



Dakota County

Physical Development Committee of the Whole

Minutes

Tuesday, March 18, 2025

9:30 AM

**Conference Room 3A, Administration
Center, Hastings**

(or following General Government and Policy)

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 9:45 a.m. by Commissioner Holberg.

Present	Commissioner Mike Slavik Commissioner Joe Atkins Commissioner William Droste Commissioner Liz Workman Chairperson Mary Liz Holberg Commissioner Mary Hamann-Roland
Absent	Commissioner Laurie Halverson

Also in attendance were Heidi Welsch, County Manager; Tom Donely, First Assistant County Attorney; Georg Fischer, Physical Development Division Director; Liz Hansen, Administrative Coordinator.

The audio recording of this meeting is available upon request.

2. Audience

Commissioner Holberg asked if there was anyone in the audience that wished to address the Physical Development Committee of the Whole on an item not on the agenda or an item on the consent agenda. No one came forward and no comments were submitted to CountyAdmin@co.dakota.mn.us.

3. Approval of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

3.1 Approval of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

Commissioners discussed amending the agenda by removing the following item from the Consent Agenda and placing it on the April 15, 2025 Physical Development Committee of the Whole Regular Agenda for further discussion.

4.6 Parks - Authorization To Execute Joint Powers Agreements With Independent School District 199, And Inver Hills Community College For Interpretive And Wayfinding Installations And Programming Implementation

Along the Unity Trail

On a motion by Commissioner Hamann-Roland, seconded by Commissioner Droste, the agenda was unanimously approved as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

Ayes: 6

4. Consent Agenda

4.1 Approval Of Minutes Of Meeting Held On February 11, 2025

Motion: Joe Atkins

Second: Mike Slavik

Ayes: 6

4.2 Approval Of Major Modification And Issuance Of New License To Pine Bend Sanitary Landfill

Motion: Joe Atkins

Second: Mike Slavik

WHEREAS, Pine Bend Sanitary Landfill (PBSL) currently operates a municipal solid waste landfill in the City of Inver Grove Heights, which is permitted by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) and licensed by Dakota County as a solid waste facility; and

WHEREAS, PBSL has submitted to the Environmental Resources Department (Department) an application to modify the existing license to allow for a vertical expansion of the landfill, resulting in an 8,185,800 cubic yard increase in total capacity; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Dakota County Ordinance No. 110, Solid Waste Management (Ordinance No. 110), PBSL's proposal to increase capacity constitutes a major modification of this County license and requires County Board approval; and

WHEREAS, the City of Inver Grove Heights has approved PBSL's request to increase capacity, pursuant to PBSL's Conditional Use Permit with the City; and

WHEREAS, the MPCA is reviewing the modification request, and construction will not start prior to PBSL receiving permission from the MPCA; and

WHEREAS, Department staff has reviewed this proposed major modification to PBSL's solid waste facility, finds that it meets the requirements of Ordinance No. 110, and recommends that the County Board approve this major modification and issue a new license to PBSL; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners has previously approved license and variance conditions for the PBSL's solid waste facility, as detailed in this Resolution, which staff recommends be incorporated into a new

license if approved by the County Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves, as a major modification to the Pine Bend Sanitary Landfill (PBSL) solid waste facility license, PBSL's request to vertically expand the landfill for an increase in total capacity to 42,123,200 cubic yards; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the issuance of a new solid waste facility license to PBSL for the PBSL multi-operational solid waste facility located in Inver Grove Heights, for the time period March 25, 2025, to December 31, 2026, subject to compliance with all applicable State, local, and County laws, rules, and ordinance requirements and the following conditions:

