

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners met with the following members present: Bennett, Carter, McDonough, Ortega (late), Reinhardt, Rettman, and Chair Parker – 7. Absent: None. Also present were Julie Kleinschmidt, 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 Bennett moved approval of the Agenda of the December 15, 2009 Board Meeting, seconded by Commissioner McDonough. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 6. Nays – 0.

MINUTES

Commissioner Carter moved approval of the Minutes of the December 1, 2009 Board Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 6. Nays – 0.

COUNTY MANAGER – Additional item for the 2010 Ramsey County State Legislative Package: \$20 million Capital Investment Request for Gillette Children's Specialty Healthcare, Inc. Surgical and PICU Project

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-416)

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners has reviewed a number of proposals and initiatives for inclusion in its 2010 State legislative package; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes submission of the following support item for inclusion in the County's 2010 State legislative package:

- \$20 Million Capital Investment Request for Gillette Children's Specialty Healthcare, Inc. Surgical and PICU Project

and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The County Board authorizes its representatives to work with members of the Legislature and other interested parties to seek the necessary legislation for this proposal.

PROPERTY RECORDS AND REVENUE – Additional item for the 2010 Ramsey County State Legislative Package: Clarify the Statutory Authority for the Property Tax Exemption of Regions Hospital

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-417)

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners has reviewed a number of proposals and initiatives for inclusion in its 2010 State legislative package; Now, Therefore, Be It

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RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes submission of the following support item for inclusion in the County's 2010 State legislative package:

- Clarify the Statutory Authority for the Property Tax Exemption of Regions Hospital

and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The County Board authorizes its representatives to work with members of the Legislature and other interested parties to seek the necessary legislation for this proposal.

PARKS AND RECREATION – Tamarack Nature Center – Construction Contract for Nature Play Area and Children's Garden

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-418)

WHEREAS, By Resolution 2008-44, the County Board approved an agreement with Partners and Sirny L.L.P. to provide professional architectural design and construction services for key destinations identified in the Tamarack Nature Center Destination for Discovery Master Plan including the Nature Play Area and Children's Garden; and

WHEREAS, By Resolution 2008-303, the County Board approved a \$745,000 grant from the Metropolitan Council which will partially fund construction of the Nature Play Area, Children's Garden and Garden House; and

WHEREAS, By Resolution 2009-304, the County Board approved a \$974,000 grant from the Metropolitan Council which will fully fund construction of the Nature Play Area, Children's Garden and Garden House; and

WHEREAS, The plans prepared by the Architect for the Nature Play Area, Children's Garden and Garden House were reviewed and recommended for approval by the Ramsey County Parks and Recreation Commission; and

WHEREAS, Bids were received on September 23, 2009, for construction of the Nature Play Area and Children's Garden and the low base bid of \$1,650,000 exceeded available funding for this project; and

WHEREAS, The solicitation for bids included a number of deduct alternate bid items totaling \$392,500 which allowed for reducing the project construction cost from the base bid of \$1,650,000 to \$1,257,480; and

WHEREAS, The Parks and Recreation Department has recommended award of a contract to the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications, Braden Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$1,257,480; Now, Therefore, Be It

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RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners approves the Contract with Braden Construction, Inc., 1438 7th Street, Houlton, WI, 54082, for construction of the Tamarack Nature Center Destination for Discovery Nature Play Area and Children's Garden for a contract sum of \$1,257,480; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chair and Chief Clerk to sign the Contract on behalf of Ramsey County.

PARKS AND RECREATION – Solar Energy Legacy Grant Program Application – Tamarack Nature Center Garden House

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-419)

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources administers the Solar Energy Legacy Grants Program funded from the Parks and Trails Fund created by the Minnesota Legislature from the Clean Water Land and Legacy Amendment; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Parks and Recreation Department desires to submit an application to the Solar Energy Legacy Grants Program for \$75,000 to fund development of a solar powered electrical system for the Tamarack Nature Center Garden House; and

WHEREAS, The grant requires a local match of twenty-five percent and the match will be funded from the County Regional Parks and Trails Rehabilitation Fund; and

WHEREAS, The grant would provide funding for a solar powered electrical system in the Garden House that will result in reduced energy costs and provide opportunities for interpretation and education about alternative energy systems; and

WHEREAS, Conditions of the grant require that the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners adopt a resolution supporting the project and approving submission of the grant application; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby supports the project to develop a solar powered electrical system in the Tamarack Nature Center Garden House and approves submission of a Solar Energy Legacy Grants Program application by the Parks and Recreation Department.

PUBLIC WORKS – Advance Encumbrance of State Aid Funds

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-420)

WHEREAS, The County is planning to implement County State Aid Highway Projects in 2010 which will require State Aid funds in excess of those available in its State Aid Regular Construction Account; and

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WHEREAS, The County is prepared to proceed with the construction of these projects through the use of advance encumbrances from the general State Aid Construction Account to supplement the available funds in their State Aid Construction Account; and

WHEREAS, Repayment on the funds so advanced will be made in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Section 162.08, Subd. 7 and Minnesota Rules, Chapter 8820; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners requests that the Commissioner of Transportation approve this advance for financing approved County State Aid Highway Projects of the County in an amount up to \$6,837,386 in accordance with Minnesota Rules 8820.1500, Subparagraph 9, and to authorize repayments from subsequent accruals to the Regular Construction Account of the County State Aid Highway fund for the County.

PROPERTY RECORDS AND REVENUE – ELECTIONS – Contract for election services with City of Falcon Heights

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-421)

WHEREAS, Ramsey County administers the election responsibilities of the City of Saint Paul, Saint Paul Public Schools, Mounds View Public Schools and Roseville Area Schools; and

WHEREAS, The county, city and school districts have benefitted from having a single, integrated elections office; and

WHEREAS, The City of Falcon Heights has expressed interest in contracting with Ramsey County to administer their elections in a similar manner; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County Manager to approve and execute a contract, and any amendments, with the City of Falcon Heights for election services, for the period starting January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012, in the amount of \$19,500, subject to prior approval by Budgeting & Accounting and the County Attorney's Office; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board authorizes the County Manager to increase the 2009 Elections, Suburban City/School Project budget by \$19,500 to reflect the revenue due from payments by the City of Falcon Heights in 2010; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board authorizes the County Manager to make necessary budget adjustments including increasing project budget and revenue for primary elections and all special elections that are not held concurrently with a regularly scheduled State, County, Municipal or School District election or a special election on the date of a regularly scheduled primary or general election.

PUBLIC HEALTH – Approval of Agreements for services to assist with tuberculosis detection and control for clinical programs at Public Health

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Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-422)

WHEREAS, Ramsey County is committed to efforts to prevent the spread of communicable diseases in our community; and

WHEREAS, Public Health provides tuberculosis detection and treatment services; and

WHEREAS, It is critical that detection and treatment include specialized x-ray and laboratory services; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Manager to execute and amend as necessary, a rate setting agreement, in a form to be approved by the County Attorney, with St Paul Radiology, 166 East Fourth Street, St. Paul, MN 55101-1421, in an amount not to exceed \$75,000, for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012, with an option to renew for up to two one-year periods, for x-ray interpretation services; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Manager to execute and amend as necessary, a rate setting agreement, in a form to be approved by the County Attorney, with National Jewish Health, PO Box 17379, Denver, CO 80217-0379, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000, for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012, with an option to renew for up to two one-year periods, for laboratory testing.

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS – Agreement with The AZIMUTH GROUP, Inc. to provide Fiscal Services Organization and Staffing Review

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-423)

WHEREAS, Community Corrections leadership would like to do a study to ensure that its fiscal services are accomplished in an efficient and effective manner, that appropriate internal controls are in place, and that the roles, responsibilities, and accountabilities of the fiscal service staff are well defined, understood and in alignment with the recommendations that will be forthcoming for the County; and

WHEREAS, The AZIMUTH GROUP, Inc. was selected through an open solicitation process by the County to conduct the Procure to Pay study; and

WHEREAS, Community Corrections wishes to contract with The AZIMUTH GROUP, Inc. because the knowledge gained from the countywide project is invaluable and reduces the time and costs for this study; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners approves an agreement with AZIMUTH GROUP to provide Fiscal Services Organization and Staffing Review, for the period of December 20, 2009 through December 31, 2010, in an amount not to exceed \$30,000 for professional services and expenses; and Be It Further

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

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Manager to execute any necessary budget adjustments.

COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICES/COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS – Delinquency Services – Electronic Monitoring for Juveniles

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-424)

WHEREAS, 180 Degrees provided electronic home monitoring for clients of the Community Human Services Delinquency Unit for a number of years; and

WHEREAS, Early in 2009, 180 Degrees informed the department that they were getting out of the electronic monitoring business, but offered to fulfill their contract obligation through a subcontract with RS Eden; and

WHEREAS, This arrangement was established on an interim basis to continue the services and enable the Department to review options for providing this service; and

WHEREAS, After a few months of this arrangement, to streamline this administrative process, in September the Department entered into a contract directly with RS Eden for the remainder of the year; and

WHEREAS, RS Eden charges \$8.00 per client per day for regular monitoring using a phone line and \$10.50 per client per day for monitoring using a cell unit in homes that do not have a land line; and

WHEREAS, The per diems include hook ups, activation of monitoring, monitoring services, and collection of equipment; and

WHEREAS, The Human Services Department estimates it will spend about \$16,000 on electronic home monitoring in 2010; and

WHEREAS, This rate will be a reduction from the \$8.50 per day for monitoring using the phone line from the current agreement; and

WHEREAS, Juvenile Corrections would also intend to access the services of RS Eden under this contract versus seeking an additional contract with this or another vendor; and

WHEREAS, Community Corrections projects expenditures of less than \$5,000 annually; Now, Therefore, Be It

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RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners approves the renewal of an agreement with RS Eden for electronic home monitoring at the rates of \$8.00 per client per day for regular monitoring using a telephone line and \$10.50 per client per day for monitoring using a cell unit in homes that do not have a land line, for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2013; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board authorizes the County Manager to sign the agreement in a form approved by the County Attorney and Budgeting and Accounting offices.

COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICES – American Recovery and Reinvestment Act – Building operations funding for Housing Crisis Response

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-425)

WHEREAS, To assist with the redesign of our response to increased family homelessness, Catholic Charities has agreed to keep open its St. Paul office at 215 Old 6th St., St. Paul, to house the family team for the new Housing Crisis Response program; and

WHEREAS, This team will include two new financial worker positions previously approved by the Board; and

WHEREAS, This portion of the overall improvement to homeless services was reviewed at the November 10, 2009 Board meeting; and

WHEREAS, Catholic Charities had planned on selling this building, but the location and layout of the building makes it perfect for Housing Crisis Response; and

WHEREAS, The cost for the operations of the building, including utilities, maintenance, insurance, and security will be \$80,000 over the two years; and

WHEREAS, The Community Human Services Department recommends utilizing \$20,000 from 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funds to partially cover the cost; and

WHEREAS, Catholic Charities will work to raise the balance of the funding from other sources; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners approves an agreement with Catholic Charities in the amount of \$20,000 for the period December 1, 2009 to November 30, 2010, to partially cover the operating costs of the Catholic Charities St. Paul Office at 215 Old 6th St., St. Paul, MN 55102; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board authorizes the County Manager to sign the agreement in a form approved by the County Attorney's and Budgeting and Accounting Offices.

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COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICES – Adoption Recruitment – Acceptance of Grant Funds

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-426)

WHEREAS, In November, the Human Services Department responded to a Request for Proposals (RFP) from the Minnesota Department of Human Services; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of the RFP is to increase the number of foster homes to serve children and the number of families able to adopt children; and

WHEREAS, In late November, the Human Services Department was offered a grant award of \$57,600; and

WHEREAS, The proposal from Ramsey County approved by the State focuses on outreach to family members and relatives of children waiting to be adopted; and

WHEREAS, The implementation of this effort will involve amending the Department's current contract with Lutheran Social Services to add a staff position specifically devoted to this recruitment effort; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners accepts the grant funds of \$57,600 from the Minnesota Department of Human Services for an expanded effort to increase the number of foster homes to serve children and the number of families able to adopt children, for the period January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board authorizes the County Manager to sign the grant agreement, make the necessary budget adjustments, and to sign the agreements to implement the project.

COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICES – Annual Human Services Report

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-427)

WHEREAS, County Board Resolution #93-457, adopted by the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners on August 10, 1993, adopted a process for streamlining approval of purchase of service contracts, rate-setting agreements, grant renewals, and need determinations; and

WHEREAS, As part of this process the Board has requested an annual overview from the Community Human Services Department which provides a comprehensive picture of the system of services; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Manager, subject to review by the County Attorney, and Budgeting and Accounting Offices to:

- a) Approve purchase of service contract renewals listed in Attachment 3;
- b) Approve renewals of rate-setting agreements;

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- c) Approve applications for renewals of grants;
- d) Accept grant award renewals and approve grant award agreements;
- e) Approve agreements in which the County receives money from health plans, Courts, and others for services already provided;
- f) Authorize necessary budget adjustments;
- g) Approve letters of need determination, including any new Rule 43 Outpatient Treatment Agreements, subject to any exclusions in Resolution #93-457;
- h) Approve any agreements necessary to decrease the length of time required to complete psychiatric evaluations and appropriate revenue generated by the clinic in excess of that estimated to provide these services;
- i) Approve conversion of existing Rule 31 Chemical Dependency and Rule 36 Mental Health Treatment beds to Group Residential Housing beds;
- j) Approve agreements to implement the Board approved Service Development Plan for Elderly Services;
- k) Approve any supplementary awards/rate adjustments, approve related budget adjustments and execute amendments;
- l) Approve agreements or amendments authorized by the Ramsey/Washington Adult Mental Health Initiative or other formal community collaborative or individual for which Ramsey County is the fiscal agent; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board authorizes the County Manager, subject to review by the County Attorney, and Budgeting and Accounting Offices, to approve multi-year agreements under any of the following circumstances:

- a) Contracts and rate agreements where the maximum rate of payment for an individual service and/or the total cost for an individual receiving service are controlled by the Minnesota Department of Human Services;
- b) Contracts are funded through multi-year grant awards; or
- c) Contracts and rate agreements that establish the base of payment for individual providers, but where the account is managed based on total appropriations for that service; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board excludes from this delegation:

- a) New Contracts over \$10,000;
- b) Contracts involving increases that exceed the amount established in the annual budget;
- c) New grant applications or grant renewals that require a local share exceeding by 10% the amount approved in the annual budget; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board approves the list of services for which the Community Human Services Department will conduct an open bid process during the 2010 calendar year.

PROPERTY RECORDS AND REVENUE – Arden Hills Tax Increment Financing District Special Law Resolution

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-428)

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WHEREAS, On December 1, 2009, by Resolution 2009-414, the County Board approved the request from the City of Arden Hills to establish a Tax Increment Financing (TIF) District within the area described in the TCAAP Boundary Survey dated December 12, 2007; and

WHEREAS, It is also necessary for the County to adopt a specific resolution regarding the Special Law, which was inadvertently omitted from the previous request; and

WHEREAS, This request does not change any prior approval by the County Board; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the specific Special Law resolution “Approving 2009 Minnesota Laws, Ch. 88, Article 5, Section 16 relating to a Tax Increment Financing District in the City of Arden Hills”; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board authorizes the Chief Clerk-County Board to execute the Resolution on behalf of Ramsey County.

HUMAN RESOURCES – Salary Grade allocation for a new classification: Real Estate Legal Specialist

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-429)

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Human Resources Department conducted a classification/compensation review of a Paralegal position in the County Attorney’s Office; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Human Resources Department determined that its current classification, “Paralegal”, does not adequately describe the duties of this position; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Human Resources Department determined no other existing classification adequately describes the duties of this position; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Human Resources Department developed a new classification, “Real Estate Legal Specialist”; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Human Resources Department conducted a job evaluation and analyzed salary information; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Human Resources Department determined that the appropriate salary grade for “Real Estate Legal Specialist” is Grade 26M on Salary Schedule 22N of the County’s compensation plan; and

WHEREAS, The recommended salary grade was determined based on Ramsey County's job evaluation procedures and policies; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby approves a Salary Schedule and Grade allocation for the following new classification:

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	<u>Schedule</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Annual Salary Range</u>
Real Estate Legal Specialist	22N	26M	\$47,617 – \$70,365

PROPERTY RECORDS AND REVENUE – Renewal of Intoxicating Liquor License for Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar located in the Town of White Bear

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-430)

WHEREAS, Ramsey County is the issuing authority for On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor Licenses and On-Sale Sunday Intoxicating Liquor Licenses for towns and other unincorporated areas within Ramsey County pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 340A.404, subd 6; and

WHEREAS, Applebee's Restaurant North LLC has requested a renewal of their On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License and On-Sale Sunday Intoxicating Liquor License for their restaurant located in the Town of White Bear at 1018 Meadowland Drive, White Bear Township, MN, 55110; and

WHEREAS, The Town of White Bear has approved the issuance of the licenses, by resolution, after a review of the application, the character and reputation of the applicant, and nature and location of the business; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Sheriff's Office and the Ramsey County Attorney's Office has reviewed the application and supporting documentation and find that the applicant is eligible to be licensed; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby approves of the renewal of an On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License and an On-Sale Sunday Intoxicating Liquor License to Applebee's Restaurant North LLC for Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar, 1018 Meadowlands Drive, White Bear Township, MN, 55110; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, Ramsey County shall issue the license, effective January 1, 2010 through and including December 31, 2010, after approval by the Commissioner of Public Safety.

PROPERTY RECORDS AND REVENUE – Renewal of intoxicating Liquor License for Orchid Restaurant located in the Town of White Bear

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-431)

WHEREAS, Ramsey County is the issuing authority for On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor Licenses and On-Sale Sunday Intoxicating Liquor Licenses for towns and other unincorporated areas within Ramsey County pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 340A.404, subd 6; and

WHEREAS, Orchid Vietnamese Restaurant Inc. has requested a renewal of their On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License and On-Sale Sunday Intoxicating Liquor License for their restaurant located in the Town of White Bear at 1190 County Road J, Suite 100, White Bear Township, MN, 55110; and

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WHEREAS, The Town of White Bear has approved the issuance of the licenses, by resolution, after a review of the application, the character and reputation of the applicant, and nature and location of the business; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Sheriff's Office and the Ramsey County Attorney's Office has reviewed the application and supporting documentation and find that the applicant is eligible to be licensed; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby approves of the renewal of an On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License and an On-Sale Sunday Intoxicating Liquor License to Orchid Vietnamese Restaurant Inc. for Orchid Restaurant, 1190 County Road J, Suite 100, White Bear Township, MN, 55110; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, Ramsey County shall issue the license, effective January 1, 2010 through and including December 31, 2010, after approval by the Commissioner of Public Safety.

