
Sponsor: Board of Commissioners

Meeting Date: 5/20/2025

Title: Support for Nominations to National Association of Counties
2025 Leadership Positions

File Number: 2025-198

Background and Rationale:

The National Association of Counties (NACo) is seeking applications for presidential leadership positions to NACo committees for 2025.

Commissioner Tara Jebens-Singh is submitting an application for: Member of the Large Urban County Caucus and Member of the Health Policy Steering Committee.

Commissioner Jebens-Singh currently serves on the following national, statewide and regional boards and commissions:

- Member - NACo Arts and Culture Commission; Member - NACo Health Steering Policy Committee; Member - NACo Large Urban County Caucus; Member - NACo Resilient Counties Advisory Board; Member - AMC District X Committee; - AMC Environment & Natural Resources Policy Committee; Member - AMC Health & Human Services Policy Committee; Member - Community Action Partnership of Ramsey and Washington Counties; Alternate - Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee; Member - Interagency Early Intervention Committee; Member - Minnesota Landmarks Board; Member - Law Library Trustee; Alternate - Ramsey County Extension Committee; Member - Suburban Ramsey Family Collaborative Joint Powers Board; Vice Chair - TCAAP/Rice Creek Commons Joint Development Authority; Alternate - Ramsey County Childrens Mental Health Collaborative; Alternate - Ramsey County League of Local Governments; Alternate -State Community Health Services Advisory Committee; Alternate - Youth Justice Transformation.

In addition, Commissioner Jebens-Singh currently serves in the following Ramsey County positions:

- Member - Board of Commissioners; Member - Housing and Redevelopment Authority; Member - Regional Railroad Authority; Chair - Health and Wellness Service Team Committee of the Whole; Chair - Audit Committee of the Whole; Member - Budget Committee of the Whole; Member - Economic Growth and Community Investment Service Team Committee of the Whole; Member - Information and Public Records Service Team Committee of the Whole; Member - Legislative Committee; Member - Safety and Justice Service Team Committee of the Whole; Vice Chair - Strategic Team Committee.

Commissioner Mary Jo McGuire is submitting an application for: Member of the Programs and Services Committee, Member of the Large Urban County Caucus and Member of the Arts and Culture Commission.

Commissioner McGuire currently serves on the following national, statewide and regional boards and commissions:

- Past President - NACo; Member - NACo Programs and Services Committee; Member - NACo Healthy Counties Advisory Board; Member - NACo Large Urban County Caucus; Member - NACo Arts and Culture Commission; Member - NACo Healthy Counties Initiative

Advisory Board; Past President - Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC) Board of Directors; Member - AMC Public Safety Policy Committee; Member - AMC District X Committee; Member - Active Living Ramsey Communities, Member - County-Court Joint Committee; Member - Ramsey County League of Local Governments; Member - Recycling and Energy Board; Member - TCAAP/Rice Creek Commons Joint Development Authority; Member - Partnership on Waste and Energy; Member - Ramsey County Extension Committee; Alternate - Metro Conservation Districts Joint Powers Board. Alternate - Suburban Ramsey Family Collaborative Joint Powers Board; Alternate - Metro Library Services Agency Board of Trustees; Alternate - Metro Transportation Advisory Board; Alternate - Regional Haulers Licensing Board.

In addition, Commissioner McGuire currently serves in the following Ramsey County positions:

- Vice Chair - Board of Commissioners; Member and Secretary- Housing and Redevelopment Authority; Member - Regional Railroad Authority; Chair - Legislative Committee of the Whole; Chair - Information and Public Records Service Team Committee of the Whole; Vice Chair - Audit Committee; Vice Chair - Budget Committee of the Whole; Vice Chair - Economic Growth and Community Investment Service Team of the Whole; Member - Health and Wellness Service Team Committee of the Whole; Member- Safety and Justice Service Team Committee of the Whole; Member - Strategic Team Committee of the Whole;

Commissioner Garrison McMurtrey is submitting an application for: Member of the Large Urban County Caucus and Vice Chair of the Community, Economic & Workforce Development Policy Steering Committee.

Commissioner McMurtrey currently serves on the following national, statewide, and regional boards and commissions:

- Member - NACo Large Urban County Caucus; Member - NACo Community, Economic & Workforce Development Policy Steering Committee; Representative - Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC) Board of Directors; Member - AMC District X Committee; Member - Joint Property Tax Advisory Committee; Member - County-Court Joint Committee; Member - Generation Next; Member - Greater MSP Regional Partnership; Member - ITASCA Project; Alternate - Law Library Trustee; Member - Metro Emergency Services Board; Member - Metro Library Services Agency Board of Trustees; Member - Metro Mosquito Control District Board; Member- Ramsey County Dispatch/800 Subsystem Policy Committee; Member - Ramsey County Extension Committee; Member - Re-thinking I-94 Committee.