1. The Licensee shall operate the sanitary landfill in accordance with all plans and specifications approved as part of the initial license application to the County Board, all applicable County Ordinance requirements, and all subsequent modifications or additions as approved by the respective state and local agencies and the Dakota County Board of Commissioners. Certain approved plans are listed below:
 - Solid Waste Management Plan - "Solid Waste Management Plan, Revised July 2014", submitted July 2014.
 - Operations and Maintenance Plan - "Application for Permit Renewal", submitted November 2013.
 - Closure, Post-Closure, Contingency Action Plan and Financial Assurance Plan with Post-Closure Cost Estimates - "Application for Permit Renewal", submitted November 2013.
2. The Licensee has been granted, by the Dakota County Board of Commissioners, a continuing variance from the following requirement of Ordinance No. 110.
 - Section 6.01(E) that states that a solid waste landfill shall not be located within 1,000 feet of a public roadway.
3. The Licensee shall comply with all design requirements specified in the MPCA permit for the sanitary landfill.
4. The Licensee shall pay the annual license fee for a "Sanitary Landfill", as established by the County Board for 2026, by December 31, 2025.
5. The Licensee shall conduct annual aerial surveys or registered ground surveys of the sanitary landfill or shall use any other method acceptable to the Dakota County Environmental Resources Department

(Department) to determine compliance with the vertical property boundary of the facility under the approved plans, and to determine settlement effects, if any. The Licensee shall submit data from such aerial surveys, ground surveys, or other methods to the Department in a form sufficient for the Department to determine if a modification of the license for the landfill is necessary.

6. The Licensee shall accept waste in accordance with its Solid Waste Management Plan, dated July 2014, and as approved by the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency and the Department.
7. The Licensee shall reimburse Dakota County for waste sampling or analysis undertaken by the Department to resolve discrepancies in information included in any application for co-disposal of industrial waste that the Department has approved or is asked by the Licensee to approve.
8. The Licensee as part of their normal leachate analysis program shall test leachate for Gasoline Range Organics (GRO), Diesel Range Organics (DRO) and Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons using a method approved by the Environmental Management Department.
9. Provided the Licensee collects electronics at the landfill, the following practices on storage and shipment must be met:

Storage:

- Store electronics in a container that will prevent a release of hazardous constituents to the environment.
- Store electronics indoors or in a covered container.
- Label each container with the words "electronics for recycling".
- Inspect the storage area periodically to ensure electronics have not been broken, and that they are properly labeled.
- Do not disassemble electronics by removing circuit boards, batteries or other components.

Shipment:

- Electronics must be shipped to: a recycler, a hazardous waste facility or another registered consolidator.
- Shipments of electronics must be accompanied by a shipping paper, bill of lading or manifest.
- A copy of all shipping documents must be kept at the collection site for three years.

10. The Licensee shall keep in effect financial assurance as required by Ordinance No. 110, Section 3.07, and as approved by the County

Board.

11. The Licensee shall provide to the Department a copy of the following MPCA approved financial assurance instrument for closure, post-closure, and contingency action - Liberty Mutual Insurance Company Bond #022020311.

12. The Licensee shall provide notice to the County of any change or proposed change regarding the MPCA financial assurance and contingency fund within ten days of the proposed change being submitted to the MPCA.

13. The Licensee shall have a minimum of one certified operator on duty at the municipal solid waste area. As necessary, additional operators must be available to assist with landfilling operations.

This item was approved and recommended for action by the Board of Commissioners on 3/25/2025.

Ayes: 6

4.3 Approval Of Industrial And Demolition Waste Landfill Major Modification For SKB Rosemount, Inc.

Motion: Joe Atkins

Second: Mike Slavik

WHEREAS, SKB Rosemount Inc. (SKB) currently operates a combined Industrial/Demolition landfill, a waste processing facility, a transfer station, and a composting facility as part of a multi-operational solid waste facility, licensed by Dakota County in the City of Rosemount; and

WHEREAS, SKB has submitted to the Environmental Resources Department (Department) an application to modify the Industrial/Demolition Landfill license to expand the industrial/demolition landfill from 113.6 acres to 186.6 acres; and

WHEREAS, the expansion will not increase the finished height of the landfill; and

WHEREAS, this will result in an increase of the total design capacity of 48,251,781 million cubic yards; and

WHEREAS, under Dakota County Ordinance No. 110, Solid Waste Management (Ordinance 110), SKB's proposal to expand landfill capacity constitutes a major modification of its solid waste facility license and requires County Board approval; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency has issued a draft permit to SKB approving the expansion design changes; and