PROPERTY RECORDS AND REVENUE – Renewal of Intoxicating Liquor License for Zen Asia Restaurant located in the Town of White Bear

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-432)

WHEREAS, Ramsey County is the issuing authority for On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor Licenses and On-Sale Sunday Intoxicating Liquor Licenses for towns and other unincorporated areas within Ramsey County pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 340A.404, subd 6; and

WHEREAS, Zen Asia Inc. has requested a renewal of their On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License and On-Sale Sunday Intoxicating Liquor License for their restaurant located in the Town of White Bear at 1011 Meadowland Drive #8, White Bear Township, MN, 55110; and

WHEREAS, The Town of White Bear has approved the issuance of the licenses, by resolution, after a review of the application, the character and reputation of the applicant, and nature and location of the business; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Sheriff's Office and the Ramsey County Attorney's Office has reviewed the application and supporting documentation and find that the applicant is eligible to be licensed; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby approves of the renewal of an On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License and an On-Sale Sunday Intoxicating Liquor License to Zen Asia Inc. for Zen Asia Restaurant, 1011 Meadowlands Drive #8, White Bear Township, MN, 55110; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, Ramsey County shall issue the license, effective January 1, 2010 through and including December 31, 2010, after approval by the Commissioner of Public Safety.

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PROPERTY RECORDS AND REVENUE – Renewal of an Off-Sale 3.2 percent Malt Liquor License for Kowalski Companies, Inc., DBA Cub Foods of White Bear Township, a grocery store located in the Town of White Bear

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-433)

WHEREAS, Ramsey County is the issuing authority for Off-Sale 3.2 percent Malt Liquor Licenses for towns and other unincorporated areas within Ramsey County, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 340A.403, subd. 1; and

WHEREAS, Kowalski Companies, Inc., DBA Cub Foods of White Bear Township has requested a renewal of their Off-Sale 3.2 percent Malt Liquor License for their grocery store located in the Town of White Bear at 1059 Meadowland Drive; and

WHEREAS, The Town of White Bear has approved, by resolution, the issuance of a renewal license after reviewing the character and reputation of the applicant, and nature and location of the business; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Sheriff's Office and the Ramsey County Attorney's Office has reviewed the application and supporting documentation and find that the applicant is eligible to be licensed; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the issuance of an Off-Sale 3.2 percent Malt Liquor License to Kowalski Companies, Inc., DBA Cub Foods of White Bear Township, 1059 Meadowland Drive, White Bear Township, effective January 1, 2010 through and including December 31, 2010.

PROPERTY RECORDS AND REVENUE – One application to purchase a tax-forfeited property by the City of Maplewood, a governmental agency

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-434)

WHEREAS, Ramsey County, on behalf of the State of Minnesota, has received a request from the City of Maplewood to purchase a parcel of tax-forfeited land; and

WHEREAS, The property is located in the City of Maplewood, County of Ramsey, and is legally described as follows:

That part of Lot A, lying East of the centerline of Desoto Street as travelled, King's Addition to the City of St. Paul, Ramsey Co., Minnesota
PIN: 17-29-22-34-0122; and

WHEREAS, The property is a narrow strip of land, currently part of Desoto Street and the Kingston Avenue right-of-way; and

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WHEREAS, The City of Maplewood wishes to acquire the property to allow for continued use of it for road and road right-of-way; and

WHEREAS, The Director of Property Records and Revenue recommends approval of the sale of the tax-forfeited property to the City of Maplewood; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the sale of the following tax-forfeited property to the City of Maplewood:

Commissioner District 7

PIN: 17-29-22-34-0122

LOCATION: A strip of land running along Kingston Avenue and Desoto Street

PRICE: \$ 1.00, plus applicable fees and costs

HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY – Approve the use of a portion of the proceeds of a tax-exempt note issued by the City of West St. Paul for refinancing facilities in Ramsey County

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-435)

WHEREAS, The purpose of Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.152 through 469.1651 as amended, (the “Act”), is, among other things, to promote the welfare of the State of Minnesota (the “State”) by the active attraction and encouragement and development of economically sound industry and commerce to prevent so far as possible the emergence of blighted and marginal lands and areas of chronic unemployment and providing necessary care facilities; and

WHEREAS, The Phoenix Residence, Inc. (the “Borrower”), a Minnesota nonprofit corporation and organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”) has proposed that the City of West St. Paul, Minnesota (the “Issuer”) issue a revenue note under the Act, in one or more series, in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$4,850,000 (the “Note”) to finance (a) the acquisition and construction of the residential care facilities for adults with developmental disabilities known as (1) Carver Home, 2465 Carver Avenue, Maplewood, (2) Douglas Home, 1538 Point Douglas Road, St. Paul, (3) Howard Home, 1685 Howard Street, Maplewood, (4) Ludden Home, 7717 Long Lake Road, Mounds View, (5) Caswell Home, 2168 12th Street, White Bear Lake, (6) English Home, 1336 East County Road E, Vadnais Heights, (7) Furness Home, 1866 Furness Street, Maplewood, (8) Newport Home, 351 14th Street, Newport, (9) Centerville Home, 785 East County Road E, Vadnais Heights, (10) Foss Home, 1500 Ames Avenue, St. Paul, (11) Janet Court Home, 1769 Janet Court, Arden Hills, and (12) Viking Drive Home, 645 Viking Drive East, Little Canada, and (b) the acquisition of administrative offices located at 1867 Oakdale Avenue, West St. Paul and the residential care facilities for adults with developmental disabilities known as (i) Drexel Court Home, 14144 Drexel Court, Apple Valley and (ii) Chaparral Home, 167 Chaparral Drive, Apple Valley (collectively, the “Project”). The Project will be owned and operated by the Borrower; and

WHEREAS, As more fully described above, portions of the Project are located in various cities within the County, and

WHEREAS, The total amount of the obligations to be issued to finance the Project is presently estimated not to exceed \$4,850,000, approximately \$3,352,000 of which will be used to refinance the acquisition, construction and equipping of the residential care facilities located within the County, and

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WHEREAS, The County has been advised that the Note or other obligations, as and when issued, will not constitute a charge, lien or encumbrance upon any property of the County, except the Project and the revenues to be derived from the Project. Such Note or obligations will not be a charge against the general credit or taxing powers of the County, but is payable from sums to be paid by the Borrower pursuant to a revenue agreement; and

WHEREAS, The Borrower has agreed to pay any and all costs incurred by the County in connection with the issuance of the Note, whether or not such issuance is carried to completion; and

WHEREAS, The Borrower has represented to the County that no public official of the County has either a direct or indirect financial interest in the Project nor will any public official either directly or indirectly benefit financially from the Project; and

WHEREAS, As required by the Act and Section 147(f) of the Code a Notice of Public Hearing was published in the County's official newspaper and newspaper of general circulation, for a public hearing on the proposed issuance of the Note and the proposal to undertake and finance the Project; and

WHEREAS, As required by the Act and Section 147(f) of the Code the County Board held a public hearing on December 1, 2009 on the issuance of the Note and the proposal to undertake and finance the portion of the Project located within the jurisdictional limits of the County, at which all those appearing who desired to speak were heard and written comments were accepted; and

WHEREAS, No negative public comments have been received; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby gives the host approval required under Section 147(f) of the Code and, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §471.656, Subd. 2(3), the County Board hereby consents to the issuance of the Note.

HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY – Approve the use of a portion of the proceeds of a tax-exempt note issued by the City of White Bear Lake for refinancing facilities in Ramsey County

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-436)

WHEREAS, Northeast Residence, Inc., a Minnesota nonprofit corporation and an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Corporation"), has proposed the issuance of a revenue note under Minnesota Statutes, Sections 469.152 to 469.165, as amended (the "Act"), in an amount of approximately \$4,200,000 (the "Note"), to refinance various supervised living facilities for developmentally disabled persons and located in various communities in Ramsey County and Washington County, and

WHEREAS, The Corporation has proposed that the City of White Bear Lake (the "Issuer") issue the Note, and

WHEREAS, The Corporation has agreed to pay any and all costs incurred by the County in connection with this Resolution and the issuance of the Note, whether or not such issuance is carried to completion, and

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WHEREAS, As required by Section 147(f) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the “Code”), a Notice of Public Hearing was published in the County’s official newspaper at least 14 days prior to the date of the public hearing, calling a public hearing on the proposed issuance of the Note and the proposal to refinance the various facilities of the Corporation mentioned in the notice; and

WHEREAS, On December 1, 2009, the Board held a public hearing on the issuance of the Note and the proposal to refinance the Corporation’s facilities, at which all those appearing who desired to speak were heard and any written comments were accepted; and

WHEREAS, No negative public comments have been received; Now, Therefore Be It

RESOLVED, The proposal to refinance the Corporation’s facilities as described above, and the issuance of the Note by the Issuer, are hereby given approval by the County as required by the Code and by Minnesota Statutes, Section 471.656.

