



Dakota County

Board of Commissioners

Minutes

Tuesday, January 20, 2026

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 Halverson who welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Audience

Chair Halverson noted that all public comments can be sent to
CountyAdmin@co.dakota.mn.us

The following people came forward to provide comments regarding ICE Out of MN:Day of Truth and Freedom - Jan. 23, 2026:

Melissa Loe (Apple Valley)
Jean Stransky (unknown)
Mark Brandell (unknown)
Vicki Hede (unknown)

4. Agenda

4.1 Resolution No: 26-036 Approval of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

Motion: Mike Slavik

Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

Ayes: 7

CONSENT AGENDA

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

5. County Administration - Approval of Minutes

5.1 Resolution No: 26-037

Approval of Minutes of Meetings Held on January 6, 2026

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

Ayes: 7

6. Items Recommended by Board Committee*

6.1 Resolution No: 26-038

Approval Of Disability Advisory Council 2026 Work Plan

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

WHEREAS, County policy states that advisory committees are required to consult annually with the

County Board to seek concurrence regarding topics they will study or advise on, which are outlined in their annual work plan; and

WHEREAS, the Disability Advisory Council drafted potential direction for their efforts in 2026; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that the Disability Advisory Council 2026 work plan be approved.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the Disability Advisory Council 2026 work plan.

Ayes: 7

6.2 Resolution No: 26-039

Approval Of Joint Powers Agreements With Cities And Delegation Of Authority For Contracting And Right Of Way Acquisition To Accomplish 2026 Transportation, Parks, and Facilities Capital Improvement Projects

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Physical Development Administration Department regularly requests County Board approval for actions required to deliver projects in the adopted Capital Improvement Program (CIP); and

WHEREAS, joint powers agreements with Cities and cost-share agreements with the Minnesota Department of Transportation and other agencies are standard agreements needed on projects in the CIP that adhere to County policies and have consistent language; and

WHEREAS, awarding construction contracts to the lowest responsible bidder is a regular consent action item brought forward to the Board for projects in the CIP; and

WHEREAS, any awards not to the low bidder or require the rejection of bids will be brought to the County Board for action; and

WHEREAS, this resolution does not alter the Board process for adopting projects in the CIP each year or the process for obtaining Board approval for professional services contracts, study recommendations, appraisals, and right of way settlements; and

WHEREAS, quarterly reports on all contracts and project updates would continue to be presented by Finance to the Board; and

WHEREAS, staff will provide the Board with a detailed list of authorized projects, including budget reference information, and provide periodic updates on executed and construction contract awards; and

WHEREAS, to provide a safe and efficient transportation system, Dakota County is proceeding with projects included in the 2026 Transportation CIP; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County is the lead agency for right of way acquisition necessary in 2026 for construction to begin in 2027; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition of property interests, such as fee title and temporary and permanent easements, from private property parcels identified in Dakota County 2026 Transportation CIP projects by the County is necessary to deliver and construct the projects during the programmed year; and

WHEREAS, all valuations of the property interests to be acquired are based upon independent valuation reports; and

WHEREAS, delegation of authority to approve appraisals of value and all first offers being made to the property owners by the Director of Physical Development or their designee will allow for more time for property owners to review the County's offers and resolved the acquisitions before eminent domain may be necessary; and

WHEREAS, in the event that timely acquisition by direct negotiation of all required parcels does not appear possible, staff will seek County Board authorization for the County Attorney's Office to initiate quick-take condemnation of the remaining unsettled parcels; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners delegates authority to the Director of Physical Development or their designee to enter into joint powers agreements with cities and the appropriate Department Director or designee to award construction contracts to

the lowest responsible bidder, consistent with County Policies, provided sufficient funds are available for the following projects:

Transportation:

