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**May 25, 2021 - 9 a.m.**

**Council Chambers - Courthouse Room 300**

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The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners met virtually 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 May 25, 2021 is Presented for Approval. [2021-187](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the agenda of May 25, 2021.

Motion by McDonough, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

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

2. Minutes from May 18, 2021 are Presented for Approval [2021-251](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

Approve the May 18, 2021 Minutes.

Motion by Ortega, seconded by McGuire. Motion passed.

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

**PROCLAMATION**

3. Proclamation: Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month [2021-266](#)

Sponsors: County Manager's Office

The proclamation was presented by Commissioner Ortega. Those present to receive and remark on the proclamation were: Mee Cheng - Ramsey County Racial and Health Equity Administrator; Terri Thao - Program Director of Nexus Community Partners; Chanida Phaengdara Potter - Executive Director and Community Architect of Southeast Asian Diaspora (SEAD) Project; Chao Yang - Health Educator, Saint Paul - Public Health Department and Chair of Ramsey County Asian Descent Network Employee Resource Group. Also present were Ramsey County Asian Descent Employee Resource Group planning members, as well as other community members. Discussion can be found on archived video.

**COVID UPDATE**

Presented by County Manager Ryan O'Connor, Kathy Hedin, Deputy County Manager - Health and Wellness, Sara Hollie, Racial and Health Equity Administrator, and Dr. Lynne Ogawa, Medical Director - Public Health. Discussion can be found on archived video.

## ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

### 4. 2021 Urban Area Security Initiative Grant Award [2021-249](#)

Sponsors: Emergency Management & Homeland Security

1. Accept a grant award of \$409,500 and approve a grant agreement from the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Homeland Security and Emergency Management, 444 Cedar St #223, Saint Paul, for the 2021 Urban Area Security Initiative for the period of January 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to approve and execute the grant agreement.
3. Authorize the County Manager or designee to enter into agreements and contracts, 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 the grant funding.

Motion by Ortega, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: [B2021-117](#)

### 5. Appointments to the Parks and Recreation Commission [2021-262](#)

Sponsors: Parks & Recreation

Appoint the following individuals to the Parks and Recreation Commission for a term beginning June 2, 2021 and ending June 1, 2024: District 1 - Michael Berger; District 3 - Brian Tempas; District 5 - Savannah Lane; District 6 - Snowdon Herr; and At-Large - Gregory Williams.

Motion by Ortega, seconded by Reinhardt. Motion passed.

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

Resolution: [B2021-118](#)

## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

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

## 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

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Chair Carter declared the meeting adjourned at 10:31 a.m.