



# Housing and Redevelopment Authority Agenda

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

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September 24, 2024 - 10:05 a.m.

Council Chambers - Courthouse Room 300

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## ROLL CALL

- 1. Agenda of September 24, 2024 is Presented for Approval** [2024-436](#)  
Sponsors: County Manager's Office  
Approve the agenda of September 24, 2024.
- 2. Minutes from June 25, 2024 are Presented for Approval** [2024-437](#)  
Sponsors: County Manager's Office  
Approve the June 25, 2024 Minutes.

## POLICY ITEM

- 3. Certification of the Maximum Tax Levy for the Ramsey County Housing & Redevelopment Authority** [2024-398](#)  
Sponsors: Community & Economic Development  
Approve the proposed maximum tax levy to finance the 2025 Ramsey County Housing & Redevelopment Authority Budget in the amount of \$13,584,665.

## ADJOURNMENT



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## Request for Board Action

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**Item Number:** 2024-436

**Meeting Date:** 9/24/2024

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**Sponsor:** County Manager's Office

**Title**

Agenda of September 24, 2024 is Presented for Approval

**Recommendation**

Approve the agenda of September 24, 2024.



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## Request for Board Action

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**Item Number:** 2024-437

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**Sponsor:** County Manager's Office

**Title**

Minutes from June 25, 2024 are Presented for Approval

**Recommendation**

Approve the June 25, 2024 Minutes.

**Attachments**

1. June 25, 2024 Minutes



# Housing and Redevelopment Authority

## Minutes

15 West Kellogg Blvd.  
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June 25, 2024 - 10 a.m.

Council Chambers - Courthouse Room 300

The Ramsey County Housing and Redevelopment Authority met in regular session at 9:58 a.m. with the following members present: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Moran, Reinhardt, and Chair Xiong. Commissioner Ortega was absent. Also present was Johanna Berg, County Manager.

### ROLL CALL

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

1. Agenda of June 25, 2024 is Presented for Approval [2024-229](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the agenda of June 25, 2024.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by Martinson. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Ortega

2. Minutes from June 4, 2024 are Presented for Approval [2024-228](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the June 4, 2024 Minutes.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Ortega

### ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

3. Environmental Response Fund Grant Awards [2024-224](#)

Sponsors: Community & Economic Development

1. Approve the selection of 892 East 7th Street, GloryVille, East End Apartments, and Ain Dah Young Center Shelter Rehabilitation to receive Environmental Response Funds.
2. Authorize the award of Environmental Response Funds to the following projects:
  - a. 892 East 7th Street (Project for Pride in Living, Inc.) - \$24,084
  - b. Ain Dah Young Center Shelter Rehabilitation - \$83,100
  - c. GloryVille - \$200,000
  - d. East End Apartments (JB Vang) - \$200,000
3. Return unspent funds from two projects back to the Environmental Response Fund:
  - a. 3803 Stinson - \$28,200
  - b. Lillie Redevelopment - \$75,000
4. Authorize the County Manager to enter into necessary grant, loan or other agreements and execute amendments to those agreements in a form approved by the County Attorney's

Office.

Discussion can be found on archived video.

Motion by Frethem, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Ortega

Resolution: H2024-009

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Xiong declared the meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.



# Board of Commissioners

## Request for Board Action

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**Item Number:** 2024-398

**Meeting Date:** 9/24/2024

**Sponsor:** Community & Economic Development

**Title**

Certification of the Maximum Tax Levy for the Ramsey County Housing & Redevelopment Authority

**Recommendation**

Approve the proposed maximum tax levy to finance the 2025 Ramsey County Housing & Redevelopment Authority Budget in the amount of \$13,584,665.

**Background and Rationale**

Minnesota Statutes 275.065 requires the Ramsey County Housing & Redevelopment Authority (RCHRA), as a special taxing district, to certify a proposed maximum tax levy to the County Auditor by September 30, 2024.

An important provision of the proposed property taxes law is that the approved tax levy for the 2025 RCHRA budget cannot be more than the proposed maximum tax levy certified by the RCHRA.

The RCHRA will approve the 2025 Budget and Property Tax Levy in December 2024.

**County Goals** (Check those advanced by Action)

- Well-being       Prosperity       Opportunity       Accountability

**Racial Equity Impact**

The 2025 RCHRA proposed budget and tax levy allows the RCHRA to implement eligible strategies from Ramsey County’s Economic Competitiveness and Inclusion Plan (ECI Plan) by investing in projects and programs that specifically aim to reduce racial disparities and grow intergenerational wealth. Strategies include increasing the supply of deeply affordable rental housing units and expanding pathways to homeownership.

Ramsey County has large racial disparities between racially and ethnically diverse communities and white residents in accessing housing and homeownership. These disparities include a disproportionate number of African American and American Indian residents experiencing homelessness compared to white residents. Housing data demonstrates that racially and ethnically diverse communities are far more likely to be cost-burdened by hosting costs compared to white residents. The data is reflective of a legacy of racially exclusive housing practices such as redlining and racially restrictive covenants. To undo these historical and lasting inequities, inclusive investment is needed in communities that have experienced historic wealth extraction.

**Community Participation Level and Impact**

On this specific action, the community participation levy is to inform. This is one action in the larger county process of proposing and approving its budget. The process has invoiced information and consulting through community budget conversations, board presentations, and public hearings held in 2023 and will continue through 2024.

Inform       Consult       Involve       Collaborate       Empower

**Fiscal Impact**

The 2025 proposed levy for the RCHRA is \$13,584,665, which is an increase of \$765,101 or 5.6% from the 2024 levy of \$12,819,564.

**Last Previous Action**

On September 17, 2024, the County Manager and service teams presented the 2025 supplemental budget and performance measures to the Budget Committee of the Whole.

On September 16, 2024, the County Manager and service teams presented the 2025 supplemental budget and performance measures to the Budget Committee of the Whole.

On August 27, 2024, the County Manager presented the 2025 supplement budget and performance measures to the Board of Commissioners.

**Attachments**

None.