

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners met in regular session with the following members present: Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman and Chair Parker – 7. Absent: - 0. Also present were David Twa, County Manager, and Darwin Lookingbill, Director, Civil Division, County Attorney's Office.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA

Commissioner Reinhardt moved approval of the Agenda of the February 5, 2008 Board Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Carter. Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Parker – 7. Nays – 0.

MINUTES

Commissioner Ortega moved approval of the Minutes of the January 22, 2008 Board Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Parker – 7. Nays – 0.

PUBLIC WORKS – Possible Federal Legislative Items for the 111th Congress

Commissioner Bennett introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2008-049)

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners has reviewed proposals and initiatives for inclusion in its federal legislative package for the 111th Congress; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, That the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes inclusion of the following items in its federal legislative package for the 111th Congress:

- Request for Funds for new bridge / interchange at T.H. 36 and Intersection improvements at County Road B and Rice Street; and
- Request for Funds for Interchange Project at Highway 49 at Interstate 694

and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The County Board further authorizes its representatives to work with members of the Congressional Delegation and other interested parties to seek the necessary legislation for these proposals.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS – Purchase of Service, Rate-Setting, and Grant Agreements and Amendments

Commissioner Bennett introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2008-050)

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WHEREAS, By County Board Resolution 94-203, adopted April 26, 1994, the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners approved a process for streamlining approval of purchase of service contracts and grant renewals; and

WHEREAS, Each year, the Corrections Department has requested and received renewal of the authorities granted in Resolution 94-203; and

WHEREAS, The grants of authority to the County Manager have streamlined the ongoing operations of the Department; and

WHEREAS, The Corrections Department is requesting that the County Manager be granted the same authority for calendar years 2008 and 2009; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Manager to take the following actions in a total amount not to exceed the Corrections Department's 2008 and 2009 budget:

- a. Approve all purchase of service contract renewals and execute amendments; authorize issuance of Requests for Proposals for services; and make necessary budget adjustments; agreements and amendments are subject to prior approval by the County Attorney's Office and Budgeting and Accounting;
- b. Approve applications for grant renewals, accept grant awards and supplemental grant awards; execute grant award and supplemental grant award agreements and amendments; make necessary budget adjustments; agreements and amendments are subject to prior approval by the County Attorney's Office and Budgeting and Accounting;
- c. Approve and execute new rate contracts for psychologists, psychiatrists and interpreters, subject to prior approval by the County Attorney's Office and Budgeting and Accounting.

The following are excluded from the authorization to the County Manager:

- a. New contracts with the exception of the new rate agreements for psychologists, psychiatrists and interpreters;
- b. Contract renewals involving increases that exceed 15%; and
- c. New grant agreements or grant renewal agreements and amendments where the increase in the local share exceeds 15%.

BOARD OF RAMSEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS – Appointments to the Ramsey/Washington Metro Watershed District Board of Managers

Commissioner Bennett introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2008-051)

WHEREAS, In accordance with the County's Open Appointment Process, a press release was distributed November 16, 2007, seeking individuals for two positions on the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District Board of Managers; and

WHEREAS, Two applications have been received, both from the incumbents; Now, Therefore, Be It

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RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby ratifies the reappointment of Roger Lake and Robert E. Johnson, to the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District Board of Managers, for terms beginning with the date of appointment and ending February 23, 2011.

BOARD OF RAMSEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS – Appointment to the Workforce Investment Board

Commissioner Bennett introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2008-052)

WHEREAS, There are currently several County vacancies on the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) – four in the Business category; two in the category of Community-Based Organizations; and one in the area of Economic Development; and

WHEREAS, WIB staff have been recruiting applicants and have received an application from an individual interested in serving on the WIB to represent Business; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby appoints the following individual to the Workforce Investment Board:

- Barbara Mednick, BKM Consulting, for a term beginning on the date of appointment and ending on July 31, 2009.