The Note, when and if issued, shall not constitute a charge, lien or encumbrance, legal or equitable, upon any property of the County or the Issuer. The Note, when and if issued, shall recite in substance that the Note and the interest thereon, are payable solely from revenues received from the Corporation and property of the Corporation pledged for payment thereof, and shall not constitute a debt of the Issuer, the County, the State of Minnesota or any political subdivision thereof.

COUNTY ATTORNEY – 2010 Salary Rate for the Ramsey County Attorney

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-437)

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners is required by law to set the salary of the elected Ramsey County Attorney in accordance with Minnesota Statutes 383A.282; and

WHEREAS, The practice of the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners for setting the annual salary of the elected Ramsey County Attorney is to: (a) invite the elected official to make a written salary request to the Board; and (b) set the annual salary of the elected official in December of the year prior to which the salary rates are to take effect; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Attorney has submitted a written communication in accordance with the County’s practice, requesting that her present salary be maintained at \$146,497, the same amount received 2009; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, That the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners sets the annual salary for the elected Ramsey County Attorney at \$146,497 effective January 1, 2010; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board authorizes the continuation of the matching contribution to deferred compensation in line with the Agreement between Ramsey County and the Local #8 – County Attorneys of Council 14 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME).

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SHERIFF – 2010 Salary for the Ramsey County Sheriff

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-438)

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners is required by law to set the salary of the elected Ramsey County Sheriff in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, 383A.281 and 383A.282; and

WHEREAS, The practice of the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners for setting the annual salary of the elected Ramsey County Sheriff is to: (a) invite the elected Sheriff to make a written salary request to the Board of Commissioners; and (b) set the annual salary of the elected Sheriff in December of the year prior to which the salary rates are to take effect; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Sheriff has submitted a written salary request to the Board of Commissioners in accordance with the County's practice, requesting that his present salary be maintained at \$135,631, the same amount received in 2009; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners sets the 2010 annual salary for the elected Ramsey County Sheriff at \$135,631, effective January 1, 2010; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board authorizes an annual uniform/clothing allowance for the Ramsey County Sheriff in the amount of \$1,250; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Board authorizes a matching contribution to deferred compensation for the Ramsey County Sheriff equal to that approved for Ramsey County Deputy Sheriffs in their contract for 2010.

SHERIFF – Transfer of Gulf Stream Trailers to Wadena County

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-439)

WHEREAS, In 1998, the Sheriff's Office received two 1997 Gulf Stream Trailers as a surplus property donation from the Federal Emergency Management Agency; and

WHEREAS, Title and ownership of the trailers was transferred to Ramsey County; and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff's Office used the trailers temporarily as a mobile classroom for Pursuit Driving training and as a mobile office for K-9 training; and

WHEREAS, The trailers have not been used by the Sheriff's Office for a few years as other facility arrangements have been made for Pursuit Driving training and K-9 training; and

WHEREAS, The Wadena County Sheriff's Office has a need for the trailers for their operations, and has requested they be transferred to Wadena County; and

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WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes 471.85 requires the County Board to authorize the transfer of County personal property to another public entity for nominal or no compensation; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the transfer of the two 1997 Gulf Stream Trailers to Wadena County without any compensation.

COUNTY MANAGER – Pig's Eye Lake Reconnaissance Study

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-440)

WHEREAS, Representative Betty McCollum has located a federal funding possibility to finance a Reconnaissance Study of Pig's Eye Lake; and

WHEREAS, A study of Pig's Lake has been identified as a desirable activity by community members and elected officials; and

WHEREAS, City of Saint Paul and Ramsey County Parks Administrators have expressed an interest in using the results from such a study in developing and/or updating regional Great River Park Master Plans; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, Ramsey County wishes to request the help of Representative McCollum to support and advocate for a jointly sponsored request for a federal appropriation to finance a Reconnaissance Study of Pig's Eye Lake, with the understanding that no local match is required, and there is no commitment to subsequent studies for submittal of this request for the study; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes County staff to work with City of Saint Paul staff and the Mayor's Office to draft and submit a jointly authored/signed request to Representative McCollum; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board hereby thanks Representative McCollum and the members of the Minnesota Congressional Delegation and their federal colleagues for work on behalf of the District to secure this appropriation.

HUMAN RESOURCES – Placement of 9-1-1 Dispatch Services Manager in the unclassified service, transfer three classifications (Emergency Communications Technology Manager, 9-1-1 Dispatch Services Manager, and Emergency Communications Manager) to 98B salary plan

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-441)

WHEREAS, The Director of Emergency Communications, in order to improve the quality of service of his department, has proposed restructuring the job duties and responsibilities of several managers in his department and a revision of existing job classification descriptions; and

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WHEREAS, These job classifications report directly to the Director of Emergency Communications and have duties and responsibilities consistent with the other classifications on the 98B Department Head/Division Director salary plan; and

WHEREAS, The Director of Human Resources certifies that the designation of 9-1-1 Dispatch Services Manager as unclassified is consistent with the standards and criteria specified by section 383A.286 of Minnesota Statutes; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Human Resources Department conducted a pay-equity evaluation of the updated classification descriptions; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Human Resources Department determined the appropriate salary for these positions on the Ramsey County compensation plan are: 1) Emergency Communications Technology Manager , Salary Schedule 98B, Grade 34; 2) 9-1-1 Dispatch Services Manager (unclassified), Salary Schedule 98B, Grade 33; and 3) Emergency Communications Manager, Salary Schedule 98B, Grade 31M; and

WHEREAS, The recommended salary grades are in accordance with the guidelines established by Ramsey County compensation policy (Resolution 95-356) and practices, Now, Therefore Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the placement of the 9-1-1 Dispatch Services Manager in the unclassified service and the following salary grade allocations for three classifications, Emergency Communications Technology Manager, 9-1-1 Dispatch Services Manager (unclassified), and Emergency Communications Manager:

<u>Job Class</u>	<u>Schedule</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Annual Salary Range</u>
Emergency Communications Technology Manager	98B	34	\$63,552 - \$94,344
9-1-1 Dispatch Services Manager (unclassified)	98B	33	\$61,080 - \$90,816
Emergency Communications Manager	98B	31M	\$57,744 - \$85,704

COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS – The Purchase of Service Report (Annual Report) and the 2010-2011 Comprehensive Plan

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-442)

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, The Community Corrections Act requires participating counties to submit a Comprehensive Plan, which has been approved by the County Board to the Minnesota Department of Corrections; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Manager, subject to review by the County Attorney & Budgeting and Accounting Offices to:

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- a) Approve purchase of service contract renewals listed in the Purchase of Service Report;
- b) Approve applications for renewals of grants;
- c) Accept grant award renewals and approve grant award agreements;
- d) Approve agreements in which the County receives money from Courts and other State agencies for services provided;
- e) Authorize necessary budget adjustments;
- f) Approve any supplementary awards/rate adjustments, approve related budget adjustments and execute amendments.

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Manager, subject to review by the County Attorney and Budgeting and Accounting Offices to approve multi-year agreements, under the following circumstances:

- a) Contracts are funded through multi-year grant awards; or
- b) Contracts and rate agreements that establish the base of payment for individual providers, but where the account is managed based on the total appropriations for that service.

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners excludes from this delegation:

- a) New contracts over \$10,000;
- b) New grant applications or grant renewals that require a local share exceeding by 10% the amount approved in the annual budget;
- c) St. Paul Summer School Contracts

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners approves the list of services for which Community Corrections plans on conducting an open bid process during calendar year 2010; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners approves the 2010/2011 Comprehensive Plan dated September 2009.

BOARD OF RAMSEY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS – Commissioner Carter – Acceptance of a Gift from W. Haywood Burns Institute to be used toward Commissioner travel

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-443)

WHEREAS, Commissioner Toni Carter attended a 2-day Community Justice Network for Youth Program (CJNY) in Atlanta, Georgia on December 4-6, 2009; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of the program was to engage in dialogue with other people from across the county in the System Accountability and Taskforce on Racial Disparities Peer Exchange; and

WHEREAS, Commissioner Carter was selected to participate in this program because of the progress that is recognized by W. Haywood Burns Institute and other people across the county of Ramsey County's Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiatives (JDAI) program; and

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WHEREAS, The agenda for this program involved mostly discussions where various JDAI programs and sites shared their experiences and brainstormed collectively about strategies for engaging more community for justice reform that pushes systems to be more urgent with changes; and

WHEREAS, The travel arrangements were coordinated by the CJNY; and

WHEREAS The costs for hotel, airfare and meals were paid by the CJYY/W. Haywood Burns Institute, which amounted to approximately \$1,000; and

WHEREAS, Section 5.40.03 B3 of the Ramsey County Administrative Code states “Only the County Board may accept gifts which will be used to support the operations of the Board. Examples include donations toward Commissioner travel, office expenses and other County business related activities”; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby accepts the monetary gift of approximately \$1,000 from W. Haywood Burns Institute that was used to cover travel expenses incurred by Commissioner Toni Carter for a trip to Atlanta, Georgia on December 4-6, 2009.

