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**Sponsor:** Property Management, Public Health

**Meeting Date:** 1/28/2025

**Title:** Lease Agreement with City of New Brighton for Women, Infants, and Children Clinic Space

**File Number:** 2025-008

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**Background and Rationale:**

Ramsey County Public Health currently delivers Women, Infant and Children (WIC) program services at six clinic sites within Ramsey County. The existing WIC clinic in Room 202 at the New Brighton Community Center is currently operating in suboptimal conditions. The 635 square foot interior room, which lacks natural light and privacy, is ill-suited for providing quality WIC services for Ramsey County residents. As a result, clients often face extended wait times and staff struggle to maintain productivity in the cramped and uninspiring environment. By relocating the WIC clinic to an alternative space available within the New Brighton Community Center (Room 214), Public Health can significantly improve the client experience, enhance staff morale, and ensure the delivery of high-quality WIC services. The larger space provides for natural light and an improved layout, which will allow for more efficient operations, increased privacy, and a more welcoming and dignified atmosphere for both clients and staff.

The five-year lease term for the Room 214 space replaces the existing lease for Room 202, which expires April 30, 2025. WIC will acquire early access to Room 214 as of February 1, 2025, for a one-time fee of \$2,416, to allow time to improve the new suite to Ramsey County standards.

**Recommendation:**

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

1. Approve the lease agreement with the city of New Brighton, 803 Old Highway 8 Northwest, New Brighton, MN 55112, for 860 square feet of space at the New Brighton Community Center, 400 10th Street Northwest, New Brighton, MN 55112, for the period of May 1, 2025, through April 30, 2030, in accordance with the rates in the lease agreement.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the lease agreement.

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

Aye: - 5: Jebens-Singh, Miller, Moran, Ortega, and Xiong

Absent: - 1: McGuire

By: \_\_\_\_\_



Jason Yang, Interim Chief Clerk - County Board