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STATE OF MINNESOTA)
COUNTY OF DAKOTA)
OFFICE OF COUNTY BOARD)

Call To Order And Roll Call

Commissioner Mike Slavik
Commissioner Kathleen A. Gaylord
Commissioner Thomas A. Egan
Commissioner Joe Atkins
Commissioner Liz Workman
Commissioner Mary Liz Holberg
Commissioner Chris Gerlach

Also in attendance were: Matt Smith, County Manager; James Backstrom, County Attorney; Tom Donely, First Assistant County Attorney; and Jeni Reynolds, Sr. Administrative Coordinator to the Board.

Due to the local state of emergency and social distancing, Commissioners participated in this meeting in a hybrid manner, via both virtual and in-person. The Board meeting was conducted under Minn. Stat. § 13D.021. Video and audio of this County Board meeting are available on the Dakota County website.

Pledge Of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Mike Slavik who welcomed everyone and opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Audience

Chair Slavik noted that all public comments can be sent to CountyAdmin@co.dakota.mn.us
No comments were received.

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Approval Of Agenda (Additions/Corrections/Deletions)

Motion: Kathleen A. Gaylord

Second: Joe Atkins

On a motion by Commissioner Kathleen A. Gaylord, seconded by Commissioner Joe Atkins, the agenda was unanimously approved.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Joe Atkins

Second: Kathleen A. Gaylord

On a motion by Commissioner Joe Atkins, seconded by Commissioner Kathleen A. Gaylord, the consent agenda was approved as follows:

20-561

Approval Of Minutes Of Meeting Held November 3, 2020 And Special Meeting Held November 10, 2020

Items Recommended By Board Committee

20-562

Authorization To Accept Pohlad Family Foundation Grant Funds, Execute Grant Agreement, Extend Two Grant-Funded Positions, And Amend Contract With Housing Link

WHEREAS, Dakota County Social Services recently received a one-year grant award in the amount of \$300,000 from the Pohlad Family Foundation for the period of November 1, 2020 to October 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the grant is to prevent homelessness by supporting families who are precariously housed; and

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WHEREAS, Dakota County has been awarded this grant previously, including a one-year grant in 2017 and a two-year grant in 2018; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 17-633 (December 12, 2017), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized the hiring of two Pohlad Family Foundation grant-funded full-time equivalents (FTE) in 2018 for the grant period ending in February 2019 and by Resolution No. 18-594 (November 27, 2018), extended the current period through February 20, 2021; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that \$182,685 of the grant funds be used to extend these two grant-funded FTE employees through the grant period ending October 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, these staff will continue to assist and stabilize precariously housed families to prevent homelessness with short-term, high-intensity services, financial assistance, connection to resources and housing search assistance; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that \$103,000 of the grant funds be used in direct financial assistance to 40 families to prevent homelessness and that \$4,315 of the grant funds be used for staff supervision and administration; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that \$10,000 of the grant funds be used to amend a contract with Housing Link to operate the Landlord Risk Mitigation Fund to provide financial security to landlords concerned about renting to tenants with rental barriers, such as poor credit, evictions, or criminal background, and will support landlord recruitment and retention, for the period of November 1, 2020 through October 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Landlord Risk Mitigation Fund will utilize approximately \$30,000 in unused Risk Mitigation Funds from the 2018 Pohlad grant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Community Services Director accept the grant funds in the amount of \$300,000, and execute the grant agreement with the Pohlad Family Foundation for the period of November 1, 2020 through October 31, 2021, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Community Services Director is hereby authorized to extend two full-time equivalent employees in the Social Services Department contingent upon availability of grant funding; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Community Services Director is hereby authorized to amend a contract with Housing Link to continue a corresponding Landlord Risk Mitigation Fund, and support landlord recruitment and tenancy supports, adding \$10,000 to the not-to-exceed amount and extending the end date to October 31, 2021, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That unless the grant program requirements change, the Community Services Director is hereby authorized to amend the grant to alter the grant term, accept additional grant funds, and continue grant funded full-time equivalents, consistent with County contracting policies, inclusion of grant funds in future yearly Recommended and Adopted Budgets, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Community Services Director is hereby authorized to amend the contract, consistent with the amount budgeted, to alter the number and types of clients served, types of services provided, contract amount and the contract term, consistent with County contracting policies, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the contract shall contain a provision that allows the County to immediately terminate the contract(s) in the event sufficient funds from county, state, or federal sources are not appropriated at a level sufficient to allow payment of the amounts due.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

20-563

Authorization To Amend Housing And Transportation Service Contracts To Extend Terms For One Year

WHEREAS, Dakota County Social Services provides both direct and contracted services across the housing and transportation services continuum; and

WHEREAS, in order to ensure high-quality services, Dakota County uses a routine Request for Proposal (RFP) process; and

WHEREAS, the contracts included in this resolution are one year in duration as a result of annual or new contracts; and

WHEREAS, Request for Proposals will be issued again in 2021 for most housing and transportation services contracts, including all the services in this resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Community Services Director to execute contracts for housing and transportation services for the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, subject to approval by the County Attorney’s Office as to form, as follows:

Service	Agency	Amount
Emergency Hotel Sheltering	Matrix Housing Services	\$1,650,000
Emergency Hotel Sheltering	Ally Supportive Services	\$792,000
Emergency Hotel Sheltering	The Link	\$300,000
Housing Search and Stability with Subcontractors	Hearth Connection	\$996,960
Emergency Shelter Services	Dakota Woodlands, Inc	\$150,860
Volunteer Driver Transportation Services	GAPP Services, Inc	\$158,421
Volunteer Driver Transportation Services	Hastings Family Services	\$42,000
Volunteer Driver Transportation Services	Neighbors, Inc	\$24,000

