

Dakota County

Community Services Committee of the Whole

Minutes

Tuesday, September 17, 2024

1:00 PM

Conference Room 3A, Administration Center, Hastings

Second: Mike Slavik

1. Call To Order And Roll Call

Present: Commissioner Slavik, Commissioner Atkins, Chairperson Halverson,

Commissioner Droste, Commissioner Workman, Commissioner

Holberg and Commissioner Hamann-Roland

Also in attendance were Heidi Welsch, County Manager; Lucie O'Neill, Assistant County Attorney; Marti Fischbach, Community Services Division Director; Colleen Collette, Administrative Coordinator.

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by the Chair, Commissioner Laurie Halverson.

The audio of this meeting is available upon request.

2. Audience

Chair, Commissioner Laurie Halverson, asked if there was anyone in the audience who wished to address the Community Services Committee 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

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

Ayes: 7

4. Consent Agenda

Motion: Joe Atkins Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

On a motion by Commissioner Atkins, seconded by Commissioner Hamann-Roland, the consent agenda was unanimously approved as follows:

4.1 Approval Of Minutes Of Meeting Held On July 23, 2024

Motion: Joe Atkins Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

4.2 Authorization To Accept Minnesota Department Of Health Eliminating Health Disparities Additional Grant Funds And Amend 2024 Public Health Budget

Motion: Joe Atkins Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 375A.04, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners is, and performs the duties and exercises the powers of, a community health board under Minn. Stat. ch. 145A, and is required to govern and administer those functions as fully as other Dakota County functions, including the responsibility to prevent disease and to promote and protect the public health of Dakota County residents; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners has approved the Minnesota Department of Health Eliminating Health Disparities Initiative (MDH-EHDI) grant since the onset of the MDH-EHDI program in Minnesota over ten years ago; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the MDH-EHDI grant is to eliminate health disparities in refugee and other non-U.S. born populations; and

WHEREAS, the grant supports the refugee health program and follow-up Tuberculosis (TB) case management in the Disease Prevention and Control (DPC) Unit; and

WHEREAS, Public Health nurses contact all newly arriving refugees to assist with completion of a health exam; and

WHEREAS, this includes evaluations by a healthcare provider for tuberculosis and follow-up tuberculosis treatment and case management when indicated; and

WHEREAS, MDH distributes legislative funds to eliminate health disparities in refugee and other non-U.S. born populations; and

WHEREAS, MDH establishes specific criteria to distribute the funds and Dakota County will receive \$22,833 for the state fiscal year 2024; and

WHEREAS, the EHDI grant cycle is five years; and

WHEREAS, the current grant cycle began July 1, 2021, and ends June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, each year MDH notifies Dakota County of its annual allocation during this five-year grant term; and

WHEREAS, Public Health expects stable funding for the full five years; and

WHEREAS, in 2024, MDH has allocated an additional \$100,000 to Dakota

County for the MDH-EHDI grant for the TB Program; and

WHEREAS, additional funding will be used to offset program staffing and program expenses related to case management of TB cases, contact investigations, and new arrival follow-up; staff time on TB training and education; reimbursement of TB medical evaluations; and patient expenses as related to care and isolation requirements (living expenses).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Community Services Director to accept Eliminating Health Disparities (EHDI) grant funds in the amount of \$100,000 for the period of July 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That unless the grant program requirements change, the Community Services Director is hereby authorized to amend the grant to extend the grant term up to two years after initial expiration date, accept additional grant funds, and continue grant-funded full-time equivalents, consistent with County contracting policies, and inclusion of grant funds in future yearly Recommended and Approved Budgets, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, The 2024 Public Health Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Expense

Program Expense	\$ 25,000
Total Expense	\$ 25,000

Revenue

Total Revenue	\$ 25.000
Use of Fund Balance	<u>(\$ 75,000)</u>
EHDI Grant Revenue	\$100,000

This item was approved and recommended for action by the Board of Commissioners on 9/24/2024.