BOARD OF RAMSEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS – Appointments to the Community Health Services Advisory Committee

Commissioner Bennett introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2008-053)

WHEREAS, Three vacancies currently exist on the Community Health Services Advisory Committee, in Districts 5 and 6 and one at-large position; and

WHEREAS, In accordance with the County’s Open Appointment process, press releases were distributed seeking applicants for this committee, and six applications have been received; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby appointments the following individuals to the Community Health Services Advisory Committee for terms beginning with the date of appointment and ending June 26, 2009:

<u>Name/Address</u>	<u>Representing District</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Pam Schmidt 78 E. 10 th Street #3209 St. Paul, MN 55101	5	June 26, 2009
Doriscile Everett-O’Neal 1708 Louise Avenue St. Paul, MN 55106	6	June 26, 2009

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Catherine Croghan
1961 Midland Hills Road
Roseville, MN 55113

At-Large

June 26, 2009

PARKS AND RECREATION – Keller Regional Park Restroom Construction Change Order No. 2

Commissioner Bennett introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2008-054)

WHEREAS, On August 22, 2006, by Resolution #2006-281, the County Board approved an Agreement with Gladstone Construction, Inc. for the construction of five restroom facilities at Keller Regional Park; and

WHEREAS, On November 15, 2006, by Administrative Code 3.40.18(c), the County Manager approved Change Order No.1 to the Agreement, for the amount of \$19,714.11, reimbursing contractor for SAC/WAC charges paid on behalf of the County; and

WHEREAS, Xcel Energy required installation of electrical service at two restroom sites be changed from that indicated on contract documents; and

WHEREAS, Existing site conditions required additional fill material, grading and seeding from that indicated on contract documents; and

WHEREAS, These changes allow for more functional electrical service, easier, less costly site maintenance and ADA required accessibility to restroom facilities; and

WHEREAS, These conditions required additional work not included in the scope of services of the agreement between the County and Gladstone Construction, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, Additional project costs, in the amount of \$29,884.11, are required for the increased scope of project work; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby approves Change Order No. 2 to the Agreement for with Gladstone Construction, Inc. for construction of five restroom facilities at Keller Regional Park; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, That the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chair and Chief Clerk to sign Change Order No. 2.

DISTRICT COURT/COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS – Approve Professional Service Agreements with District Court, and add 1.5 FTE to Community Corrections complement

Commissioner Bennett introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2008-055)

WHEREAS, The State of Minnesota has provided grant funding to the Second Judicial District to provide services in the Adult Substance Abuse Court (ASAC) and Juvenile Substance Abuse Court (ASAC); and

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WHEREAS, Ramsey County authorized the Second Judicial District to request available grant funding from State of Minnesota to provide drug court services in resolution 2007-258; and

WHEREAS, The Second Judicial District does not have the capacity to provide intensive supervision and case management services for the Adult Substance Abuse Court and Juvenile Substance Abuse Court, and desires to contract with Community Corrections for these services; and

WHEREAS, Community Corrections will be reimbursed for actual costs incurred in an amount not to exceed one hundred thirty one thousand six hundred and (\$131,600); and

WHEREAS, Community Corrections is requesting the addition of 1.0 FTE (Community Corrections Worker), which would be a starred position that is eliminated when the grant funds for the Adult Substance Abuse Court end and 0.5 FTE (Community Corrections Aide), which would be a starred position that is eliminated when the grant funds for the Juvenile Substance Abuse Court end. No County match is required for this addition; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes two Professional Service Agreements with the Second Judicial District to provide case management services for the period January 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, for the Adult Substance Abuse Court in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 and for the Juvenile Substance Abuse Court in an amount not to exceed \$31,600; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board authorizes the addition of 1.0 FTE (Community Corrections Worker) to the adult staff complement of the Community Corrections Department, to be a starred position, which will be eliminated when the grant funds for the Adult Substance Abuse Court ends; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board authorizes the addition of 0.5 FTE (Community Corrections Aide) to the juvenile staff complement of the Community Corrections Department, to be a starred position, which will be eliminated when the grant funds for the Juvenile Substance Abuse Court ends; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board authorizes the County Manager to execute the Agreements and any necessary amendments to the Agreements, in a form to be approved by the County Attorney; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board authorizes the County Manager to make any necessary budget adjustments.