County Project (CP) 04-018: CSAH 4 from County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 63 to Smith Ave Trail Gap in West St. Paul
CP 05-058: CSAH 5 at Southcross Signal Reconstruction in Burnsville
CP 5-060: CSAH 5 at Kenyon Ave in Lakeville
CP 9-065: CSAH 9 from 208th Street to CSAH 50 (Kenwood Trl) in Lakeville
CP 9-067: CSAH 9 from CSAH 70 (215th St) to South of 210th St in Lakeville
CP 9-069: CSAH 9 at Glacier Way in Lakeville
CP 11-033: CSAH 11 at I-35E Interchange Ramp Improvements in Burnsville and Apple Valley
CP 14-035: CSAH 14 from 20th Ave to 3rd Ave in South St. Paul
CP 23-088: CSAH 23 from CSAH 9 (179th Street) to CSAH 42 (150th Street) in Apple Valley and Lakeville
CP 26-060: CSAH 26 from Trunk Highway (TH) 3 to CSAH 73 Reconstruction in Inver Grove Heights
CP 26-068: CSAH 26 from CSAH 73 to Cahill Ave Trail Gap and Reclamation in Inver Grove Heights
CP 28-069: CSAH 28 (80th Street) Trail Gap in Inver Grove Heights
CP 31-113: CSAH 31 at CSAH 50 (W Junction) in Farmington
CP 31-115: CSAH 31 from CSAH 74 (Ash St) to CSAH 50 (212th St) in Farmington
CP 31-118: CSAH 31 at Upper 147th Street Access Restriction in Apple Valley
CP 31-119: CSAH 31 from 144th Street to Corporate Center Dr in Apple Valley and Eagan
CP 31-124: CSAH 31 at Crestridge Ln in Eagan
CP 31-125: CSAH 31 at CSAH 46 (160th Street) in Apple Valley and Lakeville
CP 31-126: CSAH 31 at Wescott Rd/Kings Wood Pond Rd in Eagan
CP 32-093: CSAH 32 from Johnny Cake Ridge Road to CSAH 31 (Pilot Knob Rd) in Eagan
CP 33-019: CSAH 33 from 140th St/Connemara Trl to CSAH 31 (Pilot Knob Rd) in Apple Valley and Rosemount
CP 38-061: CSAH 38 from CSAH 5 to Aldrich Ave in Burnsville
CP 38-068: CSAH 38 from Garden View Dr to Hanover Ave; W of Diamond Path in Apple Valley
CP 42-161: CSAH 42 from Lock Blvd to Vermillion Street Overlay and Trail Construction in Hastings
CP 42-163: CSAH 42 from Redwood Dr to 147th Street Reconstruction in Apple Valley
CP 42-167: CSAH 42 from CSAH 5 to Nicollet Ave in Burnsville
CP 42-170: CSAH 42 at Trunk Highway 3 in Rosemount
CP 42-172: CSAH 42 from Cedar to Pilot Knob Federal Overlay in Apple Valley
CP 42-173: CSAH 42 from CSAH 33 (Diamond Path) to TH 3 in Apple Valley and Rosemount
CP 42-174: CSAH 42 at TH 52 Interchange Improvements in Rosemount
CP 42-177: CSAH 42 at Garrett Ave and At Pilot Knob Road Signal

Replacement in Apple Valley
CP 42-179: CSAH 42 from West of Business Pkwy to Auburn Ave in Rosemount
CP 43-057: CSAH 43 from Keefe St to TH 55 in Eagan
CP 43-059: CSAH 43 at Northview Park Rd in Eagan
CP 47-047: CSAH 47 from North of CSAH 86 to TH 50 Reconstruction in Castle Rock Twp and Hampton Twp
CP 50-033: CSAH 50 at I-35 Interchange in Lakeville
CP 50-038: CSAH 50 at CSAH 60 in Lakeville
CP 54-011: CSAH 54 from 18th Street to CSAH 68 in Hastings and Ravenna Township
CP 56-014: CSAH 56 Corridor Pedestrian Improvements in Inver Grove Heights
CP 60-029: CSAH 60 at Orchard Trail in Lakeville
CP 63-033: CSAH 63 from Marie Ave to TH 149 Reconstruction in Mendota Heights and West St. Paul
CP 64-027: County Road 64 (Flagstaff Ave) from 200th Street to 195th Street in Farmington
CP 74-011: CSAH 74 from CSAH 31 (Denmark Ave) to Honeysuckle Ln in Farmington
CP 86-043: CSAH 86 at TH 56 Roundabout in Randolph Township
CP 86-044: CSAH 86 at TH 3 Roundabout in Castle Rock Township
CP 91-030: CSAH 91 from 675' South of Nicolai Ave to TH 61 Reconstruction in Miesville
Paved Highway Surfaces
Gravel Highway Surface
Gravel Highway Surface - Repairs
Crack Seal
Pedestrian and Bicycle Facilities
Retaining Wall Maintenance
Traffic Safety & Operations - Pavement Markings
Storm Sewer System Maintenance
Signal Revisions/Communications
Traffic Signal - New/Replacement
Trail Gap Setaside

