

Board of Commissioners Resolution

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Saint Paul, MN 55102
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Sponsor: Property Management

Meeting Date: 10/6/2020

Item Number: 2020-269

Title: Fifth Amendment to the Lease Agreement with the State of Minnesota Explore Minnesota Tourism for Metro Square Building.

Background:

On October 6, 2009, the County Board approved the purchase of the Metro Square Building ("Building") and on October 9, 2009, the County closed on the purchase. As part of the purchase, a number of leases with the State of Minnesota for space in the Building were assigned to the County, including Amendment No. 1 to Lease No. 11357 with the State of Minnesota Explore Minnesota Tourism ("Explore Minnesota") for approximately 8,813 usable square feet of office and 4,344 warehouse space in Metro Square Building ("Lease").

Since that time, four additional amendments have been approved that have included remodeling the space as well as extending the Lease Agreement through July 31, 2027. This Fifth Amendment seeks to reduce the amount of space rented from 14,148 to 9,804, eliminating the warehouse space, effective October 9, 2020.

After October 9, 2020, the warehouse space will serve storage needs of County departments to avoid the need for leasing off-site storage space.

Recommendation:

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

1. Approve the Fifth Amendment to the Lease Agreement in Metro Square Building, 121 East Seventh Place, Saint Paul, Minnesota, 55101, with the State of Minnesota Explore Minnesota Tourism, 121 East Seventh Place, Saint Paul, Minnesota, 55101, effective October 9, 2020.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the lease amendment.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner McGuire, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Ayes – 7: Frethem, MatasCastillo, McDonough, McGuire, Ortega, Reinhardt, Carter. Motion passed.

By: _____
Janet M. Guthrie, Chief Clerk – County Board