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Community Services Director is hereby authorized to amend said contracts, within the amount budgeted, to alter the number and types of clients served, types of services provided, service expectations and rates, and the contract term, consistent with County contracting policies, subject to the approval by the County Attorney’s Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the contracts shall contain a provision that allows the County to immediately terminate the contracts in the event sufficient funds from the county, state, or federal sources are not appropriated at a level sufficient to allow payment of the amounts due.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

20-564

Authorization To Respond To Request For Assessment Of Need/Letter Of Support From Allina Health, Regina Hospital

WHEREAS, under Minnesota Rule 9530.6800, the need for additional or expanded chemical dependency treatment programs must be determined, in part, based, on the recommendation of the county board of commissioners of the county in which the program will be located and the documentation submitted by the applicant at the time of application; and

WHEREAS, under Minnesota Rule 9530.6810, when an applicant for licensure for chemical dependency treatment services requests a written statement of support for a proposed chemical dependency treatment program, the county board of commissioners of the county in which the proposed program is to be located shall

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submit a statement to the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) Commissioners that either supports or does not support the need for the applicant's program; and

WHEREAS, on September 29, 2020, Dakota County received a request from Helen Strike, President, Regina and River Falls Hospitals, requesting a written statement that supports the need for the program; and

WHEREAS, local needs assessment information suggests a need for the type of chemical dependency treatment services proposed; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County is not taking any positions about Allina Health, Regina Hospital's qualifications or ability to meet identified needs; and

WHEREAS, DHS will process Allina Health, Regina Hospital's request for a license to provide comprehensive mental health and addiction care services in their location in Dakota County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Community Services Director to issue a letter to the Minnesota Department of Human Services stating the following: "Please consider this letter as Dakota County's support for comprehensive mental health and addiction care services in Dakota County as proposed by Allina Health, Regina Hospital."

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

20-565

Update And Authorization To Execute Contract With Lyft, Inc., For Transportation Services

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 18-174 (March 27, 2018), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners ratified the submission of a grant application to the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS), and authorized the Community Services Director to accept grant funds and execute the grant contract in the amount of \$100,000 for the period of January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the DHS Innovations grant allowed Department of Social Services staff to build the infrastructure and fund rides for individuals with disabilities who want to use on-demand transportation options to get to work and/or access their community; and

WHEREAS, access to reliable transportation is essential for residents to thrive and the County's transit options are limited for some because of limited availability and/or cost; and

WHEREAS, By Resolution No. 18-542 (October 23, 2018), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized a contract with Lyft, Inc., for transportation services effective upon the date of execution through December 31, 2019, and the Community Services Director extended both the contract and the Innovations Grant through December 31, 2020, with County Attorney approval as to form; and

WHEREAS, County staff partnered with Lyft, Inc., to pilot the use of Lyft, Inc.'s, affordable and on-demand transportation model for individuals with disabilities to develop and test a new, innovative transportation option; and

WHEREAS, Lyft, Inc., worked with County staff to leverage their ridesharing platforms as well as manage the billing that will be required to access Medical Assistance (MA) waived services funding; and

WHEREAS, Lyft Inc.'s, transportation services are provided by authorized drivers using their own vehicles; and

WHEREAS, on April 24, 2020, staff issued a solicitation for on-demand transportation services, with four vendors providing responses, and a review committee comprised of County staff across the Social Services and Community Services Administration Departments recommended Lyft, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends executing a contract with Lyft, Inc., for transportation services effective on January

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1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, with automatic renewal thereafter for additional twelve month terms, unless terminated by either party with sixty days prior written notice.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Community Services Director to execute a contract with Lyft, Inc., for transportation services effective on January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021, with automatic renewal thereafter for additional twelve month terms, unless terminated by either party with sixty days prior written notice, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Community Services Director is hereby authorized to amend said contract, within the amount budgeted, to alter the types of services provided, contract term, and contract amount, consistent with County contracting policies, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the contract shall contain a provision that allows the County to immediately stop services rendered in the event sufficient funds from county, state, or federal sources are not appropriated at a level sufficient to allow payment of the amounts due.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

20-566

Authorization To Execute Joint Powers Agreements With Partner Cities And To Direct Use Of Statewide Health Improvement Partnership (SHIP) Funding For County Projects

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 20-382, (August 18, 2020), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized the Community Services Director to accept the Statewide Health Improvement Partnership (SHIP) funds from the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) in the amount of \$782,859 for the period of November 1, 2020, through October 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners approved the SHIP 2020-2021 work plan in the grant application that includes funding for the County and cities for work in active living; and

WHEREAS, as part of the SHIP active living strategy, Dakota County departments and cities were invited to submit applications for implementation subgrants; and

WHEREAS, a total of seven applications were submitted from Dakota County departments and cities; and

WHEREAS, a committee of staff from the County (Planning and Public Health), the cities, Washington County Department of Public Health and Environment, and Minnesota Department of Transportation met on October 22, 2020, to review and score the proposals and recommended approval of three of seven projects, with some modifications; and

WHEREAS, the committee identified two projects to be funded if additional dollars within the SHIP budget are available and not needed in other program areas; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends the County Board of Commissioners execute joint powers agreements with three cities, in the amounts listed below:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Proposed Grant</u>
Multi-Modal and Complete Streets Study	Burnsville	\$ 30,000
North Concord Mixed-Use Zoning District Study	South St. Paul	\$ 30,000
Butler Avenue/County Road 4 Trail Engineering Study	West St. Paul/South St. Paul	<u>\$130,000</u>
Total		\$190,000

; and

WHEREAS, there is \$90,000 in SHIP funding available for the studies above; and

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WHEREAS, up to \$100,000 within the 2020-2024 Transportation Capital Improvement Program Bike Trail set-aside will be allocated to the Butler Avenue/County Road 4 Trail Feasibility Study to advance the project to 30 percent design; and

