



Board of Commissioners

Minutes

15 West Kellogg Blvd.
Saint Paul, MN 55102
651-266-9200

September 17, 2024 - 9 a.m.

Council Chambers - Courthouse Room 300

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:03 a.m. with the following members present: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Xiong and Chair Reinhardt. Also present were Ling Becker, County Manager, and Jada Lewis, Civil Division Director, Ramsey County Attorney's Office.

ROLL CALL

Present: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Read by Commissioner McGuire

1. Agenda of September 17, 2024 is Presented for Approval [2024-259](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the agenda of September 17, 2024.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by Xiong. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

2. Minutes from September 3, 2024 are Presented for Approval [2024-384](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the September 3, 2024 Minutes.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by Xiong. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

3. Public Safety Answering Point Funding Allocation Project [2024-369](#)

Sponsors: Emergency Communications

1. Establish a project account number for Public Safety Answering Point one-time funding allocation project.
2. Authorize the County Manager to move up to \$373,777.53 of Emergency Communication's Fund balance to the Public Safety Answering Point one time funding allocation project in BY2024.

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Frethem. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Resolution: B2024-175

4. Resolution for Minnesota Management and Budget for Release of Bond Funding for Battle Creek Waterworks Project [2024-381](#)

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

1. Pledge to complete the project or phase if it exceeds the total funding provided by the proposed \$2,425,635.04 grant from the Minnesota Metropolitan Council.
2. Affirm that the Ramsey County has the financial capability to provide any required matching funds and that the source of the county's matching funds shall be the Ramsey County Parks and Recreation Open Space - Facility Operations /Maintenance PRK BC Waterworks Renovation Account, Account #2024 441207.

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Frethem. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Resolution: [B2024-176](#)

6. Repurchase of a Tax-forfeited Property Located at 127 Acker Street East, Saint Paul, MN 55117 [2024-376](#)

Sponsors: Property Tax, Records & Election Services

1. Determine that by allowing a timely repurchase of the following property, any injustices or undue hardships caused by the forfeiture will be corrected and the repurchase will promote the use of the lands that will best serve the public interest:
 - Commissioner District 3
 - PIN: 30-29-22-43-0109
 - Property Address: 127 Acker Street East, Saint Paul, MN 55117
 - Repurchase amount due to date: \$529
2. Approve the repurchase of the above tax-forfeited property by Brian Galvin, fee owner at the time of forfeiture (Repurchaser), subject to the Repurchaser executing a repurchase contract within 90 days of approval.

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Frethem. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Resolution: [B2024-177](#)

7. Repurchase of a Tax-forfeited Property Located at 820 Ocean Street, Saint Paul, MN 55106 [2024-377](#)

Sponsors: Property Tax, Records & Election Services

1. Determine that by allowing a timely repurchase of the following property, any injustices or undue hardships caused by the forfeiture will be corrected and the repurchase will promote the use of the lands that will best serve the public interest:
 - Commissioner District 6
 - PIN: 28-29-22-44-0005
 - Property Address: 820 Ocean Street, Saint Paul, MN 55106
 - Repurchase amount due to date: \$15,000
2. Approve the repurchase of the above tax-forfeited property by Scott Bradley, fee owner at the time of forfeiture (Repurchaser), subject to the Repurchaser executing a repurchase contract within 90 days of approval.

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Frethem. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Resolution: [B2024-178](#)

8. Repurchase of a Tax-forfeited Property Located at 934 Orange Avenue East, [2024-378](#)

Saint Paul, MN 55106

Sponsors: Property Tax, Records & Election Services

1. Determine that by allowing a timely repurchase of the following property, any injustices or undue hardships caused by the forfeiture will be corrected and the repurchase will promote the use of the lands that will best serve the public interest:
 - Commissioner District 6
 - PIN: 21-29-22-33-0103
 - Property Address: 934 Orange Avenue East, Saint Paul, MN 55106
 - Repurchase amount due to date: \$22,680
2. Approve the repurchase of the above tax-forfeited property by Nancy Ann Severin, fee owner at the time of forfeiture (Repurchaser), subject to the Repurchaser executing a repurchase contract within 90 days of approval.

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Frethem. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Resolution: B2024-179

9. Settlement Agreement in Simpson v. Joyful Homes, et al. (Court File no. [2024-416](#)
62-CV-22-2942)

Sponsors: Board of Commissioners

1. Approve the settlement agreement Simpson v. Joyful Homes, et al., (Court File no. 62-CV-22-2942), totaling \$75,000.
2. Authorize Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the settlement agreement.

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Frethem. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Resolution: B2024-180

5. Participation in the Comprehensive Improvement Special Service District for [2024-380](#)
Downtown Saint Paul

Sponsors: Property Management

1. Approve participation in the Comprehensive Improvement Special Service District for Downtown Saint Paul for the period of January 1, 2025 through December 31, 2029.
2. Accept annual service charges imposed in the district for county properties estimated at \$199,000 for 2025 and subject to escalation in each of the four subsequent years.

Discussion can be found on archived video.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by Xiong. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Resolution: B2024-181

COUNTY CONNECTIONS

No updates.

OUTSIDE BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Discussion can be found on archived video.

BOARD CHAIR UPDATE

Presented by Chair Reinhardt. Discussion can be found on archived video.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Reinhardt declared the meeting adjourned at 9:36 a.m.