### MINNESOTA

#### FINAL COMMITTEE AGENDA

### BOARD OF HENNEPIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS County Administration Committee

Thursday, November 15, 2018 1:30 PM

Chair: Peter McLaughlin, District 4
Vice-Chair: Linda Higgins, District 2
Members: Mike Opat, District 1

Marion Greene, District 3 Debbie Goettel, District 5 Jan Callison, District 6 Jeff Johnson, District 7

#### 1. Open Forum

When invited to the podium, please identify yourself, keep your remarks to no more than three minutes, direct comments solely to county board members, and speak respectfully. Your remarks should be limited to topics that are relevant to Hennepin County.

### 2. Minutes From Previous Meeting

A. 10/30/2018 County Administration Minutes

#### 3. New Business

#### **Routine Items**

#### A. 18-0465

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#### B. 18-0466

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#### Items for Discussion and Action

#### C. 18-0467

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#### D. 18-0468

Authorize supplemental appropriations to amend the 2018 budget

#### E. 18-0469

2019 State Legislative Priorities and Platform

### F. 18-0497

Amend Hennepin County Building Use Policy

#### 4. Old Business

#### A. 18-0444

Approval to establish a payback guideline of 15 years or less for energy conservation projects - offered by Commissioner Goettel

#### Old Business - Revised

#### 18-0444 R1 Revised

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### Items for Discussion and Action - Separated

18-0469 S1 **Separated** 

2019 State Legislative Platform

18-0469 S2 Separated

2019 State Legislative Priorities

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#### **COMMITTEE MINUTES**

BOARD OF HENNEPIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COUNTY ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2018

1:30 PM

Chair: Peter McLaughlin, District 4 Vice-Chair: Linda Higgins, District 2

Members: Mike Opat, District 1

Marion Greene, District 3 Debbie Goettel, District 5 Jan Callison, District 6 Jeff Johnson, District 7

Commissioner Peter McLaughlin, Chair, called the meeting of the County Administration Committee for Tuesday, October 30, 2018 to order at 1:33 PM. All Commissioners were present except Commissioner Jeff Johnson who was absent.

#### 1. Open Forum

Commissioner Peter McLaughlin opened the Open Forum portion of the meeting at 1:34 PM. No persons came forth to give public comment. Commissioner Peter McLaughlin moved to close Open Forum at 1:34 PM and approved

#### 2. Open Appointment Interviews

#### A. 18-0440

Citizen Advisory Board Applicant and Appointment - Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act **PROGRESSED** 

Commissioner Peter McLaughlin opened the Open Appointment Interviews and the following individual interviewed for a position on the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act Board under the category of Wagner-Peyser Services:

1) Mike Lang

#### 3. Minutes From Previous Meeting

A. 10-16-2018 County Administration Minutes

#### **APPROVED**

Commissioner Linda Higgins moved to approve the Minutes from the Previous Meeting, seconded by Commissioner Debbie Goettel and approved6 Yeas 1 Absent: Johnson

#### 4. New Business

#### **Routine Items**

#### A. 18-0441

Acceptance of proposal from Chubb Insurance Company for cyber insurance and related services, 11/16/18-11/15/19, est NTE \$205,000

#### **CONSENT**

Commissioner Jan Callison moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner Mike Opat and approved – 6 Yeas 1 Absent: Johnson

#### B. 18-0442

Amd 1 to Agmt A154167 with Phytorion Inc. for software and implementation services to the PeopleSoft reporting data warehouse system, ext end date to 12/31/21, no change to NTE

#### **CONSENT**

Commissioner Debbie Goettel moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner Jan Callison and approved - 6 Yeas 1 Absent: Johnson

#### Items for Discussion and Action

#### C. 18-0443

2019 special levies for water quality and stream restoration projects for Bassett Creek Watershed Mgmt Commission \$1,436,000; Shingle Creek Watershed Mgmt Commission \$479,900; West Mississippi Watershed Mgmt Commission \$53,025; and Elm Creek Watershed Mgmt Commission \$462,500

#### **CONSENT**

Commissioner Jan Callison moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner Linda Higgins and approved – 6 Yeas 1 Absent: Johnson

#### D. 18-0444

Approval to establish a payback guideline of 15 years or less for energy conservation projects - offered by Commissioner Goettel