WHEREAS, staff recommended Burnsville's Lake Marion Regional Trail: Mid-Burnsville Segment (\$30,000) and Dakota County's Greenway Feasibility Studies (\$35,000) as additional projects if additional dollars within SHIP budget are available and not needed in other program areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Physical Development Director is hereby authorized to execute joint powers agreements in an amount not to exceed \$190,000 with the following: Burnsville (\$30,000), South St. Paul (\$30,000), and West St. Paul and South St. Paul (\$130,000), subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Physical Development Director is hereby authorized to execute a joint powers agreement for the period of November 1, 2020, to October 31, 2021, with Burnsville for the Lake Marion Regional Trail: Mid-Burnsville Segment (\$30,000) as an additional project to be funded if additional dollars within SHIP budget are available and not needed in other program areas; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Physical Development Director is hereby authorized to direct SHIP funds in the amount not to exceed \$35,000 to the County project Greenway Feasibility Studies if additional dollars within the SHIP budget become available and are not needed in other program areas; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the joint powers agreements shall contain a provision that allows the County to immediately terminate the contracts in the event funds from County, State, or federal sources are not appropriated at a level sufficient to allow payment of the amounts due; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Physical Development Director is hereby authorized to amend said contract, within the amount budgeted, to alter the number and types of clients served, rates, and types of services provided and the contract term, consistent with County contracting policies, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

Ayes: 6

Nays: 1 Mary Liz Holberg

20-567

Scheduling Of Public Meeting To Amend Dakota County Fiscal Year 2019 Action Plan For Community Development Block Grant And Emergency Solutions Grant Programs Funded Through CARES Act

WHEREAS, Dakota County is an Entitlement County for funds through the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) Program; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Community Development Agency (CDA) administers the CDBG and ESG programs on behalf of Dakota County per agreements between the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and Dakota County for the CDBG and ESG funds and between Dakota County and the Dakota County CDA for CDBG and ESG program administration; and

WHEREAS, the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act that was enacted on March 27, 2020, appropriated \$5 billion in Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus (CDBG-CV) funds and \$4 billion in Emergency Solutions Grant Coronavirus (ESG-CV) funds to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County was allocated \$2,913,485 in CDBG-CV funds and \$2,109,564 in ESG-CV funds; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County and CDA staff have worked with local governments in Dakota County and housing and non-profit providers to develop proposed activities for the funds that meet the eligibility requirements of the CDBG-CV and ESG-CV programs; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County and CDA staff recommend funding five eligible activities with CDBG-CV funding and

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five eligible activities with ESG-CV funding; and

WHEREAS, HUD requires the Dakota County Fiscal Year 2019 Action Plan be amended to include the special allocations of the CDBG-CV and ESG-CV funds and the proposed activities; and

WHEREAS, the requested public meeting is to receive comments and inform the public on the proposed substantial amendments to the Dakota County Fiscal Year 2019 Action Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby schedules a public meeting for December 1, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room, Administration Center, 1590 Highway 55, Hastings, MN, or via telephone or other electronic means if necessary due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic to receive comments on the substantial amendments to the Fiscal Year 2019 Action Plan, including proposed Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus Program activities with a budget of \$2,913,485, and Emergency Solutions Grant Coronavirus Program activities with a budget of \$2,109,564; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That Dakota County staff is hereby authorized and directed to work with the Dakota County Community Development Agency to publish the public meeting notice in the Dakota Tribune and to post said notice on the websites of the Dakota County Community Development Agency website at www.dakotacda.org, and the Dakota County website at www.dakotacounty.us

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

20-568

Authorization To Approve Land Conservation Plan For Dakota County

WHEREAS, Dakota County developed a Farmland and Natural Areas Protection Plan in 1998 in response to public concerns about the loss of natural areas and farmland to growth and development; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners adopted the Farmland and Natural Areas Protection Plan on January 29, 2002; and

WHEREAS, after passage of a bond referendum to fund permanent protection of high-quality natural areas and prime farmland in November 2002 and development of Farmland and Natural Areas Program (FNAP) Guidelines, the County began implementing the FNAP in 2003 to protect and improve land outside of the park system; and

WHEREAS, in 2018, the County Board initiated an update to the Farmland and Natural Areas Protection Plan to reflect program experience, a more comprehensive approach to contemporary conservation issues, and new opportunities; and

WHEREAS, on July 9, 2019, the Physical Development Committee (PDC) reviewed public engagement and research findings, including draft goals and strategies and potential new initiatives proposed for the new Land Conservation Plan for Dakota County (LC Plan); and

WHEREAS, based on comments received from the PDC and continued public engagement, County staff developed a draft LC Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Planning Commission (PLANC) reviewed the draft LC Plan at its January 23, 2020, and February 27, 2020, meetings and recommended that the County Board release the draft LC Plan for a 30-day review period; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 20-166 (March 24, 2020), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners authorized the release of the draft LC Plan for a 60-day public review and comment period ending on May 25, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the draft LC Plan was posted on the County webpage and extensive electronic communications through social media and emails to partners; stakeholders; federal, state, regional, and local agencies and officials; and others were undertaken due to limited in-person opportunities for Plan distribution and review due to

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COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, on May 20, 2020, the Dakota County Township Officers Association (DCTOA) submitted a request to the County to extend the public review period for the Plan by an additional 30 days, so all townships were aware of what the Plan includes, and township officials have an opportunity to discuss the LC Plan before they respond; and

WHEREAS, staff determined that the DCTOA request could be accommodated, and the County Manager extended the public review and comment period from May 25, 2020, to June 2, 2020, with a recommendation to extend the public review and comment period by an additional 30 days until July 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 20-271 (June 2, 2020), the County Board of Commissioners extended to the public comment period for the LC Plan until July 1, 2020, at the request of the DCTOA; and

WHEREAS, on July 7, 2020, the PDC received an overview of the draft LC Plan, reviewed the summary of public and agency comments, provided staff direction on Plan revisions, and discussed the financial study completed by the Trust for Public Land as an element of the draft LC Plan; and