4.3 Authorization To Execute Contract Amendment With Greenleaf Integrative Strategies, LLC For Consultation Services

Motion: Joe Atkins Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 375A.04, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners is, and performs the duties and exercises the powers of, a community health board under Minn. Stat. Ch. 145A, and is required to govern and administer those functions as fully as other Dakota County functions, including the responsibility to prevent disease and to promote and protect the

public health of Dakota County residents; and

WHEREAS, a request for proposal was issued for a Trauma Responsive Department consultant on September 15, 2023, per Dakota County Policy 2751 and Policy 2740; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County Public Health (DCPH) selected Greenleaf Strategies, LLC to provide consultant services and executed a contract for the period of February 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025; and

WHEREAS, DCPH would like to add \$105,000 to the original not to exceed contract amount of \$45,000 for a new not to exceed amount of \$150,000 and extend the current contract end date through December 31, 2025, with Greenleaf Integrative Strategies, LLC; and

WHEREAS, Greenleaf Integrative Strategies, LLC provides consultation, facilitation, and coordination services to create a comprehensive workplan and meet the goal of DCPH becoming a Trauma Responsive Department; and

WHEREAS, the contract extension will provide DCPH and Greenleaf Integrative Strategies, LLC with adequate time to complete a discovery and assessment phase, offer leadership consultation and executive coaching, provide staff education and technical assistance, and utilize data integration to complete the workplan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Community Services Director to execute a contract amendment with Greenleaf Integrative Strategies, LLC to add \$105,000 to the original not to exceed contract amount of \$45,000 for a new not to exceed amount of \$150,000 and extend the current contract end date through December 31, 2025, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Community Services Director is hereby authorized to amend said contract(s), consistent with the amount budgeted, to alter the contract(s) amount and the contract(s) term up to one year after initial expiration date, consistent with County contracting policies, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the contract shall contain a provision that allows the County to immediately terminate the contract in the event sufficient funds from county, state, or federal sources are not appropriated at a level sufficient to allow payment of the amount due.

This item was approved and recommended for action by the Board of Commissioners on 9/24/2024.

4.4 Authorization To Execute Licensing Agreements With Independent School Districts For Space For Emergency Public Health Activities

Motion: Joe Atkins Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 375A.04, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners is, and performs the duties and exercises the powers of, a community health board under Minn. Stat. ch. 145A, and is required to govern and administer those functions as fully as other Dakota County functions, including the responsibility to prevent disease and to promote and protect the public health of Dakota County residents; and

WHEREAS, in a public health emergency, the Dakota County Public Health Department (Public Health) is charged with establishing Point of Dispensing (POD) sites for situations requiring mass distribution of prophylaxis (medications or vaccines) or medical material distribution (testing or test supplies) to prevent or lessen the severity of infectious disease; and

WHEREAS, the PODs were previously referred to as mass dispensing/clinic sites and establishment of these sites is critical in supplying medications to County residents in the event of a public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 19-849 (November 19, 2019), and Resolution No. 20-241 (May 19, 2020), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized execution of licensing agreements with ISD 191, ISD 192, ISD 194, ISD 197, and ISD 200 from the date of execution through December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the current licensing agreements for mass clinic sites with ISD 191, ISD 192, ISD 194, ISD 197, and ISD 200 have never been invoked; and

WHEREAS, ISD 191, ISD 192, ISD 194, ISD 197, and ISD 200 have space that could be utilized by Public Health to set up a POD in the event of a public health emergency and training events; and

WHEREAS, the license agreements for each district are equivalent in nature and have been adjusted to all be on the same renewal cycle; and

WHEREAS, representatives from the school districts have agreed to the terms presented and will recommend execution of the license agreements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Community Services Director to execute license agreements with Independent School District 191, Independent School District 192, Independent School District 194, Independent School District 197, and Independent School District 200 for use of space for public health emergency activities from the date of execution through December 31, 2030,

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 9/24/2024.