BOARD OF RAMSEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS – Cancellation of Board Meeting

Commissioner Ortega introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner McDonough. Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Parker – 6. Nays – Rettman - 1. (2008-056)

WHEREAS, On Tuesday, March 4, 2008, a majority of Ramsey County Board members will be in Washington, D.C. for the annual National Association of Counties (NACo) Legislative Conference; and

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WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Home Rule Charter states that the Ramsey County Board must meet at least two times per month; and

WHEREAS, Ramsey County Board meetings are scheduled for March 11, March 18 and March 25, 2007; and

WHEREAS, It is therefore requested that the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners cancel the Board Meeting of March 4, 2008; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby cancels the March 4, 2008, Ramsey County Board Meeting so that Commissioners are able to attend the annual National Association of Counties (NACo) Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C.

(Commissioner McDonough left the meeting prior to the vote being taken on the next item.)

COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICES – Adult Mental Health – Adult Rehabilitative Mental Health Services Re-certification

Commissioner Reinhardt introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner McDonough.

Commissioner Rettman requested an amendment to the resolution to remove the last three words “and future re-certifications.” This amendment was accepted as friendly.

Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Parker – 6. Nays – 0. (2008-057)

WHEREAS, Ramsey County Community Human Services has been an Adult Rehabilitative Mental Health Services (ARMHS) provider for the past six years; and

WHEREAS, This enables Ramsey County to be reimbursed by the federal government for the provision of a variety of mental health services; and

WHEREAS, In 2007, Ramsey County earned \$750,000 through this reimbursement mechanism; and

WHEREAS, Ramsey County Community Human Services is required to submit a recertification application every three years; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners approves submission of the Adult Rehabilitative Mental Health Services recertification application; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board authorizes the County Manager to sign the recertification application.

COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICES – Child Protection – Comprehensive Family Assessment

Commissioner Reinhardt introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Carter.

Chair Parker said it is wonderful that the County is getting a \$2 million grant over five years with the Comprehensive Family Assessments. She asked if this would be an opportunity to

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incorporate the Corrections' families as well. The County Board has had discussions regarding troubled families that also have a family member involved in Ramsey County's correctional system. She asked if the Departments of Community Human Services, Public Health, and Community Corrections could work together on the family case plans.

Monty Martin, Director, Community Human Services, said that was not included in the federal grant request. Human Services could ask, but he would be surprised if that were allowed. This is very specific for what is called Family Assessment within the Child Protection system. Family Assessment is an alternative to traditional child protection investigation so it is not a generalized family assessment; it is specific to a child protection case, and that is what was requested and granted in the federal grant.

Commissioner Reinhardt said there are some child protection cases that show up in the Corrections budget. She understands it all runs through Human Services, but there is some overlap.

Mr. Martin said there is overlap; there are kids within the juvenile system that are also in the child protection system.

Commissioner Reinhardt said there are children in the child protection system that are better off there because of a parent's criminal activity. Are they all covered under this whether they are there because of Corrections or whether they are in the child protection system through Human Services?

Mr. Martin said when a case comes into Child Protection, a decision is made whether the case would go Family Assessment or go traditional. The kinds of cases that involve significantly more deep end kids are going to go traditional and would not be included in Family Assessment. These are not abuse cases; they are not cases where kids have significant crimes involved. These would be cases thought to be on the edge of what is thought of as child neglect. Rather than go with a child protection investigator who goes out to talk to the family and investigates circumstances to the child, these cases are instead referred to community agencies where they receive a more social work approach than an in-depth child protection approach. There is a part of child protection that has been sweeping the country in last several years, and this is an attempt to assess the effectiveness of that particular aspect of child protection. The deeper end kids in the Corrections system would be in traditional, rather than Family Assessment.

Chair Parker said she was not referring to the kids being in the correctional system, but rather, a parent, and that it might mean developing a case plan to engage the probation officer so that it gets tied into the activity of the Corrections Department in dealing with the parents.

Commissioner Carter said she understands that this is about those cases being referred to Child Protection and an assessment that happens at that point. The conversation that has been taking place is about re-entry and the connection of families of those who are in the criminal justice system from the point of entry into the criminal justice system, and that there is an overlap in the need to plan for the re-entry of that individual by way of the need for family reunification and identifying that family as needing services. The conversation still applies though we may not be able to incorporate it in this particular arena.