WHEREAS, staff revised the draft LC Plan by reducing the amount of agricultural land on the perimeter of several preliminary Conservation Focus Areas (CFA) by 4,457 acres which, with refined assumptions, reduced the estimated County cost from \$18 million to \$15 million over 10 years and further clarified Plan text and graphics; and

WHEREAS, a revised draft LC Plan was presented to the PLANC at its July 24, 2020, meeting and the PLANC unanimously recommended that the LC Plan be presented to the County Board for approval; and

WHEREAS, an update on the LC Plan was presented at the August 13, 2022, PDC meeting, and the Committee requested that staff further address concerns raised by the DCTOA; and

WHEREAS, staff presented responses to DCTOA concerns at the September 17, 2020, DCTOA meeting, and a minority of officials continued to have concerns with the use of permanent easements and ensuring adequate notification regarding acquisition projects with private landowners; and

WHEREAS, staff provided more detailed explanations on permanent easements and a proposed township notification process to all townships; and

WHEREAS, staff provided an update on the township officer concerns during the October 13, 2020, PDC meeting; and

WHEREAS, staff offered to meet with Castle Rock, Empire, Eureka, and Marshan townships, which had expressed concerns about the LC Plan; and

WHEREAS, staff met with the Castle Rock Township board on October 13, 2020, in which they expressed no concerns with the LC Plan; and

WHEREAS, staff met with the Empire Township board on October 27, 2020, and the township board requested that the LC Plan not include unprotected private land within any Preliminary CFAs located within Empire Township; and

WHEREAS, an enhanced township notification process is now included in the final LC Plan, and the LC Plan implementation schedule has been revised due to delays in the approval process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the Land Conservation Plan for Dakota County as amended during the November 17, 2020, Physical Development Committee meeting.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

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20-569

Review And Approval Of Schematic Design For Thompson County Park Master Plan Improvements Phase I Project

WHEREAS, the Thompson County Park Master Plan was approved by the County Board by Resolution No. 20-037 (January 21, 2020) and addresses community-identified needs, including enhancing the lake as a focal point, restoring natural resources, expanding community gathering opportunities, making the park more accessible, and providing more recreational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, priority improvements include adding fishing opportunities, lighting the lake loop trail, providing more picnicking opportunities, additional interpretation, and building an accessible playground; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 20-333 (July 14, 2020), the County Board authorized a consultant contract for project design and engineering; and

WHEREAS, the project consultant met 16 times with the project team, including County staff, stakeholders, and project partners; and

WHEREAS, two open houses have been held for the Project using a virtual format, each with a two-week window for input gathering; and

WHEREAS, input materials were provided with both Spanish and English language options; and

WHEREAS, the first open house was held between August 5 and 19 and created an initial public awareness that the projects were moving forward in 2021; and

WHEREAS, the second open house was held between October 21 and November 4 and presented schematic design to date with a total of 145 comments gathered at the two meetings; and

WHEREAS, the preliminary cost estimate for constructing all Phase I Project components is \$2,124,060; and

WHEREAS, the preliminary cost estimate has been verified for accuracy by a third-party cost estimating consultant; and

WHEREAS, the 2019 Parks Capital Improvement Program Adopted Budget includes \$3,017,089, providing enough revenues for estimated Phase I Project costs; and

WHEREAS, requests for bids are anticipated to be ready for bid in March of 2021; and

WHEREAS, subsequent reception of bids will be returned to the Dakota County Board of Commissioners for authorization to execute a contract for construction of the Phase I Project; and

WHEREAS, the Phase II Project is anticipated to be completed by November of 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the schematic design for the Thompson County Park Master Plan Improvements Phase I Project substantially as presented and directed on November 11, 2020.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

20-570

Review And Approval Of Schematic Design For Big Rivers Regional Trail Mendota Trailhead Project

WHEREAS, the Minnesota River Greenway (MNRG) runs along the south side of the Minnesota River in Eagan and Burnsville, extending from I35-W in Burnsville to Lilydale Regional Park in Saint Paul; and

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WHEREAS, the Big Rivers Regional Trail (BRRT) is a segment of the Minnesota River Greenway extending north from I-494 in Eagan through to Lilydale where it enters Lilydale Regional Park in Saint Paul; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 11-516 (October 18, 2011), the Dakota County Board of Commissioners adopted the Minnesota River Greenway Master Plan, which includes the BRRT Trailhead Project; and

WHEREAS, the Mendota Trailhead Project site is the primary access point to the BRRT segment of the MNRG, and despite its high use, an estimated 158,900 visitors in 2018, the project site lacks essential features such as drinking water, permanent restrooms, and additional parking; and

WHEREAS, the Trailhead Project will correct the existing deficiencies and interpret the site's unique historical characteristics providing opportunities to enhance the visitor experience at and near the Project site; and

WHEREAS, project interpretation will be guided by the MNRG Cultural Resources Interpretive Plan adopted by the Dakota County Board of Commissioners by Resolution No. 17-400 (August 1, 2017); and

WHEREAS, the Project includes a restroom facility; increased access for picnicking; covered picnicking; an integrated information center providing details on the site, trail network, the nearby State Park, and the City of Mendota; additional parking, interpretation, and natural resources restoration; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 20-334 (July 14, 2020), the County Board authorized a consultant contract for project design and engineering with Miller Dunwiddie Architecture, Inc., who met 20 times with the project team, including County staff, stakeholders, and project partners; and

WHEREAS, one open house and several smaller outreach meetings were held for the Project with input materials provided with both Spanish and English language options; and

WHEREAS, the open house format was virtual with a window for input gathering Between September 21 and October 21; and

WHEREAS, the smaller outreach meetings focused on underrepresented populations within the County with a total of 20 comments gathered; and

WHEREAS, requests for bids are planned to be issued March of 2021, and, after the bids are received, this item will be returned to the County Board for authorization to execute a contract for construction of the BRRT Mendota Trailhead Project with project completion is anticipated in November of 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the schematic design for the Big Rivers Regional Trail Mendota Trailhead Project substantially as presented and directed on November 11, 2020.

