



Dakota County

Board of Commissioners

Agenda

Tuesday, September 9, 2025

9:00 AM

Boardroom, Administration Center,
Hastings, MN

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1. Call to Order and Roll Call

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Audience

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4. Agenda

4.1 Approval of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

CONSENT AGENDA

5. County Administration - Approval of Minutes

5.1 Approval of Minutes of Meeting Held on August 26, 2025

6. Central Operations

6.1 Central Operations Administration - Authorization To Execute Contract With QualityLogic, Inc. For Digital Accessibility Services

7. County Board/County Administration

7.1 Office Of The County Manager - Authorization To Amend 2025 County Board/Committee Of The Whole Meeting Schedule

7.2 Office Of The County Manager - Acceptance Of Resignation From Member Of Public Art Committee

8. Community Services

- 8.1** *Public Health* - Authorization To Execute Joint Powers Agreements With Dakota County School Districts For School Wellness Projects Funded Through Minnesota Department Of Health Statewide Health Improvement Partnership Grant

9. Physical Development

- 9.1** *Parks* - Authorization To Award Proposal And Execute Contract With Native Resource Preservation For Spring Lake Woodlands Restoration Project
- 9.2** *Facilities Management* - Authorization To Amend Professional Services Contract With Leo A. Daly LLC For Wentworth Library Renovation
- 9.3** *Transportation* - Authorization To Purchase Salt Materials Through 2025–2026 State Road Salt Contract
- 9.4** *Transportation* - Authorization To Initiate Quick-Take Condemnation For County State Aid Highway 42 (145th Street) At Trunk Highway 52 For Interchange Improvements In City Of Rosemount, County Project 42-174
- 9.5** *Transportation* - Authorization To Execute Contract With Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. For Final Design And Engineering Services On County State Aid Highway 26 From Trunk Highway 3 To Cahill Avenue In Inver Grove Heights, County Projects 26-60 And 26-68
- 9.6** *Transportation* - Approval Of Final Plats Recommended By Plat Commission
- 9.7** *Transportation* - Authorization To Execute Joint Powers Agreement With City Of Inver Grove Heights For Preliminary Engineering Of County State Aid Highway 28 Alignment Study From Trunk Highway 3 To Austin Way In Inver Grove Heights, County Project 28-048

10. Public Services and Revenue

- 10.1** *Public Services and Revenue Administration* - Approval Of Application For Temporary Intoxicating On-Sale Liquor License Submitted By The Oakeshott Institute
- 10.2** *Public Services and Revenue Administration* - Approval Of Application For Assemblage Of Large Numbers Of People License Submitted By Viking Age Events Company

REGULAR AGENDA**11. Community Services**

- 11.1** *Employment and Economic Assistance* - Update From Dakota-Scott Workforce Development Board And Proclamation Of September 2025 As Workforce Development Month In Dakota County

12. Physical Development

- 12.1** *Environmental Resources* - Certification Of Dakota County Portion Of 2026 Vermillion River Watershed Management Tax District Proposed Tax Levy

13. Interagency Reports/Commissioner Updates

Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC)
Metropolitan Emergency Services Board
Minnesota Inter-County Association (MICA)
Metropolitan Mosquito Control District Commission
National Association of Counties (NACo)
Transportation Advisory Board (TAB)
Vermillion River Watershed Joint Powers Board
Workforce Development Board
Others

14. County Manager's Report**15. Information**

- 15.1** Information
See Attachment for future Board meetings and other activities.

16. Adjournment

- 16.1** Adjournment

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Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4870

Agenda #: 4.1

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

Approval of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)



Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4871

Agenda #: 5.1

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

Approval of Minutes of Meeting Held on August 26, 2025



Dakota County

Board of Commissioners

Minutes

Tuesday, August 26, 2025

9:00 AM

Boardroom, Administration Center,
Hastings, MN

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

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

Also in attendance were Heidi Welsch, County Manager; Kathryn M. Keena, County Attorney; Tom Donely, First Assistant County Attorney; and Jeni Reynolds, Sr. Administrative Coordinator to the Board.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Slavik who welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Audience

Chair Slavik noted that all public comments can be sent to CountyAdmin@co.dakota.mn.us. No comments were received for this agenda.

4. Agenda

4.1 Resolution No: 25-386
Approval of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

Ayes: 7

CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Commissioner Halverson, seconded by Commissioner Hamann-Roland, the Consent agenda was approved as follows:

5. County Administration - Approval of Minutes

5.1 Resolution No: 25-387
Approval of Minutes of Meeting Held on August 12, 2025

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

Ayes: 7

6. Items Recommended by Board Committee*

6.1 Resolution No: 25-388

Authorization To Submit Second Solid Waste Capital Assistance Program
Application for Recycling Zone Plus

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 18-493 (September 18, 2018), the Dakota County Solid Waste Management Plan (Plan) was adopted; and

WHEREAS, the Plan supports the Dakota County Board of Commissioners' desire to remove household hazardous waste (HHW) from the solid waste stream because of health, safety, and environmental concerns; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County is partnering with Scott County on a joint HHW and recycling center known as the Recycling Zone Plus; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County received \$2 million in the 2020 Minnesota legislative session from Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Solid Waste Capital Assistance Program (CAP) for the purchase of property and design; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County purchased 12 acres in the City of Lakeville, MN, in 2024 near the Scott County border for the Recycling Zone Plus; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 24-055 (January 23, 2024), Dakota and Scott counties executed a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) for the design and construction of the facility; and

WHEREAS, Dakota and Scott counties, as part of the JPA, will contribute the remaining capital funds based on each county's population percentage; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County received \$6 million in CAP from the 2025 Minnesota legislative session for the construction of the Recycling Zone Plus; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County has prepared a second application for a CAP grant to construct the Recycling Zone Plus at an estimated total project cost of \$24 million; and

WHEREAS, the final grant application requires Dakota County to identify how it will pay for the total cost of the project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That Dakota County will implement the project, provide necessary local financing, and accept and exercise the governmental powers necessary to develop and operate the project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Dakota County pledges to use all funds made available exclusively for the capital costs of the project and to pay any additional amount by which the cost of the project exceeds the estimate by appropriation to the construction fund of additional funds or proceeds of additional bonds of Dakota County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Dakota County recognizes that any subsequent withdrawal of allocated or additional funds of Dakota County will impair the obligation of contract between the state of Minnesota, Dakota County, and the bondholders; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Physical Development Director to sign the second Capital Assistance Program Grant Application and the Capital Assistance Program Grant Agreement on behalf of Dakota County.

Ayes: 7

6.2 Resolution No: 25-389

Authorization For Approval Of Schematic Design And Authorization To Amend Professional Services Contract With Hammel, Green and Abrahamson, Inc. And Amendment Of 2025 Facilities Capital Improvement Program For Burnhaven Library Renovation Project

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, the 2025-2029 Facilities Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Adopted Budget includes a project to renovate the Burnhaven Library as part of the next cycle of library renovation work; and

WHEREAS, Hammel, Green and Abrahamson, Inc. (HGA), was selected as the consultant firm to lead the design efforts for the project by Resolution No. 25-207 (April 22, 2025); and

WHEREAS, HGA worked with a Core Planning Group to confirm the programmatic needs and develop the project through the schematic design phase; and

WHEREAS, a Core Planning Group has identified additional mechanical and electrical infrastructure systems that are in need of replacement within the renovation project scope; and

WHEREAS, public input was solicited through an open house event, sharing materials at the library, and on the project webpage; and

WHEREAS, comments were submitted and shared with the design team for consideration; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Library Advisory Committee recommended the proposed schematic design for approval to the Dakota County Board of

Commissioners on July 10, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the cost estimates prepared for the schematic design developed to date are in alignment with the estimated project budget, provided an additional \$1,000,000 in funding is added to the project; and

WHEREAS, the construction funding will be included in the 2026 Facilities CIP.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the recommended schematic design for the Burnhaven Library Renovation as presented; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Facilities Management Director to execute a contract amendment with Hammel, Green And Abrahamson, Inc., 420 North 5th Street, Suite #100, Minneapolis, MN 55401, in an amount not to exceed \$113,000.00 for a total maximum contract total not to exceed \$509,800.00, 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 amends the 2025 Facilities Capital Improvement Program Budget as follows:

Expense

Lebanon Hills Maintenance Facility (2000017)	(\$1,000,000)
Burnhaven Library Renovation (2000463)	<u>\$1,000,000</u>
Total Expense	\$0

Revenue

Lebanon Hills Maintenance Facility (2000017)	(\$1,000,000)
Burnhaven Library Renovation (2000463)	<u>\$1,000,000</u>
Total Revenue	\$0

Ayes: 7

7. Central Operations

7.1 Resolution No: 25-390

Authorization To Execute Contract With Now Micro Inc. For Purchase Of 2025 Computer Hardware Replacement Equipment

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, to update existing computer hardware no longer under warranty with new computer hardware and four-year warranty; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County participates in the Minnesota Cooperative Purchasing Venture (CPV), which allows it to purchase goods from contracts established by the Materials Management Division for Minnesota state agencies; and

WHEREAS, participation in the CPV allows Dakota County to purchase at competitive pricing without having to undertake a competitive procurement process itself; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends the one-time purchase of computer hardware replacement equipment from Now Micro Inc. pursuant to State Contract No. 179907 in an amount not to exceed \$960,689; and

WHEREAS, funding for this purchase is available in the 2025 Countywide Technology Fund and Countywide BIP.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Deputy County Manager to execute a contract for a one-time purchase of 2025 computer hardware replacement equipment from Now Micro Inc., pursuant to State Contract No. 160321, in an amount not to exceed \$960,689, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

Ayes: 7

7.2 Report On Invoices Paid In July 2025

Information only; no action requested.

8. County Board/County Administration

**8.1 Resolution No: 25-391
Appointments To Dakota-Scott Workforce Development Board**

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby appoints the following individuals to the Dakota-Scott Workforce Development Board to fill a two-year term ending June 30, 2027.

Public-Public Employment - Julie Sachs

Public-Community Based - Dawn Wambeke

Ayes: 7

9. Physical Development

**9.1 Resolution No: 25-392
Scheduling Of Public Hearing For Program Year 2024 Consolidated Annual
Performance And Evaluation Report**

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Community Development Agency (CDA) administers the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Programs on behalf of Dakota County as the grantee; and

WHEREAS, the CDBG, HOME, and ESG Programs are guided by federal regulations, the Five-Year Consolidated Plan that outlines Dakota County's strategies and objectives, and the Annual Action Plan that serves as the annual planning document allocating CDBG, HOME, and ESG funds to local governments and housing providers via approved activities; and

WHEREAS, the federal government requires submission of a year-end report, the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), to be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) no later than 90 days after the end of the program year; and

WHEREAS, the CAPER is an evaluation of the prior program year, detailing financial expenditures, persons assisted, and activity outcomes; and

WHEREAS, the CAPER must be available for citizens to comment on before its submission to HUD; and

WHEREAS, the draft CAPER report will be made available to the public on the CDA and Dakota County websites, and the public may request written copies of the CAPER by contacting the CDA at its offices at 1228 Town Centre Drive, Eagan, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, CDA and County staff recommend scheduling a public hearing on September 23, 2025, on or after 9:00 a.m., at the Dakota County Administration Center in Hastings regarding the Program Year 2024 CAPER.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby schedules a public hearing on September 23, 2025, at 9:00 a.m., in the Board Room, Administration Center, 1590 Highway 55, Hastings, Minnesota, to receive comments on the Program Year 2024 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the staff of Dakota County is hereby authorized and directed to coordinate with Dakota County Community Development Agency staff to publish a notice informing the public of the comment period and public hearing in the *Star Tribune* and post said notice on the Dakota County Community Development Agency website at www.dakotacda.org <<http://www.dakotacda.org>> and the Dakota County website at www.co.dakota.mn.us <<http://www.co.dakota.mn.us>>.

Ayes: 7

9.2 Resolution No: 25-393

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

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

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 \$29,000,000 in federal, state, and regional funding to Dakota County and Dakota County cities to support active living; and

WHEREAS, in 2022, Dakota County executed a contract with Hoisington Kogeler 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 contract was amended in 2024 by \$18,000 for a total contract of \$78,000; and

WHEREAS, a second contract 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, by Resolution No. 25-148 (March 25, 2025), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized a third contract amendment of \$15,000 to support an additional two to four active living grant applications in 2025 for a total contract amount of \$113,000; and

WHEREAS, to date, the contract has supported the preparation of 29 grants; and

WHEREAS, there are additional grant opportunities available in 2025; and

WHEREAS, a fourth contract amendment of \$10,000 is necessary to support an additional two to four active living grant applications in 2025 for programs such as the State of Minnesota Hazard Mitigation Program; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Physical Development Director to amend the contract with Hoisington Koegler Group Inc. by \$10,000, bringing Hoisington Koegler Group Inc.'s contract value to an amount not to exceed \$123,000, including reimbursable expenses, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

Ayes: 7

9.3 Resolution No: 25-394

Authorization To Amend Joint Powers Agreement With Scott And Washington Counties For South Metro Private Well Pesticide Mitigation Program

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Agriculture (MDA) and Dakota County have identified private drinking water wells in Dakota, Scott, and Washington Counties that have exceeded the Minnesota Department of Health-established Health Risk Limits (HRL) for total cyanazine; and

WHEREAS, in response, MDA provided funding for pesticide mitigation to cover 100 percent cost-share to households with a private well equal to or exceeding the total cyanazine, or other established pesticide HRL; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 24-428 (August 27, 2024), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized Dakota County to enter into agreements with the MDA and Scott and Washington counties to act as the fiscal lead agency to receive funding from MDA and reimburse Scott and Washington counties for expenditures per the joint powers agreement (JPA); and

WHEREAS, pesticide mitigation funding expires June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, since the execution of the JPA in September 2024, MDA and counties have conducted multiple rounds of outreach to private well owners, and MDA has identified additional households that need treatment based on 2024 sampling efforts; and

WHEREAS, redistribution of funding between counties is required to meet water treatment needs; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment will allow the Dakota County Authorized Representative flexibility to redistribute pesticide mitigation funding between counties based on (1) annual MDA pesticide sampling results; (2) eligible well owner response to state and county outreach efforts; (3) treatment need priorities identified in the JPA; and (4) remaining available funds.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of

Commissioners hereby authorizes the Physical Development Division Director to amend the joint powers agreement with Scott and Washington counties, substantially as presented to the County Board on August 26, 2025, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

Ayes: 7

9.4 Resolution No: 25-395

Authorization To Execute Second Contract Amendment With Ebert Inc. For Law Enforcement Center Locker Room Expansion Project And Amend 2025 Facilities Capital Improvement Program Budget

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, the 2023 Building Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Adopted Budget authorized the Law Enforcement Center Locker (LEC) Room Expansion project; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized the award of construction of the LEC Locker Room Expansion project to Ebert Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$373,300 by Resolution No. 24-251 (May 21, 2024); and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized the addition of two sallyports to the LEC Locker Room Expansion project to Ebert Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$143,500 by Resolution No. 25-515 (October 29, 2024); and

WHEREAS, Ebert Inc. has provided pricing totaling \$73,413.65 for changes in the work encountered during the construction of the LEC Locker Room Expansion project; and

WHEREAS, the Miscellaneous Projects set-aside from fund balance was included within the 2025 Adopted Facilities CIP; and

WHEREAS, during the construction of the LEC Locker Room Expansion project, two existing conditions within the jail created unforeseen additional work, resulting in an additional cost of approximately \$20,000; and

WHEREAS, the Miscellaneous Projects set-aside (1000299) has sufficient funds from fund balance to reimburse the transfer of \$20,000 to the LEC Locker Room Expansion project to address the unforeseen additional work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Facilities Management Director to execute a contract amendment for the Law Enforcement Center Locker Room Expansion project to Ebert Inc., 23350 County Road 10, PO Box 97, Loretto, MN 55357, in an amount not to exceed \$73,413.65, subject to approval by the County Attorney's office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the 2025 Buildings Capital Improvement

Program budget is hereby amended as follows:

Expense

Miscellaneous Projects from fund balance (1000299)	(\$20,000)
Law Enforcement Center Locker Room Expansion (2000022)	<u>\$20,000</u>
Total Expense	\$ 0

Revenue

Miscellaneous Projects from fund balance (1000299)	(\$20,000)
Law Enforcement Center Locker Room Expansion (2000022)	<u>\$20,000</u>
Total Revenue	\$ 0

Ayes: 7

- 9.5** Resolution No: 25-396
Authorization To Award Proposal And Execute Contract With Landbridge Ecological, Inc., For Spring Lake Park Reserve Vegetation Management

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 17-274 (May 23, 2017), the County Board adopted the Dakota County Natural Resource Management System Plan (NRMSP); and

WHEREAS, the NRMSP identifies the need to maintain restored areas perpetually to protect the initial investment made to restore the area; and

WHEREAS, on July 14, 2025, the County issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Spring Lake Park Reserve Vegetation Management project; and

WHEREAS, best value contracting was used to evaluate and award this RFP; and

WHEREAS, the proposal evaluation team scored each proposal and selected Landbridge Ecological, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, the RFP stipulated that the initial contract term would expire on December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the RFP stipulated that the contract could be extended for up to one additional 12-month term ending December 31, 2027; and

WHEREAS, the RFP stipulated that the total contract amount would be set up as not to exceed \$425,000; and

WHEREAS, adequate funds are available within the 2025 Adopted Parks Natural Resources Base Fund Budget; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends executing the contract with Landbridge Ecological, Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Parks Director to execute a contract with Landbridge Ecological, Inc., for the Spring Lake Park Reserve Vegetation Management project to manage natural areas of Spring Lake Park Reserve through December 31, 2026, with the option to extend the contract for up to one additional 12-month term until December 31, 2027, in a total amount not to exceed \$425,000, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

Ayes: 7

9.6 Resolution No: 25-397

Authorization To Award Bid And Execute Contract With RES Great Lakes, LLC For Restoration And Enhancement Of County Conservation Easement On Benjamin Property

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, the 2020 Land Conservation Plan identified 24 Preliminary Conservation Focus Areas and directed staff to pursue conservation easements with willing landowners within these Focus Areas; and

WHEREAS, on December 19, 2023, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners approved the purchase of a conservation easement on the Benjamin property; and

WHEREAS, funding for this work will be derived from the Minnesota Legislature's 2022 Outdoor Heritage Fund Grant and the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity program; and

WHEREAS, a request for proposals was prepared and released on July 1, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the best value proposal was submitted by RES Great Lakes, LLC.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Parks Director to execute a contract with RES Great Lakes, LLC, for the Benjamin Conservation Easement Natural Resource Management Plan Implementation Project for a contract maximum of \$298,484.20, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

Ayes: 7

9.7 Resolution No: 25-398

Authorization To Execute Contract Amendment With WSB & Associates, Inc. For Construction Management Services For Minnesota River Greenway Fort Snelling Segment In Burnsville And Eagan

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, the Minnesota River Greenway runs along the south side of the

Minnesota River in Dakota County, extending from I-35W in Burnsville to Lilydale Regional Park in St. Paul; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 11-516 (October 18, 2011), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners adopted the Minnesota River Greenway Plan; and

WHEREAS, the rapidly developing and robust recreational network that has developed in the area has created increased demand for completion of the trail connection between the recently constructed Lone Oak Trail Head, the Cedar Nicols Trailhead, and the Minnesota River Greenway Black Dog Segment to the west; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 23-455 (October 10, 2023), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized execution of a contract with WSB & Associates, Inc. ("WSB") for construction administration and inspection services for the trail portion of the Fort Snelling segment of the Minnesota River Greenway in an amount not to exceed, \$480,961.00; and

WHEREAS, construction of the trail began in December 2023 but was suspended due to insufficient permitting clearances related to a cultural site within the project area; and

WHEREAS, progress towards construction of the trail was further set back due to severe flooding of the project area, requiring mitigation and restoration efforts; and

WHEREAS, these incidents and additional challenges related to the construction process have resulted in an expanded scope of work and extended schedule for WSB & Associates, Inc. to oversee the construction process; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends execution of a contract amendment with WSB in the amount of \$95,058 for additional and expanded scope tasks occurring during construction of the Minnesota River Greenway, Fort Snelling Segment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Parks Director to amend the contract with WSB & Associates, Inc. by \$95,058 to an amended amount not to exceed \$576,019.00, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office.

Ayes: 7

9.8 Resolution No: 25-399
Authorization To Submit Grant Applications To Minnesota Department Of
Natural Resources And Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 3M PFAS
Settlement Priority 2 Grant Program

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, the funding for the 3M PFAS Settlement Priority 2 Grant Program stems from the 2018 settlement with the 3M Company, which provided

compensation to the State of Minnesota for harm done to natural resources and lost natural resource services from the release of PFAS into the environment; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County is eligible to apply for these grant funds for projects that align with the settlement goals and take place within the Priority 2 Project Area; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County submitted Letters of Intent for two projects within the Priority 2 Project Area; and

WHEREAS, the two projects are located along the Mississippi River Greenway at Spring Lake Park Reserve and at Kaposia Landing in South Saint Paul; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency have reviewed the Letters of Intent and have invited Dakota County to submit both applications by the October 8, 2025, deadline.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Physical Development Division Director, or their designee, to submit two grant applications to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and Minnesota Pollution Control Agency 3M PFAS Settlement Priority 2 Grant Program: one for Spring Lake Park Reserve Land Protection, Restoration, and River Access for \$3.3M and one for Mississippi River Water Access Improvements in South Saint Paul for \$270,000.

Ayes: 7

- 9.9** Resolution No: 25-400
Authorization To Execute Contract Amendment With Alliant Engineering, Inc., For Professional Engineering Services For County Road Retaining Wall Assessments And Final Design of County State Aid Highway 38 (McAndrews Road) Retaining Walls, County Project 97-218

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, to provide a safe and efficient transportation system, Dakota County is proceeding with County Project (CP) 97-218; and

WHEREAS, CP 97-218 is the analysis, repair, or replacement of retaining walls showing signs of deterioration along County roadways in various locations throughout Dakota County; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 23-427, the County Board executed contract DCA-20887 with Alliant Engineering, Inc., for CP 97-218 with the amount not to exceed \$254,761.00; and

WHEREAS, through project development, staff identified design elements that are necessary to realign the trail, correct sightline deficiencies, and maintain design standards that were not accounted for in the original scope; and

WHEREAS, a first contract amendment in the amount of \$148,562.00 is needed for Alliant Engineering, Inc., to complete the additional design elements; and

WHEREAS, staff negotiated the cost of the out-of-scope items with Alliant Engineering, Inc., and concurs with the fee for the required work; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends amending Alliant Engineering, Inc.'s contract in an amount not to exceed \$403,323.00; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds exist within the budget for CP 97-218 to proceed with the requested consultant contract amendment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Physical Development Director to execute the contract amendment with Alliant Engineering, Inc., in the amount not to exceed \$403,323.00 for design services for County Project 97-218, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

Ayes: 7

9.10 Resolution No: 25-401

Authorization To Execute Contract With Stonebrooke Engineering, Inc., For Americans With Disabilities Act-Compliant Pedestrian Ramp Design Services For County Wide 2026 Preservation Of Paved Highway Surfaces Projects

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, to provide a safe and efficient transportation system, Dakota County is proceeding with the 2025 Preservation of Paved Highway Surfaces; and

WHEREAS, due to staff capacity, a consultant is needed to complete the Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant pedestrian ramp design tasks within the project schedule; and

WHEREAS, County staff sent a Request for Proposal to four qualified professional consultants for the necessary pedestrian ramp design scope; and

WHEREAS, two proposals were received and evaluated by County staff; and

WHEREAS, the proposal from Stonebrooke Engineering, Inc. was determined to best meet the proposal scoring criteria as shown in the Request for Proposals; and

WHEREAS, the adopted 2025 Transportation Capital Improvement Program Budget includes \$1,883,995 remaining for Preservation of Paved Highway Surface Projects; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends entering into a consultant contract with

Stonebrooke Engineering, Inc. for a total contract amount of \$157,091.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Physical Development Director to execute a contract with Stonebrooke Engineering, Inc. to perform Americans with Disabilities Act-compliant pedestrian ramp design services for 2026 Preservation of Paved Highway Surfaces in an amount not to exceed \$157,091 subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

Ayes: 7

9.11 Resolution No: 25-402

Authorization To Submit An Application For Grant Funds For 2025
Transportation Economic Development Opportunity For The County State Aid
Highway 46 Improvement Project, County Project 99-013

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Transportation is requesting project submittals for the Transportation Economic Development (TED) program; and

WHEREAS, the TED grant program funds up to 70 percent of the total transportation infrastructure costs; and

WHEREAS, the proposed improvements will improve freight turning movements and general mobility, accommodate future growth, and support economic development opportunities; and

WHEREAS, state funding of projects reduces the burden on local taxpayers for regional improvements; and

WHEREAS, project submittals are due on September 29, 2025; and

WHEREAS, county project CP 99-013 is included in Transportation's 2025 to 2029 Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, staff is preparing to submit a funding request for \$3.85 million from the TED grant program, which would be for the County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 46 project and includes improving the intersections of the US Highway 52 ramps and CSAH 46, an estimated \$5.5 million project; and

WHEREAS, subject to the state funding award, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners would be asked to consider authorization to execute a grant agreement and Dakota County matching fund commitments at a future meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Transportation Director to submit an application for the CSAH 46 improvement project, including the intersection of the US Highway 52 (US 52) ramps and County State Aid Highway 46 to the Minnesota Department of Transportation for the Transportation Economic

Development grant program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Dakota County has the legal authority to apply for financial assistance and the institutional, managerial, and financial capability to ensure matching funds and adequate construction of the proposed project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That upon approval of its application by the state, Dakota County may enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota for the above-referenced project, and that it has and will comply with all applicable Transportation Economic Development Program rules, laws, and regulations in contract agreements; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Dakota County is prepared to commit an estimated \$1.65 million toward the local match requirement, with participation in that estimated amount also anticipated from the City of Rosemount if the requested Transportation Economic Development grant is awarded; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Dakota County confirms if the County State Aid Highway 46 project cost increases above the amount estimated for the Transportation Economic Development Program Application, Dakota County will provide or secure all additional funds necessary to complete the project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the sources and uses, private investors, equity, and other financing commitments to be represented in the Transportation Economic Development Program Application will be accurate per data provided to Dakota County staff at the time of submittal.