Parks:

2000230: Greenway Preservation
2000236: Miesville Ravine Park Reserve Long-Range Plan Improvements
P00147: Veterans Memorial Greenway
River to River Greenway: TH 149 Crossing and trail improvements south of Marie
Countywide Greenway and Park Wayfinding Installation
Lebanon Hills Greenway: Lebanon Hills Regional Park to Dodd Road
Lake Marion Greenway: Lakeville - Ritter Farm Park to Holyoke
Lebanon Hills Regional Park: Sustainable Trail Improvements
Whitetail Woods Regional Park: Stage and Shade Improvements
Lake Byllesby Regional Park Turbine Exhibit and Road and Trail realignment

Facilities:

Roof Replacement Program
Window Replacement Program
Law Enforcement Center Housing Unit Fixture Replacement
Boiler Replacement Program
Chiller Replacement Program
Air Cooled Condenser Replacement Program
HVAC, Pumps, and Fans Replacement Program
Cabinet Unit Heater Replacement Program
Empire Maintenance Facility Geothermal Heat Pump Replacement
Judicial Service Center and Western Service Center Fire Pump Replacement
Countywide Life Safety Enhancement Program
Generator, ATS, Main Electrical, and MCC Replacement Program
Uninterruptible Power Supply Replacement Program
Miscellaneous Projects
Accessibility Barrier Removal Program
Exterior Building Envelope Maintenance Program
Exterior Door Replacement Program
Water Heater Replacement Program
Sanitary Waste Pump Replacements
Air Handling Unit Replacement Program
Make-Up Air Unit Replacements
HVAC Controls/Automation System Replacements
Electrical Service Gear Replacement Program
Flooring Replacement Program
Parking Lots Pavement Program
Energy Efficiency Program
; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Director of Physical Development or their designee to approve appraisals of value and to make initial offers based on appraised value for any right of way acquisitions needed for the following 2026 Transportation Capital Improvement Program projects:

Real Estate Office Right of Way Acquisitions:
CP 23-088: Mill and overlay CSAH 23 (Cedar Ave) from CSAH 9 (179th St) to CSAH 42 (150th St) in Apple Valley and Lakeville
CP 28-079: Signal replacement at CSAH 28 (Yankee Doodle Ave) and Denmark Ave in Eagan
CP 31-115: Roadway reconstruction CSAH 31 (Denmark Ave) from CSAH 74 (220th St) to CSAH 50 (212th St) in Farmington
CP 31-124: Intersection improvements at CSAH 31 (Pilot Knob Rd) and Crestridge Ln in Eagan
CP 31-125: Signal replacement at CSAH 31 (Pilot Knob Rd) and CSAH 46 (160th St W) in Apple Valley and Lakeville
CP 31-126: Signal replacement at CSAH 31 (Pilot Knob Rd) and Wescott Rd/Kings Wood Pond Rd in Eagan
CP 38-061: Intersection improvements at CSAH 38 (McAndrews Rd) and

Burnhaven Dr and trail gap study from CSAH 5 to Burnhaven Dr in Burnsville
CP 38-068: Retaining wall replacement along CSAH 38 (McAndrews Rd) between Hannover Ave and Gardenview Dr in Apple Valley
CP 42-173: Mill and overlay CSAH 42 (150th St) from CSAH 33 (Diamond Path) to TH 3 in Apple Valley and Rosemount
CP 42-175: Pedestrian underpass of CSAH 42 (145th Street), approximately 900 feet east of County Road (CR) 73 (Akron Avenue) in Rosemount
CP 42-183: Signal replacement at CSAH 42 (150th St W) and Galaxie Ave in Apple Valley
CP 42-184: Signal replacement at CSAH 42 (150th St W) and Pennock Ave in Apple Valley