In addition, Commissioner McMurtrey currently serves in the following Ramsey County positions:

- Member - Board of Commissioners; Vice Chair - Housing and Redevelopment Authority; Member - Regional Railroad Authority; Member - Budget Committee of the Whole; Member - Legislative Committee of the Whole; Member - Health and Wellness Service Team Committee of the Whole; Chair - Economic Growth and Community Investment Service Team Committee of the Whole; Member - Information and Public Records Service Team Committee of the Whole; Member - Safety and Justice Service Team Committee of the Whole; Member - Strategic Team Committee of the Whole.

Commissioner Rena Moran is submitting an application for: Member of the Large Urban County Caucus and Member of the Healthy Counties Advisory Board.

Commissioner Moran currently serves on following national, statewide and regional boards and commissions:

- Member - NACo Justice & Public Safety Committee; Vice Chair - NACo Courts and Corrections Subcommittee; Member - NACo Large Urban County Caucus; Member - Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC) District X Committee; Member - AMC Health & Human Services Policy Committee; Member - National Organization of Black County Officials; Vice Chair - Heading Home Ramsey-Continuum of Care; Member - County-Court Joint Committee; Member - Criminal Justice Coordinating Committee; Member - Joint Property Tax Advisory Committee; Chair - Metro Mosquito Control District Board; Alternate - Re-thinking I-94 Committee; Vice Chair - St. Paul Children's Collaborative; Member - St. Paul Promise Neighborhood; Member - Youth Justice Transformation; Member - State Community Health Services Advisory Committee.

In addition, Commissioner Moran currently serves in the following Ramsey County positions:

- Member - Board of Commissioners; Member - Housing and Redevelopment Authority; Member - Regional Railroad Authority; Member - EGCI Service Team Committee of the Whole; Chair - Budget Committee of the Whole; Vice Chair - Legislative Committee of the Whole; Member - Health and Wellness Service Team Committee of the Whole; Member - IPR Service Team Committee of the Whole; Vice Chair - Safety and Justice Service Team Committee of the Whole; Member - Strategic Team Committee of the Whole.

Commissioner Rafael Ortega is submitting an application for: Member of the Large Urban County Caucus and Member of the Transportation Steering Committee.

Commissioner Ortega currently serves on the following national, statewide and regional boards and commissions:

- Member - NACo Large Urban County Caucus; Member - NACo Transportation Steering Committee; Member - Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC) District X Committee; Member - AMC Transportation and Infrastructure Policy Committee; Member - Minnesota Landmarks Board; Member - Recycling & Energy Board; Member - Regions Hospital Board; Member - Saint Paul Downtown Alliance; Alternate - Greater MSP Regional Partnership; Alternate - ITASCA Project.

In addition, Commissioner Ortega currently serves in the following Ramsey County positions:

- Chair - Board of Commissioners; Member- Housing & Redevelopment Authority; Chair - Regional Railroad Authority; Member - Audit Committee; Member - Budget Committee of the Whole; Member - Legislative Committee of the Whole; Member - Health and Wellness Service Team Committee of the Whole; Member - Economic Growth and Community Investment Service Team Committee of the Whole; Member - Information and Public Records Service Team Committee of the Whole; Member - Safety and Justice Service Team Committee of the Whole; Member - Strategic Team Committee of the Whole; Member - Gold Line Joint Powers Board; Member - Great River Rail Commission; Member - Robert Street Corridor; Alternate - Red Rock Corridor.

Commissioner Mai Chong Xiong is submitting an application for: Vice Chair - Human Services & Education (Aging Subcommittee); Member - Large Urban County Caucus.

Commissioner Xiong currently serves on the following national, statewide and regional boards and commissions:

- Member - NACo Human Services & Education Steering Committee; Vice Chair - NACo Education, Children and Families Subcommittee; Member - NACo Large Urban County Caucus (LUCC); Alternate - Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC) Board of Directors;

Member - AMC District X Committee; Presidential Appointment - AMC Housing, Economic Workforce Development Committee; Member - AMC General Government Policy Committee; Chair - Gold Line Joint Powers Board; Member - Community Action Partnership of Ramsey-Washington Counties; Member - Joint Property Tax Advisory Committee; Member - Metro Transportation Advisory Board; Member - Ramsey County Children's Mental Health Collaborative; Member - Saint Paul Children's Collaborative; Member - Youth Justice Transformation; Alternate - Ramsey/Washington Recycling & Energy Board; Alternate - Saint Paul Promise Neighborhood; Alternate - Workforce Innovation Board.