Commissioner Carter asked Mr. Martin to share his ideas about moving forward in the future, although we may not have been able to begin that process of recognizing that overlap and working together with Public Health, Corrections, and perhaps, Workforce Solutions on comprehensive services for those kinds of cases.

Mr. Martin said the particular goal in this grant request is an evaluation of the effectiveness of Family Assessment versus a traditional Child Protection route. Working with colleagues in

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Community Corrections and Public Health relative to the whole family as the needs of the children are addressed, is absolutely something that should be done in Child Protection.

Commissioner Carter said this is something the County Board could hear more about as the conversation continues on the overlap and devising solutions.

Mr. Martin said he is not prepared to provide more information on that today.

Commissioner Rettman said the County Board has talked about ways to internalize changes. She asked why one of the current staff is not upgraded to “train-the-trainer”, instead of bringing on a consultant, even though it may be a former Ramsey County employee. This is about a five-year project of \$2 million, and this position would be contracted at \$164,676 for two years. A staff member could be hired as part of that for a “train-the-trainer”, making this a way of doing the work in Human Services. Was that discussed, and if so, why was this choice made? Entering into the contract for overall coordination of the effort, including management of sharing of information and maintaining data responsibility, the contractor has a detailed knowledge of children’s services, mandated responsibilities, and the management of projects -- should all be ongoing types of work. A clerical position would be started, but theoretically, if the University and Ramsey County work well together, this would be incorporated into the internal working system in Human Services.

Mr. Martin said he was not involved in all the discussions about this so he did not know if that was discussed as an option. The disadvantages of doing that is that this is a two-year position at the end of which the Department would have to reverse that whole process and move the person back to where they previously worked. In this particular situation, at this rate of pay, because benefits don’t have to be paid with the contract, this would be cheaper than a senior child protection worker.

Commissioner Rettman said her point is that discussions have been held that if a better way is found to do something that would be changed. She suggested that an FTE is appropriate to stay in that position, and something else changes.

Mr. Martin said this is an evaluation contract; it is not a position to make the change. Most of this change has already been made. This is to shift cases back and forth to make sure this grant evaluation process with the University of Minnesota works properly. This should not go beyond two years, and the skills involved in the person are being imbedded throughout the agency in all the workers and all the supervisors and managers involved, not just in this particular person.

Commissioner Rettman said she sees the evaluation as ongoing so that this would be systemic for years to come, if indeed it works.

Mr. Martin said he did not believe that would be the case. This is a five-year project at the end of which the evaluation is concluded and decisions are drawn. Funding evaluation is done of all the Human Services work, but there would no longer be this time-limited comprehensive study.

Dave Haley, Community Human Services, said the intent of this project is that what is learned will be incorporated into the service, whether it is a particular type of assessment or a best practice. It will be incorporated, so this gets to Commissioner Rettman’s particular point in that regard. The University’s involvement will end after five years in this coordination, but Human Services will try to incorporate what is learned into the ongoing practices. There was a lot of debate on the decision around whether to hire internally or to hire a contractor among the folks in the child protection system in-take and in their ongoing program, for how to set this up so that it could operate efficiently and get as much learning out of this as possible in that five-year period. Their recommendation was that Human Services would be better served in this context by doing it in this manner and structure.

Commissioner Rettman asked if the rank and file child protection workers actually recommended this as opposed to having a senior staff.

Mr. Haley said the management of the child protection program recommended that.

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Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, Ortega, Reinhardt, Parker – 5. Nays – Rettman - 1. (2008-058)

WHEREAS, The United States Department of Health and Human Services has awarded Ramsey County a \$2 million grant over five years for a project to implement and evaluate the effectiveness of a comprehensive family assessment to be used in the development of family case plans; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Board approved submission of a proposal from the Community Human Services Department on June 5, 2007; and

WHEREAS, Federal case reviews have found a correlation between the comprehensiveness of family assessments and the service outcomes; and

WHEREAS, Positive ratings on comprehensive family assessments were associated with positive ratings on permanency and safety outcomes; and

WHEREAS, The University of Minnesota is working on this project as a partner with Ramsey County Human Services; and