4.5 Authorization To Execute Contracts For Apartment Services And Execute Contract Amendment For Housing Services

Motion: Joe Atkins Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, the Social Services Department provides contracted services across the housing service continuum; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that the following three service contracts be renewed for services beginning January 1, 2025: Residential Transitions, Inc. and DARTS for On-Site Apartment Services and Extended Stay America Management, LLC for Emergency Hotel Shelter; and

WHEREAS, to ensure high-quality services, Dakota County has scheduled a routine contract Request for Proposal (RFP) process every five years and on May 9, 2023, staff issued an RFP for apartment services; and

WHEREAS, a review committee from Social Services reviewed and scored proposals from four vendors; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends Board authorization to execute contracts for apartment services and execute a contract amendment for housing services with the vendors for the amounts and terms listed in the Resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Community Services Director to execute contracts for apartment services for the period of January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2025, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form, as follows:

Service - Agency - Not to Exceed Amount

- Apartment Services DARTS \$171,629
- Apartment Services Residential Transitions, Inc. \$250,620

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Community Services Director to execute a contract amendment for housing services with Extended Stay America Management, LLC for a new total not to exceed amount of \$2,000,000 and to extend the term through December 31, 2025; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Community Services Director is hereby authorized to amend said contracts and amendment, consistent with the

amounts budgeted, to alter the contract and amendment amounts and the contract and amendment terms up to one year after initial expiration date, consistent with County contracting policies, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the contracts and amendment shall contain a provision that allows the County to immediately terminate the contracts and amendment in the event sufficient funds from county, state, or federal sources are not appropriated at a level sufficient to allow payment of the amounts due.

This item was approved and recommended for action by the Board of Commissioners on 9/24/2024.

4.6 Authorization To Execute Joint Powers Agreements With Dakota County Law Enforcement Agencies For Social Services Public Safety Embedded Social Worker Partnerships

Motion: Joe Atkins Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, cities and counties across the nation are exploring new approaches to working with people who experience a mental health crisis; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County and cities have been working together, for years, to develop partnerships and new models of response to a mental health crisis that promote safe, healthy communities and people receiving the right services at the right time; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County and public safety partners have been among the first in Minnesota to develop and implement crisis follow-up models, including through the Coordinated Response Pilot (the Pilot); and

WHEREAS, the Pilot, launched in 2019, was an innovative partnership aimed at providing a more effective, coordinated response to residents whose use of emergency services may indicate a need for a more integrated response from law enforcement and Social Services (SS); and

WHEREAS, the Pilot operated in four Dakota County cities -Apple Valley, Rosemount, South St. Paul, and West St. Paul - and was eventually expanded to all interested cities and the Dakota County Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, in participating cities, a SS mental health social worker works closely with an assigned police partner to provide follow-up, service coordination and crisis stabilization services following a mental health crisis event; and

WHEREAS, crisis follow-up services link residents to other short- and long-term support services and are an essential component of an effective crisis services continuum; and

WHEREAS, partnerships have expanded to include co-location of mobile crisis

services; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 20-449 (September 22, 2020), the County Board of Commissioners approved entering into joint powers agreements (JPA)s that outlined partnership roles and responsibilities of the Pilot; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 21-618 (December 14, 2021), the County Board of Commissioners approved using American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund dollars to expand the Embedded Social Worker Model to all Dakota County cities; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 22-164 (April 12, 2022), the County Board of Commissioners approved to expand the Embedded Social Worker Model to all Dakota County cities; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County's mental health crisis services continuum, which includes the Embedded Social Worker model, was recognized with achievement awards from the Minnesota Association of Counties (2023) and the National Association of Counties (2024); and

WHEREAS, Dakota County is requesting authorization to renew JPAs with the following cities: Apple Valley, Burnsville, Eagan, Hastings, Inver Grove Heights, Lakeville, Rosemount, South Saint Paul, and West Saint Paul ("cities"), management control agreements with the cities and the Dakota County Sheriff's Office, and to enter into JPAs with any additional Dakota County cities who may wish to partner in the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Community Services Director to execute joint powers agreements with the Cities of Apple Valley, Burnsville, Eagan, Hastings, Inver Grove Heights, Lakeville, Rosemount, South Saint Paul, and West Saint Paul ("cities") effective January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2026 ("Term"), including related management control agreements ("MCA") with the cities and the Dakota County Sheriff's Office for the Term, substantially as presented to the Community Services Committee of the Whole on September 17, 2024, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That if resources are available for additional law enforcement agencies to be added to the Embedded Social Worker Model, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Community Services Director to execute joint powers agreements with other Dakota County law enforcement agencies effective upon the date of execution through December 31, 2026, including any related MCAs, substantially as presented to the Community Services Committee of the Whole on September 17, 2024, 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 9/24/2024.