COUNTY ATTORNEY/PROPERTY MANAGEMENT – Gillette Hospital Request for Joinder by Ramsey County in Petition to Vacate Air Space

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-444)

WHEREAS, Gillette Hospital is requesting that Ramsey County, as owner of the Regions Hospital Property, join in a petition to vacate air space above University Avenue so that Gillette may construct a skyway connecting its new facility on the north side of University Avenue to its portion of the Regions Hospital facility on the south side of University Avenue (“Petition”); and

WHEREAS, Gillette Hospital will pay all costs and fees associated with the Petition; and

WHEREAS, The Petition will not adversely affect Ramsey County’s interest in the Regions Hospital complex; and

WHEREAS, Property Management, with the advice of the County Attorney’s Office, requests the County Board approve the request for the Petition and authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the Petition on behalf of Ramsey County; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby approves Gillette Hospital’s request for Ramsey County, as owner of the Regions Hospital Property, to join in a petition to vacate air space above University Avenue so that Gillette may construct a skyway connecting its new facility on the north side of University Avenue to its portion of the Regions Hospital facility on the south side of University Avenue; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the Petition on behalf of Ramsey County.

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RAMSEY COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD – Representation on the Ramsey County Workforce Investment Board

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-445)

WHEREAS, In March and April 2008 respectively, the Ramsey County Board and the St. Paul City Council approved an amendment to the Joint Powers Agreement For the Consolidated Ramsey County-City of Saint Paul Workforce Investment Program (“JPA”) reducing the total membership of the Ramsey County Workforce Investment Board (“WIB”) to 33; revising the number of representatives in some areas; and revising the appointment authorities for the City Council and the County Board; and

WHEREAS, In accordance with the provisions of the revised JPA, each entity has appointed one education representative; the City of St. Paul has appointed the Hubert H. Humphrey Job Corps Center and Ramsey County has appointed St. Paul College; and

WHEREAS, The federal Workforce Investment Act (“WIA”) requires that WIBs have representatives of each of the one-stop partners and the Hubert H. Humphrey Job Corps Center also serves as a representative of one of the one-stop partners in compliance with the requirements of the Workforce Investment Act (“WIA”); and

WHEREAS, In 2009 the Minnesota Legislature amended Minnesota Statutes §116L.666 to require WIBs to include in their membership a representative of an Adult Basic Education (“ABE”) program; and

WHEREAS, In order to meet both state and federal requirements, one of the current education representatives will have to be replaced; and

WHEREAS, The City and County have identified a way to address this issue, meet all other state and federal membership requirements, retain the current representatives, and maintain the size of the RCWIB at 33 members; and

WHEREAS, The change will require reallocation of the number of representatives in several categories and of the appointing authorities of the County Board and City Mayor with the following summarizing the changes:

1. The number of education representatives will increase from 2 to 3, with the City of St. Paul appointing 1, and the County appointing 2.
2. The number of economic development representatives will decrease from 2 to 1, with the City of St. Paul appointing the representative.
3. Transfer the County’s appointment of Employer Solutions, Inc. (represented by Janet Ludden) as an economic development representative to a business representative. This change has been approved by the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (“DEED”). Amy Filice, representing the City of Saint Paul, will remain as the economic development representative.
4. The current education representatives, St. Paul College and the Hubert H. Humphrey Job Corps Center, will remain on the WIB along with a new representative from ABE;

Now, Therefore, Be It

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RESOLVED, That the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners approves the Second Amendment to the Joint Powers Agreement for the Consolidated Ramsey County-City of Saint Paul Workforce Investment Program to substitute the membership summary attached to the Amendment with the revised membership summary dated November 19, 2009; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, That the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners approves the transfer of the County's appointment of Janet Ludden of Employer Solutions, Inc. as an economic development representative to appointment as a business representative for a term through the end of her appointment as an economic development representative.

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

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-446)

WHEREAS, Based on the revised makeup of 33 members, there are two County vacancies on the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) in the categories of Education (Adult Basic Education), and Business; and

WHEREAS, One individual has applied for appointment to the WIB to fill the Education-Adult Basic Education vacancy; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby appoints the following individual to the Workforce Investment Board for a term commencing with the date of appointment and ending on July 31, 2011

To Represent Education – Adult Basic Education

Scott Helland, Independent School District 622, Adult Basic Education

COUNTY MANAGER/BUDGETING AND ACCOUNTING – Monthly Report of contracts and final payments and grant submissions that were approved during the month of October 2009

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-447)

WHEREAS, Administrative Code 3.40.37 authorizes the County Manager to approve contracts, within certain limits; and

WHEREAS, Administrative Code 4.30.50a requires a monthly report on all contracts and final payments approved by the County Manager; and

WHEREAS, Administrative Code 4.30.39d requires the County Manager to report grant submissions, amendments, renewals, and acceptances along with the monthly contract report; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby accepts the Report of Contracts and Final Payments and Grants for the month of October 2009.

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COUNTY MANAGER – Second Amendment to Agreement between Ramsey County and Jeffrey Van Wychen for Consulting Services to the Property Tax Study Project for 2010

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 6. Nays – Rettman – 1. (2009-448)

WHEREAS, The Property Tax Study Project (Project) is a collaboration of nine Minnesota local governments to examine issues pertaining to property taxation; and

WHEREAS, Project participants include Ramsey, Hennepin, and St. Louis Counties; the Cities of St. Paul, Minneapolis, and Duluth; and the St. Paul, Minneapolis, and Duluth Public School Districts; and

WHEREAS, The intent of Project participants is to identify common interests and to educate themselves and others, including state policymakers, other local governments, and the public at large, regarding the various aspects of the property tax system; and

WHEREAS, Since 1998, Ramsey County has entered into agreements with Jeffrey Van Wychen (“Contractor”) to provide consulting services to the Project; and

WHEREAS, The Contractor has provided consistently reliable and valuable services to the Project; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Resolution 2008-388, the County executed an Amendment with the Contractor for Project services for the period from January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009; and

WHEREAS, The member agencies of the Project met in Duluth on September 25, 2009, at a Project meeting, and the nine entities recommended that a Second Amendment to the Agreement be executed with the Contractor for consulting services for the period from January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010; and

WHEREAS, For 2010, the cost of services will remain at the 2009 cost, \$96,000, inclusive of fees and expenses; and

WHEREAS, As Project Manager/Fiscal Agent, Ramsey County is authorized to execute the Second Amendment on behalf of the Project; and

WHEREAS, Each entity will pay \$10,750 to Ramsey County toward the cost of the services, and Ramsey County, as Project Manager/Fiscal Agent, will pay \$10,000; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes Ramsey County’s participation in the Property Tax Study Project for the period from January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010; and Be It Further

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RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners approves the Second Amendment to the Agreement with Jeffrey Van Wychen, 140 Melbourne Avenue SE, Minneapolis, MN 55414, for consulting services for the Property Tax Study Project for the period from January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010, at a cost of \$96,000, inclusive of fees and expenses, of which Ramsey County's share is \$10,000; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Manager to execute the Second Amendment to the Agreement with Jeffrey Van Wychen, on behalf of the Property Tax Study Project and the participating units of government; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board authorizes Ramsey County to act as the Project Manager/Fiscal Agent for the Project and to bill the other eight member units of government, in the amount of \$10,750 each, for services provided by Jeffrey Van Wychen for the period from January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010.

COUNTY MANAGER – Contract for Federal Legislative Representation Services

Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Carter. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 6. Nays – Rettman – 1. (2009-449)

WHEREAS, Ramsey County has had a federal lobbying presence in Washington, D.C. for many years; and

WHEREAS, The current contract with Lockridge Grindal Nauen, P.L.L.P. will expire on December 31, 2009; and

WHEREAS, On October 27, 2009, by Resolution 2009-364a, the Ramsey County Board authorized the issuance of a Request for Proposals ("RFP") for federal legislative representation services for a five-year period, January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Lockridge Grindal Nauen was the only firm to respond to the RFP; and

WHEREAS, The proposal submitted by Lockridge Grindal Nauen exhibited a desirable combination of knowledge, expertise, past performance, and competitive pricing; and

WHEREAS, The County Manager has recommended award of a contract to Lockridge Grindal Nauen for federal legislative representation services for Ramsey County for a period of five years, January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2014; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County Manager to execute a new contract with Lockridge Grindal Nauen, P.L.L.P., 100 Washington Avenue South, Suite 2200, Minneapolis, MN 55401, for federal legislative representation services, for a five-year period, January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2014, for an amount not to exceed \$50,000 per year, in a form to be approved by the County Attorney.

PUBLIC WORKS – Proposed Amendments to Ramsey County Right-of-Way Ordinance, Second Reading

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Commissioner McDonough introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Rettman. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-450)

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners adopted the Ramsey County Right-of-Way Ordinance on August 28, 2001 (Resolution No. 2001-287); and

WHEREAS, The County Board wishes to amend the Right-of-Way Ordinance to include erosion control and site re-establishment to ensure the Right-of-Way Ordinance is consistent with the Ramsey County Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan and requirements of the National Pollutant Elimination Discharge System General Permit for Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems; 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, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners waived the first reading of the proposed amendments to the Right-of-Way Ordinance and set December 15, 2009, as the date of the public hearing (Resolution 2009-404); 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 Right-of-Way Ordinance.

PUBLIC WORKS – Hold Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments to Ramsey County Right-of-Way Ordinance

Chair Parker opened the Public Hearing on the proposed amendments to the Ramsey County Right-of-Way Ordinance and called three times for public testimony. Hearing no requests to address the Board, Chair Parker declared the Public Hearing closed.

