

Dakota County

General Government and Policy Committee of the Whole Minutes

Tuesday, October 4, 2022 9:30 AM Conference Room 3A, Administration Center, Hastings,

(or following County Board)

1. Call To Order And Roll Call

Present Commissioner Joe Atkins

Commissioner Liz Workman Commissioner Mike Slavik

Commissioner Mary Liz Holberg Commissioner Mary Hamann-Roland Commissioner Laurie Halverson Commissioner Kathleen A. Gaylord

Also in attendance were Matt Smith, County Manager; Tom Donely, First Assistant County Attorney; and Jeni Reynolds, Sr. Administrative Coordinator to the Board.

The audio recording from this meeting is available upon request.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Holberg at 10:00 a.m.

2. Audience

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

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

3.1 Approval of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

Motion: Mary Hamann-Roland

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

Second: Mike Slavik

Ayes: 7

CONSENT AGENDA

On a motion by Commissioner Atkins, seconded by Commissioner Workman, the consent agenda was approved as follows:

4. County Administration - Approval of Minutes

4.1 Approval of Minutes of Meeting Held on September 6, 2022

Motion: Joe Atkins Second: Liz Workman

Ayes: 7

REGULAR AGENDA

5. Enterprise Finance and Information Services

5.1 Overview Of Recommended 2023 Dakota County Fee Schedules

Finance Director Peter Skwira briefed this item and responded to questions. Other staff responded to questions as needed. This item was on the agenda for informational purposes only.

Information only; no action requested.

6. Physical Development

6.1 Resolution No: 22-441

Authorization For Expansion Of Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure At County Service Centers And Maintenance Facility And Amend 2022 Fleet Capital Equipment Program Budget

Motion: Laurie Halverson Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

Fleet Manager Kevin Schlangen briefed this item and responded to questions.

After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Halverson, seconded by Commissioner Hamann-Roland, to approve as presented. Prior to a vote, a motion to amend the resolution was made by Commissioner Workman, seconded by Commissioner Holberg. The amendment was to include language to offset the County cost of the charging stations by reducing the budgeted amount for 2023 energy efficiency investments by a like amount. The amended motion failed on a 2-5 vote (Commissioners Atkins, Gaylord, Hamann-Roland and Halverson voted no).

A vote was taken on the original motion and second to approve the resolution as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

WHEREAS, Dakota County's programs, policies, and practices reflect a commitment to energy and environmental stewardship as a cornerstone of healthy and vibrant communities in alignment with the County's vision, mission, and goals; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County continues to invest in energy conservation measures that reduce its reliance on fossil fuels (e.g., geothermal) and support production of energy from non-fossil fuel-based sources (e.g., hydro and solar) consistent with the adopted County Energy Conservation and Greenhouse Gas Reduction Strategy (Resolution No. 22-068; February 22, 2022); and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners supports County efforts to reduce energy consumption by County facilities, vehicles, and equipment when such efforts result in reduced consumption of fossil fuels and reduction in greenhouse gases; and

WHEREAS, adopting a strategy of electrifying the County's fleet when a business case and life cycle cost analysis justifies investment in Hybrid, Battery Electric (BEV) and Plug In Electric Vehicles (PHEV) is consistent with the County's broader Energy Conservation and Green House Gas Reduction Strategy; and

WHEREAS, Electric Vehicle Charging infrastructure is necessary to support the County's ability to transition it's fleet to an electrified platform.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby affirms and formally adopts a strategy of investing in Fleet Electrification under the following conditions:

- Identify and invest in electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure to support transition to fleet electrification, using external revenues where available to offset some or all initial infrastructure costs, and public charging revenues to offset ongoing costs of repair and maintenance of EV charging stations
- Invest in EVs when the use is consistent with a Dakota County business need, the cycle time fits with the electric vehicle range, and the return on investment on the vehicle is within the life of the vehicle, including any external revenues applied to the vehicle purchase price

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Manager to use Countywide Budget Incentive funds up to \$103,816 to expand the County's EV Charging infrastructure to the three main service centers (Northern, Western, and Hastings facilities) and the Empire Maintenance Facility.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the 2022 Fleet Capital Equipment Program Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Expense

EV Charging Infrastructure \$103,816

Total Expense \$103,816

Revenue

Fund Balance \$103,816 **Total Revenue** \$103,816 ; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the 2022 Non-Departmental Budget is hereby amended as follows:

Expense

Countywide BIP Expense (\$103,816)

Total Expense (\$103,816)

Revenue

Fund Balance (\$103,816) **Total Revenue** (\$103,816)

This item was approved and recommended for action by the Board of Commissioners on 10/18/2022.

Ayes: 7

6.2 Review Of Working Draft Dakota County 2023--2027 Capital Improvement Program

Physical Development Director Georg Fischer briefed this item and responded to questions. This item was on the agenda for informational purposes only. Direction was given to staff to bring this item to Physical Development Committee of the Whole on October 11, 2022 for additional discussion. Information only; no action requested.

7. County Manager's Report

No County Manager report.

8. Adjournment

8.1 Adjournment

Motion: Mike Slavik Second: Mary Hamann-Roland

On a motion by Commissioner Slavik, seconded by Commissioner Hamann-Roland, the meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Ayes: 7

Respectfully submitted,
Jeni Reynolds
Sr. Administrative Coordinator to the Board