CP 43-057: Construction of a multi-use trail along the east side of CSAH 43

(Lexington Ave) between Keefe St and TH 55 in Eagan
CP 43-059: Roundabout at CSAH 43 (Lexington Ave) and Northview Park Rd in Eagan
CP 46-064: Signal replacement at CSAH 46 (160th St W) and Galaxie Ave in Apple Valley and Lakeville
CP 46-065: Signal replacement at CSAH 46 (160th St W) and Foliage Ave in Apple Valley and Lakeville
CP 47-048: Roadway reconstruction on CSAH 47 (Northfield Blvd) from TH 3 to south of CSAH 86 (280th St) in Waterford Township, Sciota Township, and Castle Rock Township

CP 50-033: Reconstruction of the interchange at I-35 and CSAH 50 in Lakeville

CP 50-038: Roundabout at CSAH 50 (Kenwood Trail) and CSAH 60 (185th St) in Lakeville
CP 60-029: New signal system at CSAH 60 (185th St) and Orchard Trail in Lakeville
CP 74-011: Roadway reconstruction CSAH 74 (220th St) from CSAH 31 (Denmark Ave) to Honeysuckle Lane in Farmington
CP 99-013: Expansion of CSAH 46 from TH 3 to 1,300 feet east of CR 48 in

Rosemount, Coates, and Empire Township from two lanes to a four-lane divided section
Ayes: 7

7. Central Operations

7.1 Report On Invoices Paid In December 2025

Information only; no action requested.

8. County Board/County Administration**8.1 Resolution No: 26-040**

Adoption Of 2026 Dakota County Strategic Priorities

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners held a strategic planning workshop on December 5, 2025, and discussed updated Dakota County Strategic Plan Priorities and Initiatives; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners desires to update the existing Dakota County Strategic Plan Priorities and Initiatives.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the following Dakota County Strategic Plan Priorities and Initiatives with an overarching goal to make Dakota County 'A Great Place to Live':

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

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby directs the County Manager to create and maintain a set of community indicators and organizational performance measures associated with the County's Strategic Plan Priorities and Initiatives.

Ayes: 7

9. Physical Development**9.1 Resolution No: 26-041**

Authorization To Execute Joint Powers Agreement With City Of Inver Grove Heights For Greenway And Trail Segment Maintenance

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 99-526 (September 21, 1999), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners adopted the Mississippi River Greenway Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 13-442 (August 27, 2013), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners adopted the Lebanon Hills Greenway Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 17-493 (September 26, 2017), the Dakota

County Board of Commissioners adopted the Veterans Memorial Greenway Master Plan; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 12-152 (March 27, 2012), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized a joint powers agreement with the City of Inver Grove Heights for construction, operation, and maintenance of the Mississippi River Regional Trail; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 16-204 (April 19, 2016), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized a joint powers agreement with the City of Inver Grove Heights for a trail easement, construction and future trail maintenance of the Lebanon Hills Greenway; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County has constructed or reconstructed about one and a half miles of the Lebanon Hills Greenway in 2016-2017, seven miles of the Mississippi River Greenway to Dakota County Greenway standards in 2012-2014 and constructed about two miles of the Veterans Memorial Greenway in 2024 and 2025; and

WHEREAS, it is mutually agreeable for the City of Inver Grove Heights and Dakota County to execute a maintenance agreement to define the routine, deferred, and replacement responsibilities of the County's Greenway, site amenities and furnishings, vegetation, utilities, and structural infrastructure like bridges or tunnels; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County will continue to perform routine trail inspections and routine maintenance of the Greenway regional trails, including graffiti removal, and routine, deferred, and replacement maintenance of Greenway infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, sufficient funds are available in the Public Facilities Upkeep, Greenway Preservation and Greenway Enhancement set asides.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Physical Development Director, or their designee, to execute a Joint Powers Agreement, as substantially presented, with the City of Inver Grove Heights for the Mississippi River Greenway and Veterans Memorial Greenway that require routine and deferred maintenance, or replacement of Greenway Regional trail infrastructure according to the County's existing maintenance service standards, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

Ayes: 7

9.2 Resolution No: 26-042
Approval Of Special Hazardous Waste Processing Facility License For
ShopJimmy.Com LLC, Burnsville

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

WHEREAS, in accordance with Dakota County Ordinance 111, Hazardous Waste Regulation, ShopJimmy.Com LLC, submitted a license application to Dakota County for a special hazardous waste and universal waste processing facility to be operated in the city of Burnsville; and