COUNTY MANAGER – 2010-2011 Budget – Fee Increases/Decreases

Commissioner Reinhardt introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Ortega. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Rettman, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 7. Nays – 0. (2009-451)

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners is interested in both using revenues and in finding new sources of revenue to help reduce the burden on the property taxpayers in Ramsey County; and

WHEREAS, Departments included various fees in their 2010 – 2011 requested budget; and

WHEREAS, The County Manager included various fees in the 2010 - 2011 Proposed Budget that was submitted to the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners on September 8, 2009; and

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WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners directed the County Manager to present the various fees at the 2010 - 2011 budget hearings held September 25 through November 13, 2009; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners, acting as the Budget Committee of the Whole, reviewed and approved departmental budgets and revenue estimates, including the proposed fee changes during budget deliberations; Now, Therefore, Be It

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby approves changes to the fees and charges identified in the 2010 - 2011 budget.

COUNTY MANAGER – Approval of the 2010-2011 Operating Budget and the 2010 Tax Levy and the 2010-2015 Capital Improvement Program Plan, the 2010-2011 Capital Improvement Program Budget and the 2010 Capital Improvement Program Financing

Commissioner Reinhardt introduced the following resolution and moved its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Ortega. Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 6. Nays – Rettman – 1. (2009-452)

2010-2011 BUDGET & 2010 TAX LEVY STATEMENT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The Home Rule Charter for Ramsey County, Chapter 3, Section 3.02.F states that the County Manager shall prepare and submit the annual budget proposal and capital improvements plan proposal to the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, County Board Resolution 2005-068, dated February 15, 2005, authorized the County Manager to develop and implement two year budgets beginning with 2006 and 2007; and

WHEREAS, The County Manager reviewed each department's 2010 and 2011 budget in order to determine the priorities and needs on a countywide basis; and

WHEREAS, The County Manager, on September 8, 2009, submitted the 2010-2011 Proposed Operating Budget of \$569,472,287 and \$582,698,876 respectively, the 2010 tax levy of \$259,971,049, and the 2010-2011 Capital Improvement Program Budget of \$53,107,046 and \$53,542,871 respectively to the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, The Truth in Taxation Law requires the County to certify a proposed tax levy each year to the County Auditor on or before September 15; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners certified a Maximum tax levy for 2010 of \$259,971,049 an increase of 2.7% over the 2009 tax levy of \$253,013,187 on September 8, 2009; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Budget Committee of the Whole held budget hearings on September 25, September 29, October 1, October 8, October 9, October 13, October 23, October 29, and October 30, 2009 to review the Proposed Budget and receive public input on each of the County agencies' and departments' budgets; and

WHEREAS, The 2010 - 2011 budget continues the 1.5% vacancy factor that was implemented effective January 1, 1999 to preserve the savings from vacant positions and use these savings to help finance the 2010 - 2011 budget; and

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WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes, Section 373.27, Subd. 2, authorizes counties to report the tax attributable to any levy to pay principal and interest on bonds or notes issued to finance public safety radio communications system infrastructure and equipment as a separate line on the property tax statement; and

WHEREAS, The 2010 budget includes \$1,913,888 for debt service on a Public Safety Radio System; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statutes, Sections 134.07 and 134.34 authorize the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners to levy a tax to establish and maintain a public library, which levy is to be made upon taxable property in Ramsey County, outside of any city or village wherein a free public library is located, or which is not already taxed for the support of any free public library; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners held a Public Hearing/Open House on November 30, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. at the Roseville Area High School Cafeteria 1240 County Road B2 West, Roseville, Minnesota to discuss and receive public comment on its proposed budget and property tax levy; and

WHEREAS, The budget for the firearms range has been moved from Property Management to the Sheriff Department; and

WHEREAS, In November 2007 for the 2008 and 2009 budget the County Board approved an addendum that allocated levy dollars into department budgets in an amount to cover the increases and decreases in rents on county facilities; and

WHEREAS, The 2010-2011 budget for Community Correction included \$77,825 for Juvenile Family Justice Center rent that should be included in the Courts budget; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners approved an addendum to the 2010-2011 budget to consolidate the budget for Correctional Health from the Sheriff budget, the Community Corrections budget, and the Community Human Services budget into one budget for Correctional Health; and

WHEREAS, The work on consolidating the budget for Correctional Health continues as each of the participating departments continue to review their department budget for all the costs and revenues associated with the provision of Correctional Health for people in our custody; and

WHEREAS, In the past the budget for Correctional Health has been underfunded and unspent appropriations in Community Human Services have been used to fund the deficiency this may need to continue in 2010 and 2011; and

WHEREAS, The Information Services Department's budget for 2010 and 2011 includes Electronic Document Management System (EDMS) and Geographic Information System (GIS) in the Information Services Fund which included appropriations for Computer equipment and software that should be budgeted in the Computer Equipment and Software Account in the County Revenue Fund; Now Therefore, Be It

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RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the 2010 budget of \$572,276,776, an increase of \$7,393,078, or 1.3%, from the adjusted 2009 budget of \$564,883,698; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the 2011 budget of \$585,702,919, an increase of \$13,426,143 or 2.3%, from the approved 2010 budget of \$572,276,776; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the 2010 total tax levy of \$259,971,049, an increase of \$6,957,862 or 2.7% over the 2009 tax levy of \$253,013,187; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, By the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners that there be and hereby is levied in the year 2009 to be collected in the year 2010, a countywide levy on all taxable properties of \$249,958,318 and a suburban only levy for Libraries of \$10,012,731 on all taxable property in Ramsey County outside of the City of Saint Paul, as set forth in the following statement:

	Countywide Levy							
	Community	Public Safety	Ramsey	Lake				
	County Human Debt	Radio System	County	Owasso	Workforce	Care	Emergency	
Revenue Services Service	Debt Service	Solutions	Residence	Center	Communications			
2010 Approved Budget	254,631,339	164,320,604	19,434,407	1,822,750	23,901,340	14,682,658	8,710,600	13,730,220
Financing								
Estimated Revenue	105,396,415	81,204,955	1,288,519	0	23,505,547	14,178,571	7,935,860	4,642,125
Other Taxes	2,644,000	197,370	41,500	0	0	0	0	0
Fund Balance	1,833,060	0	2,150,000	0	0	137,233	510,741	0
Subtotal	109,873,475	81,402,325	3,480,019	0	23,505,547	14,315,804	8,446,601	4,642,125
Property Tax Levy	144,757,864	82,918,279	15,954,388	1,822,750	395,793	366,854	263,999	9,088,095
Plus: Allowance for Uncollectible Taxes	3,312,846	1,864,712	797,719	91,138	9,341	8,658	6,230	214,479
Total Property Tax Levy	148,070,710	84,782,991	16,752,107	1,913,888	405,134	375,512	270,229	9,302,574
Less: County Program Aid	7,210,661	3,905,059	830,898	0	0	0	0	0
Total Tax Levy After County Program Aid	140,860,049	80,877,932	15,921,209	1,913,888	405,134	375,512	270,229	9,302,574

	Countywide Levy			Suburban Only Levy			Total
	Conservation District	Non Tax Funds	Total Countywide	Library Operations & Technology	Library Debt Service	Total Library Funds	Countywide & Suburban Only
2010 Approved Budget	367,063	58,720,140	560,321,121	9,907,775	2,047,880	11,955,655	572,276,776
Financing							
Estimated Revenue	336,005	56,560,862	295,048,859	981,352	251,026	1,232,378	296,281,237
Other Taxes	0	0	2,882,870	0	0	0	2,882,870
Fund Balance	0	2,159,278	6,790,312	350,000	158,000	508,000	7,298,312
Subtotal	336,005	58,720,140	304,722,041	1,331,352	409,026	1,740,378	306,462,419
Property Tax Levy	31,058	0	255,599,080	8,576,423	1,638,854	10,215,277	265,814,357
Plus: Allowance for Uncollectible Taxes	733	0	6,305,856	192,970	81,943	274,913	6,580,769
Total Property Tax Levy	31,791	0	261,904,936	8,769,393	1,720,797	10,490,190	272,395,126
Less: County Program Aid	0	0	11,946,618	400,859	76,600	477,459	12,424,077
Total Tax Levy After County Program Aid	31,791	0	249,958,318	8,368,534	1,644,197	10,012,731	259,971,049

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RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners approves the continuation of a 1.5% vacancy factor reduction in department budgets for the years 2010 and 2011; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Manager to monitor the savings that accrue due to the vacancy factor and to transfer vacancy factor savings, if needed, from departments that have excess savings to departments that need additional funds and to increase estimated revenues if needed to finance salary related costs; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the 2010 tax levy of \$1,913,888 for the Public Safety Radio System Debt Service to be shown as a separate line on the property tax statement; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the 2010 tax levy of \$10,012,731 on suburban properties for Libraries as a separate line on the property tax statement; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Manager to maintain the separate fund for the Firearms Range in the Sheriff Department; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Manager to adjust the 2010-2011 budget by increasing the rent account in Court's budget by \$77,825 and decreasing the rent account in Community Correction's budget by \$77,825 to allow for the correct billing of Juvenile Family Justice Center space; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Manager to make budget adjustments necessary to ensure all the costs and all the revenues in the 2010-2011 budget associated with Correctional Health in existing County Departments are consolidated in the new Correctional Health; and Be It Further

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Manager to transfer up to \$625,000 of unspent appropriations from Community Human Services to Correctional Health to deal with potential cost overruns

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Manager to make budget adjustments necessary to transfer Computer Equipment in the EDMS and GIS budgets for 2010 and 2011 from the Information Services Fund to the County Revenue Fund Computer Equipment Account.