Ayes: 6

Nays: 1 Mary Liz Holberg

20-571

Review And Approval Of Schematic Design For Spring Lake Park Reserve Bison Range

WHEREAS, bison can improve the ecological health and attract public interest to a prairieland park; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County Parks developed a Feasibility Study in 2019 that examined the reintroduction of bison to the County Park system; and

WHEREAS, the study concluded that Spring Lake Park Reserve (SLPR) represented the best opportunity for a bison reintroduction project; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 20-043 (January 21, 2020), the County Board was presented with this study, and

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staff was given direction to both refine options for bison reintroduction to the site and to submit grant proposals for aid in funding a potential bison range project; and

WHEREAS, since May of 2020, staff and WSB Associates have collaborated to refine a design and cost estimate for such a potential bison range project at the SLPR; and

WHEREAS, staff has also submitted and received approval from the Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources (LCCMR) to provide this project with \$560,000 in grant funding by way of recommended action to the Minnesota Legislature; and

WHEREAS, staff has established draft terms with the Minnesota Bison Conservation Herd Partnership to garner a culled herd at no cost to the County, upon such a potential project's completion; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that the County Board approve schematic design as presented by County staff on November 10, 2020; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that the County Board approve a contract amendment to retain WSB Associates for the completion of design services through the full delivery of this proposed project with a \$76,688.31 addition to their original fee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the design for the Spring Lake Park Reserve Bison Range project as presented at the Physical Development Committee of the Whole on November 10, 2020; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves a contract amendment in the amount of \$76,700 to retain WSB Associates for the completion of design services through the full delivery of the project.

Ayes: 6

Nays: 1 Mary Liz Holberg

20-572

Authorization Of South St. Paul Library Programming Study And Authorization To Execute A Joint Powers Agreement With City Of South St. Paul

WHEREAS, the City of South St. Paul (City) has independently operated its own library since 1922 and shared some operational practices with the County in recent decades; and

WHEREAS, the City has proposed joining the County Library system; and

WHEREAS, the City has indicated its preference for a new County-owned library on land owned by the City at two potential locations for consideration; and

WHEREAS, consistent with past new library additions, the City has proposed providing the land to the County for no cost; and

WHEREAS, an architectural design team, can aid all parties in evaluation of such a potential venture by conducting a Programming Study for County Board consideration; and

WHEREAS, a base assumption of \$6,000,000 will act as guideposts for the study; and

WHEREAS, the costs for such a study are estimated at \$65,000; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County will contribute up to \$50,000 towards this study; and

WHEREAS, the City of South St. Paul will contribute \$15,000 towards this study in exchange for consideration

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(without decision making authority) of the existing library site.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Parks, Facilities, and Fleet Management Director to secure professional services and complete a Programming Study for a study of the replacement of the City of South St. Paul Library with a potential new County library; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the use of \$50,000 from the Countywide Budget Incentive Program funds to complete the study; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Parks, Facilities, and Fleet Management Director to execute a joint powers agreement for \$15,000 with the City of South St. Paul for the South St. Paul Library Programming Study, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Operations, Management And Budget

20-573

Authorization To Execute A Contract With AGC Networks Inc For Avaya Support

WHEREAS, the County solicited quotes to upgrade and support the current Avaya telephone system; and

WHEREAS, quotes from two qualified vendors were received by October 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, project staff have reviewed the quotes and determined that AGC has submitted the quote that provides the better value to the County to upgrade and support the current Avaya telephony system.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Chief Information Officer to execute a contract with AGC Networks Inc for Avaya upgrade and support in an amount not to exceed \$453,535 subject to approval by the County Attorney's office as to form; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chief Information Officer is authorized to amend the contract and increase the cost up to an additional \$45,353 (10%) if necessary, for unanticipated contingencies.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Report On Invoices Paid In October 2020

This was on the agenda for informational purposes only.

Physical Development

20-574

Approval Of Final Plats Recommended By Plat Commission

WHEREAS, new subdivisions adjoining County highways are reviewed under the Dakota County Contiguous Plat Ordinance No. 108; and

WHEREAS, the Plat Commission examines plats prior to County Board approval; and

WHEREAS, the Plat Commission has reviewed and recommends approval of the final plats by the County Board; and

WHEREAS, the final plat approval by the County Board is subject to the conditions established by the Plat Commission review; and

WHEREAS, the following plats below require approval by their respective City Council prior to the recording of the

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plats.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the following final plats:

WSP LEASED HOUSING	West St. Paul
AIRLAKE DEVELOPMENT 8TH ADDITION	Lakeville
THE CROSSINGS AT INVER WOODS	Inver Grove Heights
PRAIRIE VIEW ESTATES	Castle Rock Township

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

20-575

Certification Of Property Assessed Clean Energy Charges For Energy Improvements

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners approved the joint powers agreement (JPA) with the Port Authority of the City of Saint Paul (Port Authority) by Resolution No. 17-144 (March 21, 2017), designating the Port Authority to implement and administer Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) improvement financing on behalf of the County and providing for the impositions of special assessments pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 216C.425 and 216C.436 and Chapter 429 and as needed in connection with that program; and

WHEREAS, the County understands that the Port Authority will issue its PACE special assessment revenue bonds to finance the improvements and that the sole security for the bond will be special assessments imposed by the other cities and/or counties participating in PACE; and

WHEREAS, after imposition of the special assessments, the County shall collect such assessments twice a year and remit them to the Port Authority for use in the repayment of the loan(s) or bond(s); and

WHEREAS, the County will take all actions permitted by law to recover the assessments, including, without limitation, reinstating the outstanding balance of assessments when the land returns to private ownership, in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 429.07, subd 4; and

WHEREAS, the special assessment shall be certified to the County Treasurer-Auditor and entered into the tax lists for the following year; and