Ayes: 7

9.12 Resolution No: 25-403

Authorization To Initiate Quick-Take Condemnation For County State Aid Highway 31 (Pilot Knob Road) And Upper 147th Street In City Of Apple Valley, County Project 31-118

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, to provide a safe and efficient transportation system, Dakota County is partnering with the City of Apple Valley on County Project (CP) 31-118, a preliminary and final design project to develop plans and associated services for converting the intersection of County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 31 (Pilot Knob Road) and Upper 147th Street into a restricted three-quarter access intersection in the city of Apple Valley; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County is the lead agency for CP 31-118, with right of way acquisition necessary in 2025 for construction to begin in the spring of 2026; and

WHEREAS, five parcels have been appraised, and first offers were prepared and sent on 7/14/2025 for a total appraised value of \$106,000; and

WHEREAS, in the event that timely acquisition by direct negotiation of all required parcels does not appear possible, it may become necessary for the County Board to authorize the County Attorney's Office to initiate quick-take condemnation of the remaining parcels to allow for a spring 2026 start date; and

WHEREAS, parcels that have settled through negotiation prior to the date required for filing the condemnation petition will not be included; and

WHEREAS, the following acquisitions out of five private property parcels are necessary to proceed with CP 31-118.

Parcel 1 - River Valley Church of Apple Valley - PID 01-811001-01-010

Highway easement 584 square feet

A permanent easement for highway purposes over, under, and across the most easterly 2.00 feet of Lot 1, Block 1, Valley Business Park 2nd Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof, Dakota County, Minnesota.

Temporary easement 2,920 square feet

A temporary easement for highway purposes over, under, and across the westerly 10.00 feet of the most easterly 12.00 feet of Lot 1, Block 1, Valley Business Park 2nd Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof, Dakota County, Minnesota.

Parcel 2 - Dakota Upreit Limited Partnership - PID 01-81102-01-020

Highway easement 330 square feet

A permanent easement for highway purposes over, under, and across that part of Lot 2, Block 1, Valley Business Park 3rd Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof, Dakota County, Minnesota, lying northeasterly of the following described line:

Beginning at a point on the east line of said Lot 2 distant 22.00 feet southerly of the northeast corner of said Lot 2; thence northwesterly to a point on the north line of said Lot 2 distant 30.00 feet westerly of said northeast corner.

Temporary easement 3,956 square feet

A temporary easement for highway purposes over, under, and across that part of Lot 2, Block 1, Valley Business Park 3rd Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof, Dakota County, Minnesota, lying easterly of the following described line:

Commencing at the northeast corner of said Lot 2; thence North 89 degrees 51 minutes 35 seconds West, assumed bearing along the north line of said Lot 2, a distance of 38.46 feet to the point of beginning of the line to be described; thence South 53 degrees 36 minutes 53 seconds West a distance of 32.82 feet; thence South 00 degrees 06 minutes 55 seconds West a distance of 187.92 feet; thence southerly a distance of 128.90 feet along a tangential curve concave to the west having a radius of 2778.04 feet and a central angle of 2 degrees 39 minutes 31 seconds to a southerly line of said Lot 2 and said line

there terminating. Excepting therefrom that part of said Lot 2 lying northeasterly of the following described line:

Beginning at a point on the east line of said Lot 2 distant 22.00 feet southerly of the northeast corner of said Lot 2; thence northwesterly to a point on the north line of said Lot 2 distant 30.00 feet westerly of said northeast corner.

Parcel 3 - Mistwood Courthomes Association, Inc. - CIC #124

Highway easement 2,220 square feet

A permanent easement for highway purposes over, under, and across that part of the designated common element of CIC Number 124, according to the recorded plat thereof, Dakota County, Minnesota, described as follows:

Beginning at the southeast corner of said common element; thence North 89 degrees 51 minutes 34 seconds West, assumed bearing along the south line of said common element, distance of 65.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 06 minutes 55 seconds East a distance of 3.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 51 minutes 34 seconds East a distance of 40.00 feet; thence North 42 degrees 24 minutes 01 second East a distance of 29.73 feet; thence North 00 degrees 06 minutes 55 seconds East a distance of 339.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 53 minutes 05 seconds East a distance of 5.00 feet to the east line of said common element; thence South 00 degrees 06 minutes 55 seconds West along said east line a distance of 364.00 feet to said southeast corner and the point of beginning.

Temporary easement 3,589 square feet

A temporary easement for highway purposes over, under, and across that part of the designated common element of CIC Number 124, according to the recorded plat thereof, Dakota County, Minnesota, described as follows:

Commencing at the southeast corner of said common element; thence North 89 degrees 51 minutes 34 seconds West, assumed bearing along the south line of said common element, distance of 65.00 feet; thence North 00 degrees 06 minutes 55 seconds East a distance of 3.00 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing North 00 degrees 06 minutes 55 seconds East a distance of 6.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 51 minutes 34 seconds East a distance of 37.35 feet; thence North 42 degrees 24 minutes 01 second East a distance of 24.75 feet; thence North 00 degrees 06 minutes 55 seconds East a distance of 442.68 feet; thence South 89 degrees 53 minutes 05 seconds East a distance of 11.00 feet to the east line of said common element; thence South 00 degrees 06 minutes 55 seconds West along said east line a distance of 106.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 53 minutes 05 seconds West a distance of 5.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 06 minutes 55 seconds West a distance of 339.00 feet; thence South 42 degrees 24 minutes 01 second West a distance of 29.73 feet; thence North 89 degrees 51 minutes 34 seconds West a distance of 40.00 feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel 4 - Diamond Path Place Association, Inc. - CIC #603

Highway easement 465 square feet

A permanent easement for highway purposes over, under, and across the West

93.00 feet of the South 5.00 feet of the designated common element of CIC Number 603, known as Lot 1, Block 1, Diamond Path Fifth Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof, Dakota County, Minnesota.

Temporary easement 578 square feet

A temporary easement for highway purposes over, under, and across that part of the designated common element of CIC Number 603, known as Lot 1, Block 1, Diamond Path Fifth Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof, Dakota County, Minnesota, lying southerly and westerly of the following described line: Commencing at the southwest corner of said Lot 1; thence North 00 degrees 06 minutes 55 seconds East, assumed bearing along the west line of said Lot 1, a distance of 25.00 feet to the point of beginning of the line to be described; thence South 44 degrees 53 minutes 07 seconds East a distance of 21.21 feet; thence South 89 degrees 53 minutes 07 seconds East a distance of 78.00 feet; thence South 00 degrees 06 minutes 53 seconds West a distance of 10.00 feet to the south line of said Lot 1 and said line there terminating. Excepting therefrom the West 93.00 feet of the South 5.00 of said Lot 1.

Parcel 5 - Condominium No. 78 VALLEY WAY Village Homeowners Association, Inc. - CIC #78

Temporary easement 1,508 square feet

A temporary easement for highway purposes over, under, and across that part of the designated common element of CIC Number 78, known as Lot 45, Valley Way Village Seventh Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof, Dakota County, Minnesota, lying northerly and westerly of the following described line:

Commencing at the northwest corner of said Lot 45; thence South 89 degrees 53 minutes 02 seconds East, assumed bearing along the north line of said Lot 45, a distance of 93.00 feet to the point of beginning of the line to be described; thence South 00 degrees 06 minutes 52 seconds West a distance of 15.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 53 minutes 02 seconds West a distance of 78.00 feet; thence South 45 degrees 06 minutes 55 seconds West a distance of 21.21 feet to the west line of said Lot 45 and said line there terminating.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County Attorney's Office to initiate quick-take condemnation of the remaining parcels for County Project 31-118 to allow a spring 2026 start date in the event that timely acquisitions by direct negotiations of all parcels do not appear possible.

Ayes: 7

9.13 Resolution No: 25-404

Authorization To Initiate Quick-Take Condemnation For County State Aid Highway 42 (150th Street W) Signal Replacements At Garrett Avenue And Pilot Knob Road, And Garrett Avenue Roadway Improvements In City Of Apple Valley, County Project 42-177

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, to provide a safe and efficient transportation system, Dakota County is partnering with the City of Apple Valley on CP 42-177, is a preliminary and final design project to develop plans and associated services for signal replacements on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 42 (150th Street W) at Garrett Avenue, a City Street, and at CSAH 31 (Pilot Knob Road), and Garrett Avenue roadway improvements for construction beginning in Spring 2026; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County is the lead agency for CP 42-177, with right of way acquisition necessary in 2025 for construction to begin in the spring of 2026; and

WHEREAS, four private property parcels have been appraised, and first offers are prepared and scheduled to be sent to property owners on 8/15/2025 for a total appraised value of \$292,700; and

WHEREAS, in the event that timely acquisition by direct negotiation of all required parcels does not appear possible, it is necessary for the County Board to authorize the County Attorney's Office to initiate quick-take condemnation of the remaining parcels to allow for a spring 2026 start date for CP 42-177; and

WHEREAS, parcels that have been settled through negotiation prior to the date required for filing the condemnation petition will not be included; and

WHEREAS, the following acquisitions are necessary to proceed with CP 42-177:

Parcel 4 - Realty Income Properties 3, LLC 01-65800-01-010

Highway easement 4,590 square feet

A permanent easement for highway purposes over the west 13.00 feet of Lot 1, Block 1, SA Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof, Dakota County, Minnesota.

Temporary easement 4,943 square feet

A temporary easement for highway purposes over the east 14.00 feet of the west 27.00 feet of Lot 1, Block 1, SA Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof, Dakota County, Minnesota.

Parcel 5 - SB3, LLC 01-11730-01-026

Highway easement 1,055 square feet

A permanent easement for highway purposes over the east 5.00 feet of Lot 2, Block 1, Apple Valley Commercial Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof, Dakota County, Minnesota.

Temporary easement 2,110 square feet

A temporary easement for highway purposes over the west 10.00 feet of the east 15.00 feet of Lot 2, Block 1, Apple Valley Commercial Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof, Dakota County, Minnesota.

Parcel 6 - MMPF III Woodbury, MN, LLC 01-11731-01-010

Highway easement 1,894 square feet

A permanent easement for highway purposes over the west 9.00 feet of Lot 1, Block 1, Apple Valley Commercial Second Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof, Dakota County, Minnesota.

Temporary easement 1,684 square feet

A temporary easement for highway purposes over the east 8.00 feet of the west 17.00 feet of Lot 1, Block 1, Apple Valley Commercial Second Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof, Dakota County, Minnesota.

Parcel 20 - First Bank National Association 01-71001-01-010

Highway easement 1,163 square feet

A permanent easement for highway purposes over that part of Lot 1, Block 1, Southport Second Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof, Dakota County, Minnesota described as follows: Beginning at the northeast corner of said Lot 1; thence south along the east line of said Lot 1 a distance of 25.00 feet; thence northwesterly to a point on the north line of said Lot 1 said point being 25.00 feet west of said northeast corner; thence east along said north line of Lot 1 a distance of 25.00 feet to the point of beginning together with the north 10.00 feet of the east 105.00 feet of said Lot 1.

Temporary easement 558 square feet

A temporary easement for highway purposes over that part of Lot 1, Block 1, Southport Second Addition, according to the recorded plat thereof, Dakota County, Minnesota described as follows: Beginning at the northeast corner of said Lot 1; thence south along the east line of said Lot 1 a distance of 32.00 feet; thence northwesterly to a point on the north line of said Lot 1 said point being 32.00 feet west of said northeast corner; thence east along said north line a distance of 32.00 feet to the point of beginning together with the north 15.00 feet of the east 105.00 feet of Lot 1 EXCEPTING from said temporary easement any part of said Lot 1 taken for permanent highway easement as part of this same project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County Attorney's Office to initiate quick-take condemnation of the remaining parcels for CP 42-177 to allow a spring 2026 construction start date in the event that timely acquisitions by direct negotiations of all parcels do not appear possible.

Ayes: 7

9.14 Resolution No: 25-405

Authorization To Submit Applications For 2025 Minnesota Highway Freight Program For County State Aid Highway 46 From Trunk Highway 3 To US 52, County Project 99-13, And For County State Aid Highway 50/County State Aid Highway 5 and Interstate 35 Interchange, County Project 50-33

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Transportation is requesting project submittals for the Minnesota Highway Freight Program (MHFP); and

WHEREAS, the MHFP grant program funds up to 80 percent of project construction costs; and

WHEREAS, the County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 46 two-to-four lane expansion project, County Project 99-013, will improve first and last mile freight mobility, accommodate future growth, support economic development opportunities, promote safety, and enhance multimodal connections; and

WHEREAS, County Project 50-33, the Interstate 35 and County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 50 interchange project, will improve freight capacity and general mobility, accommodate future growth and support economic development opportunities, promote safety, and enhance multimodal connections; and

WHEREAS, federal funding of projects reduces the burden on local taxpayers for regional improvements; and

WHEREAS, project submittals are due on September 3, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the project proposed is consistent with the adopted Dakota County 2040 Transportation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Council has indicated its support of these project submittals; and

WHEREAS, subject to funding awards for the CSAH 46 two-to-four lane expansion project, County Project 99-013, and CSAH 50/CSAH 5 and I-35, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners would be asked to consider acceptance of grant funds and authorization to execute a grant agreement at a future meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Physical Development Director to submit applications for County Project 99-013, the County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 46 two-to-four lane expansion project from Trunk Highway 3 to US 52 and County Project 50-033, CSAH 50/CSAH 5 and Interstate 35 to the Minnesota Department of Transportation for the Minnesota Highway Freight Program.

Ayes: 7

9.15 Resolution No: 25-406

Authorization To Amend Contract With Valley Paving, Inc., And Amend 2025 Capital Improvement Program Budget For 2025 Preservation Of Paved Highway Surface Project

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, to promote a safe and efficient transportation system, Dakota County proceeded with the 2025 Preservation of Paved Highway Surface project; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 preservation work included resurfacing of county roads; and

WHEREAS, the work began in June 2025 and will continue through October 2025; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 25-053 (January 21, 2025), the project was awarded to Valley Paving, Inc., in the amount of \$5,576,946.12; and

WHEREAS, construction costs have increased by \$349,803.44 or 6.3 percent due to a design change and higher quantities of pavement resurfacing; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends authorizing a contract amendment in the amount of \$349,803.44 for a revised contract amount of \$5,926,749.56, and a budget amendment of \$349,803.44.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the contract amendment and authorizes the Physical Development Director to execute a contract amendment with Valley Paving, Inc., for the 2025 Preservation of Paved Highway Surface project, in the amount of \$349,803.44, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

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

Revenue

CP 11-32 - TAA	\$225,824
CP 91-34 - TAA	\$123,981
2025 Paved Highway Surface - TAA	<u>(\$349,805)</u>
Total Revenue	\$0

Expense

CP 11-32	\$225,824
CP 91-34	\$123,981
2025 Paved Highway Surface Set-aside	<u>(\$349,805)</u>
Total Expense	\$0

Ayes: 7

10. Public Services and Revenue

10.1 Resolution No: 25-407

Acceptance Of Gifts To Dakota County Library

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

WHEREAS, pursuant to Policy 1570 Gift Acceptance and adopted Donation Plan (Resolution No. 24-101; February 27, 2024), the Dakota County Board of

Commissioners must approve and accept gifts to the Dakota County Library with a value greater than \$1,500; and

WHEREAS, the Eagan Rotary Club donates \$3,522.28 for the purchase of books for the Sherris Book Program for the Eagan 1st graders; and

WHEREAS, the Friends of the Wescott Library donates \$3,895.00 for the Friendly Hills and Homeschool STEM Programs Series, and donates \$2,417.63 for the replacement BackJack Chairs for the youth programs at the Wescott Library; and

WHEREAS, these donations will greatly enrich the capacity of Dakota County Library to offer valuable materials and programs to customers; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Library Advisory Committee supports acceptance of these gifts.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby accepts \$3,522.28 from Eagan Rotary Club, \$3,895.00 from the Friends of the Wescott Library, and \$2,417.63 from the Friends of the Wescott Library; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the adopted 2025 budget be amended as follows:

Revenue

Eagan Rotary Club	\$3,522
Wescott Gifts	\$3,895
Wescott Gifts_	<u>\$2,418</u>
Total Revenue	\$9,835

Expense

Eagan Rotary Club	\$3,522
Wescott Gifts	\$3,895
Wescott Gifts	<u>\$2,418</u>
Total Expense	\$9,835

Ayes: 7

REGULAR AGENDA

11. Community Services

11.1 Resolution No: 25-408

Proclamation Of Child Support Awareness Month In Dakota County

Motion: Laurie Halverson

Second: Joe Atkins

Amy Shillings, Deputy Director-Child Support, briefed this item and responded to questions.

WHEREAS, August is recognized as Child Support Awareness month; and

WHEREAS, this year celebrates the 50th anniversary of the Child Support Program; and

WHEREAS, Child Support provides support to families, ensuring that children receive financial and medical support; and

WHEREAS, services Dakota County provides include locating, initiating court orders, determining paternity, establishing court orders, collecting and distributing support, and reviewing, modifying, and enforcing orders.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims August 2025 as Child Support Awareness Month in Dakota County recognizing the vital work of child support professionals.

Ayes: 7

11.2 Resolution No: 25-409

Update On Opioid Settlement Funds And Proclamation Of August As Overdose Awareness Month In Dakota County

Motion: Joe Atkins

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

Erin Carder, Deputy Director-Public Health; Emily Schug, Social Services Director and Sheriff Joe Leko briefed this item and responded to questions.

WHEREAS, August is International Overdose Awareness Month, a global initiative aimed at raising awareness about overdose prevention and honoring those impacted by Substance Use Disorder (SUD); and

WHEREAS, the misuse of alcohol and other drugs are important risk factors for chronic disease, disability, and death in the United States; and

WHEREAS, according to the Minnesota Department of Health, in 2023, there were a total of sixty deaths due to drug overdose in Dakota County, which was a slight increase from 2022; and

WHEREAS, emergency room visits for non-fatal drug overdoses are also on the rise; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County staff, in partnership with other organizations, are committed to building public awareness and addressing stigma as important steps in supporting people to access treatment and support for both mental health and SUD; and

WHEREAS, to that end, Dakota County staff are engaging in a variety of efforts throughout August to promote education, prevention, and support resources; and

WHEREAS, these include community events, training sessions on the use of naloxone (a life-saving medication that can reverse opioid overdoses), and public messaging campaigns designed to reduce stigma and encourage open conversations about substance use; and

WHEREAS, by fostering a more informed community, Dakota County aims to save lives, support recovery, and honor those who have been affected by overdose; and

WHEREAS, staff will provide an update on opioid settlement funds, as well as SUD resources and initiatives, including initiatives focused on awareness, education, and prevention.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims August as Overdose Awareness Month in Dakota County and supports efforts to promote overdose awareness, evidence-based prevention education, and access to services and supports to serve the mental health and substance use needs of the residents of Dakota County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That in observance of this proclamation, the Northern Service Center and Dakota County Crisis and Recovery Center be lit up in purple on August 31, 2025, International Overdose Awareness Day and Dakota County residents, businesses, and city partners are also encouraged to shine a purple light to honor those who have been affected by overdose.

Ayes: 7

12. Closed Executive Session

12.1 Resolution No: 25-410

Approval Of Purdue Pharma Chapter 11 Bankruptcy Plan And Authorization Of Settlements With Sackler Family And Generic Opioid Manufacturers In Multi-District Litigation - MDL 2804

Motion: Joe Atkins

Second: Laurie Halverson

This item did not go into closed session. The Board approved per confidential memo from County Attorney's Office.

WHEREAS, Dakota County has filed a lawsuit against opioid drug manufacturers and distributors seeking compensation for the extensive costs to the County caused by the opioid addiction epidemic and the harm inflicted upon Dakota County residents by this crisis; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County's lawsuit along with more than 2,400 other lawsuits commenced by local governments and Indian Tribes have been consolidated into a Multi District Litigation group managed by the Federal District Court for the Northern District of Ohio Multi-District (MDL 2804); and

WHEREAS, Purdue Pharma, L.P. is a defendant in Dakota County's lawsuit; and

WHEREAS, Purdue Pharma, L.P. filed bankruptcy (*In Re Purdue Pharma, L.P., et al.*, Case No. 19-23649 (RDD) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y.)) to halt any pending civil litigation against it; and

WHEREAS, a Chapter 11 plan of reorganization has been filed, after years of negotiation and mediation, and a disclosure statement provided to creditors in order for the creditors to be able to make informed decisions on whether to approve or reject the proposed plans of reorganization; and

WHEREAS, the reorganization plans include payments to states and local governments to redress extensive costs caused and harm inflicted by the opioid addiction epidemic as detailed in the respective plans; and

WHEREAS, a ballot accepting or rejecting the Purdue Pharma, L.P. plan must be cast on or before September 30, 2025, 4:00 (ET); and

WHEREAS the plan contemplates certain Sackler Parties, as defined in the bankruptcy and plan, contributing payments up to \$7 billion in exchange for release of liability; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County's national counsel, Motley Rice LLC, has recommended the County cast ballots to approve the plans and execute the releases as further litigation will be uncertain and time consuming while forgoing the certainty provide by the bankruptcy plan and settlement; and

WHEREAS, the bankruptcy plan and associated releases for the certain Sackler parties represent fair and equitable resolutions of the opioid-related claims against Purdue Pharma, L.P. when considering the totality of the circumstances; and

WHEREAS, proposed nationwide settlement agreements have been reached to resolve opioid litigation brought by states, local political subdivisions, and special districts against nine generic opioids manufacturers in the MDL 2804; and

WHEREAS, the defendants involved in the settlement agreements are Alvogen Inc., Amneal Pharmaceuticals, Inc., Apotex Inc., Hikma Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc., Indivior Inc, Mylan Pharmaceuticals Inc., Sandoz Inc., Sun Pharmaceuticals, Inc. and Zydus Pharmaceuticals, Inc. (the "Generic Opioid Manufacturers"); and

WHEREAS, Dakota County's national counsel, Motley Rice LLC, has recommended the County participate in the proposed Generic Opioid Manufacturers settlements as further litigation will be uncertain and time consuming while forgoing the certainty provide by the settlements; and

WHEREAS, the proposed Generic Opioid Manufacturers settlements represent fair and equitable resolutions of the opioid-related claims against the Generic Opioid Manufacturers when considering the totality of the circumstances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes County staff to complete all tasks necessary to submit a ballot approving the bankruptcy reorganization plan in *In Re Purdue Pharma, L.P., et al.*, Case No. 19-23649 (RDD) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y.) and execute all other necessary documents, including releases, contemplated by the Plan to maximize the settlement amounts on behalf of Dakota County, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners supports and opts in to the multistate settlements with the Generic Opioid Manufacturers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorizes County staff to execute all necessary documents to ensure County participation in the multistate Generic Opioid Manufacturers settlements, including any settlement agreements and releases, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

Ayes: 7

13. Interagency Reports/Commissioner Updates

Interagency reports and Commissioner updates were presented.

14. County Manager's Report

County Manager Heidi Welsch gave a back to school update and shared how the County partners with Independent School Districts in many aspects (Public Health, Public Safety, etc.).

15. Information

15.1 Information

See Attachment for future Board meetings and other activities.

16. Adjournment

16.1 Resolution No: 25-411

Adjournment

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

On a motion by Commissioner Hamann-Roland, seconded by Commissioner Droste, the meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m.

Ayes: 7

Mike Slavik
Chair

ATTEST

Heidi Welsch
County Manager



Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4834

Agenda #: 6.1

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

DEPARTMENT: Central Operations Administration

FILE TYPE: Consent Action

TITLE

Authorization To Execute Contract With QualityLogic, Inc. For Digital Accessibility Services

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED

Authorize the Deputy County Manager to execute a contract with QualityLogic, Inc. for digital accessibility services.

SUMMARY

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Title II requires that, beginning April 24, 2026, public entities with populations of 50,000 or more ensure that all web content and mobile applications comply with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.1, Level A and AA standards. These requirements apply to content created directly by the County or made available through contracts, licensing, or other arrangements. Exceptions are only allowed if compliance would fundamentally alter a service or impose undue financial or administrative burdens.

Dakota County has made meaningful progress toward compliance; however, significant work remains to bring all digital content, websites, and mobile applications into full alignment and to establish sustainable processes for maintaining accessibility over time.

To address this need, staff issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Digital Accessibility Services on March 17, 2025. The RFP sought a vendor with the expertise to ensure compliance, expand accessibility for individuals with disabilities, and strengthen inclusivity across the County's digital properties. A cross-department project team, including Central Operations Administration, Communications, Human Resources, and Information Technology, reviewed 19 proposals and invited five vendors for demonstrations.

The team recommends QualityLogic, Inc. as the preferred vendor. QualityLogic brings extensive experience supporting digital accessibility initiatives for state and local governments. Their services will:

- Conduct a comprehensive assessment of County websites, applications, and digital content;
- Identify accessibility gaps and provide an actionable Digital Accessibility Plan;
- Recommend strategies to meet compliance and usability standards;
- Build internal staff capacity through training and resources;
- Provide remediation support for documents and code to expedite progress;
- Establish a foundation for long-term self-sufficiency and compliance.