WHEREAS, The tasks involve developing the assessment tool, ensuring distribution and understanding of the tool among all child protection staff, regular meetings to discuss and correct any difficulties in implementation, coordinate the collection and transfer of information to the University of Minnesota staff assisting with the project; and

WHEREAS, To implement these tasks, the Community Human Services Department is requesting 1.0 FTE Clerk-Typist III; and

WHEREAS, In addition, the Department will be entering into a contract for overall coordination of this effort, including the management of sharing information while maintaining our data privacy responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, Both the additional position and the contract will be funded from the grant award; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners approves the increase of 1.0 FTE Clerk-Typist III in the complement of the Community Human Services Department to schedule meetings, coordinate record maintenance and access for the evaluation activities to be conducted by the University of Minnesota for the Comprehensive Family Assessment Project. This position will be starred and eliminated when the project has been completed; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board authorizes the County Manager to sign the contract with Jenny Gordon for overall project coordination of the Comprehensive Family Assessment Project, at a total cost of \$164,676, for the period February 1, 2008 through January 31, 2010.

PARKS AND RECREATION – Dedication of a segment of the Lower Afton Trail in Honor of Emil Sturzenegger

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Commissioner Reinhardt introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Bennett.

Commissioner Reinhardt said this request is to approve the dedication of a segment of the Lower Afton Trail in honor of Emil Sturzenegger. There are a number of environmental aspects to the trail, including the use of tear-off shingles from homes that had been damaged. The funding was a joint effort including State bonding, a contribution from the City of Maplewood, and from Ramsey County. Mr. Sturzenegger appeared before the County Board; spent many hours at the Legislature in support of the trail and was one of the reasons why State funding was given; appeared before the Maplewood City Council; and has worked on this trail for a number of years. It was felt that an appropriate way to honor Emil was to name a particular segment of the trail in honor of him. There is a process in place for naming a facility, but this is a segment of a trail, and there is no process specific to that. However, the same process was used; in this case, it was brought to the Parks and Recreation Commission. Through its advisory capacity, the Commission recommended to the County Board that this portion of the trail be dedicated to Emil. This has gone through the departments of Parks and Recreation and Public Works, and has the support of Senator Wiger and Representative Slawik. An event will be held on Earth Day, April 22, to formally dedicate this segment.

Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Parker – 6. Nays – 0. (2008-059)

WHEREAS, Emil Sturzenegger, a lifetime resident of Ramsey County and avid walker, has been a champion and spokesperson for development of a pedestrian trail along Lower Afton Road between Century Avenue and McKnight Road; and

WHEREAS, As a result of Emil Sturzenegger's advocacy, Ramsey County secured a state grant, matched by the City of Maplewood and Ramsey County, to develop the trail segment; and

WHEREAS, The trail segment was completed in 2007 as a demonstration trail that maximizes the use of recycled materials; and

WHEREAS, Emil Sturzenegger is a regular user of the trail and continues to advocate for trail improvements; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Parks and Recreation Commission recommends, in recognition of Emil Sturzenegger's contribution to the trail, that the Lower Afton Trail segment between Century Avenue and McKnight Road be dedicated in honor of Emil Sturzenegger; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, That the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners approves the dedication of the Lower Afton Trail between Century Avenue and McKnight Road in honor of Emil Sturzenegger.

(Commissioner McDonough returned to the meeting at this time.)

PUBLIC HEALTH – Amendments to the Ramsey County Hazardous Waste Management Ordinance

Commissioner Rettman had met with Public Health staff regarding these amendments. She requested the addition of a sentence in the Amendments to the Ramsey County Hazardous Waste Management Ordinance. Her proposed language makes the ordinance consistent. There have not been any variances since 1997.

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Commissioner Rettman moved an amendment to the Ordinance, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt: The following sentence would be added at the end of Section 7.01: “The Department will notify the County Board upon receiving a request for a variance and of the subsequent action taken by the Department.”

Commissioner Reinhardt asked if this would become a separate motion.

Darwin Lookingbill, Director, Civil Division, County Attorney’s Office, said the action for this item is to waive the second reading, and a separate motion would be needed for the additional language.

Roll Call on the amended language: Ayes - Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Parker – 7. Nays – 0.

