



# Board of Commissioners

## Minutes

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Saint Paul, MN 55102  
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June 4, 2024 - 9 a.m.

Council Chambers - Courthouse Room 300

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The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:03 a.m. with the following members present: McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, Xiong and Chair Martinson. Commissioner Frethem was absent. Also present were Johanna Berg, County Manager, and Jada Lewis, Civil Division Director, Ramsey County Attorney's Office.

### ROLL CALL

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

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Read by Commissioner Xiong.

1. Agenda of June 4, 2024 is Presented for Approval [2023-666](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the agenda of June 4, 2024.

Motion by Ortega, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Frethem

2. Minutes from May 28, 2024 are Presented for Approval [2023-687](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the May 28, 2024 Minutes.

Motion by Xiong, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Frethem

### PROCLAMATION

3. Proclamation: PRIDE Month [2024-196](#)

Sponsors: Human Resources

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

### ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

5. Agreement with Meisinger Construction Company, Inc. for Medical Examiner's [2024-191](#)

Office Backup Generator Replacement Project

Sponsors: Property Management

1. Approve the selection of and agreement with Meisinger Construction Company, Inc., 121 Bridgepoint Way, South Saint Paul, MN 55075, for the Medical Examiner's Office Backup Generator Replacement project, for the period of June 4, 2024 through June 3, 2025, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$308,000.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the agreement.
3. Authorize the County Manager to execute amendments to the agreement in accordance with the county's procurement policies and procedures, provided the amounts are within the limits of available funding.

Motion by Xiong, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Frethem

Resolution: B2024-100

6. Amendment to the Joint Powers Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Veteran Affairs for the Homelessness Mission - Functional Zero Project [2024-192](#)

Sponsors: Veterans Services

1. Approve an amendment to the Joint Powers Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Veteran Affairs, 435 Wabasha Street North #120, Saint Paul, MN 55102, for the Homelessness Mission - Functional Zero Project for the period of November 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025, in the not-to-exceed amount of \$300,000 in accordance with the rates established in the agreement.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the agreement.

Motion by Xiong, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Frethem

Resolution: B2024-101

7. Grant Agreement with the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources for Soil Health Supplemental Staffing [2024-200](#)

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

1. Ratify the submittal of the grant application to the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources for soil health supplemental staffing.
2. Accept a grant award and approve the grant agreement with Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources for soil health supplemental staffing for the period after the grant agreement is executed through December 31, 2027, in the amount of \$345,000.
3. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the grant agreement.
4. Authorize the County Manager to enter into agreements and amendments to agreements in accordance with the county's procurement policies and procedures, provided the amounts are within the limits of the grant funding.

Motion by Xiong, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Frethem

Resolution: B2024-102

4. Grant Agreement with the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program [2024-190](#)

Sponsors: Housing Stability

1. Ratify the submittal of the grant application to Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program.
2. Accept a grant award and approve a grant agreement with Minnesota Housing Finance Agency for the period of June 1, 2024, through September 30, 2025, in the amount of \$3,288,018.
3. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the grant agreement.
4. Authorize the County Manager to enter into agreements and execute amendments to agreements and contracts in accordance with the county's procurement policies and procedures provided the amounts are within the limits of grant funding.

### **Background and Rationale**

Discussion can be found on archived video.

Motion by Moran, seconded by Xiong. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Frethem

Resolution: B2024-103

### **ORDINANCE PROCEDURES**

8. Proposed Ramsey County Commissioner's Salary Ordinance for 2025 - Waive First Reading and Set Public Hearing Date [2024-214](#)

Sponsors: Human Resources

1. Waive the First Reading of the proposed Ramsey County Commissioner's Salary Ordinance for 2025.
2. Set the Public Hearing date of June 18, 2024 at 9 a.m. or as soon as possible thereafter, in the Council Chambers, third floor of Ramsey County Courthouse - 15 West Kellogg Boulevard, Saint Paul, MN 55102 to afford the public an opportunity to comment on the proposed Ramsey County Commissioner's Salary Ordinance for 2025.

Motion by Reinhardt, seconded by Ortega. Motion passed.

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

Absent: Frethem

Resolution: B2024-104

### **COUNTY CONNECTIONS**

No Updates.

### **OUTSIDE BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Discussion can be found on archived video.

### **BOARD CHAIR UPDATE**

Presented by Chair Martinson. Discussion can be found on archived video.

### **OUTGOING DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER REMARKS**

Remarks by outgoing Deputy County Manager, Scott Williams. Discussion can be found on archived

video.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Martinson declared the meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.