WHEREAS, the annual installment and interest shall be collected at the same time and in the same manner as real property taxes; and

WHEREAS, the special assessments, with accruing interest, is a lien upon the benefitted property until paid.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County Treasurer-Auditor to extend the proposed special assessment plus accruing interest on the properties set forth and listed below:

Property Owner	Parcel Number	Assessment Amount	Interest Rate	Finance Period	Accrual Date
252 Marie, LLC	42-83730-01-010	\$800,000	5.00%	10 years	06/01/2020
Lehner Props, LLC	42-44580-02-130	\$30,000	4.25%	10 years	10/01/2020

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissions authorizes the County Treasurer-Auditor to extend the proposed special assessment plus interest on the properties identified herein and record this assessment against the properties with the Dakota County Recorder.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

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Authorization To Accept Bond Proceeds And Execute State Of Minnesota General Obligation Bond Grant Agreement And Execute Declaration For Safety And Mental Health Alternative Response Training (SMART) Center

WHEREAS, the 2018–2022 Building Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Adopted Budget authorized the construction of the Safety and Mental Health Alternative Response Training (SMART) Center; and

WHEREAS, approved project revenues include reimbursable grants from the State of Minnesota to offset the cost of land and predesign, design, construct, furnish, and equip the SMART Center; and

WHEREAS, the grant imposes certain restrictive covenants on improvements and related land, particularly that the project area cannot be sold without the approval of the Minnesota Department of Management and Budget; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County may agree to these restrictive covenants by executing a Declaration; and

WHEREAS, the Declaration that will encumber the SMART project area is legally described as:

Legal Description for Tax Parcel No. 20-02100-01-020 (6.27 Acre Parcel):

Real property located in the City of Inver Grove Heights, County of Dakota, State of Minnesota, legally described as follows:

That part of the East Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 21, Township 27, Range 22, Dakota County, Minnesota, lying northerly of the northerly right of way line of County Road 28A, southerly of the southerly right of way line of Trunk Highways No. 52 and 55 and northwesterly of the following described line:

Commencing at the southeast corner of said East Half of the Northeast Quarter; thence North 2 degrees 12 minutes 14 seconds East, assumed bearing, along the east line of said East Half, a distance of 1304.08 feet to the actual point of beginning of the line to be described; thence South 67 degrees 38 minutes 05 seconds West, a distance of 675.57 feet to the northerly Right-of-way line of County road No 28A and there terminating.

EXCEPT

That part which lies southeasterly of a line parallel with and distant 60.00 feet northwesterly from the following described line and its southeasterly extension: Commencing at the southeast corner of said East Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 21; thence on an assumed bearing of North 00 degrees 15 minutes 29 seconds East, along the east line of said East Half of the Northeast Quarter, a distance of 1496.49 feet to the actual point of beginning of the line to be described; thence South 45 degrees 11 minutes 30 seconds West a distance of 499.73 feet to the southeasterly line of the above described property and there terminating.

ALSO EXCEPT

That part of the East Half of the Northeast Quarter of Section 21, Township 27, Range 22, Dakota County, Minnesota, lying northeasterly of the northerly right of way line of County Road 28A, southwestly of the southerly boundary of MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RIGHT OF WAY PLAT NO. 19-127 and northwesterly of the following described line:

Commencing at Right of Way Boundary Comer B15 as shown on said MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION RIGHT OF WAY PLAT NO. 19-127; thence South 51 degrees 39 minutes 12 seconds East, along the boundary of said plat, a distance of 808.91 feet to the beginning of the line to be described; thence South 49 degrees 41 minutes 05 seconds West a distance of 220.83 feet; thence South 2 degrees 48 minutes 51 seconds East a distance of 35.33 feet; thence South 52 degrees 41 minutes 30 seconds West a distance of 41.00 feet; thence North 79 degrees 25 minutes 02 seconds West a distance of 33.34 feet; thence South 49 degrees 41 minutes 05 seconds West a distance of 114.91 feet to said northerly right of way line of County Road 28 A and there said line terminates

; and

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WHEREAS, staff recommends the Chair of the Dakota County Board of Commissioners accept bond proceeds, execute the State of Minnesota General Obligation Bond Grant Agreement in the sum of \$6,200,000, and execute a State of Minnesota General Obligation Bond Financed Declaration for the SMART Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the Board Chair to accept bond proceed, execute the State of Minnesota General Obligation Bond Grant Agreement in the sum of \$6,200,000, and execute a State of Minnesota General Obligation Bond Financed Declaration for the Safety and Mental Health Alternative Response Training (SMART) Center, subject to approval as to form by the County Attorney's Office.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Public Safety

20-577

Authorization To Execute Contract With Turnkey Corrections For Jail Canteen Services

WHEREAS, the County previously awarded a contract to Turnkey Corrections for on-site and off-site video visitation, video voicemail, inmate secure messaging, and vending services based on the results of a Request for Proposal issued in 2014; and

WHEREAS, Turnkey Corrections has satisfactorily provided these services at no cost to Dakota County since that time; and

WHEREAS, commissions received by Dakota County are used to fund jail programs and supplies for inmates of the Dakota County Jail; and

WHEREAS, the Sheriff wishes to continue this service through Turnkey Corrections for the period January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Sheriff is authorized to enter into a contract with Turnkey Corrections to provide on-site and off-site video visitation, video voicemail, inmate secure messaging, and vending services for jail inmates for the period January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2026, subject to approval by the County Attorney's Office as to form.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Public Services And Revenue

20-578

Scheduling Of Public Hearing To Receive Comments On 2021 Off-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License Applications

WHEREAS, a public hearing is required for the purpose of receiving comments and informing the public on applications for off-sale intoxicating liquor licenses; and

WHEREAS, a Notice of the public hearing was given to all interested parties, Castle Rock Township Clerk, Randolph Township Clerk and published in the County's Official Newspaper on November 13, 2020.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby schedules a public hearing at 9:00 a.m. on December 15, 2020, in the Boardroom of the Dakota County Administration Center, 1590 Highway 55, Hastings, Minnesota or via telephone or other electronic means if necessary due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic to receive comments on all 2021 off-sale intoxicating liquor license applications; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Public Service and Revenue Division is hereby directed to publish in the Official County newspaper, notice of the public hearing and give notice to all interested parties and to any city located within three miles of the premises proposed to be licensed.

