



Board of Commissioners

Minutes

15 West Kellogg Blvd.
Saint Paul, MN 55102
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November 23, 2021 - 9 a.m.

Virtual meeting / Council Chambers - Courthouse
Room 300

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present: Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Chair Carter. Also present were Ryan O'Connor, County Manager, and Sam Clark, Civil Division Director, Ramsey County Attorney's Office.

ROLL CALL

Present: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. Agenda of November 23, 2021 is Presented for Approval. [2021-568](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the agenda of November 23, 2021.

Motion by Ortega, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

2. Minutes from November 16, 2021 are Presented for Approval [2021-580](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the November 16, 2021 Minutes.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by Frethem. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

PROCLAMATION

3. Proclamation: Native American Heritage Month [2021-653](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Presented by Commissioner MatasCastillo. Discussion can be found on archived video.

PRESENTATION OF AWARD

4. Award Presentation: American Public Works Association of Minnesota Chapter - Project of the Year Honorable Mention Award for the Dale Street/I-94 Interchange Project [2021-635](#)

Sponsors: Public Works

None. Presentation of award only.

Introduced by Commissioner Carter. Richard McCoy with the American Public Works Association of Minnesota (APWA-MN) presented the commissioners with the APWA-MN Chapter Project of the Year Honorable Mention Award for Ramsey County's Dale Street/I-94 project. Discussion can be found on archived video.

COVID UPDATE

Presented by County Manager Ryan O'Connor, Sara Hollie, Director - Public Health, Dr. Ogawa, Medical Director - Public Health, and Laura Andersen, Deputy Incident Commander - Public Health. Discussion can be found on archived video.

ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

5. Agreement with the University of Minnesota and Ramsey County for 4-H Youth Development Programs [2021-570](#)

Sponsors: Communications & Public Relations

1. Approve an agreement with the Regents of the University of Minnesota on behalf of its Extension unit, 240 Coffey Hall, St. Paul, MN 55108, for 4-H Youth Development programs for the term January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023, in the amount of \$180,000 per year.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the agreement.
3. Authorize the County Manager to approve and execute amendments to agreement in accordance with the provisions of the agreement, provided the amounts are within the limits of available funding.

Motion by Ortega, seconded by McDonough. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Resolution: [B2021-256](#)

6. Amendment to the Agreement with Legal Services for Juveniles INC. [2021-642](#)

Sponsors: Safety and Justice

1. Approve the amendment to the professional services agreement with Legal Services for Juveniles INC to provide legal representation services for proceedings in juvenile court for the period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2023, not to exceed the amount of \$2,550,000.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the amendment.
3. Authorize the County Manager to approve and execute amendments to renew the term of the agreement in accordance with the provisions of the agreement, with all other terms and conditions remaining the same, in a form approved the County Attorney's Office.

Motion by Ortega, seconded by McDonough. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Resolution: [B2021-257](#)

7. Reappointment of the Ramsey County Medical Examiner and Amendment to Agreement for Forensic Services [2021-641](#)

Sponsors: Safety and Justice and County Manager's Office

1. Reappoint Kelly Mills, M.D. as the Medical Examiner of Ramsey County from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022.

- 2. Approve the amendment with Kelly Mills, 3486 Crosslough Trail, Rosemount, MN, 55068, DBA River Valley Forensic Services, PA, for a one-year period of January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022, with up to two annual renewals by Ramsey County Board-approved amendment, in an amount of \$827,067 per year.
- 3. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the amendment.

Motion by Ortega, seconded by McDonough. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Resolution: B2021-258

- 8. Public Works Construction Quarterly Report for July 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021 [2021-638](#)

Sponsors: Public Works

Accept the Public Works Construction Quarterly Report for the period of July 1, 2021 through September 30, 2021.

Motion by Ortega, seconded by McDonough. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Resolution: B2021-259

POLICY ITEM

- 9. Presentation: Funding for Workforce Programs through the American Rescue Plan Act [2021-643](#)

Sponsors: Workforce Solutions

None. For information and discussion only.

Presented by Ling Becker and Tina Curry. Discussion can be found on the archived video.

ORDINANCE PROCEDURES

- 10. Amendments to the Ramsey County Administrative Ordinance [2021-559](#)

Sponsors: Public Health

Adopt amendments to the Ramsey County Administrative Ordinance, that provides authority for departments to issue administrative citations.

Motion by McDonough, seconded by Ortega. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Resolution: B2021-260

- 11. [2021-656](#)

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by MatasCastillo. Motion passed.

Aye: Carter, Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, and Reinhardt

Resolution: B2021-261

COUNTY CONNECTIONS

Presented by County Manager, Ryan O'Connor. 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 Carter. Discussion can be found on archived video.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Carter declared the meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.