4.7 Ratification Of Minnesota Department Of Human Services Adult Mental Health Initiative And Community Support Program Grant Application, And Authorization To Accept Grant Funds, Execute Grant Agreement, And Add 8.0 Grant-Funded Full-Time Equivalents

Motion: Joe Atkins Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 245.465 states the County Board shall use its share of mental health funds allocated by the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) according to the mental health plan approved by the Commissioner of DHS; and

WHEREAS, the DHS Adult Mental Health Initiative (AMHI) and Community Support Program (CSP) grants provide funding to support Dakota County residents with mental illness to live healthy, thriving lives in community settings; and

WHEREAS, AMHIs are regional organizations that oversee adult mental health services and funding; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County is its own AMHI; and

WHEREAS, according to Minn. Stat. § 245.466, each local plan for an AMHI must be developed under the direction of the County Board as the local mental health authority; and

WHEREAS, the planning for each AMHI shall include, but not be limited to, people with lived experience, families, advocates, local mental health providers, and other system partners; and

WHEREAS, staff works closely with Dakota County's Adult Mental Health Local Advisory Council (LAC) on an ongoing basis to identify unmet needs and priorities; and

WHEREAS, state funding for AMHIs remained largely unchanged from the early 1990s through calendar year (CY) 2024; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 22-346 (September 23, 2022), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners approved Dakota County's CY 2023 and 2024 AMHI and CSP grant application; and

WHEREAS, effective for AMHI grants starting in CY 2025, a new AMHI funding formula was implemented that factors in population, per capita spending, and social determinants of health; and

WHEREAS, the new, ongoing, funding formula significantly increases Dakota County's AMHI allocation; and

WHEREAS, under the new formula, Dakota County's AMHI portion of the allocation increases by \$1,844,007, from \$482,776 in CY 2024 to \$2,326,783 in CY 2025; and

WHEREAS, DHS communicated that funding amounts will remain consistent through, at least, CY 2035; and

WHEREAS, in preparation for the allocation of additional grant dollars in CY 2025 and opening of the Crisis and Recovery Center, Dakota County conducted adult mental health system needs assessment and data analysis; and

WHEREAS, stakeholder engagement and needs analysis informed Dakota County's CY 2025 and CY 2026 AMHI and CSP proposed spending plan; and

WHEREAS, the CY 2025 and CY 2026 spending plan prioritizes investments in staffing for effectively delivering, managing and overseeing a large and complex adult mental health system of care; and

WHEREAS, AMHI funding will be used for system coordination, clinical supervision, staffing for the Crisis and Recovery Center, core County mental health operations, and expanded community-based service options; and

WHEREAS, staff prepared and submitted the CY 2025 and CY 2026 AMHI and CSP application and budget forms by the September 9, 2024, submission deadline.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby ratifies the Adult Mental Health Initiative and Community Support Program grant application to the Minnesota Department of Human Services for calendar year (CY) 2025 and CY 2026 for a total grant amount of \$6,126,582; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Community Services Director to accept the grant funds and execute the Adult Mental Health Initiative and Community Support Program grant agreement for the period of January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2026 for a total grant amount of \$6,126,582, 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 Community Services Director to add 8.0 grant-funded, full-time equivalent positions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That unless the grant program requirements change, the Community Services Director is hereby authorized to amend the grant to extend the grant term up to two years after initial expiration date, accept additional grant funds, and continue grant-funded full-time equivalents,

consistent with County contracting policies, and inclusion of grant funds in future yearly Recommended and Approved Budgets, 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 9/24/2024.