COUNTY MANAGER – Approval of the 2010-2011 Operating Budget and the 2010 Tax Levy and the 2010-2015 Capital Improvement Program Plan, the 2010-2011 Capital Improvement Program Budget and the 2010 Capital Improvement Program Financing

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

Commissioner Reinhardt, speaking as Chair of the Budget Committee, said staff did exemplary work getting all the information and changes the Board requested for this budget for the public hearings. She appreciated all the work that went into the budget on which the Board deliberated for days. There is pain within this budget with some dramatic cuts in some areas, but the Board tried to

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minimize the pain to the extent possible, and to maximize the opportunities. A number of things have been done to improve the services, leveraging, seeking out funds in other places. A good job has been done, but there is a lot of work ahead. This is the 2010 tax levy; the 2010-2011 operating budget. There are things in the 2011 budget that are going to change. The Board heard from the developmental disabilities community and others on the need to express the concerns to the Legislature and the Governor to make changes at the State Capitol so that when we come into the 2011 budget process we will have a little better outlook. Hopefully, the County will have a number of partners at the Capitol to talk about this.

The unallotments and what happened especially for the vulnerable citizens in our community through the unallotment has been very difficult. The fact that the County does a two-year budget helps in that respect in order to see more of what was coming. We can talk with the Legislature about what those impacts will be if there are no changes at the State level. Doing a two-year budget allows time for the County and residents to help with the entire process. This isn't just about the County budget; that is what the County is responsible for. This is about the State, federal, school district and all the other taxing jurisdictions in how we impact people's lives not only by the services we provide but by the property taxes we collect. There are things in this budget to dislike; there are things that are very creative. It reflects a balanced, thoughtful approach. She thanked all the Commissioners for going through the budget thoroughly to try to figure out what we can do to minimize the pain and to maximize the opportunities. She thanked Commissioner Janice Rettman, Budget Committee Vice-Chair, for her work on this difficult budget. The next three years will be even more difficult.

Commissioner Rettman said Commissioner Reinhardt made a strategic effort in having more opportunities for input on this budget and did a very good job on the budget. She struggles with the budget. Staff did a wonderful job providing information to the Commissioners, which she has used in neighborhood meetings to respond to people's questions. There were some agonizing moments in making decisions in the budget. She would be happier if this were five years ago with a 2.7% increase. Her concern is the next three years. All the opportunities she saw in reducing the budget did not cut a single additional FTE. In the budget process, Commissioner Reinhardt mentioned a number of times that FTEs were lost, reduced, or not filled. Commissioner Rettman did not want to reduce that further, but felt that some additional cuts were needed. This was probably the hardest budget to work on, but was one of the best in-depth discussions this Board has had. She appreciated the staff and Commissioners' work.

Commissioner Reinhardt said a thoughtful process was used before getting to this budget, making reductions along the way. We are 89 fewer FTEs, with only about twelve layoffs because of the concerted effort to make those reductions through attrition over the last year and a half, avoiding massive layoffs. Some of the other counties that were hit with this had to react with massive layoffs. If there are massive layoffs, it means there is less service; it is not just about the layoffs. The County worked hard to minimize that and it didn't just happen. At the last meeting, Commissioner Bennett had talked about a list of the cuts on the County's website in addition to the budget. It is important to have that because people simply see the end result without seeing where those reductions take place.

Commissioner Reinhardt said with the unallotment, Governor Pawlenty allowed any local government anything that was unallotted to be levied back outside the levy limit. That is critical. That says that these are critical services that need to be paid for and implemented that the State used to pay for, but the Governor has said they no longer will, but knows the services are needed. If each local unit of government had levied back outside the levy limit, the increases would have been very dramatic. Ramsey County could have increased almost twice as much as was done, but did not.

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The Board decided that while allowed by law to do so, that wasn't the point, which meant cuts were needed. In this time with the economy, job losses, foreclosures, etc., the Board did not put this budget together in a vacuum, in isolation from other units of government. Even though this is 2.7%, this is a fiscally conservative choice not to go to 4.8% that could have been levied. The budget increase is 1.3% because the Commissioners asked staff to seek additional funding. It has no effect on the levy because revenue was brought in that was not property taxes. We need to continue to do that. We are spending more because more revenue was brought in for different areas, but it is neutral. There are potential pots of funds, grant funds, working with partners in the business community, and we need to build on those partnerships.

Commissioner Bennett added his strong approval for the work done by Commissioners Reinhardt and Rettman in working with the budget staff. He thanked the Department Heads and all the staff who worked at the Public Hearing/Open House on the County Budget on the evening of November 30th. He hoped the Legislature paid attention to what happened that night. In the past, the Commissioners were part of Truth In Taxation Hearings, and this was similar. The Commissioners were not allowed to answer questions, but staff responded immediately to any questions, and that was very appreciated by everyone. This was a positive meeting where there were stories about cuts that were hurting people, and from people who don't want their property taxes raised. It is difficult to explain increases in spending, spending cuts, and levy. The County Board is the right arm of the Legislature, delivering those services for the Legislature, and mandated to do a lot of the services. When the Legislature cuts millions of dollars from the County that is what the public did not see on November 30. They did not see the \$4.3 million withheld after the County had already spent the money last year, and how many additional millions the State normally provides for the programs they mandate counties to do – about 80% of the County's budget. Those were cuts made that the public doesn't see because the budget change. We work within the same budget, delivering more services, with 89 fewer positions. People only see what their tax statement shows, not what the State or federal governments withheld from the County while expecting the mandated services be delivered, without the funding. We need to continue with the same type of meeting held on November 30 and improve on it. More people took advantage of the meeting than he felt might, but not as many as could. Staff did an excellent job. The many cuts could be shown on the website.

Roll Call: Ayes – McDonough, Ortega, Reinhardt, Bennett, Carter, Parker – 6. Nays – Rettman – 1. (2009-453)

WHEREAS, County Board Resolution 2005-068, dated February 15, 2005, authorized the County Manager to develop and implement two year budgets beginning with 2006 and 2007; and

WHEREAS, The County Manager, on September 8, 2009, submitted the 2010-2011 Budget, which included the Capital Improvement Program Plan and Budget to the Board of County Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners met as the Budget Committee of the Whole on October 29, 2009, to review the Capital Improvement Program Plan and Budget as proposed by the County Manager and the Capital Improvement Program Citizens Advisory Committee; and

RESOLVED, The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the 2010-2015 Capital Improvement Program Plan, the 2010–2011 Capital Improvement Program Budget, and 2010 Capital Improvement Program Financing, as follows:

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2010 - 2011 Capital Improvement Program Budget

<u>Projects</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>
<u>Community Human Services</u>		
Behavioral Health Crisis Center & Commitment Court	\$9,000,000	-
<u>Landmark Center</u>		
Equipment Revamp-Air Handling Units	192,642	-
Equipment Revamp-Public Courtrooms	-	\$116,946
<u>Medical Examiner</u>		
Security System Replacement	59,659	-
<u>Parks & Recreation</u>		
Capital Asset Management-Parks	825,734	110,000
Manitou Ridge Golf Course Maintenance Facility	75,000	-
Capital Asset Management-Ice Arenas	435,000	494,000
Turtle Lake County Park Redevelopment	128,487	821,513
Regional Park & Trail Development	1,606,000	-
Keller Golf Course Building Replacement & Course Improvements	-	1,000,000
<u>Property Management</u>		
Ramsey County Government Center-West Relocation	4,950,000	14,650,000
<u>Public Works</u>		
Major Road Maintenance	1,500,000	1,250,000
County State Aid Highway Road Construction	29,587,000	30,529,000
New Equipment	80,000	80,000
<u>Ramsey County Care Center</u>		
New Air Conditioning Chiller	221,375	-
Safe Patient/Resident Lifting Equipment	69,883	-
Replacement of Patient/Resident Beds	94,031	-
<u>Ramsey County Historical Society</u>		
Roofing at the Gibbs Museum	90,823	-
<u>Other</u>		
Bond Issuance Costs	90,000	90,000
<u>Potential Projects</u>		
Undesignated	-	300,000
<u>Building Improvements (formerly CCAMPP)</u>		
Extension Barn	21,250	21,250
Family Service Center	19,550	19,550
Landmark Center	129,200	129,200
Medical Examiner	11,050	11,050
Public Health (555 Cedar)	37,400	37,400
Ramsey County Correctional Facility	141,100	141,100
Parks & Recreation	490,450	490,450

<u>Equipment Replacement Program</u>		
Corrections	157,950	186,450
Parks & Recreation	393,600	389,550
Public Works	700,350	645,900
Sheriff	248,100	278,100
 <u>Building Improvements - Property Management</u>		
Courthouse/City Hall	438,382	438,382
General Building Fund	1,125,798	1,125,798
Libraries	60,886	60,886
Public Works/Patrol Station	126,346	126,346
 Total Capital Improvement Program Budget	 <u>\$53,107,046</u>	 <u>\$53,542,871</u>

