



Board of Commissioners Minutes

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

November 5, 2024 - 9 a.m.

Council Chambers - Courthouse Room 300

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:02 a.m. with the following members present: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Xiong, and Chair Reinhardt. Commissioner Ortega joined the board meeting remotely pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 13D.02, Subdivision 1(b). Also present were Ling Becker, County Manager, and Jada Lewis, Civil Division Director, Ramsey County Attorney's Office.

ROLL CALL

Commissioner Xiong was absent during Roll Call. She arrived at 9:04 a.m. and was present for the rest of the board meeting.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Read by Commissioner McGuire.

1. Agenda of November 5, 2024 is Presented for Approval [2024-269](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Frethem. Motion passed.

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

2. Minutes from October 15, 2024 are Presented for Approval [2024-270](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Motion by Frethem, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

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

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

3. Project Budget and Financing Plan for East Building File Project [2024-457](#)

Sponsors: Health and Wellness

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Moran. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: [B2024-209](#)

5. Single Source Agreement with Youthprise for Youth Services [2024-452](#)

Sponsors: Community Corrections

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Moran. Motion passed.

Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong
Resolution: B2024-210

6. Appointments to the Corrections Advisory Board [2024-479](#)

Sponsors: Community Corrections

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Moran. Motion passed.
Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong
Resolution: B2024-211

7. Appointment to the Ramsey-Washington Metro Watershed District [2024-500](#)

Sponsors: Board of Commissioners

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Moran. Motion passed.
Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong
Resolution: B2024-212

8. Appointments to the Capital Improvement Program Advisory Committee [2024-478](#)

Sponsors: Finance

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Moran. Motion passed.
Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong
Resolution: B2024-213

9. Appointments to the Workforce Innovation Board of Ramsey County [2024-474](#)

Sponsors: Workforce Solutions

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Moran. Motion passed.
Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong
Resolution: B2024-214

10. Appointments to the Ramsey County Library Advisory Board [2024-453](#)

Sponsors: Library

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Moran. Motion passed.
Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong
Resolution: B2024-215

11. Gift From Myrna Boyken to the Ramsey County Library [2024-477](#)

Sponsors: Library

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Moran. Motion passed.
Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong
Resolution: B2024-216

12. Agreement with Cool Air Mechanical, Inc. for Ramsey County Courthouse/City of Saint Paul City Hall Chilled Water System Improvements Project [2024-473](#)

Sponsors: Property Management

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Moran. Motion passed.
Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

Resolution: [B2024-217](#)

13. Professional Services Agreement with Apex Facility Solutions for Guaranteed Energy Savings Project Directed Engineering Study [2024-475](#)

Sponsors: Property Management

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Moran. Motion passed.
Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong
Resolution: [B2024-218](#)

14. Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota for Election Recount Services [2024-482](#)

Sponsors: Property Tax, Records & Election Services

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Moran. Motion passed.
Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong
Resolution: [B2024-219](#)

4. Fourth Amendment to the Joint Powers Agreement with the Ramsey/Washington Recycling and Energy Board [2024-472](#)

Sponsors: Public Health

Discussion can be found on archived video.

Motion by McGuire, seconded by Frethem. Motion passed.
Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong
Resolution: [B2024-220](#)

15. Operation Green Light for Veterans [2024-529](#)

Sponsors: Veterans Services

Discussion can be found on archived video.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.
Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong
Resolution: [B2024-221](#)

ORDINANCE PROCEDURES

16. Proposed Ramsey County Arts and Culture Advisory Commission Ordinance - Waive First Reading and Set Public Hearing Date [2024-461](#)

Sponsors: Board of Commissioners, Economic Growth and Community Investment

Commissioner Frethem made a substitute motion, seconded by Xiong, to replace the name of the commission from "Ramsey County Arts and Culture Advisory Commission" to "Ramsey County Arts, Culture and Creative Enterprise Advisory Commission." Motion passed.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by Xiong. Motion passed.
Aye: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong
Resolution: [B2024-222](#)

COUNTY CONNECTIONS

Presented by County Manager, Ling Becker. Discussion can be found on archived video.

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 10:22 a.m.