



BOARD OF RAMSEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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RAMSEY COUNTY BOARD MEETING

September 26, 2006

Council Chambers - Third Floor Court House

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

AGENDA of the September 26, 2006 Board Meeting is presented for approval.

MINUTES of the September 19, 2006 Board Meeting are presented for approval.

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

10.0 ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS GOING DIRECTLY TO THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL

10.1 PROPERTY RECORDS AND REVENUE – Public Auction of nineteen tax forfeited parcels on October 26, 2006.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Authorize the Director of Property Records and Revenue to hold a public auction of nineteen tax forfeited parcels, according to the terms and conditions set forth in Exhibit "A" on file with the Chief Clerk, on October 26, 2006, in the Ramsey County Government Center West Building on the 6th floor, Building A, (Satellite Conference Room);
- 2) Certify that all parcels of land have been viewed and none of the parcels physically pertain to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Sections 85.012, 92.461, 282.01, subd. 8, and 282.018; and
- 3) Authorize the Director of Property Records and Revenue to remove any parcel prior to auction one time only. Any additional requests to remove the same parcel from a subsequent auction must be approved by the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners.

10.2 PUBLIC WORKS/PARKS AND RECREATION/SHERIFF – Request for Funding from Contingent Account for Fuel Costs.

Board Action Requested:

Authorize the transfer of up to \$213,750 from the County's 2006 Contingent Account to Public Works, Parks & Recreation and Sheriff budgets to finance the increased cost of fuel.

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10.3 PUBLIC WORKS – Functional Consolidation of Roadways Program – Revocation of County Road Status on Two Roadways.

Board Action Requested:

Approve the revocation of County Road designation of Scheuneman Road from County Road E to Trunk Highway 61 and Hoffman Road from Trunk Highway 61 to County Road E.

10.4 PUBLIC WORKS – CSAH 88 Winter Maintenance Agreement Number PW 26-74-06 Between Ramsey County and Hennepin County for Snow and Ice Control from East Hennepin County Line to Broadway Street NE.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approve Agreement Number PW 26-74-06 between Ramsey County and Hennepin County addressing snow and ice control on CSAH 88 from East Hennepin County Line to Broadway Street, N.E. through October 31, 2011; and
- 2) Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute Agreement Number PW 26-74-06 on behalf of Ramsey County.

10.5 PUBLIC WORKS – Amendment 1 to Mn/DOT Agreement 88270.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approve Amendment 1 to Mn/DOT Cooperative Construction Agreement 88270; and
- 2) Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute said Amendment on behalf of Ramsey County.

10.6 HUMAN RESOURCES – Renewal of Employee Benefit Plans for Medical, Dental, Life and Disability Insurance for Benefit Plan Year 2007.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approve renewal of the contract with HealthPartners, Inc., at a 9.9% premium increase for medical insurance for active employees for Plan Year 2007 with two plan design changes as described in the Draft Resolution. This results in a premium of \$570.34 for single coverage (\$518.96 in 2006), and \$1,357.39 for family coverage (\$1,235.11 in 2006);
- 2) Approve renewal of the contract with Delta Dental Plan of Minnesota, at a 0% rate increase for dental insurance for active employees for Plan Year 2007 with one plan design change as described in the Draft Resolution. The premiums remain at \$41.35 for single coverage and \$92.05 for family coverage;
- 3) Approve renewal of the contract with Minnesota Life, at a 0% rate increase for Basic Life, and employee-paid Optional Employee and Spouse Life, Dependent Life and Accidental Death and Dismemberment for Plan Year 2007;
- 4) Approve renewal of contract with National Insurance Services of Wisconsin, Inc., at a 0% rate increase for the provision of Basic Long-Term Disability, and employee-paid Optional Long-Term Disability for Plan Year 2007;

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- 5) Approve renewal of contract with National Insurance Services of Wisconsin, Inc., for the provision of employee-paid Short-Term Disability for Plan Year 2007 at still to be determined rates, not to exceed the 15% rate cap; and
- 6) Authorize the County Manager to execute the 2007 insurance contract renewals and any addenda to the contracts for Plan Year 2007.

10.7 HUMAN RESOURCES – Renewal of Early and Regular Retiree Insurance Plans for Ramsey County Retirees for Benefit Plan Year 2007.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approve renewal of the contract with HealthPartners, Inc., at 9.9% premium increase for the provision of medical insurance to Early Retirees for plan year 2007 with plan design changes as described in the Draft Resolution. This results in a premium of \$570.34 for single coverage (\$518.96 in 2006) and \$1,357.39 for family coverage (\$1,235.11 in 2006);
- 2) Approve renewal of the contract with UCare Minnesota for the UCare for Seniors Medicare Advantage-Prescription Drug Plan for Regular Retirees for Plan Year 2007 at a 7.6% premium increase with plan design changes as described in the Draft Resolution. This results in a premium of \$212.00 for single coverage (\$197.00 in 2006), and \$424.00 for family coverage (\$394.00 in 2006);
- 3) Approve renewal of the contract with HealthPartners, Inc., for HealthPartners Freedom for Regular Retirees for Plan Year 2007 with a 6.3% premium increase with plan design changes as described in the Draft Resolution. This results in a premium of \$277.70 for single coverage (\$261.28 in 2006), and a premium of \$555.40 for family coverage (\$522.56 in 2006);
- 4) Approve renewal of the contract with Midwest Assurance Company, an affiliated company of HealthPartners, Inc., for HealthPartners Major Medical for an indemnity plan for Regular Retirees for Plan Year 2007 at 13.4% premium increase, with plan design changes as shown in the Draft Resolution. This results in a premium of \$500.12 for single coverage (\$440.95 in 2006), and \$1,000.24 for family coverage (\$881.00 in 2006);
- 5) Approve Early and Regular Retiree participation in the same Delta Dental plan that is available to County employees, with the full premium paid by the retiree and subject to the County's current participation requirements. Rates for 2007 will remain at \$41.35 for single coverage, and \$92.05 for family coverage; and
- 6) Authorize the County Manager to execute the 2007 retiree insurance contracts and any addenda to the contracts during the Plan Year.