4.8 Ratification Of Minnesota Department Of Human Services Mobile Crisis Services Grant Application, And Authorization To Accept Grant Funds And Execute Grant Agreements

Motion: Joe Atkins Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, Dakota County operates a crisis services continuum that meets the requirements of Minn. Stat. § 256B.0944, Minn. Stat. § 256B.0624, and Minn. Stat. § 245I; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services (DHS) administers State and federal funds through grant agreements for the provision of mental health crisis services in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 256B.0944, Minn. Stat. § 256B.0624 and Minn. Stat. § 245I; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 21-461 (September 21, 2021) and by Resolution No. 21-618 (December 14, 2021), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized adding 17.0 new full-time equivalents (FTEs) to Dakota County's crisis continuum team to meet community needs in preparation for having an actionable plan when DHS funding was available; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 22-395 (September 20, 2022), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners ratified the Combined Mobile Crisis Services and Home and Community Based Services Medical Assistance Percentage Grant Application submission to DHS for calendar years (CY) 2023 and 2024, and State Fiscal Years (SFY) 2022, 2023, and 2024 for a total grant amount of up to \$5,000,000 and subsequently, grant agreements were executed for CY 2023 and 2024 for a total of \$2,812,567; and

WHEREAS, on May 31, 2024, DHS notified Dakota County of CY 2025 and CY 2026 funding allocations; and

WHEREAS, for CY 2025, Dakota County has been allocated State funding in the amount of \$702,287 and one-time State funding in the amount of \$302,571 for a total funding amount of \$1,004,858; and

WHEREAS, for CY 2026, Dakota County has been allocated State funding in the amount of \$687,525 and one-time State funding in the amount of \$299,286 for a total funding amount of \$986,811; and

WHEREAS, DHS may also reallocate additional unspent funds to counties; therefore, staff requests authorization to apply for funding up to \$2,500,000 for CY 2025 and CY 2026; and

WHEREAS, DHS is expected to develop a new funding formula to be implemented for CY 2027 allocations; and

WHEREAS, staff prepared and submitted, by the July 31, 2024, deadline, a grant application for CY 2025 and CY 2026 for crisis services funding to meet DHS submission requirements, including a proposal to fund 7.0 existing full-time equivalents, which were approved by previous board actions, including by Resolution No. 21-461 (September 21, 2021), and purchase of services for crisis system coordination.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby ratifies the Mobile Crisis Services Grant Application submission to the Minnesota Department of Human Services for calendar years (CY) 2025 and 2026 for a total grant amount of up to \$2,500,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Community Services Director to accept the grant funds, and execute the mobile crisis grant agreements for CY 2025 and 2026, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That unless the grant program requirements change, the Community Services Director is hereby authorized to amend the grant to extend the grant term up to two years after initial expiration date, accept additional grant funds, and continue grant-funded full-time equivalents, consistent with County contracting policies, and inclusion of grant funds in future yearly Recommended and Approved Budgets, 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 9/24/2024.

5. Regular Agenda

5.1 Update From Dakota-Scott Workforce Development Board And Proclamation Of September 2024 As Workforce Development Month In Dakota County

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland Second: William Droste

Mark Jacobs, Deputy Director, Employment and Economic Assistance, and the following representatives from the Dakota-Scott Workforce Development Board (WDB) presented on this item and stood for questions: Mike Forbord, WDB Chair; Jennifer Harmening, WDB Vice Chair; Ashley Halvorson, WDB Board Member.

Second: Joe Atkins

WHEREAS, the month of September is a time to honor workforce development leaders and staff across Minnesota, as well as draw attention to the resources available to those looking for work and to employers who need workers now; and

WHEREAS, workforce development professionals throughout the state are working hard to connect all Minnesotans who need work with employment and to help employers reach often-overlooked labor pools.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims September 2024 as Workforce Development Month in Dakota County to honor and recognize the workforce development professionals who work hard to connect Minnesotans who need work with employment and to help employers reach often-overlooked labor pools.

This item was approved and recommended for action by the Board of Commissioners on 9/24/2024.

