

ANOKA COUNTY BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

Government Center
Anoka, Minnesota

October 11, 2022

Chair Schulte called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and called for participation in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present:	District #1	Matt Look
	District #2	Julie Braastad
	District #3	Robyn West
	District #4	Mandy Meisner (arrived at 9:34 a.m.)
	District #5	Mike Gamache
	District #6	Jeff Reinert
	District #7	Scott Schulte

Others Present: Rhonda Sivarajah, County Administrator; Tony Palumbo, County Attorney; staff, and citizens

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Commissioner Braastad made motion granting reductions of valuation and/or abatements of taxes, special assessments, costs, penalties and/or interest as requested and approved by the county assessor, county auditor and/or county treasurer. (A full text of persons receiving tax abatements is on file and available for public inspection in the County Administration Office.) Commissioner West seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

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Commissioner Look made motion accepting the regular claims paid over \$500 for the period ending September 23, 2022, and purchase-card claims paid for the period ending September 23, 2022. (Claims are on file in the County Administration Office.) Commissioner Gamache seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

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Commissioner Braastad made motion approving the minutes from the September 27, 2022, Anoka County board meeting. Commissioner West seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

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Commissioner Meisner arrived at 9:34 a.m.

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County Attorney Tony Palumbo was recognized for his 45 years of service to Anoka County.

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Commissioner West presented the Management Committee report from the meeting of September 27, 2022. All items were of informational nature and required no board action.

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Commissioner Schulte presented the Transportation Committee report from the meeting of October 3, 2022.

1. Commissioner Reinert offered the following resolution and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION #2022-122

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT GRANT AWARD AND AUTHORIZE GRANT AGREEMENT TO STATE TRANSPORTATION FUND

**(LOCAL ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM BONDS)
SAP 002-594-005
(PROJECT SAP 002-600-017, CONTRACT #C0009568)**

WHEREAS, Anoka County has applied to the Commissioner of Transportation for a grant from the Minnesota State Transportation Fund for improvements to West Freeway Drive and associated corridor improvements in the city of Columbus; and,

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Transportation has given notice that funding for this project is available; and,

WHEREAS, the amount of the grant has been determined to be \$9,000,000 by approval of the funding; and,

WHEREAS, Anoka County has determined to use \$212,349.52 of said funds for preliminary, environmental, and final design engineering for the reconstruction of West Freeway Drive in the city of Columbus:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Anoka County, by and through its Board of Commissioners, authorizes the county administrator and county engineer to accept the LRIP grant funding on behalf of the city of Columbus and to execute MnDOT Agreement No. 1051808 and any other agreements or amendments thereto, with the Commissioner of Transportation to effectuate the above-described LRIP grant funding.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of Anoka hereby accepts the terms and conditions of the Local Road Improvement Program grant, consistent with Minnesota Statutes, Section 174.52, will pay any additional amount by which the cost exceeds the estimate, and will return to the Minnesota State Transportation Fund any amount appropriated for the project but not required.

(Contract is on file in the Highway Department.)

Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. Resolution declared adopted.

- 2. Commissioner Reinert made motion awarding Contract #C0009569 in the amount of \$2,404,151.69, to Forest Lake Contracting for Project SAP 002-600-017, the reconstruction and realignment of West Freeway Drive north of CSAH 23 (Lake Drive), in the city of Columbus, subject to review by the county attorney as to form and legality. (Contract is on file in the Highway Department.) Commissioner Braastad seconded the motion. Upon roll call vote, motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Gamache presented the Parks Committee report from the meeting of October 4, 2022. All items were of informational nature and required no board action.

The county board meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

ATTEST:

**COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
ANOKA COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

By: _____
Rhonda Sivarajah
County Administrator

By: _____
Scott Schulte, its Chair

Motion carried means all commissioners in attendance voted affirmatively unless otherwise noted.