



Board of Commissioners
Resolution
B2024-219

15 West Kellogg Blvd.
Saint Paul, MN 55102
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Sponsor: Property Tax, Records & Election Services

Meeting Date: 11/5/2024

Title: Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota for Election Recount Services

File Number: 2024-482

Background and Rationale:

The State of Minnesota is in need of election recount services pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 204C.35, subdivision 1 and Minnesota Rules, part 8235.0200 for the 2024 general election, as necessary.

Since the County Auditor is required to retain, in a secure fashion, voted ballots from the 2024 general election, and all the other documents required to properly conduct a recount, it has been the standard practice of Ramsey County to perform the recount duties on behalf of the state of Minnesota for the precincts located within Ramsey County. Historically, all counties in the state of Minnesota perform state recounts under an agreement with the state. This action will bring Ramsey County into consistency with the other counties if there is a statewide recount in 2024.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

1. Approve the Joint Powers Agreement with the state of Minnesota for election recount services for the period upon execution through December 31, 2024.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the Joint Powers Agreement.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner McGuire, seconded by Commissioner Moran. Motion passed.

Aye - 6: Frethem, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

By: _____

Jason Yang, Interim Chief Clerk - County Board