PUBLIC HEALTH – Amendments to the Ramsey County Hazardous Waste Management Ordinance – Second Reading

Commissioner Reinhardt introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Carter. Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2008-060)

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners adopted the Hazardous Waste Management Ordinance on March 24, 1980 (Resolution #80-302), and adopted amendments on April 18, 1983 (Resolution #83-267), December 17, 1984 (Resolution #84-915), June 24, 1985 (Resolution #85-414), March 17, 1986 (Resolution #86-156), April 27, 1987 (Resolution #87-246), May 12, 1992 (Resolution #92-330), and May 6, 1997 (Resolution #97-174); and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes § 473.811 Subd. 5.b. requires the Ramsey County Hazardous Waste Management Ordinance to be amended whenever the State hazardous waste rules are changed; and

WHEREAS, Section 5.02 of the Ramsey County Home Rule Charter requires that every proposed ordinance and amendment receive two full readings: the first at the time the amendment is presented and the second at the time of the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, Section 5.02 of the Ramsey County Home Rule Charter further provides that the full reading may be waived if a copy of the ordinance or amendment is supplied to each member of the County Board prior to its introduction; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby waives the second reading of the proposed amendments to the Ramsey County Hazardous Waste Management Ordinance.

PUBLIC HEALTH – Hold a Public Hearing on the Proposed Amendments to the Ramsey County Hazardous Waste Management Ordinance

Chair Parker opened the Public Hearing to obtain public comments on the proposed amendments to the Ramsey County Hazardous Waste Management Ordinance, and called three times for testimony. Hearing no requests to address the Board, Chair Parker declared the Public Hearing closed.

COUNTY MANAGER/BUDGETING AND ACCOUNTING – First Reading of the proposed 2008 Capital Improvement Program Bond Ordinance

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Commissioner Reinhardt introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner McDonough. Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2008-061)

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Home Rule Charter states that every proposed Ordinance shall receive two readings; first at the time it is presented, and second, at the time of the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, The full reading of the proposed Ordinance may be waived if a copy of the proposed Ordinance is supplied to each member of the County Board prior to its introduction; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby waives the first reading of the proposed 2008 Capital Improvement Program Bond Ordinance.

COUNTY MANAGER/BUDGETING AND ACCOUNTING – 2008 Capital improvement Program Bond Ordinance

Commissioner Carter introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Rettman. Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2008-062)

WHEREAS, Ramsey County will be issuing bonds in accordance with provisions of Ordinance No. 93-292, adopted on July 29, 1993, which sets forth a procedure for issuing bonds in compliance with the Home Rule Charter of Ramsey County; and

WHEREAS, The ordinance process requires setting the date for the public hearing, publishing the notice of public hearing at least 10 days in advance, official publication of the ordinance, and a 30 day waiting period after passage before the ordinance becomes effective; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby establishes a public hearing on February 26, 2008, to be held in the Council Chambers, 3rd floor of the Ramsey County Court House, 15 West Kellogg Boulevard, St. Paul, MN, at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as possible, to afford an opportunity for comment on the proposed 2008 Capital Improvement Program Bond Ordinance.

[Commissioner Bennett left the meeting at this time to attend a Legislative Committee meeting at the Capitol.]

BOARD CHAIR UPDATE

Chair Parker reported:

- Governor Pawlenty urged Ramsey County to be flexible and work hard to resolve differences related to the Central Corridor. Ramsey County responded that it is working hard to resolve those differences and is cooperating with everyone who has an interest in that Corridor.
- On the Charter Commission meeting on February 4, 2008. The Charter Commission is considering an amendment for possible placement on the November ballot regarding whether

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the County Sheriff should be appointed versus elected. A second public hearing was held prior to last night's Commission meeting. Additional public hearings will be held March 6 and April 8. Additional information can be found at <http://www.co.ramsey.mn.us/cb/charter/ma.htm> or by calling 651-266-8014.

- She and Commissioner Bennett attended the National Association of Counties Public Safety meeting, which focused on mental health and trying to appropriately deal with people who suffer from mental health diseases. Dakota County Commissioner Schouweiler made one of the best presentations, and Chair Parker would like to invite her to present at a County Board meeting.

