Agreement and any necessary additional amendments to the Agreement, in a form to be approved by the County Attorney; and
- 3) Authorize the County Manager to make any necessary budget adjustments, provided the funds are within the Department's approved budget.

10.6 DISTRICT COURT/COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS – Approve professional service agreement with District Court, and to add 0.5 FTE to Community Corrections complement to carry out the provision of those services.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approve an agreement with the Second Judicial District, in an amount not to exceed \$45,000, for the period of April 15, 2008 through June 30, 2009, for intensive supervision and case management services for the DWI Court;
- 2) Authorize Ramsey County Community Corrections to add 0.5 adult FTE (Community Corrections Aide), which would be a starred position that is eliminated when the grant funds for the DWI Court end;
- 3) Authorize the County Manager to execute these agreements and any necessary amendments in a form to be approved by the County Attorney; and
- 4) Authorize the County Manager to make any necessary budget adjustments.

10.7 COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICES – Translation and Interpreting Services.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approve the recommendation to contract with the Program in Translation and Interpreting, College of Continuing Education, University of Minnesota, 101 Westbrook Hall, 77 Pleasant Street S.E., Minneapolis, MN 55455, for workshops on effectively working with interpreters, for the period March 1, 2008 through December 31, 2009, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000;
- 2) Authorize the County Manager to sign the agreement, following review and approval by the County Attorney and Budgeting and Accounting Offices; and
- 3) Authorize the County Manager to make the necessary budget adjustments.

10.8 COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICES – Diversity and Racial Disparities.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approval of the recommendation to enter into an agreement with Full Circle Community Institute, 5878 State Road 70, Webster, WI 54893, to train 25 facilitators in authentic dialogues, for the period March 1, 2008 to September 30, 2009, in an amount not to exceed \$42,800; and

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- 2) Authorize the County Manager to sign the Agreement, following review and approval by the County Attorney and Budgeting and Accounting offices; and
- 3) Authorize the County Manager to make the necessary budget adjustments.

10.9 COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICES – Children’s Mental Health.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approve the recommendation of Meridian Services, 9400 Golden Valley Road, Golden Valley, MN 55427, to develop and operate the first two foster care homes for children with severe emotional disturbance (SED);
- 2) Approve the recommendation of REM Minnesota, 6600 France Avenue South, #500, Edina, MN 55435, to develop and operate up to two additional foster care homes for children with severe emotional disturbance (SED); and
- 3) Authorize the County Manager to sign the initial five-year agreements and to make any necessary budget adjustments.

10.10 SHERIFF – Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension for the provision of four 2-Finger Identification Units.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approve a Joint Powers Agreement between the State of Minnesota and Ramsey County, for the period of March 1, 2008 through September 30, 2010, for the provision of four 2-Finger Identification Units, and for payment of software, maintenance and training;
- 2) Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the Joint Powers Agreement;
- 3) Authorize the County Manager to approve any future Joint Powers Agreements and Amendments to the Joint Powers Agreements for upgraded equipment from the State of Minnesota.

10.11 SHERIFF – Lease of Space at Selby Commons for the Youth Literacy Plus Program.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approve the lease extension between Ramsey County and Selby Commons Limited Partnership, 400 Selby Avenue, Suite C, St. Paul, MN 55104, for the lease of space for the Literacy Plus Program at 905 Selby Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55104, for the period of January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008, in the total amount of \$20,160;
- 2) Authorize the County Manager to execute the lease extension; and
- 3) Authorize the County Manager to approve any subsequent lease extensions.

10.12 REGIONAL RAILROAD AUTHORITY – Set public hearing date, time and location for Ramsey County public hearing on Central Corridor Preliminary Design Plans.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Set a public hearing on Central Corridor Preliminary Design Plans for 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. on June 5, 2008, at Lao Family Center, 320 University Avenue, Saint Paul, MN; and
- 2) Comments will be received until 4:30 p.m. on June 12, 2008.

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10.13 COUNTY MANAGER/BUDGETING & ACCOUNTING – 2008 Capital Improvement Program Bonds.

Board Action Requested:

Approve the resolution providing for bond sales including:

- 1) Terms of Proposal for issuance of \$6,100,000 Series 2008A Capital Improvement Plan Bonds; and
- 2) Set the date of June 3, 2008 as the date of bond sale award for proposals received on June 2, 2008.

10.14 COUNTY MANAGER – The Housing Endowment Fund and “Supporting Housing Priorities”.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Affirm the commitment to addressing housing issues;
- 2) Direct that the net proceeds of \$2,148,689.17 from the sale of the former Patrol Station at 655 West County Road E be used to pay down the Housing Endowment Fund loan from the General Fund;
- 3) Direct that the remaining loan balance from the General Fund to the Housing Endowment Fund be forgiven;
- 4) Direct that the remaining assets and liabilities be transferred from the Housing Endowment Fund to the General Fund;
- 5) Direct that the Housing Endowment Fund be closed;
- 6) Direct that future repayments from housing developers be receipted into the General Fund;
- 7) Direct that the net proceeds of \$2,148,689.17 from the sale of the former Patrol Station be designated in the General Fund for future appropriations, with emphasis on supporting housing priorities; and
- 8) Direct the County Manager and county departments to review community needs in relation to supporting housing priorities and return to the Board with ideas and proposals to address these issues.

10.15 COUNTY MANAGER – Emergency Communication Center Contracts and Personnel Complement.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Authorize the County Manager to negotiate and execute an agreement with PLK Consulting, P.C., 3605 Eben Way, Stillwater, Minnesota 55082, for services related to the transition of dispatching services on the 800 MHz system from the Emergency Communication Center and during the Federal Communication Commission Frequency Rebanding Project and other close-out projects, for a twelve-month period, at a cost not to exceed \$40,000 and subject to prior approval by the County Attorney’s Office and Budgeting and Accounting;
- 2) Authorize the County Manager to negotiate and execute a contract for Training and Curriculum Development Services for the Emergency Communication Center, at a cost not to exceed \$40,000 and subject to prior approval by the County Attorney’s Office and Budgeting and Accounting;

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- 3) Authorize an increase to the personnel complement of the Emergency Communications Department by a 1.0 FTE for a Planning Specialist 2 in the classified service; and
- 4) Authorize the County Manager to make necessary adjustments to department 2008 and 2009 budgets as needed, and to execute any amendments, and change orders necessary to complete these activities in a timely manner.

POLICY AGENDA

P.22 PARKS AND RECREATION – Proposed Tobacco-Free Zones Parks and Recreation Policy. *(Commissioner Bennett, Chair, Public Works, Parks & Solid Waste Committee, Issue Presenter)*

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Adopt a Tobacco-Free Zones Policy that prohibits the use of all tobacco products within 50 feet of County beaches, playgrounds, ice arenas, Tamarack Nature Center and Battle Creek Waterworks; and
- 2) Authorize the Parks and Recreation Department to encourage compliance of the policy through signage, informational messages and education.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

BOARD CHAIR UPDATE

OUTSIDE BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADJOURNMENT

Immediately following County Board Meeting

- Housing and Redevelopment Authority – Council Chambers
- Regional Railroad Authority – Council Chambers
- Executive Session RE: RNC – Room 220 Large Conference Room

May 13, 2008	County Board Meeting – Council Chambers
May 20, 2008	County Board Meeting – Council Chambers
May 27, 2008	No County Board Meeting
June 3, 2008	County Board Meeting – Council Chambers
June 10, 2008	No County Board Meeting
June 17, 2008	County Board Meeting – Council Chambers
June 24, 2008	County Board Meeting – Council Chambers
July 1, 2008	County Board Meeting – Council Chambers