WHEREAS, the City of Rosemount has reviewed the proposed expansion and

has approved the modification as an amendment to their Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, Department staff has reviewed SKB's proposed expansion, finds that it meets the requirements of Ordinance 110, and recommends that the County Board approve this major modification and issue a new license to SKB for the SKB Rosemount Landfill; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners has previously approved license and variance conditions for the SKB Rosemount Landfill, as detailed in this Resolution, which staff recommends be incorporated into a new license if approved by the County Board; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 110, Section 17.02, provides that the Dakota County Board of Commissioners may grant variances from the requirements of the Ordinance and may approve variances that carry over to each successive license unless specifically rescinded by the County Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves, as a major modification to the SKB Rosemount Landfill, SKB Rosemount, Inc.'s request to expand the Industrial/Demolition Landfill, as detailed in SKB Rosemount, Inc.'s re-permit application, and directs that this major modification be incorporated into the new solid waste facility license for the Industrial/Demolition Landfill; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the issuance of a new solid waste facility license to SKB Rosemount, Inc., for the Industrial/Demolition Landfill for the time period March 25, 2025, to December 31, 2026, subject to compliance with all applicable State, local, and County laws, rules, and ordinance requirements, and the following conditions:

SKB shall operate the Sanitary Landfill in accordance with all plans and specifications approved as part of the initial license application to the County Board, all applicable County Ordinance requirements, and all subsequent modifications or additions as approved by the respective State and local agencies and the Dakota County Board of Commissioners.

SKB shall comply with the conditions of all continuing variances which have been granted, by the Dakota County Board of Commissioners, from the following requirements of Ordinance No. 110:

- Section 5.02 that requires Department approval for disposal of industrial wastes.
- Section 6.01(B) that states that a solid waste landfill shall not be located within a floodplain area, wetland

areas, or within five feet of the high historical groundwater table.

- Section 6.01(E) that states that a solid waste landfill shall not be located within 1,000 feet of a public roadway.

SKB shall construct and operate the Industrial Demolition Landfill expansion as detailed in SKB's re-permit application dated October 2022.

SKB shall comply with all design requirements specified in the MPCA permit for the Industrial/Demolition Landfill.

SKB shall pay the annual license fees for a Special Waste Landfill (Industrial Landfill), Demolition Landfill, Transfer Station, Waste Processing Facility, and Compost Facility as established by the County Board for 2026 by December 31, 2025.

SKB shall conduct annual aerial surveys or registered ground surveys of the Industrial/Demolition Landfill or shall use any other method acceptable to the Department to determine compliance with the vertical property boundary of the facility under the approved plans, and to determine settlement effects, if any. SKB shall submit data from such aerial surveys, ground surveys, or other methods to the Department in a form sufficient for the Department to determine if a modification of the license for the Sanitary Landfill is necessary.

SKB shall accept industrial waste only in accordance with the approved Industrial Waste Management Plan, revised October 2024.

The Licensee shall reimburse Dakota County for waste sampling or analysis undertaken by the County's Environmental Management Department to resolve discrepancies in information included in any application for disposal of industrial waste that the Department has approved or is asked by SKB to approve.

SKB shall not dispose of solid waste in the unlined areas of the Industrial/Demolition Landfill.

SKB as part of their normal leachate analysis program shall test leachate for Gasoline Range Organics (GRO), Diesel Range Organics (DRO) and for Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (TPH) by analytical methods approved by the Department.

SKB shall keep in effect financial assurance as required by Ordinance No. 110, Section 3.06 and as approved by the County Board.

SKB shall provide to the Environmental Resources Department a copy of

the following MPCA approved financial assurance instruments: closure surety bond, post-closure surety, and contingency action surety bond.

SKB shall provide notice to the Department of any change or proposed change regarding the MPCA financial assurance and contingency fund within ten days of the proposed change being submitted to the MPCA.

This item was approved and recommended for action by the Board of Commissioners on 3/25/2025.