In addition, Commissioner Xiong currently serves in the following Ramsey County positions:

- Member - Board of Commissioners; Chair - Housing & Redevelopment Authority; Vice Chair - Regional Railroad Authority; Member - Red Rock Corridor; Vice Chair - METRO Purple Line Bus Rapid Transit Corridor Management Committee; Member - Metro Gold Line Corridor Management Committee; Member - Rush Line Task Force; Alternate - Great River Rail Commission; Alternate - Robert Street Corridor; Member - Budget Committee of the Whole; Member - Legislative Committee of the Whole; Member - Health and Wellness Service Team Committee of the Whole; Member - EGCI Service Team Committee of the Whole; Member - IPR Service Team Committee of the Whole; Member - Safety and Justice Service Team Committee of the Whole; Member - Strategic Team Committee of the Whole.

Commissioner Kelly Miller is submitting an application for: Member of the IT Standing Committee and Member of the Large Urban County Caucus.

Commissioner Miller currently serves on the following national, statewide and regional boards and commissions:

- Member - NACo Environment, Energy and Land Use (EELU) Steering Committee; Member - NACo IT Standing Committee; Member - NACo Large Urban County Caucus; Member - Association of Minnesota Counties (AMC) Environment and Natural Resources Committee; Member - AMC District X Committee; Alternate - Gold Line Joint Powers Board; Alternate - Heading Home Ramsey-Continuum of Care; Member - Metro Conservation Districts Joint Powers Board; Member/Treasurer - Metro Emergency Services Board (MESB); Member - Metro Mosquito Control District Board; Member - Minnesota Association of Workforce Boards; Member - Northeast Youth & Family Services Board of Directors; Member - Ramsey/Washington Recycling and Energy Board; Alternate - Partnership on Waste and Energy; Member - Regional Haulers Licensing Board; Member - Ramsey County Dispatch/800 Subsystem Policy Committee; Alternate - TCAAP/Rice Creek Commons Joint Development Authority; Member - Workforce Innovation Board; Member - ISD 623 American Indian Parent Advisory Committee; Member - Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Housing Advisory Board.

In addition, Commissioner Miller currently serves in the following Ramsey County positions:

- Member - Board of Commissioners; Member - Housing & Redevelopment Authority; Member and Secretary - Regional Railroad Authority; Member - Budget Committee of the Whole; Member - EGCI Service Team Committee; Member - Legislative Committee of the Whole; Vice-Chair - Health and Wellness Service Team Committee of the Whole; Vice-Chair - IPR Service Team Committee of the Whole; Chair - Safety and Justice Service Team Committee of the Whole; Chair - Strategic Team Committee of the Whole; Alternate - Gold Line Joint Powers Board; Member - Metro Purple Line Bus Rapid Transit Corridor Management Committee; Member - Metro Gold Line Corridor Management Committee; Alternate - Rush Line Task Force.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

1. Support the candidacy of Commissioner Tara Jebens-Singh for: Member of the Large Urban County Caucus and Member of the Health Policy Steering Committee.
2. Support the candidacy of Commissioner Mary Jo McGuire for: Member of the Programs and Services Committee, Member of the Large Urban County Caucus and Member of the Arts and Culture Commission.
3. Support the candidacy of Commissioner Garrison McMurtrey for: Member of the Large Urban County Caucus and Vice Chair of the Community, Economic & Workforce Development Policy Steering Committee.
4. Support the candidacy of Commissioner Rena Moran for: Member of the Large Urban County Caucus and Member of the Healthy Counties Advisory Board.
5. Support the candidacy of Commissioner Rafael Ortega for: Member of the Large Urban County Caucus and Member of the Transportation Steering Committee.
6. Support the candidacy of Commissioner Mai Chong Xiong for: Vice Chair - Human Services & Education (Aging Subcommittee); Member - Large Urban County Caucus.
7. Support the candidacy of Commissioner Kelly Miller for: Member of the IT Standing Committee and Member of the Large Urban County Caucus.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner McMurtrey, seconded by Commissioner Miller. Motion passed.

Aye: - 6: Jebens-Singh, McMurtrey, Miller, Moran, Ortega, and Xiong

Absent: - 1: McGuire

By: 
Jason Yang, Interim Chief Clerk - County
Board