The project team and QualityLogic, Inc. will closely collaborate with the public website platform

replacement team to ensure alignment with the county's accessibility priorities and compliance requirements.

Staff seeks approval to engage QualityLogic, Inc. to provide digital accessibility services that will enable Dakota County to meet ADA Title II web and mobile accessibility requirements, improve digital access for individuals with disabilities, and ensure the County's digital services are inclusive, sustainable, and compliant into the future.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommend the Board authorize the Deputy County Manager to execute a contract with Quality Logic, Inc. for digital accessibility services, for the period of September 9, 2025, through September 9, 2026 in an amount not to exceed \$109,767.

EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACTS

Digital remediation funds are included in the Central Operations Administration budget.

☐ None ☒ Current budget ☐ Other
☐ Amendment Requested ☐ New FTE(s) requested

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Title II requires that, beginning April 24, 2026, public entities with populations of 50,000 or more ensure that all web content and mobile applications comply with the Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.1, Level A and AA standards; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County has made meaningful progress toward compliance; however, significant work remains to bring all digital content, websites, and mobile applications into full alignment and to establish sustainable processes for maintaining accessibility over time; and

WHEREAS, staff issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Digital Accessibility Services on March 17, 2025. The RFP sought a vendor with the expertise to ensure compliance, expand accessibility for individuals with disabilities, and strengthen inclusivity across the County's digital properties; and

WHEREAS, a cross-department project team, including Central Operations Administration, Communications, Human Resources, and Information Technology, reviewed 19 proposals and invited five vendors for demonstrations; and

WHEREAS, the team recommends QualityLogic, Inc. as the preferred vendor who brings extensive experience supporting digital accessibility initiatives for state and local governments; and

WHEREAS, QualityLogic, Inc.'s services will:

- Conduct a comprehensive assessment of County websites, applications, and digital content;
- Identify accessibility gaps and provide an actionable Digital Accessibility Plan;
- Recommend strategies to meet compliance and usability standards;
- Build internal staff capacity through training and resources;
- Provide remediation support for documents and code to expedite progress;
- Establish a foundation for long-term self-sufficiency and compliance

; and

WHEREAS, the project team and QualityLogic, Inc. will closely collaborate with the public website platform replacement team to ensure alignment with the county's accessibility priorities and compliance requirements; and

WHEREAS, staff seeks approval to engage QualityLogic, Inc. to provide digital accessibility services that will enable Dakota County to meet ADA Title II web and mobile accessibility requirements, improve digital access for individuals with disabilities, and ensure the County's digital services are inclusive, sustainable, and compliant into the future; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available Central Operations Administration budget to support these services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Deputy County Manager to execute a contract QualityLogic, Inc. for the digital accessibility services, for the period of September 9, 2025, through September 9, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$109,767, subject to approval by the County Attorney's office as to form.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

None.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment: None.

BOARD GOALS

- ☐ Thriving People ☐ A Healthy Environment with Quality Natural Resources
☐ A Successful Place for Business and Jobs ☒ Excellence in Public Service

CONTACT

Department Head: Jessie Parker Carlson

Author: Jessica Johnson



Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4837

Agenda #: 7.1

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

DEPARTMENT: Office of the County Manager

FILE TYPE: Consent Action

TITLE

Authorization To Amend 2025 County Board/Committee Of The Whole Meeting Schedule

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED

Amend the 2025 County Board/Committee of the Whole meeting schedule to schedule a Physical Development Committee of the Whole and a Community Services Committee of the Whole meeting on September 16, 2025 and a General Government and Policy Committee of the Whole meeting on September 23, 2025.

SUMMARY

Since adopting the 2025 meeting schedule, staff have reviewed the current meeting schedule and are recommending meeting schedule changes.

RECOMMENDATION

A budget workshop, previously approved, is scheduled for September 16, 2025 at 9:00 a.m., Administration Center, conference room 3A, Hastings. Staff recommends amending the start time of the budget workshop to 8:30 a.m.

Staff recommends scheduling a Physical Development Committee of the Whole meeting on September 16, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. (or following the budget workshop), Administration Center, conference room 3A, Hastings. Staff also recommends scheduling a Community Services Committee of the Whole meeting on September 16, 2025 at 1:00 p.m., Administration Center, conference room 3A, Hastings.

Staff recommend scheduling a General Government and Policy Committee of the Whole on September 23, 2025, 10:00 a.m. (or following the Regional Railroad Authority meeting), Conference Room 3A, Administration Center, 1590 Highway 55, Hastings, MN.

EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACTS

- ☒ None ☐ Current budget ☐ Other
☐ Amendment Requested ☐ New FTE(s) requested

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, That the budget workshop scheduled for September 16, 2025 start at 8:30 a.m., Administration Center, conference room 3A, Hastings; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby schedules a

Physical Development Committee of the Whole on September 16, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. (or following the budget workshop), Administration Center, conference room 3A, Hastings; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby schedules a Community Services Committee of the Whole meeting on September 16, 2025 at 1:00 p.m., Administration Center, conference room 3A, Hastings; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby schedules a General Government and Policy Committee of the Whole on September 23, 2025, 10:00 a.m. (or following the Regional Railroad Authority meeting), Conference Room 3A, Administration Center, 1590 Highway 55, Hastings, MN.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

24-476; 9/24/24

25-006; 1/7/25

25-118; 3/11/25

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment: None.

BOARD GOALS

- ☐ Thriving People ☐ A Healthy Environment with Quality Natural Resources
☐ A Successful Place for Business and Jobs ☒ Excellence in Public Service

CONTACT

Department Head: Heidi Welsch

Author: Jeni Reynolds



Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4887

Agenda #: 7.2

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

DEPARTMENT: Office of the County Manager

FILE TYPE: Consent Action

TITLE

Acceptance Of Resignation From Member Of Public Art Committee

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED

Accept resignation and authorize staff to proceed with the process to fill vacancy.

SUMMARY

In accordance with the Advisory Committee Membership Policy, written or verbal resignations from advisory committee members are forwarded to the County Manager. When a resignation is received, acceptance of the resignation is placed on the County Board consent agenda and staff is directed to proceed with the process of filling the vacancy.

The Office of the County Manager has been notified of the following resignation from the Public Art Committee:

- Ankit Mukhopadhyay, who has served for the past year.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends accepting the resignation and authorizing staff to proceed with the process to fill the vacancy.

EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACTS

- ☒ None ☐ Current budget ☐ Other
☐ Amendment Requested ☐ New FTE(s) requested

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby accepts the resignation received by Ankit Mukhopadhyay, At-Large Youth representative on the Public Art Committee and authorizes staff to begin the process to fill the vacancy.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

None.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment: None.

BOARD GOALS

- ☐ Thriving People ☐ A Healthy Environment with Quality Natural Resources
☐ A Successful Place for Business and Jobs ☒ Excellence in Public Service

CONTACT

Department Head: Heidi Welsch

Author: Jeni Reynolds



Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4747

Agenda #: 8.1

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

DEPARTMENT: Public Health

FILE TYPE: Consent Action

TITLE

Authorization To Execute Joint Powers Agreements With Dakota County School Districts For School Wellness Projects Funded Through Minnesota Department Of Health Statewide Health Improvement Partnership Grant

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED

Authorize execution of joint powers agreements (JPA) with Dakota County School Districts for School Wellness projects through the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) Statewide Health Improvement Partnership (SHIP).

SUMMARY

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, including the responsibility to prevent disease and to promote and protect the public health of Dakota County residents.

Dakota County Public Health has 15 years of experience working with school districts located in Dakota County on school-based prevention interventions and initiatives. This work is funded by the MDH SHIP grant. SHIP funding supports community-driven solutions to expand opportunities for active living, healthy food access, commercial tobacco-free living, and mental wellbeing. These initiatives provide Dakota County's School Districts the opportunity and resources to enhance prevention efforts, and provide cost-effective, evidence-based best practices in chronic disease reduction via policy, systems, and environmental changes. Interventions are grounded in equity to ensure the initiative benefits all demographic groups with a priority focus on addressing barriers and ensuring safety for lower-income students, students of color and others facing significant disparities.

All ten school districts in Dakota County are provided an opportunity to apply and opt-in to non-competitive funding to support internal wellness efforts for students and staff. These applications will be due in fall 2025 and districts will have until October 2026 to use the funding upon approval of initiatives.

Under Minn. Stat. §471.59, subd.1, two or more governmental units may enter into an agreement to cooperatively exercise any power common to the contracting Parties, and one of the participating governmental units may exercise one of its powers on behalf of the other governmental units. Therefore, staff is requesting to enter into a JPA (Attachment: Joint Powers Agreement) with school districts throughout Dakota County for school wellness projects for the term upon execution of the

JPA through October 31, 2026, with a total not to exceed as listed in the Resolution.

OUTCOMES

How Much: Up to ten school districts and an estimated total of 68,420 students will be supported via prevention efforts that focus on active living, healthy food, health equity, mental health, and youth vaping prevention.

How Well: Evaluation will be performed with the goal of 100 percent of responses indicating positive change in the schools and that the criteria to sustain change is met.

Is Anyone Better Off: Evaluation will include both quantitative and qualitative data to capture the impact to populations being supported.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends authorization to enter into JPAs with school districts throughout Dakota County for school wellness projects and for the term upon execution of the JPA through October 31, 2026, with a total not to exceed for each district as follows:

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| • Special School District 6 | \$ 8,629.77 |
| • Independent School District (ISD) 191 | \$15,249.87 |
| • ISD 192 | \$12,215.65 |
| • ISD 194 | \$13,220.49 |
| • ISD 195 | \$3,940.53 |
| • ISD 196 | \$14,855.81 |
| • ISD 197 | \$10,836.47 |
| • ISD 199 | \$12,255.06 |
| • ISD 200 | \$10,008.96 |
| • Intermediate School District 917 | \$8,787.39 |

EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACTS

The JPAs are completely funded through the MDH SHIP Grant which is included in the 2025 Public Health Budget.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> None | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Current budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment Requested | | <input type="checkbox"/> New FTE(s) requested |

RESOLUTION

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, including the responsibility to prevent disease and to promote and protect the public health of Dakota County residents; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County Public Health has 15 years of experience working with school districts located in Dakota County on school-based prevention interventions and initiatives and this work is funded by the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) Statewide Health Improvement Partnership (SHIP) grant; and

WHEREAS, SHIP funding supports community-driven solutions to expand opportunities for active living, healthy food access, commercial tobacco-free living, and mental wellbeing; and

WHEREAS, these initiatives provide Dakota County's School Districts the opportunity and resources to enhance prevention efforts, and provide cost-effective, evidence-based best practices in chronic disease reduction via policy, systems, and environmental changes; and

WHEREAS, interventions are grounded in equity to ensure the initiative benefits all demographic groups with a priority focus on addressing barriers and ensuring safety for lower-income students, students of color and others facing significant disparities; and

WHEREAS, all ten school districts in Dakota County are provided an opportunity to apply and opt-in to non-competitive funding to support internal wellness efforts for students and staff; and

WHEREAS, these applications will be due in fall 2025 and districts will have until October 2026 to use the funding upon approval of initiatives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Community Services Director to enter into joint powers agreements with School Districts throughout Dakota County for school wellness projects for the term upon execution of the joint powers agreements through October 31, 2026, with a total not to exceed for each district as follows, subject to approval by the County Attorney's office as to form:

• Special School District 6	\$ 8,629.77
• Independent School District (ISD) 191	\$15,249.87
• ISD 192	\$12,215.65
• ISD 194	\$13,220.49
• ISD 195	\$3,940.53
• ISD 196	\$14,855.81
• ISD 197	\$10,836.47
• ISD 199	\$12,255.06
• ISD 200	\$10,008.96
• Intermediate School District 917	\$8,787.39

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

None.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment: Joint Powers Agreement

BOARD GOALS

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A Great Place to Live | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A Healthy Environment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A Successful Place for Business and Jobs | <input type="checkbox"/> Excellence in Public Service |

CONTACTS

Department Head: Gina Pistulka

Author: Alexandra Groten

**JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT FOR SCHOOL WELLNESS
BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF DAKOTA AND
SCHOOL DISTRICT _____**

This Joint Powers Agreement (“Agreement”) is entered into by and between the County of Dakota, a political subdivision of the State of Minnesota, by and through its Department of Public Health, and School District _____, **ADDRESS HERE** (“School District” or “Contractor”), by and through their respective governing bodies.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the County and the School District are governmental units as that term is defined in Minn. Stat. §471.59;

WHEREAS, under Minn. Stat. §471.59, subd.1, two or more governmental units may enter into an agreement to cooperatively exercise any power common to the contracting Parties, and one of the participating governmental units may exercise one of its powers on behalf of the other governmental units;

WHEREAS, the County has received a grant of monies from the State of Minnesota acting through the Minnesota Department of Health Grant Project Agreement No. 183510 for implementation of the County’s Statewide Health Improvement Program (“SHIP”);

WHEREAS, the County is permitted to make sub-grants of its SHIP funds and the County has solicited and considered grant applications from entities for use of such funds; and

WHEREAS, the County has awarded School District with SHIP funds described herein based the grant expenditures outlined in Exhibit 2, Service grid.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and covenants herein, the County and School District hereby agree as follows:

1. Effective Date. This Agreement shall be effective as of the later date of signature by the parties.
2. Purpose. The purpose of this Agreement is to provide funding by the County to the School District so that the School District may participate in the Dakota County SHIP School Wellness program. All funds provided by the County are to be used by the School District solely for the purposes described in Exhibit 2, Service Grid.
3. School District obligations under State Contracts. The grant funds provided to School District under this agreement are subject to the terms and conditions contained in both the Master Grant Contract between Dakota County and the State of Minnesota dated **October, 2025**, as may be periodically amended, and the SHIP Grant Project Agreement between the Dakota County Community Health Board and the State of Minnesota dated October 1, 2025, as may be periodically amended (“State Contracts”). School District agrees to comply with all terms and conditions contained in such contracts that are applicable to the County. County will provide copies of these contracts to School District upon request.

4. County Obligations. The County agrees to reimburse the School District in an amount not to exceed \$ [REDACTED] for costs incurred in performing services fulfilling the Purpose described above from the Effective Date through 10/31/2026
5. Reimbursement and Reporting. After this Agreement has been executed by both parties, the School District may claim reimbursement for expenditures incurred in connection with the performance of activities that are eligible for reimbursement in accordance with this Agreement.

The County will reimburse the School District within 45 calendar days of the School District's submission of invoices to the County. Invoices must be submitted using the form in Exhibit 4. All requests for reimbursement must be submitted by 11/13/25. The School District must certify that the requested reimbursements are accurate, appropriate and eligible in accordance with the State Contracts, that it has documentation of the actual expenditures for which reimbursement is sought, and that such expenditures have not been otherwise reimbursed. School District should report their accomplishments and successes using the form in Exhibit 3 Reporting Form. All expenditures and reimbursements must be submitted using the form in Exhibit 4.

6. Authorized Representatives. The following named persons are designated as the Authorized Representatives of the parties for purposes of this Agreement. These persons have authority to bind the party they represent and to consent to modifications, except that the Authorized Representatives shall have only authority specifically granted by their respective governing boards. Notice required to be provided pursuant this Agreement shall be provided to the following named persons and addresses unless otherwise stated in this Agreement, or in a modification to this Agreement.

The County's Authorized Representative is:

Marti Fischbach, 1 Mendota Rd. W., Ste. 500, West St. Paul, MN 55118

Telephone: 651-554-5742

Email: Marti.Fischbach@co.dakota.mn.us

_____, or his/her successor, has the responsibility to monitor the School District's performance pursuant to this Agreement and the authority to approve invoices submitted for reimbursement.

The School District's Authorized Representative is:

Name:

Telephone:

Email:

The parties shall provide written notification to each other of any change to the Authorized Representative. Such written notification shall be effective to change the designated liaison under this Agreement, without necessitating an amendment of this Agreement.

7. Assignment. The School District may neither assign nor transfer any rights or obligations under this Agreement without the prior consent of the County and a fully executed assignment agreement, executed by the County and the School District.
8. Use of Subcontractors. The School District may engage subcontractors to perform activities funded pursuant to this Agreement. However, the School District retains primary responsibility

to the County for performance of the activities and the use of such subcontractors does not relieve the School District from any of its obligations under this Agreement. If the School District engages any subcontractors to perform any part of the activities, the School District agrees that the subcontract for such services shall include the following provisions:

- (a) The subcontractor must maintain all records and provide all reporting as required by this Agreement.
- (b) The subcontractor must defend, indemnify, and save harmless the County from all claims, suits, demands, damages, judgments, costs, interest, and expenses arising out of or by reason of the performance of the contracted work, caused in whole or in part by any negligent act or omission of the subcontractor, including negligent acts or omissions of its employees, subcontractors, or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable.
- (c) The subcontractor must provide and maintain insurance through the term of this Agreement in amounts and types of coverage as set forth below, and provide to the County, prior to commencement of the contracted work, a certificate of insurance evidencing such insurance coverage:
 - General liability coverage of at least \$2,000,000 per occurrence and aggregate and naming Dakota County as an additional insured;
 - Automobile liability coverage of at least \$2,000,000 per occurrence and aggregate and naming Dakota County as an additional insured,
 - Professional liability (errors and omissions) insurance coverage of at least \$2,000,000, and
 - Workers' compensation coverage or certification of excluded employment from workers' compensation requirements.
- (d) The subcontractor must be an independent contractor for the purposes of completing the contracted work.
- (e) The subcontractor must acknowledge that the contract between the School District and the subcontractor does not create any contractual relationship between County and the subcontractor.
- (f) The subcontractor shall perform and complete the activities in full compliance with this Agreement and all applicable laws, statutes, rules, ordinances, and regulations issued by any federal, state, or local political subdivisions having jurisdiction over the activities.

- 9. Indemnification. To the fullest extent permitted by law, School District agrees to indemnify the County, its officers, employees, agents, and others acting on its behalf and to hold them harmless and defend and protect them from and against any and all loss, damage, liability, cost and expense, specifically including reasonable attorneys' fees and other costs and expenses of defense, for any actions, claims or proceedings of any sort which are caused by any act or omission of School District, its officers, employees, agents, subcontractors, invitees, or any other person(s) or entity(ies) for whose acts or omissions School District may be legally responsible. Nothing herein shall be construed as a waiver by School District of any of the immunities or limitations of liability to which it may be entitled pursuant to Minn. Stat. Ch. 466 or any other statute or law.
- 10. Insurance Terms. In order to protect itself and to protect the County under the indemnity provisions set forth above, School District shall, at its expense, procure and maintain policies of insurance covering the term of this Agreement. All retentions and deductibles under such policies shall be paid by the School District.
- 11. Audit. The School District shall maintain books, records, documents and other evidence pertaining to the costs or expenses associated with the work performed pursuant to this

Agreement. Upon request the School District shall allow the County, Legislative Auditor or the State Auditor to inspect, audit, copy or abstract all of the books, records, papers or other documents relevant to this Agreement. The School District shall use generally accepted accounting principles in the maintenance of such books and records, and shall retain all of such books, records, documents and other evidence for a period of six (6) years from the date of the completion of the activities funded by this Agreement.

12. Data Practices. The School District agrees with respect to any data that it possesses regarding the Agreement to comply with all of the provisions of the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act contained in Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13, as the same may be amended from time to time.
13. Relationship of the Parties. Nothing contained in this Agreement is intended or should be construed as creating or establishing the relationship of co-partners or joint ventures between the County and the School District, nor shall the County be considered or deemed to be an agent, representative or employee of the School District in the performance of this Agreement. Personnel of the School District or other persons while engaging in the performance of this Agreement shall not be considered employees of the County and shall not be entitled to any compensation, rights or benefits of any kind whatsoever.
14. Governing Law, Jurisdiction and Venue. Minnesota law, without regard to its choice-of-law provisions, governs this Agreement. Venue for all legal proceedings arising out of this Agreement, or its breach, must be with the appropriate state court with competent jurisdiction in Dakota County.
15. Compliance with Law. The School District agrees to conduct its work under this Agreement in compliance with all applicable provisions of federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, or regulations, and further agrees to comply with the Standard Assurances attached as Exhibit 1. The School District is responsible for obtaining and complying with all federal, state, or local permits, licenses, and authorizations necessary for performing the work.
16. Default and Remedies.
 - (a) Events of Default. The following shall, unless waived in writing by the County, constitute an event of default under this Agreement: If the School District fails to fully comply with any material provision, term, or condition contained in this Agreement.
 - (b) Notice of Event of Default and Opportunity to Cure. Upon the County's giving the School District written notice of an event of default, the School District shall have thirty (30) calendar days in which to cure such event of default, or such longer period of time as may be reasonably necessary so long as the School District is using its best efforts to cure and is making reasonable progress in curing such events of default (the "Cure Period"). In no event shall the Cure Period for any event of default exceed two (2) months. Within ten (10) calendar days after receipt of notice of an event of default, the School District shall propose in writing the actions that the School District proposes to take and the schedule required to cure the event of default.
 - (c) Remedies. Upon the School District's failure to cure an event of default within the Cure Period, the County may enforce any or all of the following remedies, as applicable:

- (1) The County may refrain from disbursing the grant monies; provided, however, the County may make such a disbursement after the occurrence of an event of default without thereby waiving its rights and remedies hereunder.
- (2) The County may enforce any additional remedies it may have in law or equity.
- (3) The County may terminate this Agreement and its obligation to provide funds under this Agreement for cause by providing thirty (30) days' written notice to the School District. Such notice to terminate for cause shall specify the circumstances warranting termination of the Agreement. Cause shall be a material breach of this Agreement and any supplemental agreement or modification to this Agreement or an event of default. Notice of Termination shall be made by certified mail or personal delivery to the Authorized Representative of the other Party. For purposes of termination and default, all days are calendar days.

17. Non-Appropriation. Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, this Agreement may be terminated immediately by the County in the event sufficient funds from the County, State, or Federal sources are not appropriated, obtained and continued at least the level relied on for the funding of this Agreement, and the non-appropriation of funds did not result from any act or bad faith on the part of the County.

18. Ownership of Materials and Intellectual Property Rights.

- (a) Except as otherwise required by Minnesota or Federal Law, the County agrees to, and hereby does, assign all rights, title and interest it may have in the materials conceived or created by the School District, or its employees or subgrantees, and which arise out of the performance of this Agreement, including any inventions, reports, studies, designs, drawings, specifications, notes, documents, software and documentation, computer-based training modules, electronically, magnetically or digitally recorded material, and other work in whatever form ("Materials").
- (b) The School District represents and warrants that Materials produced or used under this Agreement do not and will not infringe upon any intellectual property rights of another. School District shall indemnify and defend the County, at its expense, from any action or claim brought against the County to the extent that it is based on a claim that all or parts of the Materials infringe upon the intellectual property rights of another.

19. Special Conditions. The School District understands and agrees that it will perform the work contemplated by this Agreement in such a way as to comply with and enable the County to comply with all of the requirements imposed upon the County in the State Contracts, including but not limited to the following:

- (a) Any publicity given to the activities occurring as a result of this Agreement, including notices, informational pamphlets, press releases, research, reports, signs and similar public notices shall identify that it is "Supported by the Statewide Health Improvement Partnership, Minnesota Department of Health and Dakota County Public Health Department" and shall not be released unless approved in writing by these entities' authorized representatives.
- (b) The School District shall indemnify, save and hold the Department, its representatives and employees harmless from any and all claims or causes of action, including reasonable

attorney fees incurred by the Department, arising from the performance of the activities funded by this Agreement by the School District or its agents or employees.

- (c) The School District, by executing this Agreement, grants to the Department a perpetual, irrevocable, no-fee right and license to make, have made, reproduce, modify, distribute, perform and otherwise use the Materials for any and all purposes, in all forms and manners that the Department, in its sole discretion, deems appropriate.

20. Exhibits. The following exhibits are attached to and incorporated within this Subgrant Agreement.

Exhibit 1: Standard Assurances;

Exhibit 2: Service Grid;

Exhibit 3: Reporting Form; and

Exhibit 4: Invoice Form.

21. Waiver. If the County fails to enforce any provision of this Agreement, that failure shall not result in a waiver of the right to enforce the same or another provision of this Agreement.

22. Complete Agreement. This Agreement and Exhibits contain all negotiations and agreements between the County and the School District. Any amendment to this Agreement must be in writing and executed by the County and the School District. No other understanding regarding this Agreement, whether written or oral, may be used to bind either party. In the event of a conflict between the terms of any Exhibit and the body of this Agreement, this Agreement shall control.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have executed this Agreement on the dates indicated below.

Approved as to form:

Assistant County Attorney/Date
KS-25-

COUNTY OF DAKOTA

By: _____

Title: Community Services Director

Date: _____

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SCHOOL DISTRICT _____

By: _____

Title: _____

Date: _____

**EXHIBIT 1
STANDARD ASSURANCES**

1. **NON-DISCRIMINATION**. During the performance of this Contract, the Contractor shall not unlawfully discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because the person is a member of a protected class under, and as defined by, federal law or Minnesota state law including, but not limited to, race, color, creed, religion, sex, gender, gender identity, pregnancy, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, age, familial status, marital status, veteran's status, or public assistance status. The Contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed and that employees are treated during employment without unlawful discrimination.. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The Contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices which set forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The Contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of Contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, creed, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, sexual orientation, age, marital status, veteran's status, or public assistance status.

No funds received under this Contract shall be used to provide religious or sectarian training or services.