WHEREAS, staff has reviewed the application and operations plan from ShopJimmy.Com LLC for the proposed special hazardous waste processing facility and has determined: (1) the application was submitted on the required department form; (2) the applicant provided such information as is needed for Dakota County to administer Dakota County Ordinance 111, including the information specified in Minn. R. 7045.0230; and (3) paid the application fee; all in conformance with the requirements of Dakota County Ordinance 111, Hazardous Waste Regulation; and

WHEREAS, staff has determined that ShopJimmy.Com LLC, requires financial assurance in accordance with Dakota County Ordinance 111, Hazardous Waste Regulation.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves issuance of a license pursuant to Dakota County Ordinance 111, Hazardous Waste Regulation, to ShopJimmy.Com LLC, for a special hazardous waste and universal waste processing facility in the city of Burnsville from January 20, 2026, to March 31, 2027, subject to compliance with all applicable federal, state, local, and County laws, rules, and ordinance requirements or special conditions; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That ShopJimmy.Com LLC shall operate the special hazardous waste processing facility in accordance with the plans and information approved as part of its license application to Dakota County; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Environmental Resources Director to issue a hazardous waste facility license, as approved by the Dakota County Board of Commissioners, to ShopJimmy.Com LLC, subject to the payment of required fees and the satisfaction of all appropriate license conditions.

Ayes: 7

9.3 Resolution No: 26-043

Authorization To Execute Contract With GEI Consultants, Inc. For Consultation Services For Byllesby Dam Comprehensive Assessment

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

WHEREAS, Dakota County owns the Byllesby Dam and operates the dam and its hydroelectric facility under the dam safety regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC); and

WHEREAS, periodic assessments of the dam by an independent consultant under the Part 12D Inspection program are a core component of the applicable

regulations; and

WHEREAS, the Part 12D Inspection program was updated to include additional complexity in the form of a Comprehensive Assessment (CA), which includes a site inspection and the completion of a risk assessment, among other activities; and

WHEREAS, staff sent out a request for proposals to five firms and received four proposals in response; and

WHEREAS, staff proposes to contract with GEI Consultants, Inc. to complete the CA based on a review of the technical competency, staff quality, assessment approach, and value of the services provided in the proposal.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Environmental Resources Director to execute a contract with GEI Consultants, Inc. for consultation services for a Comprehensive Assessment as the ninth Part 12D Inspection for the Byllesby Dam in an amount to exceed \$409,304.

Ayes: 7

9.4 Resolution No: 26-044

Authorization To Execute Contract With Stonebrooke Engineering, Inc. For Final Design, Execute Joint Powers Agreement With City Of Burnsville, And Amend 2026 Transportation CIP Budget For County State Aid Highway 38 (McAndrews Road) In City of Burnsville, County Project 38-61

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: William Droste

WHEREAS, Dakota County, in partnership with the City of Burnsville, is proceeding with County Project (CP) 38-61 to improve safety, mobility, and multimodal access along CSAH 38 (McAndrews Road); and

WHEREAS, Dakota County is the lead agency for CP 38-61 final design; and

WHEREAS, the Adopted 2026 Transportation Capital Improvement Program (CIP) does not include sufficient funding for design services; and

WHEREAS, a budget amendment is required to increase the consultant design services budget by \$899,966.00; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Department issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) and evaluated three proposals; and

WHEREAS, Stonebrooke Engineering, Inc. submitted the most complete and responsive proposal; and

WHEREAS, the City of Burnsville concurs with this recommendation; and

WHEREAS, cost participation for construction will follow adopted County policy, and design phase cost participation will be 80 percent Dakota County and 20 percent City of Burnsville, consistent with the Joint Powers Agreement to be executed; and

WHEREAS, the County Board adopted the Advance Funding City Cost Share Policy for Transportation CIP Projects (AF Policy). The City of Burnsville has requested to use this policy to advance its full estimated 2026 design cost share of \$179,993.00 for CP 38-61, as City does not currently have funds programmed in their budget. Burnsville proposes to reimburse the County in full by May 2027, consistent with the AF Policy, and the 2026 Transportation Capital Improvement Program (CIP) has sufficient capacity to accommodate this advance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Transportation Director, or their designee, to execute a contract with Stonebrooke Engineering, Inc. for engineering design consulting services for CP 38-61 in an amount not to exceed \$899,966.00, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Board authorizes a budget amendment to increase the CP 38-61 budget by \$899,966.00 utilizing CSAH funds and City participation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the 2026 Transportation Capital Improvement Program is amended as follows:

Expense	
County Project 38-61	<u>\$899,966</u>
Total Expense	\$899,966
Revenue	
City of Burnsville (Advance Funding)	\$179,993
CSAH	<u>\$719,973</u>
Total Revenue	\$899,966

Ayes: 7

REGULAR AGENDA

10. Public Services and Revenue

10.1 Resolution No: 26-045

Authorization To Execute A Contract Renewal with CycloMedia Technology, Inc. For Acquisition Of Street Level Images

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

Second: Mike Slavik

Scott Lyons, Director of Assessing Services briefed this item and responded to questions.

WHEREAS, assessors are mandated in statute to actually view and determine

the market value of each property at least every five years; and

WHEREAS, 'actually viewing' real estate can be accomplished digitally with today's technologies; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County Assessing Services has leveraged desktop inspection procedures to meet statutory quintile revaluation requirements, under industry standards, since 2006; and

WHEREAS, Assessing Services wishes to continue its business model of using technology to efficiently meet statutory revaluation requirements, provide all appraisal staff the tools to make accurate valuation estimates without greater investment in field inspections and ensure taxpayers expectations are met by establishing fair and accurate assessments; and

WHEREAS, through a Request for Proposals issued on December 16, 2015, Dakota County solicited vendors to provide a proposal for the acquisition of countywide street-level images; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 16-144 (March 1, 2016), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorize a contract be executed with CycloMedia Technology Inc. for acquisition of street-level images in an amount not to exceed \$249,774; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 21-056 (January 19, 2021), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorize a contract renewal with CycloMedia Technology Inc. for acquisition of street-level images in an amount not to exceed \$378,400 with additional image hosting costs of \$49,575 for a total 5-year project cost of \$427,975; and

WHEREAS, CycloMedia Technologies, Inc. submitted the renewal proposal that provides the best value to Dakota County for acquisition of street-level images as well as offering valuable access to a larger collection of licensed images and software to Assessing Services staff; and

WHEREAS, the estimated cost to secure this product from CycloMedia Technologies, Inc. is \$578,775 inclusive of licensing and image hosting costs; and

WHEREAS, funding for the street level images is included in the 2026 Assessing Services approved budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County Assessor to execute a contract renewal with CycloMedia Technology, Inc. for the acquisition of street-level images and the use of licensed images and software in an amount not to exceed \$578,775, for a period of 5 years, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

Ayes: 7

11. Closed Executive Session

11.1 Resolution No: 26-046

Approval Of Legal Strategy In Abulla Cham v. Dakota County

Motion: Joe Atkins

Second: Mike Slavik

This item did not go into closed session.

WHEREAS, Abulla Cham (Plaintiff) commenced a lawsuit against Dakota County (County); and

WHEREAS, on January 15, 2026, the County Attorney's Office provided a confidential memorandum to the Board explaining the legal strategy in this matter.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the litigation strategy as set forth by the County Attorney's Office in the confidential memorandum dated January 15, 2026.

Ayes: 7

12. Interagency Reports/Commissioner Updates

Interagency reports and Commissioner updates were presented.

Commissioner Atkins made a proposal to suspend the rules to add a proposed resolution to the agenda for discussion and potential resolution approval. The potential resolution was a request to the President of the United States, the United States Department of Homeland Security, and federal immigration authorities to stand down Operation Metro Surge within Dakota County and to refrain from invoking the Insurrection Act within Dakota County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Atkins and seconded by Commissioner Hamann-Roland to suspend the rules and add this proposed resolution to the agenda for additional discussion.

Aye: Atkins, Halverson, Hamann-Roland

Nay: Workman, Holberg, Droste, Slavik

The motion failed and the item was not added to the agenda.

13. County Manager's Report

No County Manager Update was provided.

14. Information

14.1 Information

See Attachment for future Board meetings and other activities.

15. Adjournment**15.1 Resolution No: 26-048**

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

Laurie Halverson
Chair

ATTEST

Heidi Welsch
County Manager