OUTSIDE BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Reinhardt reported:

- She attended an AMC Extension Committee meeting.
- She attended an AMC Legislative Committee meeting.
- On the Ramsey County League of Local Governments meeting. Discussion was held on a workshop-type program to be held in March to provide local government officials with tools to get the most out of public policy work.
- She met with Commissioner Brad Moore, Pollution Control Agency, who is meeting with stakeholders from around the State regarding the State Solid Waste Policy Plan. She is very appreciative of his understanding of local government and its role in the environmental field.
- She attended the House Bonding Tour, where Commissioner McDonough did a fabulous job.
- On the Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board meeting.
- On the Governor's GIS Council meeting.

Commissioner Carter reported:

- The Family and Children's Services Division conducted an all-staff event that provided an opportunity for the staff to share in designs for moving forward. Guests presented to the staff, including the Annie E. Casey Family Services Program, who said Ramsey County is a model county and that many across the nation are watching Ramsey County's work in advancing anti-racism initiatives and overcoming disparities in our area. She commended Monty Martin, Director, Community Human Services, and the interim director of Children and Family Services, Mary Kay Boyd, for bringing the group together.
- The Countywide Collaboratives Work Group has been meeting to design a deepened collaboration between St. Paul Children's Collaborative, the Suburban Family Collaborative and the Mental Health Collaborative. That discussion was reduced to two collaboratives to continue to meet over a couple months to determine what the final recommendations would be.
- Commissioner Reinhardt also did a wonderful job at the House Bonding Tour.

Commissioner McDonough reported:

- The House Capital Investment Committee spent the day touring some of the bonding requests throughout St. Paul, ending the day at Union Depot. Over 100 people attended and heard presentations about the Union Depot and the vision there. There was an AMTRAK representative from Chicago who talked about their commitment and excitement about moving their operations to the Union Depot. There were people from Jefferson Bus Lines to talk about their commitment to moving to the Union Depot and their excitement to be a part of a seamless intermodal transit hub at Union Depot. There were presentations on Rush Line, Red Rock, High Speed Rail, people from Rochester to talk about their commitment to move forward with the High

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Speed Rail connection and how to connect to Union Depot, presentations on the Robert Street Corridor, and I-94. Union Depot is a great venue, but does pose certain challenges, for example in acoustics; staff did a great job preparing the facility for this great event.

Commissioner Reinhardt said Commissioner McDonough, in setting the tone for the entire evening, talked about the vision – to think back 30 years and what was going on, and what it could be like in the future. All the speakers spoke of that vision for this incredible economic hub.

Chair Parker commended everyone who had anything to do with that event.

Commissioner Rettman reported:

- On a GIS meeting attended by many technical people with a speaker on preparedness.
- On a Joint Property Tax Advisory Committee (JPTAC) to discuss legislative issues, where Nick Riley, Ramsey County Intergovernmental Relations, did a nice job of presenting priorities of the County.
- On a meeting of the Metro Alliance on Healthy Families and the need for a precursor lobbyist for coordination.
- On an annual meeting to discuss what the Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) has been doing. People seem pleased with what the HRA has been doing with limited, declining dollars. This was well attended by the suburban community. Rondo Land Trust made a presentation, reporting that in all their dealings, they have never had a foreclosure.
- Falcon Heights held its Winter Fest on January 27, 2008.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Parker declared the meeting adjourned.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Executive Session was called to order at 10: 20 a.m., with the following members present: Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, and Chair Parker – 7. Also present were: David Twa, County Manager; Darwin Lookingbill, Director, Civil Division, County Attorney's Office; David Dietz; Assistant County Attorney; Julie Kleinschmidt, Director, Budgeting and Accounting; and Bob Fletcher, Ramsey County Sheriff.

Commissioner Bennett introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Rettman. Roll Call: Ayes – Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2008-063)

Re: Shockency and Moore v. Ramsey County

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Ramsey County Commissioners has designated Commissioner Jan Parker to represent the Ramsey County Board at the next settlement conference scheduled for February 13, 2008 as discussed in this Executive Session.

The Executive Session was adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

Bonnie C. Jackelen, Chief Clerk – County Board