The Contractor shall comply with any applicable federal or state law regarding non-discrimination. The following list includes, but is not meant to limit, laws which may be applicable:

A. The Equal Employment Opportunity Act of 1972, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 2000e *et seq.* which prohibits discrimination in employment because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

B. Equal Employment Opportunity-Executive Order No.11246, 30 FR 12319, signed September 24, 1965, as amended, which is incorporated herein by reference, and prohibits discrimination by U.S. Government contractors and subcontractors because of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin.

C. The Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 701 *et seq.* and 45 C.F.R. 84.3 (J) and (K) implementing Sec. 504 of the Act which prohibits discrimination against qualified handicapped persons in the access to or participation in federally-funded services or employment.

D. The Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, 29 U.S.C. § 621 *et seq.* as amended, and Minn. Stat. § 181.81, which generally prohibit discrimination because of age.

E. The Equal Pay Act of 1963, as amended, 29 U.S.C. § 206(d), which provides that an employer may not discriminate on the basis of sex by paying employees of different sexes differently for the same work.

F. Minn. Stat. Ch. 363A, as amended, which generally prohibits discrimination because of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, status with regard to public assistance, disability, sexual orientation, or age.

G. Minn. Stat. § 181.59 which prohibits discrimination against any person by reason of race, creed, or color in any state or political subdivision contract for materials, supplies, or construction. Violation of this section is a misdemeanor and any second or subsequent violation of these terms may be cause for forfeiture of all sums due under the Contract.

H. Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, 42 U.S.C. §§ 12101 through 12213, 47 U.S.C. §§ 225, 611, with regulations at 29 C.F.R. § 1630, which prohibits discrimination against qualified individuals on the basis of a disability in term, condition, or privilege of employment.

I. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. 2000d, *et seq.* and including 45 CFR Part 80, prohibits recipients, including their contractors and subcontractors, of federal financial assistance from discriminating on the basis of race, color or national origin which includes not discriminating against those persons with limited English proficiency.

J. The Pregnancy Discrimination Act of 1978, which amended Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000e *et seq.* which prohibits discrimination on the basis of pregnancy, childbirth, or related medical conditions.

K. Equal Protection of the Laws for Faith-based and Community Organizations-Executive Order No.13279, signed December 12, 2002 and as amended May 3, 2018. Prohibits discrimination against grant seeking organizations on the basis of religion in the administration or distribution of federal financial assistance under social service programs, including grants and loans.

L. Vietnam Era Veterans' Readjustment Assistance Act of 1974, as amended, 38 U.S.C. 4212, with regulations at 41 C.F.R. Part 60-250, which prohibits discrimination in employment against protected veterans.

2. **DATA PRIVACY.** For purposes of this Contract, all data created, collected, received, stored, used, maintained, or disseminated by Contractor in the performance of this Contract are subject to the requirements of the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act, Minn. Stat. Ch. 13, ("MGDPA") and the Minnesota Rules implementing the MGDPA. Contractor must comply with the MGDPA as if it were a governmental entity. The remedies in Minn. Stat. § 13.08 apply to the Contractor. Contractor does not have a duty to provide access to public data to a data requestor if the public data are available from the County, except as required by the terms of this Contract. If Contractor is a subrecipient of federal grant funds under this Contract, it will comply with the federal requirements for the safeguarding of protected personally identifiable information ("Protected PII") as required in the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 2 CFR Part 200, and the County Protected PII procedures, which are available upon request. Additionally, Contractor must comply with any other applicable laws on data privacy. All subcontracts shall contain the same or similar data practices compliance requirements.

3. **RECORDS DISCLOSURE/RETENTION.** Contractor's bonds, records, documents, papers, accounting procedures and practices, and other evidences relevant to this Contract are subject to the examination, duplication, transcription, and audit by the County and either the Legislative or State Auditor, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 16C.05, subd. 5. Such evidences are also subject to review by the Comptroller General of the United States, or a duly authorized representative, if federal funds are used for any work under this Contract. The Contractor agrees to maintain such evidences for a period of six (6) years from the date services or payment were last provided or made or longer if any audit in progress requires a longer retention period.

4. **WORKER HEALTH, SAFETY AND TRAINING.** Contractor shall be solely responsible for the health and safety of its employees in connection with the work performed under this Contract. Contractor shall make arrangements to ensure the health and safety of all subcontractors and other persons who may perform work in connection with this Contract. Contractor shall ensure all personnel of Contractor and subcontractors are properly trained and supervised and, when applicable, duly licensed or certified appropriate to the tasks engaged in under this Contract. Each Contractor shall comply with federal, state, and local occupational safety and health standards, regulations, and rules promulgated pursuant to the Occupational Health and Safety Act which are applicable to the work to be performed by Contractor.

5. **PROHIBITED TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT/SERVICES.** If Contractor is a subrecipient of federal grant funds under this Contract, Contractor certifies that, consistent with Section 889 of the John S. McCain National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2019, Pub. L. 115-232 (Aug. 13, 2018) (the "Act"), and 2 CFR § 200.216, Contractor will not use funding covered by this Contract to procure or obtain, or to extend, renew, or enter into any contract to procure or obtain, any equipment, system, or service that uses "covered telecommunications equipment or services" (as that term is defined in Section 889 of the Act) as a substantial or essential component of any system or as critical technology as part of any system. Contractor will include this certification as a flow down clause in any agreement related to this Contract.

6. **CONTRACTOR GOOD STANDING.** If Contractor is not an individual, Contractor must be registered to do business in Minnesota with the Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State and shall maintain an active/in good standing status with the Office of the Minnesota Secretary of State, and shall notify County of any changes in status within five calendar days of such change. Business entities formed under the laws of a jurisdiction other than Minnesota must maintain a certificate of authority (foreign corporations, limited liability companies, limited partnerships, and limited liability limited partnerships), or a statement of foreign qualification (foreign limited liability partnerships), or a statement of partnership authority (general partnerships). See Minn. Stat. §§ 303.03 (corporations); 322C.0802 (limited liability companies); 321.0902 and 321.0907 (foreign limited partnership); 321.0102(7) (foreign limited liability limited partnerships); 323A.1102(a) (foreign limited liability partnership); 321.0902 and 321.0907 (foreign general partnerships).

7. **CONTRACTOR DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND RESPONSIBILITY CERTIFICATION.** Federal Regulation 45 CFR 92.35 prohibits the State/Agency from purchasing goods or services with federal money from vendors who have been suspended or debarred by the federal government. Similarly, Minn. Stat. § 16C.03, subd. 2 provides the Commissioner of Administration with the authority to debar and suspend vendors who seek to contract with the State/Agency. Vendors may be suspended or debarred when it is determined, through a duly authorized hearing process, that they have abused the public trust in a serious manner.

By signing this Contract, the Contractor certifies that it and its principals* and employees:

A. Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from transacting business by or with any federal, state, or local governmental department or agency; and

B. Have not within a three (3) year period preceding this Contract: 1) been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction or contract; 2) violated any federal or state antitrust statutes; or 3) committed embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property; and

C. Are not presently indicted or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity for: 1) commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) transaction; 2) violating any federal or state antitrust statutes; or 3) committing embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property; and

D. Are not aware of any information and possess no knowledge that any subcontractor(s) that will perform work pursuant to this Contract are in violation of any of the certifications set forth above; and

E. Shall immediately give written notice to the Authorized Representative should Contractor come under investigation for allegations of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, or performing a public (federal, state, or local government) transaction; violating any federal or state antitrust statutes; or committing embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property.

*"Principals" for the purposes of this certification means officers; directors; owners; partners; and persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g. general manager; plant manager; head of a subsidiary, division, or business segment and similar positions).

8. **HEALTH DATA PRIVACY.** When applicable to the Contractor's duties under this Contract, the Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), the Health Information Technology for Economic and Clinical Health Act (HITECH), Minnesota Health Records Act, and any other applicable health data laws, rules, standards, and requirements in effect during the term of this Contract.

9. **APPEALS.** The Contractor shall assist the County in complying with the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 256.045, Administrative and Judicial Review of Human Services Matters, if applicable.

10. **REPORTING.** Contractor shall comply with the provisions of the "Child Abuse Reporting Act", Minn. Stat. § 626.556, as amended, and the "Vulnerable Adult Reporting Act", Minn. Stat. § 626.557, as amended, and any rules promulgated by the Minnesota Department of Human Services, implementing such Acts.

11. **PSYCHOTHERAPISTS.** Contractor has and shall continue to comply with the provisions of Minn. Stat. Ch. 604, as amended, with regard to any currently or formerly employed psychotherapists and/or applicants for psychotherapist positions.

12. **EXCLUDED MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROVIDERS.** By signing this contract, Provider certifies that it is not excluded. 42 U.S.C. § 1397 *et seq.* (subch. XX) of the Social Security Act.

13. **MDHS THIRD-PARTY BENEFICIARY.** The following applies to contracts related to adult mental health services; see Minn. Stat. § 245.466, subd. 2. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that the Minnesota Department of Human Services is a third-party beneficiary and as a third-party beneficiary, is an affected party under this Contract. Contractor specifically acknowledges and agrees that the Minnesota Department of Human Services has standing to and may take any appropriate administrative action or sue Contractor for any appropriate relief in law or equity, including, but not limited to, rescission, damages, or specific performance of all or any part of the Contract between the County Board and Contractor. Contractor specifically acknowledges that the County Board and the Minnesota Department of Human Services are entitled to and may recover from Contractor reasonable attorneys' fees and costs and disbursements associated with any action taken under this paragraph that is successfully maintained. This provision shall not be construed to limit the rights of any party to the Contract or any other third

party beneficiary, nor shall it be construed as a waiver of immunity under the Eleventh Amendment to the United States Constitution or any other waiver of immunity. (Minn. Stat. § 245.466, subd. 3; Minn. R. 9525.1870, subp. 2).

Directions for Online Access to Excluded Providers

To ensure compliance with this regulation, identification of excluded entities and individuals can be found on the Office of Inspector General (OIG) website at https://oig.hhs.gov/exclusions/exclusions_list.asp

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Strategy #1:**Timeline for completion of project:**

Contracted timeline: project begins on execution date – project ends by October 31, 2026

1) Briefly describe your project:**1. Select the component(s) of the WSCC model that align with project goal:**

☐ Local School Wellness Policy Revision

Note: an update of the local school wellness policy (LSWP) can be included in any of the WSCC components below or be a stand-alone priority. DC SHIP can support this process.

☐ Physical Education and Physical Activity ☐ Nutrition Environment and Services

☐ Health Education ☐ Social Emotional Climate ☐ Physical Environment

☐ Health Services ☐ Counseling, Psychological and Social Services

☐ Employee Wellness ☐ Community Involvement ☐ Family Engagement

a. Project goal(s):**b. List core activities and general timeline for project implementation of project****2) How will this project:**

a) **Help meet a need of your school, district, and/or community** (please include quantitative or qualitative data, if relevant)?

b) **Foster a healthy and equitable school environment which considers the needs of all children as the central focus of education?**

c) **Will your project focus on a specific population and/or group who experience greater barriers to achieving good health?** ☐ Yes ☐ No

3) **Who else from the school district will be involved in planning, implementing and/or supporting the project?** (e.g.: wellness committee representatives, students, specific staff/teachers, cultural liaisons or family advocates, Diversity/Equity/Inclusion directors etc.)

4) **How do you plan to communicate/share-out this project in your school community?** (e.g. social media, district website, in school announcements, staff newsletters, bulletin boards, parent communications, etc.)

5) **Share your ideas for how this effort will be sustained after this award/project period.** (e.g. district policy will be updated to reflect current/new practices, staff will incorporate new skills into their teaching methods, additional funding by school or other grant, community partnerships, etc.)

6) **What would *success* look like for this proposed project in creating sustainable change in your school, district, and/or community?**

PROJECT BUDGET

Budget Item	Brief Description (Include description of how time and/or purchases will be utilized and how request was calculated)	TOTAL \$ Requested
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		\$
TOTAL MINI-GRANT REQUEST		\$ (Total of above)
Estimated in-kind (10% minimum of total mini-grant request)		\$
TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET (Total mini-grant request + Estimated in-kind)		\$ (Total of mini-grant request + Est. in-kind)

Strategy #2:**Timeline for completion of project:**

Contracted timeline: project begins Execution Date – project ends by October 31, 2026

1) Briefly describe your project:**1. Select the component(s) of the WSCC model that align with project goal:**

☐ Local School Wellness Policy Revision

Note: an update of the local school wellness policy (LSWP) can be included in any of the WSCC components below or be a stand-alone priority. DC SHIP can support this process.

☐ Physical Education and Physical Activity ☐ Nutrition Environment and Services

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☐ Employee Wellness ☐ Community Involvement ☐ Family Engagement

a. Project goal(s):**b. List core activities and general timeline for project implementation of project****2) How will this project:**

a) **Help meet a need of your school, district, and/or community** (please include quantitative or qualitative data, if relevant)?

b) **Foster a healthy and equitable school environment which considers the needs of all children as the central focus of education?** (e.g.: use data to identify gaps, removing system barriers to student success, prioritizing voices, revising policies and practices, redistributing

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resources, collaboration with community partners, cultivating positive relationships, integrating school practices and services to serve all students, etc).

c) **Will your project focus on a specific population and/or group who experience greater barriers to achieving good health?** ☐ Yes ☐ No

- 3) **Who else from the school district will be involved in planning, implementing and/or supporting the project?** (e.g.: wellness committee representatives, students, specific staff/teachers, cultural liaisons or family advocates, Diversity/Equity/Inclusion directors etc.)
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TOTAL MINI-GRANT REQUEST		\$ (Total of above)
Estimated in-kind (10% minimum of total mini-grant request)		\$
TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET (Total mini-grant request + Estimated in-kind)		\$ (Total of mini-grant request + Est. in-kind)

Strategy #3:**Timeline for completion of project:**

Contracted timeline: project begins Execution Date – project ends by October 31, 2026

1) Briefly describe your project:**1. Select the component(s) of the WSCC model that align with project goal:**

☐ Local School Wellness Policy Revision

Note: an update of the local school wellness policy (LSWP) can be included in any of the WSCC components below or be a stand-alone priority. DC SHIP can support this process.

☐ Physical Education and Physical Activity ☐ Nutrition Environment and Services

☐ Health Education ☐ Social Emotional Climate ☐ Physical Environment

☐ Health Services ☐ Counseling, Psychological and Social Services

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a. Project goal(s):**b. List core activities and general timeline for project implementation of project****2) How will this project:**

a) **Help meet a need of your school, district, and/or community** (please include quantitative or qualitative data, if relevant)?

b) **Foster a healthy and equitable school environment which considers the needs of all children as the central focus of education?** (e.g.: use data to identify gaps, removing system barriers to student success, prioritizing voices, revising policies and practices, redistributing resources, collaboration with community partners, cultivating positive relationships, integrating school practices and services to serve all students, etc).

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6) **What would *success* look like for this proposed project in creating sustainable change in**

your school, district, and/or community?

PROJECT BUDGET

Budget Item	Brief Description <i>(Include description of how time and/or purchases will be utilized and how request was calculated)</i>	TOTAL \$ Requested
All other Materials/Supplies/Equipment/Curriculum		\$
TOTAL MINI-GRANT REQUEST		\$ (Total of above)
Estimated in-kind (10% minimum of total mini-grant request)		\$
TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET (Total mini-grant request + Estimated in-kind)		\$ (Total of mini-grant request + Est. in-kind)

*Changes to the above Strategies #1-3 must be mutually agreed upon and provided to the County Liaison prior to completion

Contractor Roles and Responsibilities

1. Contractor will carry out (implement) work, budget and deliverable as stated in attached project proposal form, Exhibit 3,
2. Any changes to planned strategies, deliverables, expectations and/or budget must be mutually agreed upon and provided to the County Liaison prior to implementation. Please allow a minimum of 7 business days for pre-approvals on final purchasing of supplies, or services.
3. Contractor's District (or site) Wellness Committee will meet regularly (e.g. quarterly), or as often as Contractor determines, and include broad representation from multiple levels, buildings, and disciplines.
4. Contractor will have at least one representative (not including the consultant), attend SHIP Dakota County School Wellness meetings.
5. Contractor will provide to the County, the name, phone, and email of its Wellness Committee Chair, or 'designee' for District Wellness projects' overall coordination. Such designee is responsible for completing Exhibit 3, Final Reporting, by set due dates (see '**Important Dates**' below)
6. Project Champion(s) must meet deliverables set by public health liaison and keep in regular communication with public health liaison and School Wellness Consultant, if applicable, to qualify for project champion compensation.
7. The County recommends that Contractor complete or confirm Contractor has completed a school health assessment within the last three school years.
8. The County recommends that Contractor notify its stakeholders, such as: community, school board, and or city, about changes such as policies, procedures or system(s) changes that are implemented because of this Contract.
9. Contractor shall submit all SHIP-related communications to public health liaison for pre-approval. **Please allow a minimum of 7 business days for approvals in advance of public release.**
10. Contractor shall submit Exhibit 4, Invoice Form, by set due dates (see '**Important Dates**' below) and within two weeks of Contract end date; however, they may be submitted more frequently if desired.

Important Dates	
TBD	
SHIP School Wellness Meetings	
Contract Expires	

County roles and responsibilities:

- Provide technical assistance and support through process.
- Organize and facilitate SHIP school wellness meetings (three per contract period).
- Research and provide school wellness tools and resources.
- Compile submitted SHIP Reporting from each district to provide to MDH and meet County requirements.

Notes:

The grant funds provided to Contractor under this agreement are also subject to the terms and conditions contained in both the Master Grant Contract and the Project Agreement between the Dakota County Community Health Board and the State of Minnesota. The County will provide copies of these contracts to Contractor upon request. Contractor agrees to comply with all such terms and conditions

Dakota County SHIP 2025 School Wellness Community Partner Award Reporting



Exhibit 3 Reporting

Describe your accomplishments toward the objective(s) outlined in the approved SHIP 2025 application.

1. Which Statewide Health Improvement Partnership (SHIP) context strategy is this project related to?
 - ☐ MN EATS – Healthy Food Access
 - ☐ MN MOVES – Active Living
 - ☐ MN Well-Being – Mental Health Wellbeing and Resiliency
 - ☐ MN BEATHES - Commercial Free Tobacco-Living
2. Which Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child is this strategy is this related to? *Check all that apply.*
 - ☐ Local School Wellness Policy Revision
 - ☐ Physical Education and Physical Activity
 - ☐ Nutrition Environment and Services
 - ☐ Health Education
 - ☐ Social Emotional Climate
 - ☐ Physical Environment
 - ☐ Health Services
 - ☐ Counseling, Psychological and Social Services
 - ☐ Employee Wellness
 - ☐ Community Involvement
 - ☐ Family Engagement
3. Please provide a short description of strategy activities:
4. Is the strategy complete?
 - ☐ Yes
 - ☐ No
 - ☐ In process, explain:
5. List and describe any barriers:

6. List and describe practices, systems or environmental change(s) that occurred (i.e. healthier snacks added to the menu, outdoor classrooms or chill spaces created, , vaping policy updated, new system in place for outdoor recess)
7. Was this change added to the building or district wellness policy?
☐ Yes*
☐ No
☐ In Process to adding a policy at the district level
*If "Yes," please attach policy
8. Provide estimated numbers of **staff** impacted by the proposed project (if less than whole district)
9. Provide estimated of number of **students** (including school sites) impacted by the proposed project.
10. If you have additional data not shared with your public health liaison, please share it here (i.e. survey data from a training provided, % enrollment in school lunch program at pre/post, # of students using the chill space/zone monthly, other measures related to changes made).
11. List any grants received during this reporting period (include date awarded, source and amount).
Example: March 2026, MnDOT Safe Routes to School Boost Grant, \$14,000 grant
Example: November 2025, WholeKids Foundation Garden Grant, \$3,000 for garden equipment, Farm to School Kitchen Equipment Grant, May 2026, \$10,000).
12. Share a success story (2-3 sentences) from your SHIP 2023 School Wellness Community Partner Award highlighting how the project supported creating sustainable change in your school, district, and/or community. Feel free to include quotes, number of people affected, photos or additional detail, if desired.
13. You may list/describe any additional school wellness successes or changes not captured in the action plan.
14. Do you have any photos (**with permission** to share) related to your project? If so, please send directly to your Public Health Community Liaison via email.

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Exhibit 4 - Invoice Form

Invoice #:
Contract #: CLA
Project Name SHIP 2025 School Wellness Community Partner Award

Invoice Date:

Remit to:

District:
 Attn:
 Address
 Address

Bill to:

Dakota County Public Health Department
 Public Health Liaison
 Attn:
 Email:
 Phone:

Detailed description of materials/goods (along with scanned receipts, if over \$)	Total Price
Subtotal	

Services (project champion, trainer fees, consultant time) Please list each individual separately	Total Amount
Subtotal	

Comments:	Balance Due:
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*Invoices and receipts should be scanned & emailed to the County Public Health Liaison.

*Contractor shall submit this exhibit, "Invoice Form"

Exhibit 4 – Invoice Form-for expenses incurred through	
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Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4740

Agenda #: 9.1

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

DEPARTMENT: Parks

FILE TYPE: Consent Action

TITLE

Authorization To Award Proposal And Execute Contract With Native Resource Preservation For Spring Lake Woodlands Restoration Project

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED

Authorize the award of proposal and execute contract with Native Resource Preservation (NRP) for restoration and enhancement at Spring Lake Park Reserve (SLPR).

SUMMARY

Background:

Dakota County’s Natural Resource Management System Plan (NRMSP) was adopted by Resolution No. 17-274 (May 9, 2017). The NRMSP determined that Parks Natural Resources shall restore the Dakota County Parks System’s natural areas per each Park Natural Resource Management Plan.

The SLPR Natural Resources Management Plan was adopted by Resolution No. 21-313 (June 22, 2021) and identified high-priority ecological restoration sites within the park.

Funding for this restoration work will be derived from the state Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund (ENRTF). By Resolution No. 23-130 (March 28, 2023), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized accepting the award and entering into an agreement with the state of Minnesota. Grant funding is available until June 30, 2028. Additional grant funds will be sought for contracted work occurring after that date (an estimated \$48,000). If no external funding is secured by the end of the existing ENRTF grant, Natural Resources Base Program Funding within the 2028 Parks Capital Improvement Program will be used to complete the contract, or the scope of the contract will be reduced to coincide with the existing grant funding.

Contract Information:

A request for proposals (RFP) was prepared and released on July 29, 2025, which will restore 56 acres of SLPR. Six proposals were received, as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Total Base Proposal Amount</u>
Native Resource Preservation	\$244,559.46
Landbridge Ecological	\$260,135.43
Resource Environmental Solutions	\$264,889.90
Stantec Consulting Services	\$350,704.03
Minnesota Native Landscapes	\$401,622.58
Prairie Restorations	\$431,835.60

The best value proposal was from NRP for \$244,559.46.

In addition to the base bid tasks, bids were received for alternate tasks that included additional prescribed burning, tree removal, and deadfall removal. NRP's proposal included a bid of \$39,874.30 for the alternate tasks.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends awarding the proposal and authorizing the execution of a contract with NRP for the Spring Lake Woodlands Restoration Project for the base and alternate tasks for a contract maximum of \$284,433.76.

EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACTS

Funding for this project is derived from the state ENRTF through June 30, 2028. If no additional external funding is secured by the end of the existing ENRTF grant, Natural Resources Base Program Funding within the 2028 Parks Capital Improvement Program will be used to complete the contract, or the scope of the contract will be reduced to coincide with the existing grant funding.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> None | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Current budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment Requested | | <input type="checkbox"/> New FTE(s) requested |

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Natural Resource Management System Plan adopted by Resolution No. 17-274 (May 9, 2017) determined that Parks Natural Resources shall restore the Dakota County Parks System's natural areas; and

WHEREAS, the Spring Lake Park Reserve (SLPR) Natural Resources Management Plan was adopted by Resolution No. 21-313 (June 22, 2021) and identified high-priority ecological restoration sites within the park; and

WHEREAS, funding for this restoration work will be derived from the state Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund (ENRTF) which was authorized by Resolution No. 23-130 (March 28, 2023); and

WHEREAS, grant funding is available until June 30, 2028, and additional grant funds will be sought for contracted work occurring after that date (an estimated \$48,000); and

WHEREAS, if no external funding is secured by the end of the existing ENRTF grant, Natural Resources Base Program Funding within the 2028 Parks Capital Improvement Program will be used to complete the contract, or the scope of the contract will be reduced to coincide with the existing grant funding; and

WHEREAS, a request for proposals was prepared and released on July 29, 2025, which will restore 56 acres of SLPR; and

WHEREAS, the best value proposal was from Native Resource Preservation (NRP) for \$244,559.46; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the base bid tasks, bids were received for alternate tasks that included additional prescribed burning, tree removal, and deadfall removal; and

WHEREAS, NRP's proposal included a bid of \$39,874.30 for the alternate tasks.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby awards the proposal to and authorizes the Parks Department Director to execute a contract with NRP for the Spring Lake Woodlands Restoration Project for the base and alternate tasks for a contract maximum of \$284,433.76, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

17-274; 5/9/17

21-313; 6/22/21

23-130; 3/28/23

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment: Project Boundary Map

BOARD GOALS

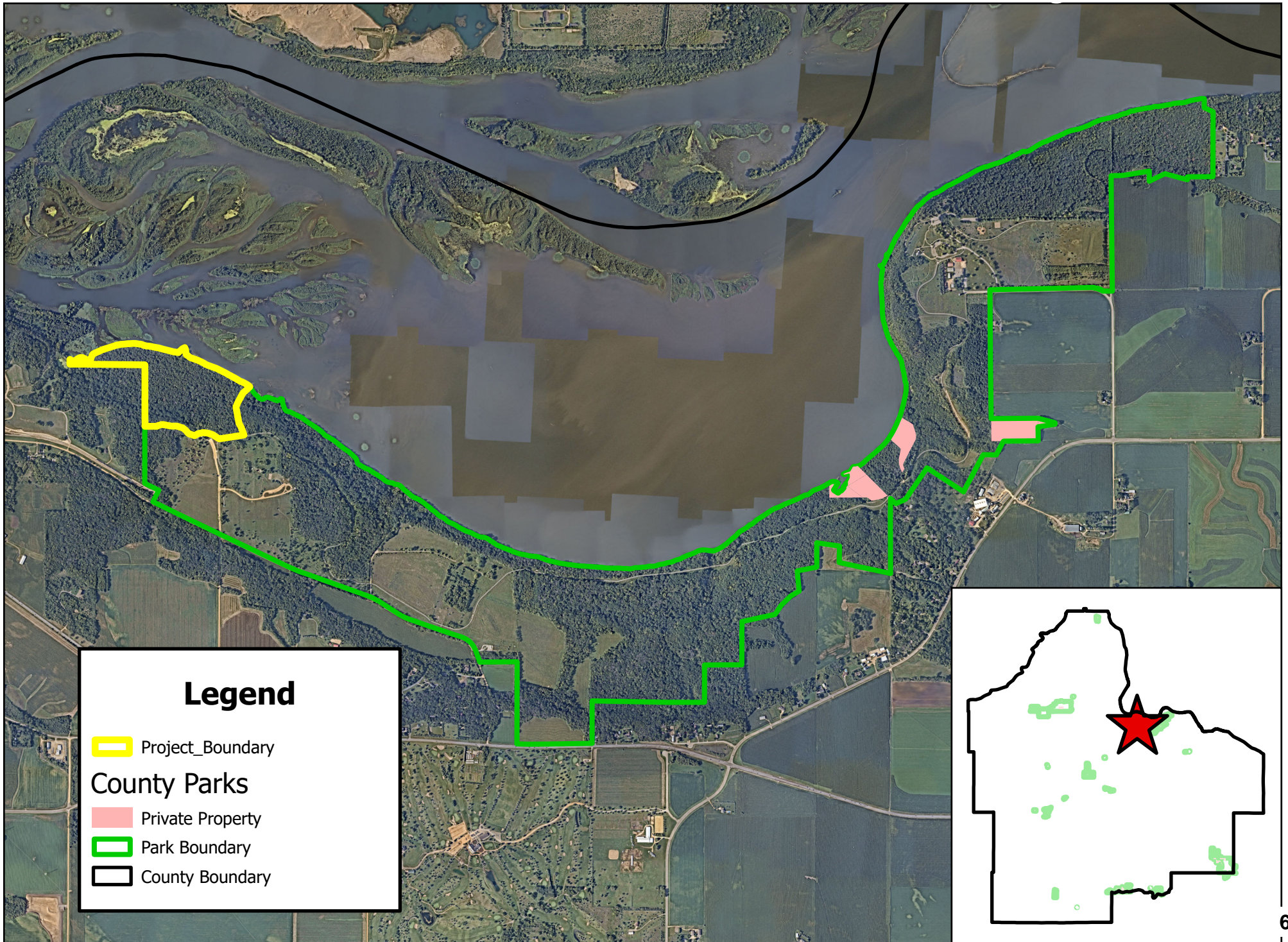
- ☐ Thriving People ☒ A Healthy Environment with Quality Natural Resources
☐ A Successful Place for Business and Jobs ☐ Excellence in Public Service

CONTACT

Department Head: Niki Geisler

Author: Scott Hagen

Attachment: Project Boundary





Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4780

Agenda #: 9.2

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

DEPARTMENT: Facilities Management

FILE TYPE: Consent Action

TITLE

Authorization To Amend Professional Services Contract With Leo A. Daly LLC For Wentworth Library Renovation

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED

Authorize amendment of a professional services contract with Leo A. Daly LLC to provide additional design services for the Wentworth Library Renovation.

SUMMARY

The 2024-2028 Building Capital Improvement Program Adopted Budget included a program to renovate the Dakota County branch libraries through a cycle over the next decade. After 17 years since the last major renovation in 2008, the Wentworth Library in West St. Paul will be the first to undergo renovation in this new cycle. Renovation work was intended to address mechanical and electrical system upgrades or equipment replacements, general interior upgrades such as furniture, fixtures, equipment, and finishes, code compliance and accessibility improvements, and other identified issues.

Capital Projects Management staff developed a Request for Proposals (RFP) to hire a design consultant for the project. This RFP included a preliminary project schedule for all project phases, including a five-month duration for construction work. This schedule was used by proposing design consultants as the basis for their fee proposal. After a unanimous decision, Leo A. Daly LLC was recommended to receive a professional services contract for this project. This selection was approved by the Dakota County Board of Commissioners through Resolution No. 24-105 (February 27, 2024).

A Core Planning Group, comprised of County staff, worked with Leo A. Daly LLC to confirm the project needs and work scope. The project schematic design was developed to include substantial interior renovation to meet new functional needs and substantial infrastructure upgrades to prolong building systems. The schematic design was presented to and approved by the County Board through Resolution No. 24-461 (September 24, 2024).

Following this approval, the remaining design work was completed, and the project was bid for construction in February 2025. Authorization to award the bid and execute a construction contract with Ebert Companies was approved by the County Board by Resolution No. 25-146 (March 25, 2025). Once the general contractor started efforts and provided a construction schedule for the project, staff realized the construction work would take longer than originally anticipated in the original proposal. The contractor's construction schedule demonstrated a construction duration of

nine months which aligns with the overall schedule for the renovation work and communication to the public. After review and consideration of the total work scope, it was determined that this longer construction duration was warranted and reasonable. To align with the longer construction schedule and the necessary construction administration services required, Leo A. Daly LLC has submitted a proposal for additional fees for the construction phase totaling \$58,446 (Attachment: Additional Services Request Letter).

After on-site construction work started, the true condition of some equipment and building elements was discovered. Contractors also discovered discrepancies between the bid documents and the actual conditions of underfloor plumbing and piping. To align with the project intent of updating major infrastructure and prolonging building life, Leo A. Daly LLC was directed to review and design replacements for select items, including mechanical side stream filters and exterior door assemblies, and to adjust the design for discovered underfloor piping conditions and necessary plumbing fixture changes. This work exceeded the original work scope, and thus, Leo A. Daly LLC has submitted a proposal for additional design services totaling \$9,105.

Together, Leo A. Daly LLC's additional services request totals \$67,551. This aligns with the hourly rate schedule provided by Leo A. Daly LLC as part of their original fee proposal. Based on the necessary construction phase duration increase and the work scope increase, staff believe this additional service request is reasonable.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that an amendment to the professional services contract with Leo A. Daly LLC to provide additional design services for the Wentworth Library Renovation be authorized in an amount not to exceed \$67,551, bringing their total contract value to \$569,351.

EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACTS

The total current project budget includes a project contingency and has sufficient funding to cover this contract amendment. This project is funded by recently issued County debt.

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the 2024-2028 Building Capital Improvement Program Adopted Budget includes a project to renovate the Wentworth Library as part of the next cycle of library renovation work; and

WHEREAS, Capital Projects Management issued a Request for Proposal to hire a design consultant that included a preliminary project schedule showing a five-month duration for construction; and

WHEREAS, proposing design consultants were asked to base their proposed fees on the project schedule included in the Request for Proposals; and

WHEREAS, Leo A. Daly LLC was selected and recommended to receive a professional services contract and was approved by the County Board by Resolution No. 24-105 (February 27, 2024); and

WHEREAS, a Core Planning Group and Leo A. Daly LLC confirmed the project needs and work scope and developed the schematic design; and

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

WHEREAS, the remaining design work was completed, the project was bid for construction, and the County Board approved the bid awarded to Ebert Companies by Resolution No. 25-146 (March 25, 2025); and

WHEREAS, the general contractor provided a construction schedule that demonstrated a nine-month duration for construction work, which was deemed to be reasonable; and

WHEREAS, upon the start of construction work, the true condition of existing equipment and building elements was discovered, along with discrepancies between the bid documents and the actual conditions; and

WHEREAS, County staff directed Leo A. Daly LLC to review and design replacements for select items to align with the project intent of updating major infrastructure and prolonging building life; and

WHEREAS, Leo A. Daly LLC has submitted a proposal for additional fees for the longer construction phase duration and additional requested design services totaling \$67,551; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds exist within the current project budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Facilities Management Director to execute a contract amendment to the professional services contract with Leo A. Daly LLC, 730 Second Avenue South, Suite 1300, Minneapolis, MN 55402, to provide additional design services for the Wentworth Library Renovation project, in an amount not to exceed \$67,551, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

24-105; 02/27/24

24-461; 09/24/24

25-146; 03/25/25

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment: Additional Services Request Letter

BOARD GOALS

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☐ A Successful Place for Business and Jobs ☒ Excellence in Public Service

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August 6, 2025

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RE: Wentworth Library Refresh: Request for Additional Compensation for
Extended Construction Phase Schedule and Additional Scope

Trish,

This letter is in follow-up to our recent conversations regarding two areas where we observe the need for design services beyond the currently contracted amounts. These areas include A) Construction Administration (CA) duration, B) Miscellaneous scope changes. In summary detail, those three items consist of the following.

A) Construction Administration (CA) Duration

The original RFP had a stated Construction Duration that started in March 2025 and extended through July 2025. This amounted to a 5-month duration and is what the LEO A DALY's team used as a basis in determining our fees for services.

The current contractor schedule shows construction beginning May 2025 and extending through January 23, 2026. This is a total of 9 months and an increase of 4 months over the original RFP.

This construction schedule extension will affect certain activities but not others. For example, we've excluded Project Close-out efforts from this request. While the proposed close-out period is only marginally longer than the original RFP and our effort should be generally unchanged. Also, it's unlikely that shop drawing reviews would be impacted.

The extension in construction phase activities will, however, increase LEO A DALY's effort with regular ongoing activities including but not limited to attendance at OAC meetings, site progress visits, providing supplemental requests, processing change orders and providing ongoing correspondence and review and processing of contractor pay applications.

Averaging out the work spread over this duration, we calculate that the original contract value for CA services of \$73,058 / 5 months = \$14,612 per month. Given the longer duration, using this average, \$14,612 x 9 months = \$131,504. The

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difference between the original duration and the longer duration = \$131,504 - \$73,058 = \$58,446. We are thereby requesting an additional **\$58,446.00** to cover the extended construction schedule.

B) Miscellaneous Scope Changes

In addition, the owner team has recently requested additional design services including mechanical side stream filters, plumbing fixture changes, break room changes, revised room numbering, and addition of the east door to the project. Design time for these, utilizing hourly rates as set forth in the contract, and with quantities of hours as discussed, totals **\$13,640**.

Reimbursable Expenses

We originally proposed a value for reimbursable expenses for the project which is included in the current contract total. At this point in the project, we will not use all of those funds for reimbursable expenses. We request to reallocate \$4,535 of the reimbursable expense funds to fees. This amount will offset the request for additional fees as summarized above.

Taking the three above times together, we formally submit this additional services request of **\$67,551** as an amendment to invoice our contract amount for services.

We welcome the opportunity to discuss this at your convenience.

Sincerely,



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Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4774

Agenda #: 9.3

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

DEPARTMENT: Transportation

FILE TYPE: Consent Action

TITLE

Authorization To Purchase Salt Materials Through 2025-2026 State Road Salt Contract

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED

Authorize the purchase of salt through the 2025-2026 State Road Salt Contract (SRSC).

SUMMARY

To provide a safe and efficient transportation system, Dakota County (County) uses salt materials to assist with winter snow and ice control on County highways. To secure the lowest prices for road salt, the County purchases road salt from the vendor selected pursuant to the SRSC. The State solicitation for road salt for the 2025-2026 snow and ice season has been issued. The County may participate by committing to purchase at least 80 percent, but no more than 120 percent, of the County's estimated quantity of road salt needed between June 2025 and May 2026.

Dakota County historically purchased 13,000 tons through the SRSC. In 2018, the amount of salt purchased was reduced to 10,000 tons based on salt usage from the previous five years. This reduction was due to better application methods and lower snowfall amounts. The previous winter season had only 21 events, resulting in full salt sheds. The proposed amount is 3,500 tons of road salt for the County with an estimated unit price of \$112.17 per ton through the State contract. Last year's price was \$103 per ton.

In addition, it is estimated that other units of local government that the County has a cooperative purchasing agreement with for salt will purchase 1,500 tons of salt from the County, totaling \$168,255, which will be paid for by those agencies. Typically, other local units of government purchase 2,000 to 3,000 tons of salt from the County each snow and ice season.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends authorization to purchase 5,000 tons of road salt at an estimated price of \$560,870 through the 2025-2026 SRSC.

EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACTS

Sufficient funds for the salt purchase are included in the 2025 Transportation Operating Adopted Budget. However, the SRSC runs from June 2025 through May 2026, and funds have not yet been budgeted for salt that is to be purchased pursuant to the 2025-2026 SRSC for use in 2026. Funds for salt will be included in the 2026 County Manager's recommended budget.

☐ None ☐ Current budget ☒ Other

☐ Amendment Requested☐ New FTE(s) requested**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, in order to provide a safe and efficient transportation system and secure the lowest prices for road salt, the County purchases road salt from the vendor selected pursuant to the State Road Salt Contract (SRSC) process; and

WHEREAS, the SRSC for the 2026 snow and ice season was issued in May 2025; and

WHEREAS, the County may participate in the solicitation by committing to an estimated quantity of road salt to purchase to assist with winter snow and ice control on County Highways; and

WHEREAS, the County-proposed salt use was reduced from 13,000 tons to 10,000 tons in 2018; and

WHEREAS, due to only 21 snow events last season, only 3,500 tons are proposed for County use; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of 3,500 tons for the County's use is \$392,615 with an estimated unit price of \$112.17 per ton through the SRSC; and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that the other units of government that the County has cooperative purchasing agreements with for salt will purchase 1500 tons of salt from the County, totaling \$168,255, which will be paid for by those agencies; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends authorization of participation in the 2025-2026 SRSC process to purchase 3,500 tons of road salt for the County's use at an estimated cost of \$392,615 and 1500 tons of salt for other agencies' at an estimated cost of \$168,255.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Transportation Director to purchase 5,000 tons of road salt from June 2025 to May 2026 in the amount of \$560,870 through the State Road Salt Contract.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

None.

ATTACHMENTS

None.

BOARD GOALS

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Author: Todd Howard



Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4796

Agenda #: 9.4

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

DEPARTMENT: Transportation

FILE TYPE: Consent Action

TITLE

Authorization To Initiate Quick-Take Condemnation For County State Aid Highway 42 (145th Street) At Trunk Highway 52 For Interchange Improvements In City Of Rosemount, County Project 42-174

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED

Authorize quick-take condemnation of right of way necessary for County Project (CP) 42-174 in the City of Rosemount.

SUMMARY

To provide a safe and efficient transportation system throughout the County and the region, Dakota County, the City of Rosemount, and the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) are partnering on CP 42-174 to improve the existing interchange located at the intersection of County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 42 and US Trunk Highway (TH) 52 (Attachment: Project Location Map). Project work includes signalization of the TH 52 and CSAH 42 ramps, turn lane additions, and geometric modifications. Construction is scheduled for 2026.

The County Board previously approved the right of way acquisition for projects included in the 2025 Transportation Capital Improvement Program by Resolution No. 25-052 (January 21, 2025). This board action included authorization to make first offers based on appraised values and delegated settlement authority to the County Manager.

Dakota County is the lead agency for CP 42-174 design and right of way acquisition. Acquisition of right of way from two private parcels is needed to move forward with CP 42-174. Valbridge Property Advisers has completed appraisals with a total appraised value of \$14,200. Offers were sent to property owners on August 5, 2025. County staff is currently in ongoing direct negotiations with property owners to reach a settlement.

If timely acquisition by direct negotiation of all required parcels does not appear possible, staff recommends that the County Board authorize the County Attorney's Office to initiate quick-take condemnation of the remaining parcels. Efforts will be made to negotiate agreeable settlements before and after the start of the condemnation process.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends authorization for potential condemnation for right of way necessary for CP 42-174.

EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACTS

The 2025 Adopted Transportation Capital Improvement Program budget includes \$4,750,000 for the project. Sufficient funding is available for the necessary right of way acquisitions.

- ☐ None ☒ Current budget ☐ Other
☐ Amendment Requested ☐ New FTE(s) requested

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, to provide a safe and efficient transportation system, Dakota County is proceeding with County Project (CP) 42-174; and

WHEREAS, CP 42-174 is the final design engineering to improve the existing interchange located at the intersection of County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 42 and US Trunk Highway (TH) 52 in the city of Rosemount; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County is the lead agency for CP 42-174, with right of way acquisition necessary in 2025 for construction to begin in the spring of 2026; and

WHEREAS, the County has been utilizing public engagement for this project, which was initiated with a public open house hosted on August 25, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the following acquisitions are necessary to proceed with CP 42-174:

Parcel 1- Carey Rechtzigel and Leslie Rechtzigel, 34-02500-75-011Highway Easement, 2,865 square feet

A permanent easement for highway purposes over, under, and across that part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 115 North, Range 19 West, Dakota County, Minnesota, lying southerly of the southerly right of way line of County State Aid Highway No. 42, westerly of the westerly right of way line of U.S. Highway No. 52, and lying easterly and northerly of the following described line:

Commencing at the northeast corner of said Southeast Quarter; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 29 seconds West, assumed bearing along the north line of said Southeast Quarter, a distance of 685.37 feet; thence South 12 degrees 32 minutes 47 seconds East a distance of 87.30 feet to the southerly right of way line of County State Aid Highway No. 42 and the point of beginning of the line to be described; thence continuing South 12 degrees 32 minutes 47 seconds East a distance of 14.15 feet; thence South 89 degrees 55 minutes 29 seconds East a distance of 204.93 feet to the westerly right of way line of United States Highway No. 52 and said line there terminating.

Temporary Easement 5,002 square feet

A temporary easement for highway purposes over, under, and across that part of the Southeast Quarter of Section 25, Township 115 North, Range 19 West, Dakota County, Minnesota, described as follows:

Commencing at the northeast corner of said Southeast Quarter; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 29 seconds West, assumed bearing along the north line of said Southeast Quarter, a distance of

685.37 feet; thence South 12 degrees 32 minutes 47 seconds East a distance of 87.30 feet to the southerly right of way line of County State Aid Highway No. 42; thence continuing South 12 degrees 32 minutes 47 seconds East a distance of 14.15 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 89 degrees 55 minutes 29 seconds East a distance of 204.93 feet to the westerly right of way line of U.S. Highway No. 52; thence South 12 degrees 32 minutes 17 seconds East along said westerly right of way line a distance of 5.12 feet; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 29 seconds West a distance of 90.20 feet; thence South 12 degrees 41 minutes 48 seconds West a distance of 56.36 feet; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 29 seconds West a distance of 60.00 feet; thence North 12 degrees 32 minutes 47 seconds West a distance of 56.36 feet; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 29 seconds West a distance of 30.10 feet; thence North 12 degrees 32 minutes 47 seconds West a distance of 5.12 feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel 2- Carey Rechtzigel and Leslie Rechtzigel, 34-03000-55-020

Temporary Easement 3,022 square feet

A temporary easement for highway purposes over, under, and across that part of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter all in Section 30, Township 115 North, Range 18 West, Dakota County, Minnesota, EXCEPT The West 270.00 feet of the East 350.00 feet of the South 300.00 feet of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 30, Township 115 North, Range 18 West; and EXCEPT the East 80.00 feet of the Northwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 30, Township 115 North, Range 18 West.

Said temporary easement described as follows:

Beginning at the southwest corner of Parcel 12 as shown on Dakota County Right of Way Map No. 340, according to the recorded map thereof; thence South 89 degrees 31 minutes 06 seconds East, assumed bearing along the south line of said Parcel 12 a distance of 485.47 feet; thence South 00 degrees 28 minutes 54 seconds East a distance of 5.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 31 minutes 06 seconds West a distance of 451.78 feet; thence South 52 degrees 04 minutes 10 seconds West a distance of 54.64 feet to the easterly right of way line of U.S. Highway No. 52 as described in Book 268 of Deeds, Page 507; thence North 13 degrees 39 minutes 26 seconds West along said easterly right of way line a distance of 40.00 feet to the point of beginning; and

WHEREAS, the parcels have been appraised, and offers were prepared and sent for a total appraised value of \$14,200; and

WHEREAS, in the event that timely acquisition by direct negotiation of all required parcels does not appear possible, it may become necessary for the County Board to authorize the County Attorney's Office to initiate quick-take condemnation of the remaining parcels to allow for a spring 2026 start date; and

WHEREAS, parcels that have been settled through negotiation prior to the date required for filing the condemnation petition will not be included.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County Attorney's Office to initiate quick-take condemnation of the remaining parcels to allow a spring 2026 start date in the event that timely acquisitions by direct negotiations of all

parcels do not appear possible.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

25-052; 01/21/25

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment: Project Location Map

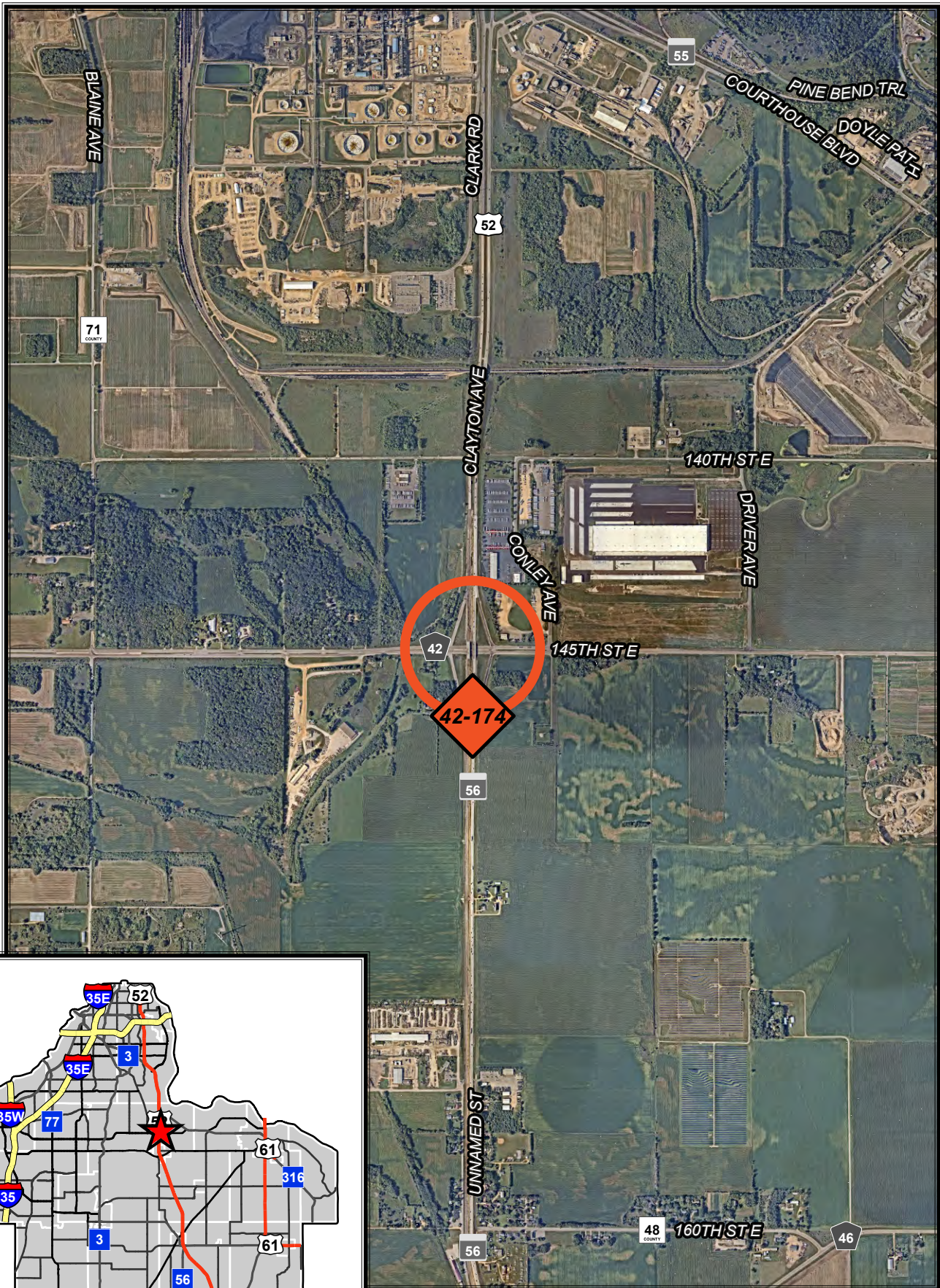
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CONTACT

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Author: Imran Ahmed



County Project 42-174



Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4797

Agenda #: 9.5

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

DEPARTMENT: Transportation

FILE TYPE: Consent Action

TITLE

Authorization To Execute Contract With Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. For Final Design And Engineering Services On County State Aid Highway 26 From Trunk Highway 3 To Cahill Avenue In Inver Grove Heights, County Projects 26-60 And 26-68

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED

Authorize execution of a contract with Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. for final design and engineering services for County Projects (CP) 26-60 and 26-68 on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 26 in Inver Grove Heights.