Ayes: 6

4.4 Authorization To Award Bid And Execute Contract With Ebert, Inc. dba: Ebert Companies To Provide Construction Services For Wentworth Library Renovation

Motion: Joe Atkins

Second: Mike Slavik

WHEREAS, the 2025-2029 Facilities Capital Improvement Program Adopted Budget includes a project to renovate the Wentworth Library; and

WHEREAS, the scope of work includes professional design services; and

WHEREAS, a Request for Proposals was prepared and issued to the public on January 4, 2024; and

WHEREAS, after review and evaluation of the written proposals and interviews of shortlisted firms, staff unanimously recommended Leo A Daly to provide the specified professional design services for this project after; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Board approved this recommendation through Resolution No. 24-105 (February 27, 2024); and

WHEREAS, a Core Planning Group worked with Leo A Daly to confirm the project needs and develop the design; and

WHEREAS, the project schematic design was presented to and approved by the Dakota County Board of Commissioners through Resolution No. 24-461 (September 24, 2024); and

WHEREAS, Leo A Daly and the Core Planning Group completed the remaining design work; and

WHEREAS, Leo A Daly prepared construction bid documents that were released for bidding on February 6, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the bid documents included a Base Bid and three Alternate Bids; and

WHEREAS, eleven competitive bids were received on February 27, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Ebert Companies has submitted the lowest responsive and responsible bid; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends acceptance of the Base Bid, Alternate Bid #1, Alternate Bid #2, and Alternate Bid #3 to best meet the original project intent; and

WHEREAS, the combined total value of the Base Bid and all three alternate bids is below the latest construction cost estimate; and

WHEREAS, staff and Leo A Daly have reviewed the qualifications of the bidder and recommend award to Ebert Companies in an amount not to exceed \$3,578,700; and

WHEREAS, the project budget is sufficient to support the issuance of the contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Facilities Management Director to execute a contract with Ebert, Inc. dba: Ebert Companies, 23350 County Road 10, Corcoran, MN 55357, in an amount not to exceed \$3,578,700 for the Wentworth Library Renovation project, subject to approval by the County Attorney's office as to form.

This item was approved and recommended for action by the Board of Commissioners on 3/25/2025.

Ayes: 6

4.5 Authorization To Execute Contract With Rachel Contracting, LLC, For Construction Of River To River Greenway From Marie Avenue To Lilydale Road, Authorization To Execute Joint Powers Agreement With Mendota Heights For Construction And The Subsequent Supplemental Maintenance Agreement, And Amend 2025 Parks Capital Improvement Program Budget For County Project P30002

Motion: Joe Atkins

Second: Mike Slavik

WHEREAS, the River to River Greenway includes trail reconstruction and three pedestrian bridge replacements along Interstate Valley Creek in Mendota Heights; and

WHEREAS, staff advertised the construction contract (County Project P30002) on February 05, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the bid of Rachel Contracting, LLC, in the amount of \$2,725,852.00 for the base bid and \$4,500 for the Bid Alternate, was the lowest responsive and responsible bid received; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Park's Capital Improvement Program Budget has

insufficient funds to accommodate the construction contract; and

WHEREAS, a joint powers agreement (JPA) and supplemental maintenance agreement with Mendota Heights for implementing construction and future maintenance related to County Project P3002.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby awards the bid to and authorizes the Physical Development Director to execute the contract with Rachel Contracting, LLC, 4180 Napier Court N. E. Saint Michael, MN 55376, for the construction work (County Project P30002) associated with the River to River Greenway Mendota Heights Segment, in an amount of \$2,730,352.00 based on their low bid, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the 2025 Parks Capital Improvement Program Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Expense	
P30002	<u>\$926,352.00</u>
Total Expense	\$926,352.00
Revenue	
Sales & Use Tax	<u>\$926,352.00</u>
Total Revenue	\$926,352.00

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the 2025 Sales and Use Tax Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Expense	
Transfer to Parks Fund	(\$926,352.00)
Total Expense	(\$926,352.00)
Revenue	
Sales and Use Tax	<u>(\$926,352.00)</u>
Total Revenue	(\$926,352.00)

This item was approved and recommended for action by the Board of Commissioners on 3/25/2025.

Ayes: 6

4.6 Authorization To Execute Joint Powers Agreements With Independent School District 199, And Inver Hills Community College For Interpretive And Wayfinding Installations And Programming Implementation Along the Unity Trail

This agenda item was withdrawn, and consequently, no vote was conducted.