10.8 PARKS AND RECREATION/PUBLIC HEALTH – Appropriation of Solid Waste Funds to finance the Active Living Ramsey County 1,000 Benches Program.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Authorize the County Manager to expend up to \$25,000 to purchase and install 20 benches for a pilot Active Living Ramsey County Program;

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- 2) Authorize the County Manager to transfer \$25,000 from the Solid Waste Fund Balance to fund this pilot program and establish a project budget;
- 3) Authorize the County Manager to transfer up to \$588,000 from the Solid Waste Fund Balance to be used as a 50% match for another 980 benches; and
- 4) Authorize the County Manager to make necessary budget adjustments (including increasing appropriations due to the County receiving matching funds from program participants).

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

Board Action Requested:

Ratify the appointment of individuals to the Community Health Services Advisory Committee for terms beginning with the date of appointment and ending June 26, 2008.

10.10 COUNTY MANAGER – Implementation of the Property Records and Revenue Blue Ribbon Panel report recommendations.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Direct the County Manager to work with Property Records and Revenue, County Attorney, Human Resources, Information Services and Budgeting & Accounting Departments to implement specific recommendations contained within the Blue Ribbon Panel Report;
- 2) Direct the County Manager to establish an “Oversight Committee” consisting of representatives of the Title Industry, Ramsey County Bar Association, Minnesota County Recorders, and Ramsey County Departments, to work with the consultants and the Property Records and Revenue Department to oversee the recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Panel;
- 3) Direct the County Manager to issue Requests for Proposal for the consultant(s) to implement the recommendations of the Blue Ribbon Panel including, such activities as developing a business model, moving to electronic recording, and auditing the current system;
- 4) Authorize the County Manager to enter into any contracts necessary to implement these recommendations;
- 5) Authorize the County Manager to establish a project budget, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000, to implement these recommendations and transfer surplus appropriations from the Property Records & Revenue budget into the project budget and to expend funds from the Recorders Technology Fund; and
- 6) Authorize the County Manager to make any necessary budget adjustments (including increasing appropriations due to excess Recording Fees revenue) to implement these recommendations.

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10.11 COUNTY MANAGER – Applications for AMC County Achievement Award for Healthcare Worker Literacy Project and Public Safety Communication System/800 MHz Project.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Authorize the County Manager to submit an application to the Association of Minnesota Counties for an AMC 2006 County Achievement Award for the Healthcare Worker Literacy Project; and
- 2) Authorize the County Manager to submit an application to the Association of Minnesota Counties for an AMC 2006 County Achievement Award for the Public Safety Communication System/800 MHz Project.

10.12 COUNTY MANAGER/PROPERTY MANAGEMENT – Contract for Sale of Real Property Between Ramsey County and The Rottlund Company, Inc.

Board Action Requested:

- 1) Approve the Third Amendment to the Contract for Purchase of Real Estate between Ramsey County and The Rottlund Company, Inc., 3065 Center Pointe Drive, Roseville, MN, for the Ramsey County Adult Detention Center and the F Building portion of the Ramsey County Government Center West Building extending the closing date to October 27, 2006;
- 2) Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to sign the Third Amendment to the Contract for Purchase of Real Estate, subject to prior approval by the County Attorney's Office, Budgeting and Accounting, and Property Management; and
- 3) Authorize staff to continue to negotiate with The Rottlund Company, Inc. on modifications to the Contract for Purchase of Real Estate in accordance with the discussions at the Executive Session on September 12, 2006, and to return to the County Board at its October 24, 2006, meeting with the results of the negotiations for final decision by the County Board regarding any modifications to the Contract.

11.0 CONSENT ITEMS GOING DIRECTLY TO THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL

11.1 COUNTY MANAGER/BUDGETING & ACCOUNTING – Monthly report of contracts and final payments and grant submissions that were approved during the month of August 2006.

Board Action Requested:

Accept monthly report of contracts and final payments and grant submissions that were approved during August 2006.

BOARD CHAIR UPDATE

OUTSIDE BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

ADJOURNMENT

9:00 a.m.

- County Board Meeting – Council Chambers – 3rd Floor Court House

1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

- Workshop – Emergency Management Tabletop Exercise – Room 220 Court House - Large Conference Room

October 3, 2006	County Board Meeting – Council Chambers, 3 rd Floor Court House
October 10, 2006	County Board Meeting – Council Chambers, 3 rd Floor Court House
October 17, 2006	County Board Meeting – Council Chambers, 3 rd Floor Court House
October 24, 2006	County Board Meeting – Council Chambers, 3 rd Floor Court House
October 31, 2006	No County Board Meeting – 5 th Tuesday