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Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

REGULAR AGENDA

County Board/County Administration

Update On Monitoring And Responses To Coronavirus Outbreak

Director of Public Health Bonnie Brueshoff and Deputy County Manager Jean Erickson briefed this item and responded to questions. This item was on the agenda for informational purposes only. No staff direction was given by Board members.

Authorization To Provide Assistance To Dakota County Public Schools For COVID-19 Pandemic Related Expenses Using CARES Act Funds, And Amend 2020 Non-Departmental Budget

This item was not voted on. Following discussion, language from this item was included with Item 11.4 Authorization For County Manager To Approve Additional Allocations Of Remaining CARES Act Funds

Authorization To Provide Assistance To Dakota County Public Charter Schools For COVID-19 Pandemic Related Expenses Using CARES Act Funds, And Amend 2020 Non-Departmental Budget

This item was not voted on. Following discussion, language from this item was included with Item 11.4 Authorization For County Manager To Approve Additional Allocations Of Remaining CARES Act Funds

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Authorization For County Manager To Approve Additional Allocations Of Remaining CARES Act Funds

County Manager Matt Smith briefed this item and responded to questions. Language was modified from original resolution prior to a motion being made.

Motion: Mary Liz Holberg

Second: Kathleen A. Gaylord

WHEREAS, by Resolution No. 20-325 (July 14, 2020), Dakota County accepted Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding from the State of Minnesota in the amount of \$52,259,025.61 (CARES Funds); and

WHEREAS, the CARES Act requires that the payments from the fund only be used to cover expenses that:

- are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19);
- were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020 (the date of enactment of the CARES Act) for the State or government; and
- were incurred during the period that begins on March 1, 2020 and ends on December 30, 2020.

;and

WHEREAS, the County Board has previously allocated the full amount of the CARES Funds to eligible internal and external expenditures and programs including:

- Telework support
- Teleservices
- Elections
- Eligible personnel costs
- Aid to businesses and other organizations
- Aid to households and individuals
- Public health outreach and services
- Improvement to public capacity to utilize teleservices

;and

WHEREAS, the County anticipates that the funds allocated to certain expenditures and programs will not be fully utilized; and

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WHEREAS, the remaining CARES Act funds must be expended by December 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, at the November 17, 2020, Dakota County Board of Commissioners meeting, County staff provided the current estimate of remaining funds to be allocated by December 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, to maximize the use of the CARES Funds for the benefit of the County and its citizens in response to the public health emergency concerning the Coronavirus (COVID-19), the County Board of Commissioners desire that the funds be fully utilized by December 1, 2020, by delegation authority to the County Manager to allocate the remaining funds to internal and external programs previously approved by the Board while maintaining the Board's objective of at least 50 percent of the CARES Funds be allocated to external uses; and

WHEREAS, the County Manager will report to the Board on December 1, 2020, at the County Board of Commissioners meeting the final allocation of the CARES Funds and ratification of the final allocations.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the County Manager to approve, and report to the Board at its December 1, 2020 meeting for ratification, any additional expenditure of remaining Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funds before the December 1, 2020 deadline with in the following order of priority of allocation:

1. previously approved external programs;
2. eligible internal County costs; and
3. public schools and public charter schools for eligible costs on a per Dakota County student basis.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Public Services And Revenue

20-580

Imposition Of Civil Penalty For Second Violation Pursuant To Section 26 Of Dakota County Ordinance 101 Regulating The Licensing And Sale Of 3.2 Percent Malt Liquor And Intoxicating Liquor By Cannon Golf Club Inc.

Deputy Director Teresa Mitchell briefed this item and responded to questions. Brett Fisher, General Manager Cannon Golf Club submitted comments via email. His comments reflected that as of July 29, 2019, the Cannon Golf Club started a new policy where it is practice to ID everyone that wishes to purchase an intoxicating beverage.

Motion: Kathleen A. Gaylord

Second: Thomas A. Egan

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. 18-581 of the Dakota County Board of Commissioners, the Dakota County Public Services and Revenue Division issued a license to sell intoxicating liquor to Cannon Golf Club Inc. ("licensee"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Dakota County Ordinance 101, Section 22, the Dakota County Sheriff conducted an alcohol compliance check at the licensee's premises located at 8606 295th Street East, Cannon Falls, MN 55009 in Randolph Township on July 25, 2019, and during the course of the compliance check an employee, on behalf of the licensee, allegedly furnished alcohol to a minor; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Sheriff referred the alleged violation to the Dakota County Attorney, who charged an employee with sale of alcohol to a minor on July 25, 2019 and the employee has pled guilty to the charge and has been ordered to pay the fine; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 101 Section 25, prohibits the licensee to sell, serve, or furnish malt liquor, wine, or intoxicating liquor to any minor; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance 101, Section 26, authorizes the Dakota County Board of Commissioners to impose a civil penalty for violation of Ordinance 101; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners has provided notice to licensee of its intention to

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consider
imposition of a civil penalty for violation of Ordinance 101.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners, based upon the record before it, hereby makes the following findings of fact:

1. Cannon Golf Club Inc. was licensed by the Dakota County Board of Commissioners to sell intoxicating liquor at its licensed premises located at 8606 295th Street East, Randolph Township for the period January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019.
2. On July 25, 2019, staff of Cannon Golf Club Inc. furnished alcohol to a minor at the licensed premises.
3. The sale of alcohol to a minor at the licensed premises constitutes a violation of Dakota County Ordinance 101, Section 25.
4. Pursuant to Ordinance 101, Section 26, the Dakota County Board of Commissioners may impose a civil penalty for violation of the Ordinance.
5. This is the second violation of Ordinance 101 by Cannon Golf Club Inc. in the last 24 months that has been the subject of a civil penalty imposed by the Dakota County Board of Commissioners (Resolution No. 18-350).