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Parks Visitor Services Plan directed staff to increase awareness of Dakota County Parks and its services across all communities, including current users, new users, and under-represented groups.; and

WHEREAS, the Unity Trail project includes the construction of seven interpretive and wayfinding nodes along a five-mile loop to create connections between the Mississippi Regional Greenway and important Community Centers; and

WHEREAS, the Unity Trail project will provide outreach programming at different locations to raise awareness of the Unity Trail and its themes and activate the Trail; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County and Inver Hills Community College are governmental units as that term is defined in Minn. Stat. § 471.59; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 471.59 authorizes State and local governmental units to jointly or cooperatively exercise any power common to the contracting parties; and

WHEREAS, Inver Hills Community College has requested the County include as part of the Community Project certain interpretive signage and public art benches to be located along trail extensions from the Greenway on College property; and

WHEREAS, a joint powers agreement (JPA) with Inver Hills Community College to design and install interpretive signage and public art benches to be located along trail extensions from the Greenway on College property would enhance the trail by providing the public additional spaces for outdoor experiences and increased connections to the Unity Trail and the Mississippi River Greenway; and

WHEREAS, the County will be responsible for the design, solicitation, and purchasing of the wayfinding and interpretive signage for the Community Project using grant funding, and the College shall be responsible for designating appropriate locations for the installations, grant a license for the County to install, maintain, repair and replace the Community Project Improvements on College property, for a minimum period of ten years following installation of the Improvements, and provide basic maintenance for the Community Project Improvements and the Trails following installation; and

WHEREAS, Inver Hills Community College has requested the County make the Programs being offered at the Inver Glen Library available to its students due in part to the proximity of the Unity Trail to the College; and

WHEREAS, a JPA with Inver Hills Community College to provide student engagement programs consist of various arts and cultural programs intended to

engage students with themes relating to the Unity Trail would increase awareness and visitation of the Unity Trail; and

WHEREAS, the County and School District No. 199 are governmental units as that term is defined in Minn. Stat. § 471.59; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 471.59 authorizes local governmental units to jointly or cooperatively exercise any power common to the contracting parties; and

WHEREAS, School District No. 199 has requested the County make the Programs offered at the Inver Glen Library available to Simley High School students due in part to the proximity of the Unity Trail to the school; and

WHEREAS, a JPA with Independent School District No. 199 to provide youth engagement programs consisting of various arts and cultural programs intended to engage youth with themes relating to the Unity Trail would increase awareness and visitation of the Unity Trail; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds to complete the project, and the total project budget, including in-kind contributions, is \$320,000; grant revenue is \$160,000, Dakota County cash match contribution is \$70,000, City of Inver Grove Heights cash contribution is \$15,000, in-kind partner contributions are \$55,000; and \$20,000 of unspent State Health Improvement Partnership dollars was reallocated to supplement the bike programming.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Physical Development Director, or their designee, to execute a joint powers agreement with Inver Hills Community College for the design and installation of wayfinding signage upon execution by both of the parties and shall continue in effect through June 30, 2026, or until completion by the parties of their respective obligations under this Agreement, whichever occurs first, unless earlier terminated by law or according to the provisions of this Agreement, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Physical Development Director or their designee to execute a joint powers agreement with Inver Hills Community College to provide a student engagement program that consists of various arts and cultural programs intended to engage students with themes relating to the Unity Trail that shall be effective upon execution by both of the parties and shall continue in effect through June 30, 2026, or until completion by the parties of their respective obligations under this Agreement, whichever occurs first, unless earlier terminated by law or according to the provisions of this Agreement, as substantially presented to the Physical Development Committee of the Whole on March 18 2025 and subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Physical Development Director to execute a joint powers agreement with School District No. 199 for the Unity Trail Youth Engagement Program that shall be effective upon execution by both of the parties and shall continue in effect through June 30, 2026, or until completion by the parties of their respective obligations under this Agreement, whichever occurs first, unless earlier terminated by law or according to the provisions of this Agreement, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

4.7 Authorization To Execute Third Contract Amendment With Hoisington Koegler Group Inc. For Grant Writing For Active Living 2020 - 2025

Motion: Joe Atkins

Second: Mike Slavik

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 20-382 (August 18, 2020), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized the Community Services Director to execute a grant agreement with the Minnesota Department of Health for the State Health Improvement Partnership (SHIP) and accept future funding for the period of November 1, 2020, through October 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the SHIP 2024-2025 work plan includes funding for work in active living; and

WHEREAS, one of Dakota County's strategies in the SHIP proposal is to implement permanent and sustainable changes that create healthy and active communities by increasing (a) opportunities for non-motorized transportation (walking and biking), (b) healthy eating/access to healthy foods, and (c) health equity; and