SUMMARY

To provide a safe and efficient transportation system, Dakota County and the City of Inver Grove Heights are proceeding with CP 26-60 and CP 26-68 on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 26 in Inver Grove Heights. County Project 26-60 is a planned reconstruction of a 1.0-mile segment of CSAH 26, expanding it from two lanes to three and adding storm sewer and multiuse trail. County Project 26-68 will perform a pavement replacement on a 0.9-mile segment of CSAH 26, reduce the roadway from five lanes to three, and construct a multiuse trail on the north side of the roadway (Attachment: Project Map). Both projects will also address traffic safety, access management, and pedestrian accommodations, and include extensions of city utilities. Preliminary plans for both projects were completed in August 2025.

A request for proposals for design services was issued on July 29, 2025, to three qualified consulting firms. Two proposals were received by the deadline of August 20, 2025. County staff and City of Inver Grove Heights staff evaluated the proposals and reached agreement on the proposal submitted by Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. (Kimley-Horn) as the most responsive to the scope of work. Kimley-Horn was selected as the preferred engineering consultant based on cost, project understanding, staff experience, and proposed approach to the work (Attachment: Consultant Evaluation Summary). The final design process is expected to begin in late September 2025, with completion by November 2026.

Two firms submitted proposals with the following estimated total and hourly costs:

- Kimley-Horn; \$852,359; \$171.50 per hour
- WSB; \$611,542; \$153.38 per hour

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends execution of a contract with Kimley-Horn for professional services for CP 26-60 and CP 26-68 based on the quality and cost-effectiveness of their proposal and ability to successfully complete the scope of work for final design.

EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACTS

The adopted 2025 Transportation Capital Improvement Program includes \$510,000 and \$340,000 for final design work for CPs 26-60 and 26-68, respectively, with an additional \$150,000 match from Inver Grove Heights to provide sufficient funding for final design

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Dakota County has included County Projects 26-60 and 26-68 in its Transportation Capital Improvement Program to redesign County State Aid Highway 26 (70th Street) in Inver Grove Heights; and

WHEREAS, County Project 26-60 is a planned reconstruction of a portion of County State Aid Highway 26 between Trunk Highway 3 and County State Aid Highway 73 in Inver Grove Heights and includes an expansion to three lanes, construction of stormwater sewer, construction of multiuse trail, extension of city utilities, and traffic safety and access management improvements; and

WHEREAS, County Project 26-68 will perform pavement rehabilitation on a portion of County State Aid Highway 26 between County State Aid Highway 73 and Cahill Avenue in Inver Grove Heights and include a reduction from five lanes to three, construction of multiuse trail, extension of city utilities, and traffic safety and access management improvements; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County is the lead agency for County Projects 26-60 and 26-68; and

WHEREAS, a request for proposals was released on July 29, 2025, to complete final design engineering for both projects; and

WHEREAS, two responses were received from qualified proposers; and

WHEREAS, Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. (Kimley-Horn) was identified as the most responsive to the request for proposals; and

WHEREAS, staff from the City of Inver Grove Heights participated in the proposal evaluation and concurs with this recommendation; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends execution of a contract with Kimley-Horn for final design and engineering consulting services for County Project 26-60 and County Project 26-68 for actual costs not to exceed \$852,359; and

WHEREAS, the funds allocated to County Project 26-60 and County Project 26-68 in the 2023 Capital Improvement Program Budget are not sufficient to cover costs for final design and engineering, and a budget amendment is necessary to proceed with a consultant contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Transportation Director to execute a contract with Kimley-Horn & Associates, Inc. to complete final design and engineering services necessary to complete the design of improvements to 70th Street in Inver Grove Heights in an amount not to exceed \$852,359, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

24-153; 3/26/24

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment: Project Map

Attachment: Evaluation Summary

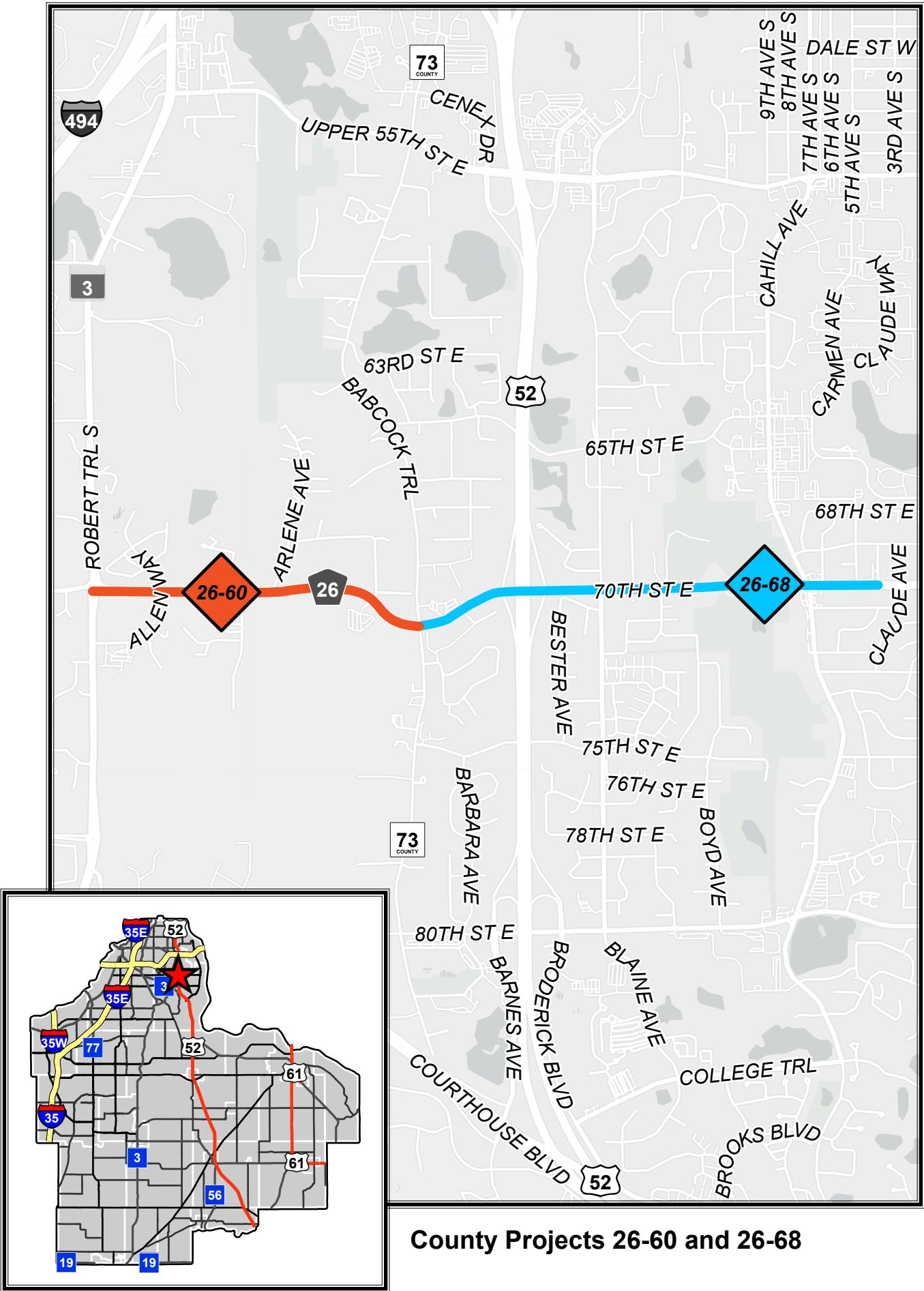
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Author: Joe Morneau



Consultant Selection Information for County Projects 26-60 and 26-68

Project Information

Project Purpose: These projects jointly aim to modernize CSAH 26 between TH3 and Cahill Avenue in Inver Grove Heights with reconstruction the western portion (CP 26-60) and performing a pavement reclamation and lane reduction on the eastern portion (CP 26-68), resulting in a three-lane facility on the entire extent. The projects will also construct multiuse trail, expand stormwater sewer and city utilities, and address known safety and access management concerns.

Deliverables: Project management, quality management plan, public and agency involvement, corridor survey and right of way needs, environmental review and permitting, utility coordination, plan production, bidding preparation, right of way acquisition support, grant writing

Public and Agency Engagement: Activities for public engagement will include two open houses, content for the project web page, multiple resident/property owner meetings, and up to two agency presentations. The consultant is responsible for creating all communication materials for public involvement.

Schedule:

- Final design: September 2025 through November 2026
- Right of way acquisition: through November 2026
- Construction: Spring 2027 through Fall 2028

Consultant Selection Summary

Request for Proposals (RFP): An RFP for the Final Design was released on July 29, 2025, with proposals due on August 20, 2025. The RFP was sent to three firms: Bolton & Menk, WSB and Kimley-Horn. County staff had discussed the project with each firm and all indicated interest. After reviewing the RFP and completed preliminary plans, Bolton & Menk elected to not submit a proposal. WSB and Kimley-Horn submitted proposals by the deadline.

Review Process: Proposals were reviewed by staff from Dakota County and Inver Grove Heights and assigned scores. The reviewers met on August 27, 2025 to discuss the scoring and select a preferred consultant.

Evaluation Results: Both WSB and Kimley-Horn were responsive to the requirements of the RFP, including project management capabilities, demonstrated success in related projects, and costs. Evaluation of the proposals were made on these criteria, in addition to overall project understanding and approach for individual tasks.

Summary of Proposed Costs:

Proposer	Cost/Hour	Total Hours	Total Cost
Kimley-Horn	\$171.50	4,970	\$852,359
WSB	\$153.38	3,987	\$611,542

Recommendation and Summary: The project review team recommends selection of Kimley-Horn as the consultant for final design of CP 26-60/26-68 as their proposal more thoroughly understands the tasks necessary to deliver final plans and documentation needed to advertise construction of the project, and better anticipates the efforts needed to advance key components of the project, including retaining wall design, stormwater facilities, and construction sequencing. The proposal submitted by WSB included personnel capable of completing the work scope, but lacked an understanding of the challenges that remain to deliver final plans that will aid in what is expected to be a complex construction process.



Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4798

Agenda #: 9.6

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

DEPARTMENT: Transportation

FILE TYPE: Consent Action

TITLE

Approval Of Final Plats Recommended By Plat Commission

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED

Approve final plats contiguous to County Roads as recommended by the Plat Commission.

SUMMARY

To provide for the orderly development of property in Dakota County, new subdivisions adjoining County highways are reviewed under the Dakota County Contiguous Plat Ordinance No. 108. The Ordinance requires new subdivisions adjoining County highways to comply with the County's access spacing and right of way guidelines in order that existing and future highway corridors are preserved to accommodate existing and forecasted traffic volumes safely and efficiently.

The Plat Commission examines plats prior to the time they are submitted for County Board approval. The Plat Commission has reviewed and recommends approval of the final plats by the County Board. The final plat approval by the County Board is subject to the conditions established by the Plat Commission review (Attachments: Meeting Notes and Location Maps).

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the final plats by the County Board as recommended by the Plat Commission.

EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACTS

- ☒ None ☐ Current budget ☐ Other
☐ Amendment Requested ☐ New FTE(s) requested

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, new subdivisions adjoining County highways are reviewed under the Dakota County Contiguous Plat Ordinance No. 108; and

WHEREAS, the Plat Commission examines plats prior to County Board approval; and

WHEREAS, the Plat Commission has reviewed and recommends approval of the final plats by the County Board; and

WHEREAS, the final plat approval by the County Board is subject to the conditions established by

the Plat Commission review; and

WHEREAS, the following plats below require approval by their respective City Council prior to the recording of the plats.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the following final plats:

MARKETPLACE AT CEDAR
NORTHCREEK SECOND ADDITION

LAKEVILLE
LAKEVILLE

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

None.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment: Meeting Notes

Attachment: Location Maps

BOARD GOALS

- ☐ Thriving People ☐ A Healthy Environment with Quality Natural Resources
☐ A Successful Place for Business and Jobs ☒ Excellence in Public Service

CONTACT

Department Head: Erin Laberee

Author: Todd Tollefson

DAKOTA COUNTY PLAT COMMISSION MEETING SUMMARY

August 13, 2025

The Plat Commission meeting began at 1:30 pm via Teams. Members present included: Todd Tollefson, Scott Peters, Kurt Chatfield, and Jake Chapek. Others present: Todd Bentley

Plat Name:	MARKETPLACE AT CEDAR
FKA:	LAKEVILLE RETAIL DEVELOPMENT
PID:	220100051014
City:	Lakeville
County Road:	CSAH 23 (Cedar Ave.) / CR 9 (179 th St. W.)
Current ADT (2021):	21,800 / tbd
Projected ADT (2040):	39,000 / tbd
Current Type:	4-lane, divided / 4-lane, divided
Proposed Type:	6-lane, divided / 4-lane, divided
R/W Guideline:	100ft (½ R/W) / 75ft (½ R/W)
Spacing Guideline:	½ mile full access / tbd
Posted Speed Limit:	55 mph / tbd
Proposed Use:	Commercial
Status:	Final
Location:	Sec. SW ¼ 10-114-20
In attendance (10/26/22):	Kris Jensen (city); Alex Jordan (city)
In attendance (06/05/24):	Kris Jensen (city); Jonathan Nelson (city); Tina Goodroad (city)
In attendance (11/06/24):	Kris Jensen (city); Zach Johnson (city); Jay Moore (developer); Mitchell Cookas
In attendance (08/13/25):	Kris Jensen (city); Jonathon Nelson (city); Jay Moore (developer); Mitchell Cookas (engineer)

REVIEW 10/26/22:

The proposed site includes two lots with apartment buildings along with two outlots. The right-of-way needs along CSAH 23 are 100 feet of half right of way, which is shown on the plat. The right-of-way needs along Future CR 9 (179th Street) are 75 feet of half right of way. The plat includes 60 feet of half right of way; therefore, the plat should dedicate an additional 15-feet along Outlots A and B. There is no access along CSAH 23 and access along Future CR (179th Street) will be discussed with a replat of Outlot A. As discussed, a right-in/right-out access to Outlot A would not be allowed in the future; however, a right-in only access may be allowed. A quit claim deed to Dakota County for restricted access along CSAH 23 should accompany the recording of the plat mylars.

RECOMMENDATION 10/26/22:

The Plat Commission has approved the preliminary plat provided that the described conditions are met. The Ordinance requires submittal of a final plat for review by the Plat Commission before a recommendation is made to the County Board of Commissioners.

REVIEW 06/05/24:

The proposed site includes retail development on the north portion of the property and future apartments on the southern portion of the Devney property. The right-of-way needs along CSAH 23 are 100 feet of half right of way, which is shown on the plat. The right-of-way needs along Future CR 9 (179th Street) are 75 feet of half right of way. There is no access along CSAH 23. There is one access opening shown on Future CR 9 (179th Street) between Glacier Way and CSAH 23. As discussed, a right-in/right-out access would not be allowed; however, a right-in only access would be allowed at this time. The Plat Commission recommends a traffic study on the Devney property to understand impacts to the 179th Street/Glacier Way intersection.

REVIEW 11/06/24:

The proposed plat includes retail development on the north portion of the Devney property with two future outlots on the south portion of the property. The future outlots are planned for potential apartments on the remaining Devney property. The right-of-way needs along CSAH 23 are 100 feet of half right of way, which is shown on the plat. The right-of-way needs along CSAH 9 (179th Street) are 75 feet of half right of way, which is shown on the plat. There is one access shown on CSAH 9 (179th Street) between Glacier Way and CSAH 23 as a right-in only access. The location of the access opening will be determined after review of a traffic study. A right turn lane will be required through the permitting process for the right-turn only access. As noted, the Plat Commission is requiring a traffic study of the site area for review by the Transportation Department to understand impacts to the 179th Street/Glacier Way intersection, proper location of the right turn only access, and turn lane queuing.

RECOMMENDATION 11/06/24:

The Plat Commission has approved the preliminary plat provided that the described conditions are met. The Ordinance requires submittal of a final plat for review by the Plat Commission before a recommendation is made to the County Board of Commissioners.

REVIEW 08/13/25:

The proposed final plat includes retail development on the north portion of the Devney property with two future outlots on the south portion of the property. The right-of-way needs along CSAH 23 are 100 feet of half right of way, which is shown on the plat. The right-of-way needs along CSAH 9 (179th Street) are 75 feet of half right of way, which is shown on the plat. There is one access shown on CSAH 9 (179th Street) between Glacier Way and CSAH 23 as a right-in only access. As noted, with the existing median opening at this location, the right-in only access should be modified and reviewed by the County design team to limit left turn movements and cross traffic from Cub Foods into the development.

There is one right-in/right-out access along CSAH 23, which does not meet access spacing guidelines; however, the traffic study did show a benefit to the County road system with the existing conditions/traffic along CSAH 9 (179th Street).

Restricted access should be shown along all of CSAH 23 except for one access opening and all along CSAH 9 except for one access opening. A quit claim deed to Dakota County is required for access restriction along CSAH 23 and CSAH 9 at the time of recording the plat mylars.

RECOMMENDATION 08/13/25:

The Plat Commission has approved the final plat provided that the described conditions are met and will recommend approval to the County Board of Commissioners.

Plat Name:	NORTH CREEK SECOND ADDITION
PID:	225208000050
City:	Lakeville
County Road:	CSAH 31 (Pilot Knob Rd.)
Current ADT (2021):	21,672
Projected ADT (2040):	33,000
Current Type:	4-lane, divided
Proposed Type:	6-lane
R/W Guideline:	100ft (½ R/W)
Spacing Guideline:	½ mile full access
Posted Speed Limit:	55 mph
Proposed Use:	Residential
Status:	Preliminary
Location:	NW ¼ ; Sec. 12-114-20
In attendance (08/13/25):	Luke Israelson (developer - KC Walk); Kris Jenson (city); Jonathon Nelson (city)

REVIEW 08/13/25:

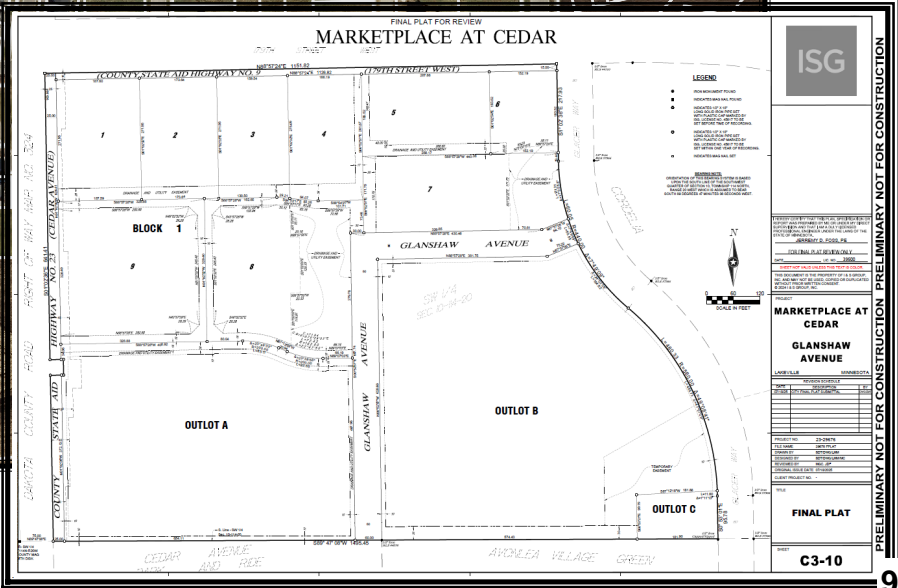
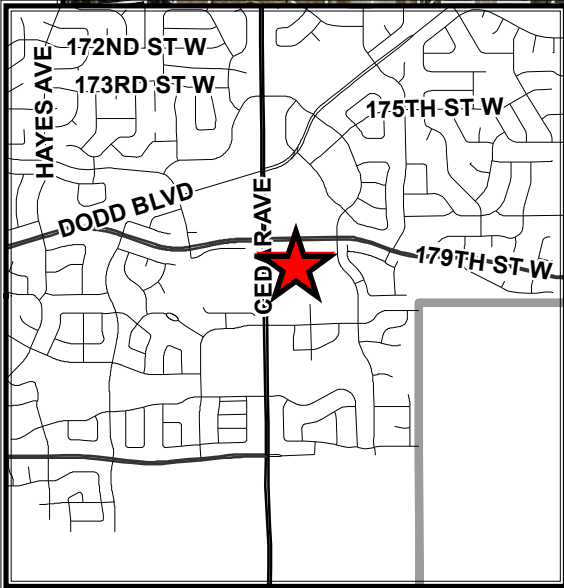
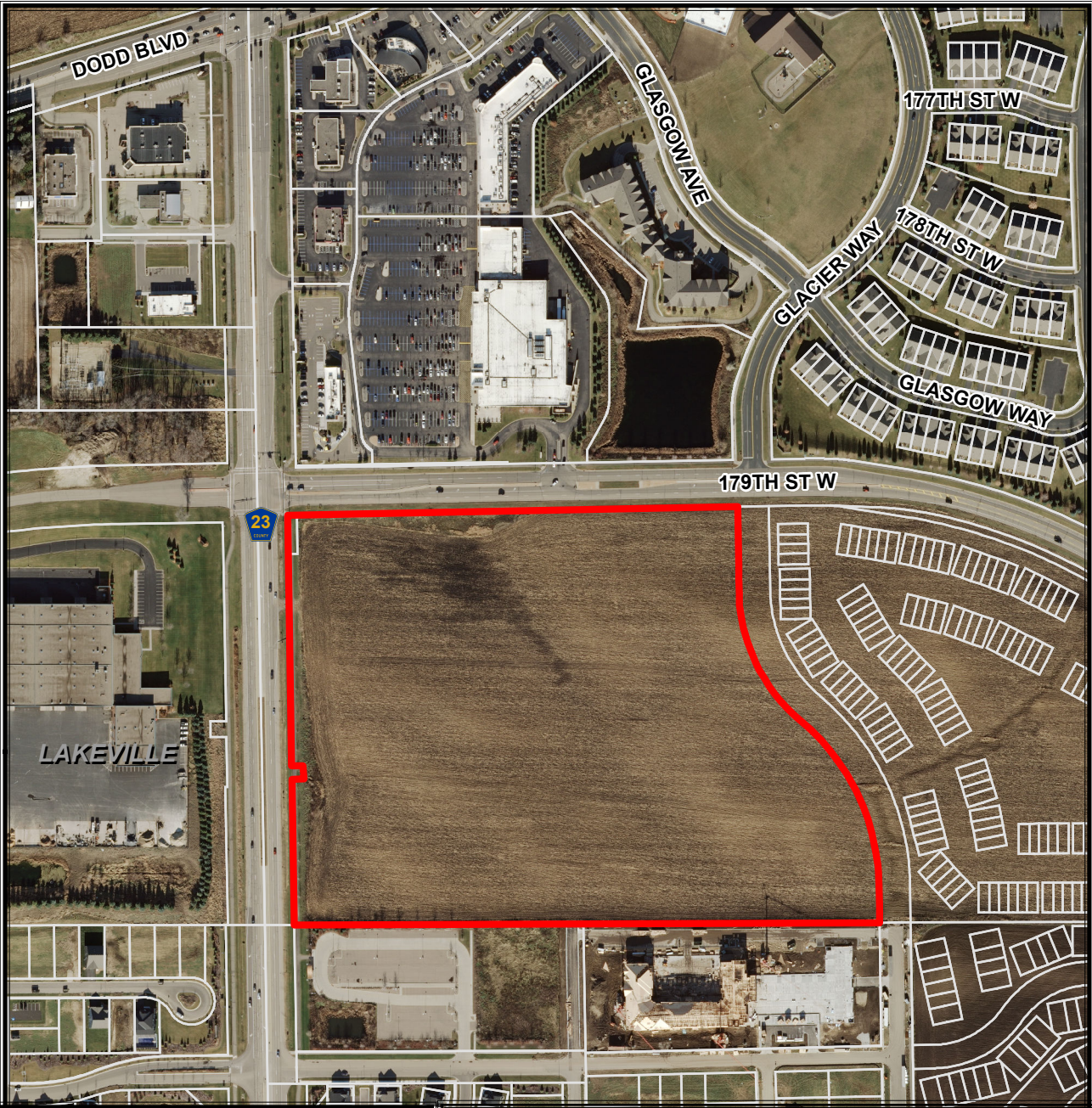
The proposed plat is a replat of Outlot E, NORTH CREEK. The future right of way needs are 100 feet of half right of way along CSAH 31. The plat includes the proper road dedication along CSAH 31. Restricted access is shown along all of Outlot E. There were no other comments.

RECOMMENDATION 08/13/25:

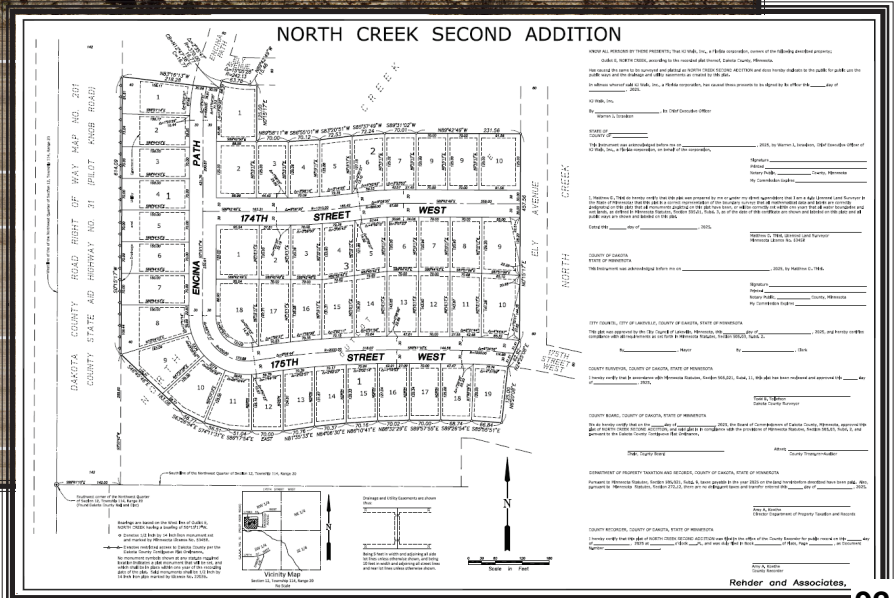
The Plat Commission has approved the preliminary and final plat and will recommend approval to the County Board of Commissioners.