<u>Financing</u>	<u>2010</u>
<u>Bonds</u>	
10 Year Bonds (Regular Projects & Issuance Costs)	\$2,500,000
20 Year Bonds (Major Projects & Issuance Costs)	<u>14,000,000</u>
Total Bond Financing	16,500,000
 <u>Capital Improvement & Equipment Replacement (CIER) Levy</u>	
Building Improvements (formerly CCAMPP)	850,000
Equipment Replacement Program	<u>1,500,000</u>
Total CIER Levy	2,350,000
 <u>Other Funding Sources</u>	
Federal Funds	13,513,000
State Funds	14,399,634
Municipal Funds	4,593,000
Other County Funds:	
Courthouse/City Hall rent	438,382
General Building Fund rent	1,125,798
Libraries rent	60,886
Public Works/Patrol Station rent	<u>126,346</u>
Total Other Funding Sources	34,257,046
 Total 2010 Capital Improvement Program Financing	 <u>\$53,107,046</u>

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OUTSIDE BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Carter:

- Reported that for the Human Services Redesign, the Steering Committee on Performance Outcomes Reform has met over a number of months. Deadlines have been met with respect to the work required by the Legislature and have delivered to the Legislature the list of mandated services. The work plan due December 15 is on its way, and they are working on a product due February 15, which is a framework for remedies. This is about counties and the ability to become service delivery authorities to create further collaborative and to deliver on outcomes in Human Services, and the work that counties have been doing for years, and the ability now through Legislative action to qualify over time for relief from some mandates and maintenance of effort levels. This group is represented by Commissioners from the Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC), staff from the Association of Administrators, and by advocates from human services organizations throughout Minnesota. This process will occur over three years at the end of which time they will have created definitions of performance outcomes, measures by which counties will be assessed as meeting or needing improvements in those outcome areas and ways in which they will be assisted and ways they could combine in order to deliver better services and improved outcomes in Human Services. This is risky work but work that counties must do.
- She attended the AMC Conference last week as Chair of the Health and Human Services Policy Council, where they passed its agenda to the AMC adding the focus on General Assistance Medical Care (GAMC) and early resolution at the Legislature for the concerns on the number of people who will be losing coverage and for whom the Governor suggested MinnesotaCare will be available. We know that will actually spend down on other funds, and that there are differences in qualifications and requirements between GAMC and MinnesotaCare, and the possibility that a number of these 30,000 individuals will fall through the cracks. The Policy Council is advocating for early resolution at the Legislature.
- The CAPRW (Community Action Partnership of Ramsey and Washington Counties) met in Executive Committee and Policy Council. There are new members on the Policy Council coming from all the Community Action Program Head Start sites. At the last meeting training was provided for the members and they are looking forward to an active governance group for the CAPRW Head Start Programs.
- The Central Corridor Management Committee met to which she and Commissioner Ortega attended. Support was given for the upcoming environmental analysis to be conducted for Central Corridor addressing the segmentation concerns to advocate to the Met Council that the three additional stations for University Avenue would be included in the bid packages. That will help ensure the best pricing and responses to the RFP that will go out. The concern is to add those stations as soon as funding is available at the best possible cost coming back from bidders.
- She attended the Minnesota Council for Nonprofits Workshop for City and County Advocacy. A number of attendees are employees and executives of nonprofit organizations. The focus was working with City and County typically. They work on bills at the Legislature and are less informed on how to work with the City and County. This was the opportunity to develop that relationship.

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- She attended the Community Justice Network for Youth Conference in Peach Tree, close to Atlanta, Georgia, sponsored by the Burns Institute and Community Justice Network for Youth with the focus on data collection and monitoring, specifically for disproportionate minority confinement, community engagement and on the continuing and ongoing development of community alternatives.

Commissioner Reinhardt:

- Commissioner McDonough just completed his year as President, Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC). The County is very proud of the work he has done in one of the most difficult years for counties, remaining cool, and coming up with solutions.

Chair Parker also recognized Commissioner McDonough for his leadership. The counties' futures direction we are going in the intense work we are doing in so many initiatives with his leadership, maintaining a positive direction. She recognized other members of the Board in providing leadership to the State – Commissioner Carter, Commissioner Reinhardt, Commissioner Bennett -- have been leaders of committees. With the 87 counties in Minnesota, Ramsey County has had two Commissioners serve as president of AMC. Ramsey County is recognized as having excellent leaders. All of the Commissioners have done a lot of heavy lifting with AMC and NACo in the last year.

- She attended the Volunteers In Corrections (VIC) Recognition event. There are many volunteer opportunities in Ramsey County. Volunteers in Corrections make a two-year commitment and work with folks that generally fall between the cracks and are not the easiest people to work with. All volunteers are important, but those going into Boys Totem Town and the jail are very special.
- She attended on the White Bear Chamber of Commerce event.
- She attended the Metropolitan Energy Policy Coalition meeting.
- She attended the Second Chance Coalition meeting at William Mitchell. Second Chance is an organization of nonprofits dealing with juvenile and adult justice issues.
- She was honored as a Woman of Distinction from Century College last Thursday where Washington County Commissioner Mary Hauser; Bonnie Watkins, Women's Consortium; and Mary Steiner, Give Us Wings, were also awarded.

Commissioner Rettman:

- Reported on an H1N1 clinic to be held Saturday, December 19, noon-4:00 p.m., at North Heights Christian Academy, 2701 North Rice Street, Roseville, Minnesota. This clinic is open to the public for people of all ages. More information is available at http://www.co.ramsey.mn.us/ph/ei/h1n1_vaccine_clinics.htm
- Reported on two meetings – River Route and High Speed. The River Route is shovel-ready and would go to the Union Depot. We need to make sure the Union Depot gets the ARRA (American Reinvestment and Recovery Act) dollars. Both meetings were well attended.

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- The CAPRW Finance Committee is getting all the policies and procedures in place before the new members come on board.
- The Falcon Heights/Lauderdale Lions do a tremendous amount of work for vision impaired individuals as well as on the block nurse program. One fundraiser is Christmas tree sales; some funds are to be given to the Ramsey County Library.

Chair Parker said she spoke with Sue Gerz, Coordinator of the Ramsey County Friends of the Library. The Friends have raised over \$100,000 to date for the Roseville Library. People and organizations contributing could have rooms named after them, a paver with their name, etc.

Commissioner Bennett said the library accepts donated books.

Commissioner Bennett:

- Reported that there is plenty of H1N1 vaccine available. He encouraged everyone to get a vaccine if they are able to.
- Said he is on the National Association of Counties (NACo) Board of Directors. Objectives for the next year have been put together. He volunteered Ramsey County for a test pilot called the Employee Market Place.
- A Parks Committee meeting may be held in the near future regarding the TCAAP (Twin Cities Army Ammunition Property).
- Reported on a TAB (Transportation Advisory Board) meeting. The 169/494 road issue is ongoing.

Commissioner Ortega:

- Reported on a health care issues forum at the Humphrey School of Public Affairs for nonprofit and businesses interested in the issue.
- Reported on segments to air throughout the month of January on Almanac about health care issues in the State of Minnesota, GAMC (General Assistance Medical Care), and the impact in our communities in other related issues with respect to GAMC. We will have a three to four-year gap before any of the national initiatives kick-in.

Commissioner McDonough:

- Thanked the County Board; County Manager Julie Kleinschmidt; Terry Speiker, Claudia Brewington and Nick Riley, Intergovernmental Relations, for their support over the last year while he served as president of the AMC (Association of Minnesota Counties). Support from staff has been tremendous.

Chair Jan Parker reported:

- The Knight Foundation sponsored a seminar on broad band, co-hosted by Ramsey County and the City of Saint Paul, attended by representatives from several municipalities and a wide variety of people in the community interested in working together on taking the next step. One way to look at this is for Ramsey County to do it alone for its facilities, or work with the City of Saint Paul or others. There is a lot of opportunity for sharing resources and having a more efficient operation. The Knight Foundation brought in national speakers to see other models

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for what has been done. There was consensus that we should probably do something similar for what was done in Dade County, Miami, creating an independent organization; a new collaborative of organizations interested in working together, somewhat like what was done with the Dispatch Center operation. She thanked the Knight Foundation for having the vision. Money from the foundation came from the newspaper industry, now focusing on communication with the public in different ways, primarily electronically. About 75 individuals attended the seminar at the Hill Library. This may be a priority for Ramsey County to work on in the next year. At this point it is an idea, a concept. At a minimum, Ramsey County and Saint Paul will work together on this, but to open it up to school districts, colleges, whoever is interested.

Commissioner Rettman said Mary Mahoney, Director, Information Services, had contacted the Commissioners some time ago. Those discussions have been going on between County and City staff and employees. There was a possibility for application for ARRA dollars. A lot of details need to be worked out. Staff are aware they need to be inclusive for anyone interested in this.

- Discussions continue with the neighbors of the Ramsey County Library. There will be a meeting on Friday with the Dispute Resolution Center to help mediate any issues.
- Interviews took place with applicants for two vacant positions on the Ramsey County Library Board. The recommendation for appointments will be on the January 5, 2010 County Board Annual Organization Agenda.
- December 14 a grand opening was held for the new Park and Ride facility in Roseville, next to I35W and County Road C. This is a Minnesota Department of Transportation facility.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Bonnie C. Jackelen, Chief Clerk- County Board