WHEREAS, SHIP has been supporting grant writing for Dakota County departments and cities for active living for over ten years; and

WHEREAS, since 2010, the SHIP contracted grant writer has helped bring over \$27,000,000 in federal, state, and regional funding to Dakota County and Dakota County cities to support active living infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, in 2022 Dakota County executed a contract with Hoisington Koegler Group, Inc. for grant writing services for active living projects for the period of November 1, 2022, through October 31 2025, for \$60,000; and

WHEREAS, it was estimated that the original budget would support the preparation of nine to 18 grant applications over a three-year period; and

WHEREAS, the budget was amended in 2024 by \$18,000 for a total contract of \$78,000 in 2024 to support the preparation of 18 grants resulting in the award of \$8.3M; and

WHEREAS, a second amendment of \$20,000 was issued to support an

additional three to five applications in 2025 for a total contract amount of \$98,000; and

WHEREAS, a third amendment of \$15,000 is necessary to support an additional two to four active living grant applications in 2025 for programs such as the Minnesota Department of Transportation Safe Routes to School; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds appropriated from the SHIP 2024-2025 to Dakota County to fund the amendment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Deputy Physical Development Director to amend the contract with Hoisington Koegler Group Inc. by \$15,000, bringing Hoisington Koegler Group Inc.'s contract value to an amount not to exceed \$113,000, including reimbursable expenses, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

This item was approved and recommended for action by the Board of Commissioners on 3/25/2025.

Ayes: 6

4.8 Authorization To Execute Second Amendment With Northland Grading & Excavating LLC And Amendment Of 2025 Transportation Capital Improvement Program Budget For County State Aid Highway 86 Reconstruction From County State Aid Highway 23 To Trunk Highway 3, County Project 86-34

Motion: Joe Atkins

Second: Mike Slavik

WHEREAS, to provide a safe and efficient transportation system, Dakota County is proceeding with the County Project (CP) 86-34; and

WHEREAS, CP 86-34 is the reconstruction of County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 86 (280th Street West) as an undivided two-lane highway with shoulders and turn lanes at all public road intersections from CSAH 23 (Galaxie Avenue) to Trunk Highway 3; and

WHEREAS, CP 86-34 includes the reconstruction of Soo Line Railroad Company's (Canadian Pacific) railroad bridge; and

WHEREAS, Northland Grading & Excavating LLC began construction in August of 2022; and

WHEREAS, construction costs have increased by \$1,276,500 primarily due to contract delays occurring as a result of railroad reviews and numerous Requests for Information relating to bridge construction; and

WHEREAS, Additional items resulted in increased contract costs as follows:

Item

Amount

Compensable delay costs	\$442,000
Pier 3 footing design changes	\$379,600
Additional shoofly costs	\$177,900
Railroad insurance	\$ 23,700
Field office rental	\$ 21,500
Traffic control items	\$ 83,700
Truss storage	\$ 71,500
Mobilization and demobilization	<u>\$ 76,600</u>
Total	\$1,276,500

; and

WHEREAS, the Sales and Use Tax fund balance contains sufficient funds to account for the budget amendment of CP 86-34 in the amount of \$1,276,500, bringing the total project budget to \$22,807,843 including \$4,200,000 in federal funds; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends authorizing a contract amendment with the Northland Grading & Excavating LLC and authorizing a contract amendment in the amount of \$1,276,500.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Transportation Director to execute a second contract amendment with Northland Grading & Excavating LLC, for County Project 86-34, in the amount of \$1,276,500, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the 2025 Transportation Capital Improvement Program Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Expense

County Project 86-34	<u>\$1,276,500</u>
Total Expense	\$1,276,000

Revenue

DC Sales & Use Tax Fund Balance	<u>\$1,276,500</u>
Total Revenue	\$1,276,500

This item was approved and recommended for action by the Board of Commissioners on 3/25/2025.