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby concludes that Cannon Golf Club Inc. violated Ordinance 101, Section 25 on July 25, 2019; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby imposes a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000.00 and imposes a five-day suspension of the Cannon Golf Club Inc.'s license for the period of Thursday, February 4 through Monday, February 8, 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Public Services and Revenue Division is hereby directed to send to Cannon Golf Club Inc., by registered mail, a certified copy of the County Board resolution imposing a five-day suspension of its intoxicating liquor license and a civil penalty of \$1,000.00 requiring payment within 10 days of receipt.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

Closed Executive Session

20-581

Settlement Authority For Acquisition Of Certain Property Rights Necessary For County Project 26-54 And County Project 63-27

This item did not go into closed session.

Motion: Thomas A. Egan

Second: Joe Atkins

WHEREAS, Dakota County (County) is proposing County Project 26-54 and County Project 63-27 in the City of Inver Grove Heights and City of Eagan (Cities); and

WHEREAS, to provide a safe and efficient transportation system, the County and the Cities are proceeding with County Project 26-54 and County Project 63-27; and

WHEREAS, County Project 26-54 will expand approximately two miles of County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 26 (Lone Oak Road in Eagan, 70th Street in Inver Grove Heights) from Trunk Highway (TH) 55 to TH 3 from an existing two-lane roadway rural section to a four-lane divided urban roadway; and

WHEREAS, County Project 63-27 will construct on a new alignment CSAH 63 (Argenta Trail) from CSAH 28 (Amana Trail) north to 65th Street and from 65th Street to old Argenta Trail (CSAH 63) to the north of CSAH 26; and

WHEREAS, the purpose and need for the project is to improve safety, multi-modal mobility, and traffic operations on CSAH 26 and CSAH 63 and provide additional capacity on CSAH 26; and

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WHEREAS, to address the purpose and need for this Project, safety will be improved along the corridor by managing the number of conflict points (access management), adding turn lanes, realigning intersections to improve spacing, providing paved shoulders, and adding multi-use trails to both sides of the road; and

WHEREAS, Dakota County is the lead agency for County Project 26-54 and County Project 63-27 with right of way acquisition necessary in 2020 for construction to begin in 2021; and

WHEREAS, by Resolution Nos. 20-330, 20-399, and 20-425, the County Board of Commissioners authorized the acquisition of certain properties identified in the resolutions and initiation of quick-take eminent domain pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 117.042, if necessary, to construct the recommended improvements; and

WHEREAS, on October 20, 2020, by Resolution No. 20-534, the County Board of Commissioners authorized 2nd written offers of the certain properties identified in the resolutions; and

WHEREAS, the owners of the following parcels have agreed to settle all damages caused by the taking whereby the County will pay owners the identified amount:

Parcels 25-27:	\$900,000
Parcel 28:	\$433,500
Parcel 31:	\$427,000
Parcel 34:	\$110,000
Parcel 50:	\$58,325

; and

WHEREAS, the County Attorney and Transportation Department staff recommend approval of the proposed settlements as being a fair and equitable settlements of the claims in view of the impacts to the properties, real estate market data, the time, additional expense and risk involved in continued litigation and belief that the settlements represents an appropriate allocation of the prospects for success if the matter is allowed to proceed to a commissioners' hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the acquisition of property from Falcon Development, LLC identified in CP 26-54/63-27 as Parcels 25-27 (471), in the amount of \$900,000 as being in the best interest of the County, and authorizes the County Attorney to arrange for final payment of the acquisition amount and to effectuate final settlement of the acquisition between the parties; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the acquisition of property from Timothy Grundhoffer and Suzanne Grundhoffer identified in CP 26-54/63-27 as Parcel 28 (471), in the amount of \$433,500 as being in the best interest of the County, and authorizes the County Attorney to arrange for final payment of the acquisition amount and to effectuate final settlement of the acquisition between the parties; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the acquisition of property from CC Hollywood Properties, LLC identified in CP 26-54/63-27 as Parcel 31 (471), in the amount of \$427,000 as being in the best interest of the County, and authorizes the County Attorney to arrange for final payment of the acquisition amount and to effectuate final settlement of the acquisition between the parties; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the acquisition of property from Glen Sachs identified in CP 26-54/63-27 as Parcel 34 (471), in the amount of \$110,000 as being in the best interest of the County, and authorizes the County Attorney to arrange for final payment of the acquisition amount and to effectuate final settlement of the acquisition between the parties; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Dakota County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the acquisition of property from Wilfred E. and Karla Abbott identified in CP 26-54/63-27 as Parcel 50 (471), in the amount of \$58,325 as being in the best interest of the County, and authorizes the County Attorney to arrange for final payment of the acquisition amount and to effectuate final settlement of the acquisition between the parties.

Ayes: 7

Nays: 0

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Interagency Announcements/Reports

Interagency announcements and reports were then presented.

County Manager's Report

County Manager Matt Smith gave a brief update on:

- Property Tax Update
- Levy and Budget Hearing (formally TNT) will be held in hybrid format at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 1, 2020.
- Thank you to all staff that have worked to distribute CARES Act Funds, roughly \$52 million dollars.

Information

See Attachment A - Future Board Meetings And Other Board Activities

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Adjournment

Motion: Joe Atkins

Second: Kathleen A. Gaylord

On a motion by Commissioner Joe Atkins, seconded by Commissioner Kathleen A. Gaylord, the meeting was adjourned at 10:27 a.m.

Mike Slavik
Chair

ATTEST

Matt Smith, County Manager