#### **LAID OVER**

Commissioner Debbie Goettel moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner Linda Higgins. After further discussion Commissioner Jan Callison moved to lay over, seconded by Commissioner Debbie Goettel and approved - 6 Yeas 1 Absent: Johnson

#### Addendum

#### E. 18-0463

Amd 1 to Agmt A154610 with RedBrick Health for the provision of a well-being experience platform, ext end date to 12/31/20, incr NTE by \$969,000 for a total NTE of \$2,341,200

#### **CONSENT**

Commissioner Mike Opat moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner Debbie Goettel and approved - 6 Yeas 1 Absent: Johnson

#### F. 18-0464

Agmt PR00000626 with Solutran, Inc. to provide the Healthy Savings Program to eligible employees with Hennepin County health insurance, 01/01/19–12/31/19, NTE \$75,000

#### CONSENT

Commissioner Debbie Goettel moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner Jan Callison and approved - 6 Yeas 1 Absent: Johnson

#### 5. Old Business

#### 18-0405 R1

Amendment to the Rules and Procedures of the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners

#### 18-0405 R2 Revised

Amendment to the Rules and Procedures of the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners

#### **CONSENT**

Commissioner Jan Callison moved to approve, seconded by Commissioner Marion Greene and approved - 6 Yeas 1 Absent: Johnson

#### 6. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting of the County Administration Committee for Tuesday, October 30, 2018 was declared adjourned at 2:25 PM.

Yolanda C Clark Deputy Clerk to the Board

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# Board Action Request 18-0465

#### **Item Description:**

Acceptance of the proposal of the AIG Insurance Company for building and contents property insurance, 01/01/19-12/31/20, est NTE \$685,000; crime insurance est NTE \$15,500

### Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners accept the proposal of the AIG Insurance Company for building and contents property insurance during the period January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020, in the estimated not to exceed amount of \$685,000; and that the County Administrator shall have the authority to approve premium additions at a rate of \$0.02089 per \$100 for new building/lease acquisitions; and that the Controller be authorized to disburse funds as directed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners accept the proposal of the AIG Insurance Company crime insurance during the period January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2020, in the estimated not to exceed amount of \$15,500; and that the Controller be authorized to disburse funds as directed.

### **Background:**

Building and contents property insurance provides:

- Financial resources for replacing or repairing damaged buildings, furnishings, machinery, and equipment.
- Services which include building loss prevention inspections, boiler and pressure vessel inspections
  required by state law, reviews of plans for sprinkler and equipment installation in new, expanded, or
  renovated buildings, and provides evaluations of County building maintenance procedures.

As a result of the 2017 request for proposal (RFP) process the County moved its property coverage from Travelers to AIG. AIG offered a 32% rate decrease, an increased policy limit and a rate guarantee through 2019. The property marketplace is in a state of transition. The marketplace had been in a 4 to 5 year cycle of softening whereby many insureds received pricing reductions each year. 2017 and 2018 catastrophic natural events caused significant damage in Texas, Florida, the US East Coast and Puerto Rico. These storms have impacted the marketplace as pricing reductions are now unavailable or very infrequent. The precise financial impact to insurers is still being determined. Thus the future of the marketplace remains uncertain.

The proposed insurance coverage remains unchanged from 2018. It provides a policy limit of \$2 billion per occurrence and a terrorism limit of \$2 billion. While the rate remains the same, the premium will increase by approximately \$25,000 to \$685,000 due to the increase in insured building values. The policy will continue to have a \$1 million deductible with a \$100,000 deductible for selected builders risk projects.

AIG Insurance Company has a rating of "A", or Excellent, for financial strength by the A.M. Best insurance rating organization.

### Crime insurance provides:

- Employee theft (loss of money, securities, or other property),
- Theft, disappearance, and destruction of money and securities (inside the county's premises, or on a Page 6 of 58

banking premises, or outside the premises while in the custody of a messenger),

- Faithful performance of duty (failure of an employee to faithfully perform his/her duties as prescribed by law, when such failure has, as its direct result, a loss of covered property),
- Computer fraud (loss of money, securities, and other property resulting from the use of a computer to cause a fraudulent transfer of that property),
- Forgery, alteration, and funds transfer losses.