MARKETPLACE AT CEDAR

Prepared by Dakota County Physical Development Division



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Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4816

Agenda #: 9.7

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

DEPARTMENT: Transportation

FILE TYPE: Consent Action

TITLE

Authorization To Execute Joint Powers Agreement With City Of Inver Grove Heights For Preliminary Engineering Of County State Aid Highway 28 Alignment Study From Trunk Highway 3 To Austin Way In Inver Grove Heights, County Project 28-048

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED

Authorize execution of a joint powers agreement (JPA) with the City of Inver Grove Heights to establish roles, responsibilities, and cost share for County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 28 preliminary engineering to establish the preferred realignment and right of way needs between Trunk Highway (TH) 3 and Austin Way in Inver Grove Heights, County Project (CP) 28-048.

SUMMARY

To provide a safe and efficient transportation system, Dakota County, in partnership with the City of Inver Grove Heights, is proceeding with CP 28-048. County Project 28-048 is a realignment of CSAH 28 from the existing roundabout at TH 3 to Austin Way. The realignment of CSAH 28 east of TH 3 is identified in the Dakota County 2040 Transportation Plan as a future County highway alignment and has been dependent on development pressure within this area of Inver Grove Heights. This future realignment and abandonment of the existing portion of CSAH 28 will provide a more efficient transportation system and will eliminate offset intersections that do not meet access spacing guidelines for the trunk highway system. The realignment would add an eastern leg to the existing TH 3 and CSAH 28 (Amana Trail) three-legged roundabout. The City of Inver Grove Heights has elected to lead the preliminary engineering study to assist in guiding future development within this region of the City.

A JPA between Dakota County and the City of Inver Grove Heights is necessary to outline roles, responsibilities and cost participation for the preliminary engineering phase of CP 28-048. Cost participation will be in accordance with Dakota County's 2040 Transportation Plan (July 2021) expansion cost share policy.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends authorization to execute a JPA with the City of Inver Grove Heights to formalize cost contributions and responsibilities for the preliminary engineering study phase of CP 28-048.

EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACTS

The 2025 Transportation Capital Improvement Program Adopted Budget includes \$137,500 representing Dakota County's 55 percent share of the anticipated cost for the preliminary engineering consultant contract. Sufficient funds exist for the execution of the JPA.

- ☐ None ☒ Current budget ☐ Other
☐ Amendment Requested ☐ New FTE(s) requested

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, to provide a safe and efficient transportation system, Dakota County and the City of Inver Grove Heights are jointly partnering on County Project (CP) 28-048 for preliminary design to establish the preferred design and anticipated right of way needs for County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 28 between Trunk Highway (TH) 3 and Austin Way; and

WHEREAS, CP 28-048 is a realignment of CSAH 28 from the existing roundabout at TH 3 to Austin Way; and

WHEREAS, the realignment of CSAH 28 east of TH 3 is identified in the Dakota County 2040 Transportation Plan as a future County highway alignment and has been dependent on development pressure within this area of Inver Grove Heights; and

WHEREAS, the City of Inver Grove Heights and the County are jointly participating in the project with Inver Grove Heights leading the preliminary engineering study to identify the preferred horizontal alignment, vertical profile, and right of way needs; and

WHEREAS, under Minn. Stat § 162.17, subd. 1 and 471.59, subd. 1. Two governmental units may enter into an agreement to cooperatively exercise any power common to the contracting parties, and one of the participating governmental units may exercise one of its powers on behalf of the other governmental units; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends execution of a joint powers agreement with the City of Inver Grove Heights to memorialize roles, responsibilities, and cost share for CP 28-048; and

WHEREAS, cost share for CP 28-048 will adhere to Dakota County's Transportation Plan (July 2021) cost share policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Physical Development Director to execute a joint powers agreement between Dakota County and the City of Inver Grove Heights for preliminary engineering of County State Aid Highway 28 from Trunk Highway 3 east to Austin Way, County Project 28-048.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

None.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment: Location Map

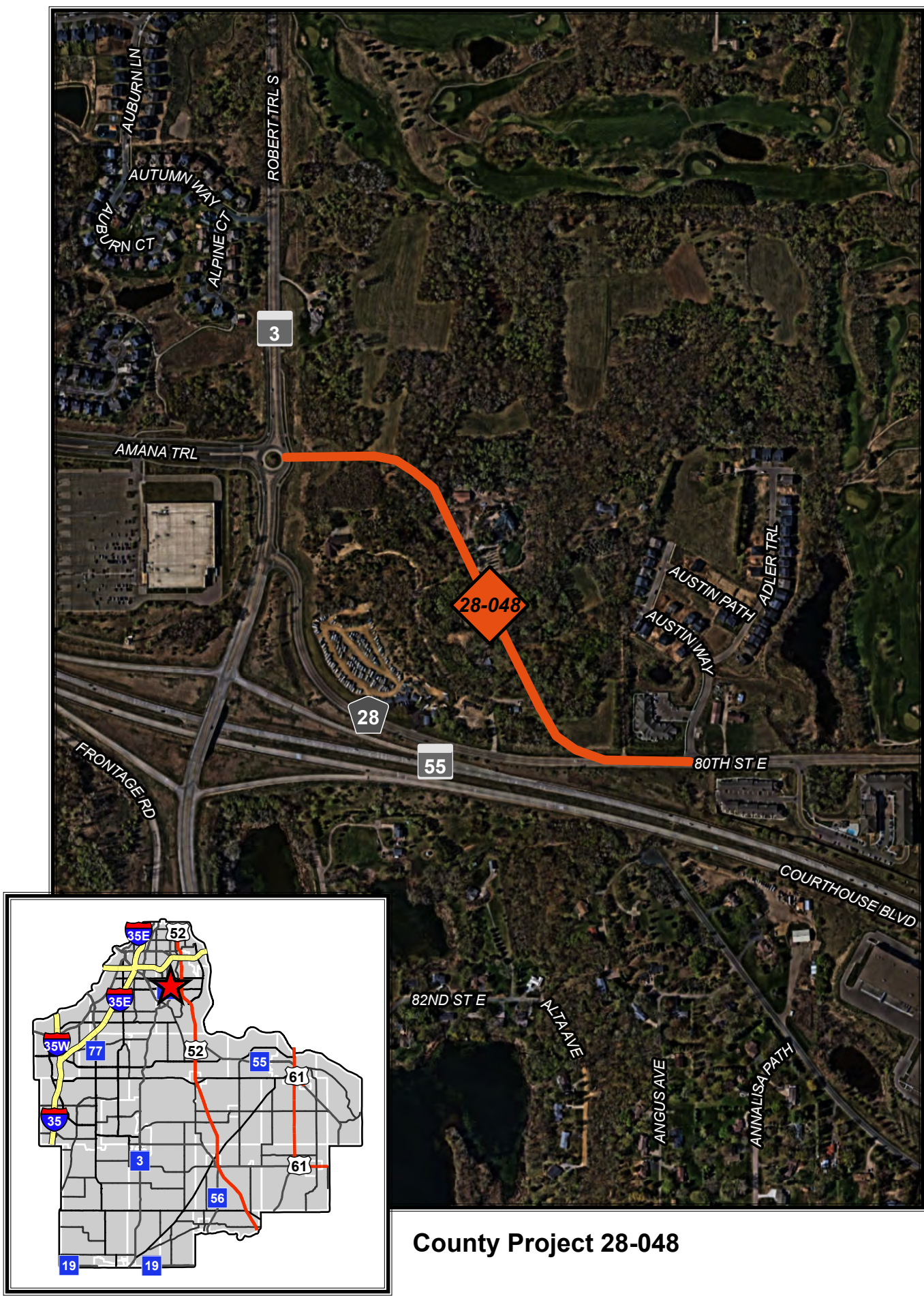
BOARD GOALS

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CONTACT

Department Head: Erin Laberee

Author: Jake Chapek



County Project 28-048



Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4787

Agenda #: 10.1

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

DEPARTMENT: Public Services and Revenue Administration

FILE TYPE: Consent Action

TITLE

Approval Of Application For Temporary Intoxicating On-Sale Liquor License Submitted By The Oakeshott Institute

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED

Approve the application from The Oakeshott Institute for a temporary intoxicating on-sale liquor license during Viking Fest Minnesota at the Dakota County Fairgrounds on October 4-5 and 11-12, 2025.

SUMMARY

The Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement Division will not issue a temporary on-sale intoxicating liquor license without prior approval by the county board. An application has been received from The Oakeshott Institute to sell intoxicating liquor on October 4-5 and 11-12, 2025, during Viking Fest Minnesota at the Dakota County Fairgrounds located in Castle Rock Township. Castle Rock Township approved the application on August 12, 2025.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the license.

EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACTS

Revenue generated from this license is \$74.50.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> None | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Current budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment Requested | <input type="checkbox"/> New FTE(s) requested | |

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, an application was received from The Oakeshott Institute for a temporary on-sale intoxicating liquor license during Viking Fest Minnesota held October 4-5 and 11-12, 2025, at the Dakota County Fairgrounds, 4008 220th Street West, Farmington, in Castle Rock Township; and

WHEREAS, Castle Rock Township approved the application on August 12, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement Division will not issue a temporary on-sale intoxicating liquor license without prior approval by the County Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby

approves the application from The Oakeshott Institute for a temporary on-sale intoxicating liquor license during Viking Fest Minnesota held October 4-5 and 11-12, 2025, at the Dakota County Fairgrounds, 4008 220th Street West, Farmington, in Castle Rock Township; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Public Services and Revenue Division is authorized to approve the application and upon payment of the proper fees, submit it to the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement Division to issue the license.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

None.

ATTACHMENTS

None.

BOARD GOALS

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☐ A Successful Place for Business and Jobs ☒ Excellence in Public Service

CONTACT

Department Head: Teresa Mitchell

Author: Sarah Kidwell



Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4788

Agenda #: 10.2

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

DEPARTMENT: Public Services and Revenue Administration

FILE TYPE: Consent Action

TITLE

Approval Of Application For Assemblage Of Large Numbers Of People License Submitted By Viking Age Events Company

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED

Approve application for Assemblage of Large Numbers of People License submitted by Viking Age Events Company for the Viking Fest Minnesota at Dakota County Fairgrounds in Castle Rock Township, as recommended and authorized by the Public Services and Revenue Division to issue the license.

SUMMARY

The application has been submitted by Viking Age Events Company to hold the Viking Fest Minnesota. The event will be held October 4-5 and 11-12, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. on Saturdays and from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sundays at the Dakota County Fairgrounds, 4008 220th Street West, Farmington, in Castle Rock Township.

Dakota County Ordinance No. 112 requires that no person shall permit, maintain, promote, conduct, advertise, act as entrepreneur, undertake, organize, manage, sell or give tickets to an actual or anticipated assemblage of 300 or more persons for an exhibition or show of any nature, whether on public or private property, unless a license to hold such an assembly has first been secured. The application has been reviewed for compliance with the ordinance and has been approved by the Public Services and Revenue Division, Public Health Department, Risk Management Department, Transportation Department, and the Sheriff's Office. Castle Rock Township reviewed the application on August 12, 2025.

Under the Dakota County Ordinance, security and traffic controls must meet local and State requirements. Such controls shall include, but not be limited to, law enforcement officers having jurisdiction in Dakota County and any additional security officers sufficient to provide adequate security for the maximum number of people assembled, as recommended by the Dakota County Sheriff.

License holders are required to obtain a \$10,000 bond payable to Dakota County and commercial general liability insurance in the sum of \$1,000,000 per occurrence for bodily injury or death or property damage naming Dakota County as additional insured covering all injuries or damage caused by or as a result of the conduct of the assembly. The bond protects Dakota County up to \$10,000 from all loss or damage for which it is liable on account of issuance of the license. The commercial

general liability coverage provides insurance coverage to Dakota County and members of the public in the instance that they are injured or incur property damage through the actions of the license holder or their agents. This insurance coverage may relieve Dakota County of liability for general liability claims arising from actions taken by Sheriff's deputies while performing general security duties at the event.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the application.

EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACTS

Revenue generated from the license is \$342.00.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> None | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Current budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment Requested | <input type="checkbox"/> New FTE(s) requested | |

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, an application has been submitted by Viking Age Events Company to hold the Viking Fest Minnesota at Dakota County Fairgrounds, 4008 220th Street West, Farmington, in Castle Rock Township; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners is the local governing body having jurisdiction over the proposed license, and the application has been reviewed for compliance with the County Ordinance No. 112 and has been approved by the Public Services and Revenue Division, Public Health Department, Risk Management Department, Transportation Department and Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, Castle Rock Township approved the application on August 12, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the application for Assemblage of Large Numbers of People License received by Viking Age Events Company to hold Viking Fest Minnesota on October 4-5 and 11-12, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. on Saturdays and from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Sundays at the Dakota County Fairgrounds, 4008 220th Street West, Farmington, and authorizes the Public Services and Revenue division to issue the license.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

None.

ATTACHMENTS

None.

BOARD GOALS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> A Successful Place for Business and Jobs | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellence in Public Service |

CONTACT

Department Head: Teresa Mitchell

Author: Sarah Kidwell



Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4763

Agenda #: 11.1

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

DEPARTMENT: Employment and Economic Assistance

FILE TYPE: Regular Action

TITLE

Update From Dakota-Scott Workforce Development Board And Proclamation Of September 2025 As Workforce Development Month In Dakota County

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED

Receive updates about the activities and programs of the Dakota-Scott Workforce Development Board (WDB) and proclaim September 2025 as Workforce Development Month in Dakota County.

SUMMARY

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. 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.

The WDB's mission is "to lead, collaborate and provide linkages that facilitate workforce planning and support economic development, providing individuals, families, employers and the community opportunities to transform lives through optimal employment." See Attachment: Workforce Development Board Overview, for more information about the WDB.

Representatives from the WDB's executive committee will update the Dakota County Board on items including the plan of work, the current economic situation relative to the workforce, services to youth and adults, program innovations, key labor force statistics, and accomplishments and challenges over the past year.

OUTCOMES

- 3.0 percent - [May 2025 Unemployment Rate for Dakota County](https://apps.deed.state.mn.us/lmi/laus/Results.aspx?)
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; 3.5 percent in June, 3.7 percent in July
- \$41.39 - Average Wage at Placement - State Dislocated Worker Program
- \$20.03 - Average Wage at Placement - Minnesota Family Investment Program
- 4,328 - number of residents in 2024 who accessed in-person services at CareerForce West St. Paul
- 760 - number of residents that attended the 2025 Teen Job Fair at the Dakota County Western Service Center/Galaxie Library
- 2,238 - number of completed assessments in Traitify, Aug. 2024 to July 2025

- 138 - number of youth served in the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Youth Program in Program Year 2024
- 600+ - program participants placed in employment

RECOMMENDATION

Staff requests that the Dakota County Board of Commissioners proclaims September 2025 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.

EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACTS

- ☒ None ☐ Current budget ☐ Other
☐ Amendment Requested ☐ New FTE(s) requested

RESOLUTION

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 2025 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.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

None.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment: Workforce Development Board Overview

Attachment: Presentation Slides

BOARD GOALS

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☒ A Successful Place for Business and Jobs ☐ Excellence in Public Service

CONTACTS

Department Head: Mark Jacobs

Author: Mark Jacobs



The Dakota-Scott Workforce Development Board (WDB) has up to 27 members (more than 1/2 from the private sector) representing the two counties. The Board has members from the area's largest private sector companies including Thomson Reuters and St. Francis Regional Medical Center. It also has numerous representatives from smaller companies. Federal law established the categories for public sector representation. Categories include such areas as labor, education, economic development, rehabilitation services, public employment and more. The executive committee focuses on having a diverse membership businesswise and geographically.

Overview:

- The WDB oversees the employment programs in Dakota and Scott Counties. Customers are both job seekers and employers. Services to job seekers are provided primarily via the CareerForce Centers located in Burnsville, West St. Paul and Shakopee.
- Job seeker services range from services for general job seekers (and have no eligibility requirements) to eligibility-based programs that offer more one-on-one services as well as funding for training and/or other needs.
- There are also a variety of services for employers.
- The Dakota-Scott WDB is known state-wide for its innovative approach and being a leader on issues. Its focus is partially on ensuring existing programs are doing well but more so on looking forward on facing upcoming workforce and economic development challenges.

WDB Mission Statement: The Dakota-Scott WDB leads, collaborates and provides linkages that facilitate equity-informed workforce planning and supports economic development providing individuals, families, employers and the community opportunities to transform lives through meaningful employment.

WDB Vision Statement: To be an inclusive and equitable workforce development system that benefits employers and job seekers so that residents have the competencies, employment skills, and education to support themselves and their families, and employers will have access to the skilled and educated workforce necessary to remain competitive in a dynamic global economy.

Goals:

- Effectively match employer needs with employee skills (for the economic vitality of the community).
- Convene business, community groups, and educators/trainers to facilitate collaboration between these groups to advance employment opportunities.
- Be the recognized expert and voice on addressing local workforce solutions.



Report to the Dakota County Board of Commissioners 2025



WorkForce Development Board

Jobs for People, People for Jobs.

Client Success Story



Monica first visited the CareerLab after sharing she had recently applied for economic assistance.

Staff let her know about the various CareerForce services available and that same day worked with her to revise her resume.

She attended a hiring event a few days later and now works at an area bank in the mortgage approvals department.

Today



- The Workforce Development Board
- The Programs/Services
- Changes
- Looking Forward



WDB Mission/Vision



Mission

The Dakota-Scott WDB leads, collaborates and provides linkages that facilitate equity-informed workforce planning and supports economic development providing individuals, families, employers and the community opportunities to transform lives through meaningful employment.

Vision

To be an inclusive and equitable workforce development system that benefits employers and job seekers so that:

- residents have the competencies, employment skills, and education to support themselves and their families, and
- employers will have access to the skilled and educated workforce necessary to remain competitive in a dynamic global economy.

WDB's Plan of Work

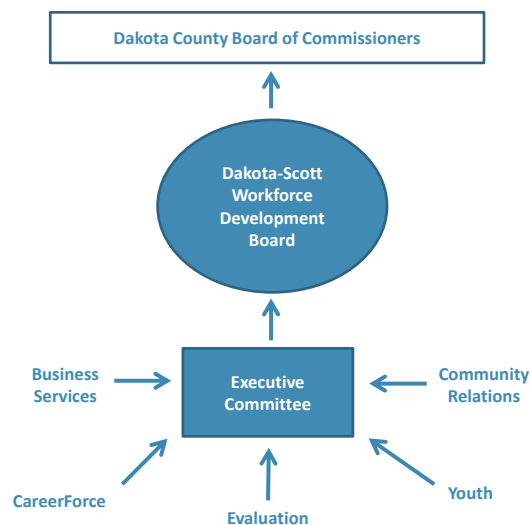


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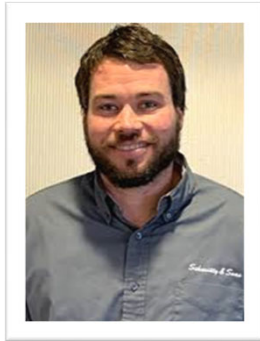
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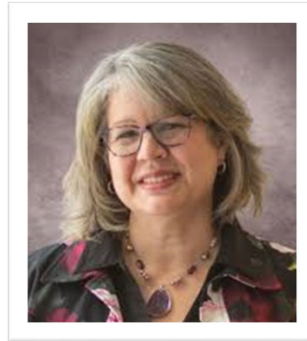
- 27 members – more than ½ from private sector
- Dakota County Board is the fiscal agent; makes appointments to the WDB
- Joint powers agreement with Scott County
- Work done through 6 committees



WDB Leadership



Mike Forbord
Schmitt & Sons
WDB Chair



Jennifer Harmening
Burnsville Chamber of Commerce
WDB Vice-Chair

Impact



A little help from a CareerForce counselor goes a long way!

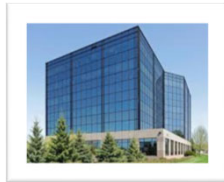
A client enrolled in the Dislocated Worker program in June 2024 after being laid-off from her position as area manager in a health care setting. As a single parent she needed to find employment as soon as possible!

Her CareerForce counselor:

- Discussed training opportunities with her;
- Helped her update her resume; and
- Encouraged her to attend the CareerForce Resume Writing and LinkedIn workshops.

All of the help she received quickly led to her securing an Operational Program Director position **earning almost 10% more** than her previous wage.

CareerForce Sites & Services



Burnsville



West St. Paul



Shakopee

Universal Services

- CareerLab
- Workshops

Eligibility Programs

- Dislocated Worker
- Minnesota Family Investment Program
- Youth
- Disabilities
- Veterans
- Adult Basic Education



Burnsville CFC Ribbon Cutting

2024 Awards Celebration Winners



Mark McAfee Friend of Workforce Development Award

Tim Zunker, Shakopee Chamber & Visitors Bureau, Shakopee

Bob Killeen Award

Dalsin Industries, Lakeville

Business Champion Award

Lena Garcia, Minnesota Department of Transportation

Bob Klas Sr. Entrepreneur Award

Mark Reese, B-52 Burgers and Brew, Lakeville

Employer of the Year for People with Disabilities Award

Grant VanWyngaeren and Neil Byce, CW Metals, Lakeville

Willis E. Branning Excellence in Youth Employment Services Award – Dakota County

Abbie Torbert, BTM Manufacturing, Lakeville

Willis E. Branning Excellence in Youth Employment Services Award – Scott County

Kim Wodtke, Scott Carver Dakota CAP Agency Food Shelf, Shakopee

Eye on the Future!



- WDB Committee Plan of Work Overview
- National Association of Workforce Boards Conference Update
- Tree Trust Branches Apprenticeship Program
- Chamber of Commerce Presidents Panel
- Insights from Workforce Board Members
- DEED Vocational Rehabilitation Services Changes
- Clarity and Insights About Federal and State Legislation
- Labor Market Information
- Updates from Minnesota State Colleges and Universities
- Outlook on 2024 Elections – Workforce Focus
- Housing – Availability, Cost, Challenges and Opportunities
- Transit in Dakota and Scott Counties

T O P I C S

Who We Serve



Youth

Minnesota Youth Program, WIOA Youth Program
Construct Tomorrow
Teen Job Fair – Apple Valley

Adults

State & Federal Dislocated Workers
MFIP – low income

Who We Serve (continued)



Employers

Hiring Events

Earned Sick and Safe Time & Paid
Family Medical Leave Act

Working with Chambers and Cities



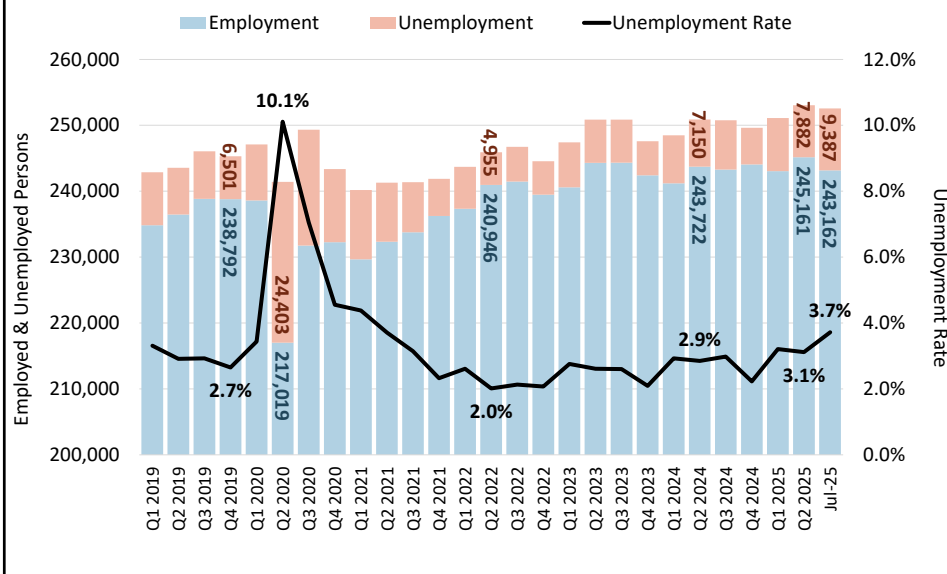
The Economy



- Lay-offs Increasing
- Moderate Increase in Traffic

Dakota County's labor market situation

Local Area Unemployment Statistics: 2019 – 2025



2025/2026 – Key Items



- **The Economy and Job Market**
- **State and Federal Legislation**
- **Focus on Short-term and Long-Term Solutions**
 - Direct Care Jobs
 - Family-sustaining
- **Artificial Intelligence**
- **Workforce Connectivity, Partnerships & Resources**
 - Job seekers and employers
 - Employers
 - Area Non-Profits
- **Impact of 2023 State Legislation**
 - Cannabis
 - Family, Medical Leave Act
- **Workforce Barriers**
 - Housing
 - Transportation
 - Child care
 - Education

Questions?



Workforce Development Month

** Request for Board Action **

Proclamation of September as...

Workforce Development Month

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WorkForce Development Board

Jobs for People, People for Jobs.



Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4669

Agenda #: 12.1

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

DEPARTMENT: Environmental Resources

FILE TYPE: Regular Action

TITLE

Certification Of Dakota County Portion Of 2026 Vermillion River Watershed Management Tax District Proposed Tax Levy

PURPOSE/ACTION REQUESTED

Certify the proposed 2026 levy of \$1,037,693 for the Dakota County portion of the Vermillion River Watershed Management Tax District.

SUMMARY

By Resolution No. 02-347 (June 25, 2002), and amended by Resolution No. 24-623 (December 17, 2024), Dakota County executed a joint powers agreement (JPA) with Scott County to govern the Vermillion River Watershed. The JPA establishes a Joint Powers Board consisting of two commissioners from Dakota County and one commissioner from Scott County. Dakota County provides the primary staff support to the watershed organization with proportionate assistance from Scott County staff. The JPA also provides that by September 1 of each year, the Joint Powers Board will adopt a draft budget for the following calendar year and recommend a levy to each county for its share of costs for watershed organization activities.

By Resolution No. 02-296 (June 4, 2002), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners established the Vermillion River Watershed Management Tax District (Ordinance No. 127) to fund Dakota County's portion of the watershed organization's activities. Adopting a levy for the Watershed Management Tax District enables the County to tax property owners within the Dakota County portion of the watershed to fund services provided to them by the watershed organization rather than funding the services through the County's general levy. By statute, any proposed levy on the Watershed Management Tax District for taxes payable in 2026 must be certified by September 15, 2025. Dakota County's 2025 levy for the Watershed Management Tax District was \$990,832; Scott County's levy was \$36,050.

Proposed 2026 Levy

On August 28, 2025, the Vermillion River Watershed Joint Powers Board held a hearing, adopted a proposed 2026 budget of \$2,654,279 (Attachment: Draft 2026 VRWJPO Budget), and recommended a proposed levy of \$1,037,693 for the Dakota County portion of the Tax District (the proposed Scott County levy for 2026 is \$40,532). The proposed 2026 levy (\$1,078,225) is a five percent increase in the overall levy compared to 2025 (\$1,026,882). Changes in levy amounts between the two counties result from apportionment according to tax capacity.

In 2025, activities focused on monitoring water quantity and quality, cost-sharing capital improvement

projects and best management practices, educating the public on water resources, managing the implementation of grant-funded projects, implementing a permit program in one township, and development of the 2026-2035 Watershed Management Plan. In 2026, the Vermillion River Watershed Joint Powers Organization will adopt and begin implementing the 2026-2035 Watershed Management Plan, provided continued coordination with local governments in project development and implementation, program evaluation, and regulatory oversight.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Dakota County certify a proposed levy of \$1,037,693 for the Dakota County portion of the Vermillion River Watershed Management Tax District for taxes payable in 2026. In December 2025, the final levy will be presented for County Board certification.

EXPLANATION OF FISCAL/FTE IMPACTS

The proposed 2026 levy of \$1,037,693 for the Dakota County portion of the Vermillion River Watershed Management Tax District represents a five percent increase from the amount levied in 2025. The impact of this levy on a median-value property within the Dakota County portion of the District (with a value of \$385,000 for taxes payable in 2026) is \$10.04 in 2026. This also reflects valuation changes and resulting tax shifts among median-value residential homestead properties (Attachment: Vermillion River Watershed Tax District Estimated 2026 Taxes). The Vermillion River Watershed tax appears as a part of the “special taxing district” item on the tax statement.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> None | <input type="checkbox"/> Current budget | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment Requested | | <input type="checkbox"/> New FTE(s) requested |

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 02-347 (June 25, 2002) and amended by Resolution No. 24-623 (December 17, 2024), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners executed a joint powers agreement between Dakota County and Scott County to govern the Vermillion River Watershed; and

WHEREAS, the joint powers agreement establishes a Joint Powers Board consisting of two commissioners from Dakota County and one from Scott County; and

WHEREAS, funding is needed for Dakota County’s share of costs associated with managing the Vermillion River Watershed; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 02-296 (June 4, 2002), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners established the Vermillion River Watershed Management Tax District through Ordinance No. 127 to fund Dakota County’s share of costs associated with managing the Vermillion River Watershed; and

WHEREAS, approval and adoption of the Watershed Management Plan, as required by Minn. Stat. Ch. 103B, occurred in June 2016; and

WHEREAS, the joint powers agreement states that the Vermillion River Watershed Joint Powers Board will adopt a budget and recommend a levy for the portion of the Watershed Management Tax District in each county by September 1 of each year; and

WHEREAS, on August 28, 2025, the Vermillion River Watershed Joint Powers Board adopted a proposed budget of \$2,654,279, including the use of 2025 fund balance and grant revenues, and

recommended that the levy for the Dakota County portion be \$1,037,693 and the levy for the Scott County portion be \$40,532; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County must certify a levy on the Watershed Management Tax District by September 15, 2025, to be effective for taxes payable in 2026; and

WHEREAS, the final 2026 levy for the Watershed Management Tax District will be presented to the Dakota County Board of Commissioners in December 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby certifies the Dakota County portion of the Vermillion River Watershed Management Tax District proposed levy in the amount of \$1,037,693 for taxes payable in 2026.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION

02-296; 6/04/02

02-347; 6/25/02

24-623; 12/17/24

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment: Draft 2026 VRWJPO Budget

Attachment: Vermillion River Watershed Tax District Estimated 2026 Taxes

Attachment: Presentation Slides

BOARD GOALS

- ☐ Thriving People ☒ A Healthy Environment with Quality Natural Resources
☐ A Successful Place for Business and Jobs ☐ Excellence in Public Service

CONTACT

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VRWJPO Draft 2026 Budget

EXPENSES

Budget Category	Budget Activity	Operations and Programs	CIP	Budget Total
Administration and Operations				
	Dakota County VRW Staff	\$ 227,000		\$ 227,000
	Scott County VRW Staff	\$ 15,000		\$ 15,000
	Legal Support	\$ 25,000		\$ 25,000
	Miscellaneous Expenses (per diems, mileage, postage, insurance, etc.)	\$ 15,000		\$ 15,000
	Training, Conferences, and Certifications	\$ 2,000		\$ 2,000
Planning				
	Dakota SWCD Incentive Program Policy Assistance	\$ 1,500		\$ 1,500
	VRW Staff	\$ 30,000		\$ 30,000
Inventory, Assessment, & Research				
	Monitoring	\$ 88,500		\$ 88,500
	USGS and DNR Flow Gaging	\$ 20,000		\$ 20,000
	VRW Staff	\$ 17,000		\$ 17,000
	General GIS support (Dakota SWCD)	\$ 1,500		\$ 1,500
	Equipment/Supplies	\$ 1,000		\$ 1,000
	Enhanced Street Sweeping Assessment	\$ 45,000		\$ 45,000
	Scott County Bacteria Assessment	\$ 7,500		\$ 7,500
Communications, Outreach, and Public Relations				
	VRW Staff	\$ 108,000		\$ 108,000
	Dakota SWCD Outreach and Education	\$ 40,000		\$ 40,000
	Scott County SWCD Outreach and Education	\$ 2,300		\$ 2,300
	Communication and Outreach Materials and Supplies, Signage	\$ 7,500		\$ 7,500
	Local Standards/Ordinance and Turf/Salt Workshops	\$ 2,500		\$ 2,500
	Children's Water Festival Support	\$ 600		\$ 600
	Watershed Partners	\$ 5,000		\$ 5,000
	Digital Accessibility Requirement Assessment and Improvements	\$ 9,000		\$ 9,000
	Stewardship Grant Program	\$ 25,000		\$ 25,000
Regulation				
	VRW Staff-Permitting, Standards Assistance, Engineering/Environmental Review	\$ 36,000		\$ 36,000
Feasibility & Preliminary Engineering				
	Preliminary Design, Technical Assistance and Marketing for Capital Improvements (Dakota SWCD)	\$ 20,000		\$ 20,000
	Preliminary Design, Technical Assistance and Marketing for Capital Improvements (VRW staff)	\$ 60,000		\$ 60,000
	Preliminary Design, Technical Assistance and Marketing for Capital Improvements (Consulting)	\$ -		\$ -

CIP and Maintenance				
	Cost Share Programs in Dakota County (SWCD)		\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000
	Cost Share Programs in Scott County (SWCD)		\$ 12,500	\$ 12,500
	VRW General Cost-share or Miscellaneous Grant Match		\$ 40,000	\$ 40,000
	Past projects maintenance/repair		\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
	VRW staff construction oversight and grant development and admin		\$ 60,000	\$ 60,000
East Lake Fish Management				
	VRWJPO cost share		\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
FY24 CWF Alimagnet Alum Treatment				
	Alimagnet Alum Treatment		\$ 121,423	\$ 121,423
	VRWJPO cash match		\$ 17,331	\$ 17,331
FY24-25 WBIF Hastings 15th & Bailey TSS				
	15th & Bailey TSS Reduction grant pass-through		\$ 197,055	\$ 197,055
	VRWJPO cash match		\$ 94,195	\$ 94,195
FY24-25 WBIF Farmington 4th & Willow TSS				
	4th & Willow TSS Reduction grant pass-through		\$ 71,013	\$ 71,013
	VRWJPO cash match		\$ 39,207	\$ 39,207
FY25 CWF Alimagnet Alum Treatment Phase 2				
	Alimagnet Alum Treatment Phase 2		\$ 52,000	\$ 52,000
	VRWJPO cash match		\$ 5,500	\$ 5,500
FY25 CPL North Creek at Denali Way				
	FY25 CPL North Creek at Denali Way		\$ 364,155	\$ 364,155
	VRWJPO cash match		\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
FY25 CPL North Creek at Hwy 3				
	FY25 CPL North Creek at Hwy 3		\$ 500,000	\$ 500,000
	VRWJPO cash match		\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000
Apple Valley EVR-P55 Stormwater Pond Retrofit				
	VRWJPO cost share		\$ 18,000	\$ 18,000
Wetland Bank Credit Sales				
	Braun Wetland Bank Credit Sales		\$ 100,000	\$ 100,000
Subtotal of Expenditures		\$ 811,900	\$ 1,842,379	\$ 2,654,279
REVENUES				
Braun Wetland Bank Credit Revenue				\$ 100,000
Use of Fund Balance				\$ 253,957
Grant Revenue				\$ 1,171,097
Fees for Permitting Activities				\$ 1,000
Dakota County Levy				\$ 1,037,693
Scott County Levy				\$ 40,532
Investment Earnings				\$ 50,000
Total Revenues				\$ 2,654,279

Vermillion River Watershed Management Tax District
Estimated Pay 2026 Taxes * (Dakota County)

Residential Property

Market	Tax	Proposed 2026 Levy								2025 Actual	2024 Actual	2023 Actual	2022 Actual	2021 Actual	2020 Actual	2019 Actual	2018 Actual	2017 Actual	2016 Actual
Value	Capacity	\$300,000	\$400,000	\$500,000	\$750,000	\$990,832	\$1,037,693	\$1,250,000	\$1,500,000	\$990,832	\$965,600	\$964,900	\$967,500	\$966,650	\$966,000	\$912,900	\$887,900	\$861,700	\$821,140
Rate		0.05616%	0.08502%	0.11389%	0.18605%	0.25557%	0.26909%	0.33037%	0.40253%	0.2714%	0.2703%	0.2870%	0.3470%	0.3480%	0.3990%	0.4030%	0.4290%	0.4490%	0.4490%
Various Values																			
\$150,000	1,170	\$0.66	\$0.99	\$1.33	\$2.18	\$2.99	\$3.15	\$3.86	\$4.71	\$3.17	\$3.16	\$3.62	\$4.06	\$4.07	\$4.67	\$4.71	\$5.02	\$5.25	\$5.25
\$170,000	1,388	\$0.78	\$1.18	\$1.58	\$2.58	\$3.55	\$3.73	\$4.58	\$5.59	\$3.77	\$3.75	\$4.25	\$4.81	\$4.83	\$5.54	\$5.59	\$5.95	\$6.23	\$6.23
\$185,000	1,551	\$0.87	\$1.32	\$1.77	\$2.89	\$3.96	\$4.17	\$5.12	\$6.24	\$4.21	\$4.19	\$4.72	\$5.38	\$5.40	\$6.19	\$6.25	\$6.65	\$6.96	\$6.96
\$190,000	1,606	\$0.90	\$1.36	\$1.83	\$2.99	\$4.10	\$4.32	\$5.30	\$6.46	\$4.36	\$4.34	\$4.87	\$5.57	\$5.59	\$6.41	\$6.47	\$6.89	\$7.21	\$7.21
\$200,000	1,715	\$0.96	\$1.46	\$1.95	\$3.19	\$4.38	\$4.61	\$5.66	\$6.90	\$4.65	\$4.63	\$5.19	\$5.95	\$5.97	\$6.84	\$6.91	\$7.36	\$7.70	\$7.70
\$210,000	1,824	\$1.02	\$1.55	\$2.08	\$3.39	\$4.66	\$4.91	\$6.02	\$7.34	\$4.95	\$4.93	\$5.50	\$6.33	\$6.35	\$7.28	\$7.35	\$7.82	\$8.19	\$8.19
\$225,000	1,987	\$1.12	\$1.69	\$2.26	\$3.70	\$5.08	\$5.35	\$6.56	\$8.00	\$5.39	\$5.37	\$5.97	\$6.89	\$6.91	\$7.93	\$8.01	\$8.52	\$8.92	\$8.92
\$250,000	2,260	\$1.27	\$1.92	\$2.57	\$4.20	\$5.77	\$6.08	\$7.46	\$9.10	\$6.13	\$6.11	\$6.75	\$7.84	\$7.86	\$9.02	\$9.11	\$9.69	\$10.15	\$10.15
\$275,000	2,532	\$1.42	\$2.15	\$2.88	\$4.71	\$6.47	\$6.81	\$8.36	\$10.19	\$6.87	\$6.84	\$7.53	\$8.79	\$8.81	\$10.10	\$10.20	\$10.86	\$11.37	\$11.37
\$290,000	2,696	\$1.51	\$2.29	\$3.07	\$5.01	\$6.89	\$7.25	\$8.91	\$10.85	\$7.32	\$7.29	\$8.00	\$9.35	\$9.38	\$10.76	\$10.86	\$11.56	\$12.10	\$12.10
\$300,000	2,805	\$1.58	\$2.38	\$3.19	\$5.22	\$7.17	\$7.55	\$9.27	\$11.29	\$7.61	\$7.58	\$8.32	\$9.73	\$9.76	\$11.19	\$11.30	\$12.03	\$12.59	\$12.59
\$371,600	3,585	\$2.01	\$3.05	\$4.08	\$6.67	\$9.16	\$9.65	\$11.84	\$14.43	\$9.73	\$9.69	\$10.56	\$12.44	\$12.48	\$14.30	\$14.45	\$15.38	\$16.10	\$16.10
\$385,000	3,731	\$2.10	\$3.17	\$4.25	\$6.94	\$9.54	\$10.04	\$12.33	\$15.02	\$10.13	\$10.08	\$10.98	\$12.95	\$12.98	\$14.89	\$15.04	\$16.01	\$16.75	\$16.75
\$400,000	3,895	\$2.19	\$3.31	\$4.44	\$7.25	\$9.95	\$10.48	\$12.87	\$15.68	\$10.57	\$10.53	\$11.44	\$13.51	\$13.55	\$15.54	\$15.69	\$16.71	\$17.49	\$17.49
\$425,000	4,167	\$2.34	\$3.54	\$4.75	\$7.75	\$10.65	\$11.21	\$13.77	\$16.77	\$11.31	\$11.26	\$12.23	\$14.46	\$14.50	\$16.63	\$16.79	\$17.88	\$18.71	\$18.71
\$450,000	4,440	\$2.49	\$3.77	\$5.06	\$8.26	\$11.35	\$11.95	\$14.67	\$17.87	\$12.05	\$12.00	\$13.01	\$15.41	\$15.45	\$17.71	\$17.89	\$19.05	\$19.93	\$19.93
\$475,000	4,712	\$2.65	\$4.01	\$5.37	\$8.77	\$12.04	\$12.68	\$15.57	\$18.97	\$12.79	\$12.74	\$13.79	\$16.35	\$16.40	\$18.80	\$18.99	\$20.21	\$21.16	\$21.16
\$500,000	4,985	\$2.80	\$4.24	\$5.68	\$9.27	\$12.74	\$13.41	\$16.47	\$20.06	\$13.53	\$13.47	\$14.57	\$17.30	\$17.35	\$19.89	\$20.09	\$21.38	\$22.38	\$22.38

Median Value as of:		07/10/25
Preliminry Net TCAP		346,446,322
2025	Median Value	\$371,600
2026	Median Value	\$385,000
Percent Change		3.61%



Vermillion River Watershed Joint Powers Organization (VRWJPO) 2026 Proposed Budget & Tax Levy

Dakota County Board of Commissioners

Travis Thiel
Environmental Resources
September 9, 2025

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Outline



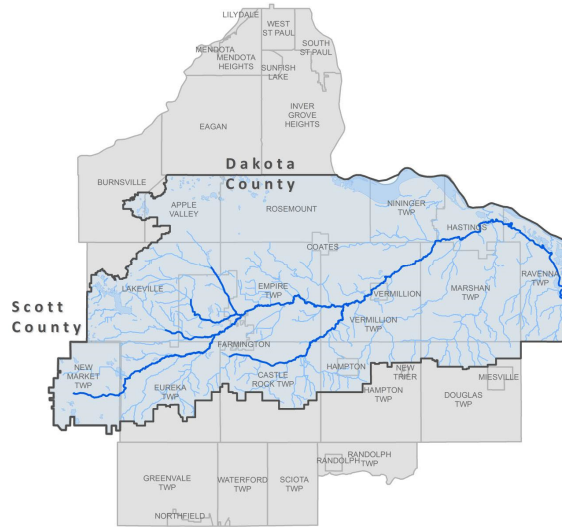
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 - Breakdown
 - Levy
- Comparison of Watershed Rates
- VRWJPO 2025 Project Highlights
- Requested Action

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VRWJPO 2026 Proposed Budget



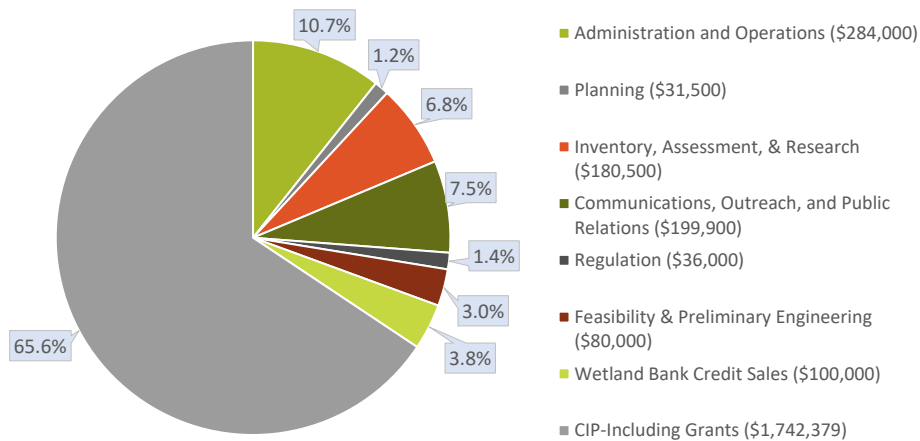
- **Revenues =**
\$2,654,279
- **Expenses =**
\$2,654,279
- **Fund Balance =**
\$1,170,117



Vermillion River Watershed

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VRWJPO 2026 Proposed Budget - Breakdown

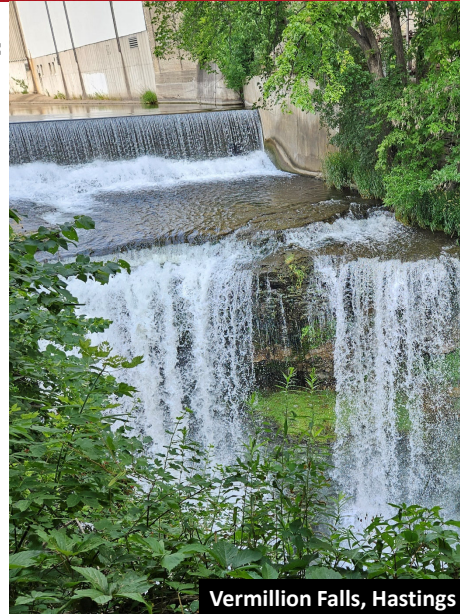


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VRWJPO 2026 Proposed Budget - Levy



- **Estimated Net Tax Capacity =**
359,977,524
 - **Dakota County =**
346,445,322 (96.2%)
 - **Scott County =**
13,532,202 (3.8%)
- Levy = \$1,078,225
 - **Dakota: \$1,037,693**
 - **Scott: \$40,532**



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VRWJPO 2026 Proposed Budget - Levy



VRWJPO Levy and Rate Dakota County



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Comparison of Watershed Rates <i>Dakota</i> COUNTY		
Watershed	Proposed 2026 Tax Rate	Proposed 2026 Levy Amount
Lower MN Watershed District (WD)	1.03%	\$1,768,429
Prior Lake-Spring Lake WD	2.84%	\$2,156,000
South Washington WD	0.74%	\$1,800,000
VRWJPO (Dakota Co.)	0.27%	\$1,037,693

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VRWJPO 2025 Project Highlights *Dakota* COUNTY



Alimagnet Lake Alum Treatment



East Lake Invasive Fish Removal (continued)



Grand Prairie Park Stormwater Harvest Irrigation and Splash Pad Reuse



Lakeville 205th St and Hollins Ave Hydrodynamic Separator



Rosemount Public Works/Police Campus Infiltration Basins

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Requested Action



Certify Dakota County portion of the Vermillion River Watershed Management Tax District proposed levy of \$1,037,693 for taxes payable in 2026





Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4873

Agenda #: 15.1

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

Information

See Attachment for future Board meetings and other activities.

September 8, 2025

Monday

12:00 PM - 12:00 PM

Dakota-Scott Workforce Development Board Executive Committee Meeting -- Zoom
(<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89744523163?pwd=amhmRlF3ZlloREJyVGJ2RnQxbXc4Zz09>)

September 9, 2025

Tuesday

9:00 AM - 9:00 AM

Dakota County Board of Commissioners Meeting -- Administration Center, 1590 Highway 55, Boardroom, Hastings or View Live Broadcast
<https://www.co.dakota.mn.us/Government/BoardMeetings/Pages/default.aspx>

9:30 AM - 9:30 AM

Dakota County General Government and Policy Committee Meeting (or following CB) -- Administration Center, 1590 Highway 55, Conference Room 3A, Hastings

September 10, 2025

Wednesday

10:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Association of Minnesota Counties Fall Policy Conference -- Arrowwood Resort & Conference Center, 2100 Arrowwood Lane, Alexandria

10:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Metropolitan Emergency Services Board Committee Meeting -- Metro Counties Government Center, 2099 University Ave, St. Paul

4:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Vermillion River Watershed Community Advisory Committee -- Dakota County Extension & Conservation Center, 4100 220th St. W, Farmington, Conference Room A

September 11, 2025

Thursday

7:30 AM - 7:30 AM

I-35W Solutions Alliance Board Meeting -- Richfield City Hall, 6700 Portland Avenue South, Bartholomew Room, Richfield

8:00 AM - 8:00 AM

Association of Minnesota Counties Fall Policy Conference -- Arrowwood Resort & Conference Center, 2100 Arrowwood Lane, Alexandria

September 12, 2025

Friday

8:00 AM - 8:00 AM

Association of Minnesota Counties Fall Policy Conference -- Arrowwood Resort & Conference Center, 2100 Arrowwood Lane, Alexandria

September 16, 2025

Tuesday

- 8:30 AM - 8:30 AM** **Budget Workshop -- Administration Center, 1590 Highway 55, Conference Room 3A, Hastings**
- 9:30 AM - 9:30 AM** **Dakota County Physical Development Committee of the Whole (or following budget workshop) -- Administration Center, 1590 Highway 55, Conference Room 3A, Hastings**
- 1:00 PM - 1:00 PM** **Dakota County Community Services Committee of the Whole -- Administration Center, 1590 Highway 55, Conference Room 3A, Hastings**

September 18, 2025

Thursday

- 4:00 PM - 4:00 PM** **Public Open House #2: Pilot Knob Road & Upper 147th Street W. Intersection Improvement -- Apple Valley Municipal Center, 7100 147th Street W., Apple Valley, Regents Room**

September 19, 2025

Friday

- 8:30 AM - 8:30 AM** **Dakota-Scott Workforce Development Board Meeting -- Northern Service Center, 1 Mendota Road West, Room 520, West St. Paul**

September 22, 2025

Monday

- 4:00 PM - 4:00 PM** **Dakota County State of the County -- Schaar's Bluff Gathering Center, 8395 127th Street East, Hastings**

September 23, 2025

Tuesday

- 9:00 AM - 9:00 AM** **Dakota County Board of Commissioners Meeting -- Administration Center, 1590 Highway 55, Boardroom, Hastings or View Live Broadcast**
<https://www.co.dakota.mn.us/Government/BoardMeetings/Pages/default.aspx>
- 9:30 AM - 9:30 AM** **Regional Railroad Authority (or following CB) -- Administration Center, 1590 Highway 55, Boardroom, Hastings**
- 10:00 AM - 10:00 AM** **Dakota County General Government and Policy Committee Meeting (or following RRA) -- Administration Center, 1590 Highway 55, Conference Room 3A, Hastings**
- 3:00 PM - 3:00 PM** **Dakota County Community Development Agency Regular Meeting -- CDA, 1228 Town Centre Drive, Eagan, Boardroom**



Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Item Number: DC-4874

Agenda #: 16.1

Meeting Date: 9/9/2025

Adjournment