Ayes: 7

5.2 Update On Opioid Response, And Authorization To Allocate Opioid Settlement Funds For Trainings And Procurement Of Nasal Naloxone, Execute Related Contract Amendments, And Amend 2024 Public Health And 2024 Non-Departmental Budgets

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

The following staff from Public Health presented this item and stood for questions: Coral Ripplinger, Department Director; Erin Carder, Deputy Director; and James Johnson, Jr., Opioid Prevention Program Coordinator.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 375A.04, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners is, and performs the duties and exercises the powers of, a community health board under Minn. Stat. ch. 145A, and is required to govern and administer those functions as fully as other Dakota County functions, including the responsibility to prevent disease and to promote and protect the public health of Dakota County residents; and

WHEREAS, in January 2024, Dakota County signed onto the Steve Rummler Hope Network's (SRHN)'s standing order for naloxone, allowing the County to become a naloxone access point (NAP) with the SRHN; and

WHEREAS, since that time, seven NAP sites have been established in Public Health and Library locations throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, access to intramuscular naloxone is offered to the County at no cost, but due to the high cost of nasal naloxone, additional funds are needed to support continued access; and

WHEREAS, access to nasal naloxone is important for public use, as it is an intuitive device to use for non-medical personnel; and

WHEREAS, providing educational content related to naloxone and Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT) trainings is vital to shifting public understanding and can help to break down stigma, promote safety, build awareness of available resources, and empower community members to advocate for themselves and loved ones; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the Amended Minnesota Opioids State-Subdivision Memorandum of Agreement, the expenditure aligns with the list of opioid remediation uses in Exhibit A, section H, subsection 1, which states the remediation use of increasing the availability and distribution of naloxone and other drugs that treat overdoses for first responders, overdose patients, individuals with Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) and their friends and family members, schools, community navigators and outreach workers, persons being released from jail or prison, or other members of the general public, and Exhibit A, section G, subsection 8, which states the remediation use of funding evidence-based prevention programs in schools or evidence-informed school and community education programs and campaigns for students, families, school employees, school athletic programs, parent-teacher and student associations, and others.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes \$5,500 of opioid settlement funds for Naloxone and Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment trainings, and authorizes \$50,000 of opioid settlement funds for the procurement of nasal naloxone to be accessible for community use at County Naloxone Access Points; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Community Services Director to execute related contract amendments, if necessary, subject to the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Community Services Director is hereby authorized to amend said contract, consistent with the amount budgeted, to alter the contract amounts and the contract terms up to one year after initial expiration date, consistent with County contracting policies, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the contract shall contain a provision that allows the County to immediately terminate the contract in the event sufficient funds from county, state, or federal sources are not appropriated at a level sufficient to allow payment of the amount(s) due; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the 2024 Public Health Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Expense

Opioid Settlement Expense \$55,500 **Total Expense** \$55,500

Revenue

Opioid Settlement Funds \$55,500 **Total Revenue** \$55,500

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the 2024 Non-Departmental Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Expense

Opioid Settlement Expense \$(55,500) **Total Expense** \$(55,500)

Revenue

Opioid Settlement Funds \$(55,500) **Total Revenue** \$(55,500)

This item was approved and recommended for action by the Board of Commissioners on 9/24/2024.

Ayes: 7

6. Community Services Director's Report

Marti Fischbach, Community Services Division Director, referred the Committee to the written report that was provided. Ms. Fischbach also stated that Dakota County and Scott County staff presented on Modernization and the Lieutenant Governor is interested in a meeting on the topic. Last, Ms. Fischbach mentioned that staff will be returning with presentations on Emergency Shelter and the Local Affordable Housing Aid Funds.

7. Future Agenda Items

Commissioners asked that the presentations on Emergency Shelter and Local Affordable Housing Aid Funds be two separate presentations.

8. Adjournment

8.1 Adjournment

Motion: Mike Slavik Second: Liz Workman

On a motion by Commissioner Mike Slavik, seconded by Commissioner Liz Workman, the meeting was adjourned at 1:59 p.m.

Ayes: 7

Respectfully submitted,

Colleen Collette, Administrative Coordinator Community Services Division