The proposed insurance coverage remains unchanged from 2018. The coverage limit is \$1 million per occurrence. The deductible is \$25,000 for each loss. The premium of \$15,500 is a slightly higher than last year's premium of \$15,000 due to increase in overall crime marketplace claims. The named insureds are Hennepin County; Hennepin Healthcare System, Inc.; Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority; Hennepin County Housing and Redevelopment Authority; Hennepin Health Foundation; Minnesota Visiting Nurses Agency, Hospice of the Twin Cities, Minneapolis Medical Research Foundation, Friends of the Hennepin County Library; and the Municipal Building Commission.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

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# Board Action Request 18-0466

### **Item Description:**

Amd 1 to Agmt A166540 with MN DEED incorporating work plan and budget modifications for pathways using the Hennepin Career Connections Framework, no change to contract date or recv amt

#### Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Amendment 1 to Agreement A166540 with the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development that accepted grant funding for the establishment of pathways using the Hennepin Career Connections Framework, during the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2019 in the receivable amount of \$2,375,000 be amended to incorporate work plan and budget modifications; that the Chair of the Board be authorized to sign the Amendment on behalf of the county; and that the Controller be authorized to accept and disburse funds as directed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that sponsorship and acceptance of grant funding for this program by the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners does not imply a continued funding commitment by Hennepin County for this program if grant funds are no longer available.

### **Background:**

In 2016, the Minnesota Legislature passed a state supplemental budget allocating \$35 million to address racial economic disparities through both competitive grants and direct appropriations.

Session Law 2016 Chapter 189, Article 12 Sec.2 (i) authorized a one-time direct appropriation of \$2.5 million to the county from the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) for "creation of additional multi-employer, sector-based career pathways." Of the appropriation, \$2.2 million is to "establish pathways using the Hennepin Career Connections Framework" and \$300,000 directing the county to "establish a pilot program based on the career connections pathways framework outside the seven-county metropolitan area in collaboration with another local unit of government."

Under Resolution No. 16-0471, the county received \$2,375,000 of the appropriated funds and DEED retained 5% of direct appropriations.

With this amendment, the Grantee's Duties are being amended to include plan and cost category Work Plans requirements, plus allocations to provide staffing oversight to ensure compliance and goals are met. There are no changes to the receivable amount and no changes to the expiration date.

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# Board Action Request 18-0467

### **Item Description:**

Agmt PR00000475 with Standard Insurance Co. for the provision of a group Short and Long Term Disability Insurance plan, 01/01/19-12/31/23, NTE \$15,000,000

### Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Agreement PR00000475 with Standard Insurance Company for the provision of a group Short and Long Term Disability insurance plan for Hennepin County employees during the period January 1, 2019 through December 31, 2023, in an amount not to exceed \$15,000,000 be approved; that the Chair of the Board be authorized to sign the Agreement on behalf of the county; and that the Controller be authorized to disburse funds as directed.

### Background:

Pursuant to M.S. 471.6161 which requires governmental units to release a request for proposals (RFP) for these services at least every 60 months, Human Resources Benefits Division and Purchasing & Contract Services released an RFP in May 2018. The RFP was posted on the county's website and 14 companies were contacted. In June, eight proposals were received. Three vendors were selected to provide finalist demonstrations.

Following review and evaluation, Human Resources Benefits Division staff recommends that the Short and Long Term Disability contract be awarded to Standard Insurance Co., who is the incumbent, for the following reasons:

- reduction of the Long Term Disability premium by 20%;
- seamless transition from Short Term Disability to Long Term Disability for employees who have both coverages;
- continued service commitment to the county; and
- a strong stay-at-work/return-to-work program which includes an on-site case manager. This program has been a partnership that helps manage costs while decreasing lost work time for departments.

The Standard Insurance Co. is quoting a three year rate guarantee and contingent rate guarantees for the fourth and fifth year of the contract.

#### **Benefits Changes**

Short term disability:

- the premium will change from a reduction of sick leave / PTO to cash paid by the employee Long term disability:
  - the premium will change from a reduction of sick leave / PTO to cash paid by the employer
  - mental/nervous will change from unlimited to 2 years
  - monthly maximum will increase from \$8,500 to \$10,000
  - own occupation definition will change from 12 months to 24 months

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# Board Action Request 18-0468

#### **Item Description:**

Authorize supplemental appropriations to amend the 2018 budget

#### Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2018 budget be amended by supplemental appropriations as identified in Schedule 1 as on file with the Clerk of the Board; and that the Controller be authorized to transfer funds as directed.

### **Background:**

The Office of Budget and Finance has reviewed the status of the 2018 departmental expenditures relative to approved appropriations. Schedule 1 shows the detail of the department that exceeded their authorized expenditure level and require a budget adjustment.