Ayes: 6

- 4.9** Authorization To Execute Contract With SRF Consulting Group, Inc., For Construction Services For Realignment And Expansion Of 117th Street From County State Aid Highway 71 (Rich Valley Boulevard) To Courthouse Boulevard In City Of Inver Grove Heights, County Project 32-65

Motion: Joe Atkins

Second: Mike Slavik

WHEREAS, to provide a safe and efficient transportation system, Dakota County will be proceeding with County Project (CP) 32-65; and

WHEREAS, CP 32-65 is the realignment and expansion of 117th Street from County State Aid Highway 71 (Rich Valley Boulevard) to Courthouse Boulevard; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 construction workload is greater than what is feasible for the number of available County staff; and

WHEREAS, an engineering firm with this specialty will provide construction management, inspection, surveying, and material testing in 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Capital Improvement Program budget includes sufficient funding in 2025 for CP 32-65.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Transportation Director to execute a contract with SRF Consulting Group, Inc., for the construction management, inspection, surveying, material testing, and design services for CP 32-65 for \$1,594,552.50, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

This item was approved and recommended for action by the Board of Commissioners on 3/25/2025.

Ayes: 6

5. Regular Agenda

5.1 Update On Minnesota Department Of Transportation's Trunk Highway 52, Trunk Highway 55, And County State Aid Highway 42 Network Analysis Study In Rosemount

Jake Chapek, Assistant County Engineer, introduced Bryant Ficek, MnDOT Metro South Area Manager, and Joe DeVore, MnDOT Project Manager, who discussed the "Triangle Study" as a study to analyze rerouting options for Highway 55 to Highway 52 and County Road 42.

They highlighted the need for safety measures at the intersection of County Road 42 and Highway 55 due to the high speeds and density of truck traffic. They recommended improvements, including a realignment of Highway 55 to current County Road 42 via Highway 52. Jurisdictional transfers would be required, transferring County Road 42 between Highway 52 and current Highway 55 to the Minnesota Department of Transportation and transferring current Highway 55 from Highway 52 to County Road 42 to the cities of Rosemount and Inver Grove Heights.

These changes would promote long-term safety in the corridor, create additional capacity, and align with local growth plans. The tentative plan expands County Road 42 in Fiscal Year 2032, repaves Highway 52 in 2034-2035, and constructs

improvements to Highway 52 and Highway 55 in 2035-2036. MnDOT will continue to have conversations with potential partners (Rosemount, Inver Grove Heights, and Dakota County) as the design costs, funding scenarios, and alignments are finalized.

Information only; no action requested.

5.2 Information On Top Ten Ranked Critical County Intersections And Corresponding Mitigations

Tyler Krage, Traffic Engineer, presented this topic and responded to questions.

Staff discussed the ten intersections on County Roads with the highest Crash Rate Index and Severity Crash Rating, along with actions planned or already taken to address each intersection. These ratings are developed based on the previous three years of data and are used annually by the Transportation Department to help plan the next year's Capital Improvement Program.

Staff informed the Commissioners about increased crashes at intersections 50 and 60 after installing multi-lane roundabouts. A national expert will evaluate the design. The crash ranking system allows comparisons between different sites, with MnDOT focusing on severe and fatal incidents while the county considers all types. Intersections 50 and 60 are among the top ten worst locations and have mitigation plans in development. Additionally, crash severity remains high on rural high-speed roads like CSAH 78 and Highway 3. Commissioners asked staff to consider including MnDOT's data and metrics in future presentations for comparison.

Information only; no action requested.

6. Physical Development Director's Report

Georg Fischer, Physical Development Director, provided the Committee with a written Division update.

Mr. Fischer informed the Board of staff's intention to submit a letter of intent for the Minnesota Department Of Natural Resources 3M PFAS settlement grant program for restoration and enhancement of natural resources in Spring Lake Park Reserve. The grants are intended for projects that restore and enhance aquatic resources, wildlife, habitat, fishing, and outdoor recreational opportunities in the eastern metropolitan area. Letters of Intent are due by April 4, 2025, and applications are due June 2025. A Request For Board Action will be presented to the Board at a later date to authorize the actual application.

7. Future Agenda Items

Chair, Commissioner Mary Liz Holberg, asked the Committee if anyone had a topic they would like to hear more about at an upcoming Physical Development Committee of the Whole. No Commissioners requested topics for future meetings at this time.

8. Adjournment

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Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

On a motion by Commissioner Mary Hamann-Roland, seconded by
Commissioner William Droste, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Ayes: 6

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