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### Schedule 1 2018 Budget - Supplemental Appropriation

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS		<u>Fund</u>	Center	Account	<u>Description</u>	Amount
1. Sheriff's Office	REVENUE	10	279802	47800	Forfeiture Funds - Federal	\$ 22,976
		10	279802	49980	Designated Forfeiture Fund Balance - Federal	68,094
		10	279803	49980	Designated Forfeiture Fund Balance - State	22,155
		10	279803	49950	Miscellaneous Revenue - State Forfeiture	45,000
						\$158,225
	EXPENSE	10	279802	51769	Commodities	\$ 17,010
		10	279803	51100	Commodities	24,999
		10	279802	52900	Services	25,000
		10	279803	56250	Equipment	41,016
		10	279802	58150	Training	49,060
		10	279803	58150	Training	1,140
					-	\$ 158,225

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. section 609.5314, the County Sheriff supplemented the Sheriff's Office budget in 2018 utilizing forfeiture funds to enhance its operation. By statute, a modification in the board authorized budget amount must be approved as part of the appropriation process although the specific use of forfeiture funds is subject only to the approval of the Sheriff.

The purpose of this resolution is to ratify the adjustment to the Sheriff's Office 2018 budget.

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# Board Action Request 18-0469

### **Item Description:**

2019 State Legislative Priorities and Platform

### **Resolution:**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners recommend the 2019 State Legislative Priorities and Platform be adopted.

### **ATTACHMENTS:**

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# DRAFT-2019 State Legislative Platform (November 14, 2018)

### HENNEPIN COUNTY

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# Platform priorities

### Invest in community well-being

Promote child well-being and achieve positive outcomes for county-involved youth, invest upstream in early interventions, and stabilizing the child protection system. Continue systems redesign to meet the needs of individuals and families children and adults with mental illness and addiction. Improve technological systems and simplify state-mandated program requirements for Health and Human Services supports.

### Increase housing capacity for vulnerable populations

Support the creation of a renewable capital investment fund <u>and other</u> <u>alternative financing mechanisms</u> for development of necessary community housing options for vulnerable individuals.

### Reduce disparities

Expand resources and strengthen partnerships to reverse persistent racial and other disparities that drive poverty, poor health, involvement in the criminal justice system, transportation access, and low achievement.

### End unfunded mandates

Oppose legislation that transfers to property tax payers responsibilities that belong to the state.

### Invest in Transportation

Invest in a robust multi-modal system (roads, bridges and transit) to move people and goods equitably and efficiently in ways that strengthen communities and enhance Minnesota's competitiveness.

### **Child Protection**

Promote child well-being and achieve positive outcomes for county-involved youth by standardizing practice models, investing upstream in early interventions, and stabilizing the child protection system.

### Mental health and addiction

Support systems redesign to meet the needs of individuals with mental illness, including expanded supportive housing options and services required for stabilizing individuals in the community.

### Safety-net health services

Support legislation to obtain vital funding that secures the financial vitality of Hennepin Healthcare (including Hennepin County Medical Center), including maximizing existing supplemental and Medicaid payments, creating new supplemental payments and mitigating the impact of revenue assessments on supplemental payments.

### Systems modernization simplification and improvement

Simplify and streamline Health and Human Services Program requirements and improve modernize their technological systems, including METS, MAXIS/MEC<sup>2</sup>, SSIS, PRISM and MnCHOICES.

### Secure Mental Health Treatment Facility

Support \$X million in state bonding to increase capacity for mental health treatment for residents needing a higher level of care than currently available in community-based settings.

## Full platform

### Bonding

- Regional Medical Examiner's Facility—\$26.2 million
- Secure mental health treatment facility \$12 million

### Criminal justice and public safety

Preserve and protect public safety through state-county partnerships that address funding challenges and support reform. funding that covers counties' costs and enables counties to implement state mandates.

- Support increased funding to the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA) to reimburse Hennepin County for two BCA agents to perform timely processing of micro crystal drug chemistry evidence in order to expedite the administration of justice at the county level and to make permanent the existing pilot program between Hennepin County and the BCA.
- Support legislation and continued funding for offender reentry, including transitional housing, work opportunities and community-based treatment.
- Update Hennepin County municipality billing statutes to allow the use of electronic home monitoring (EHM) when appropriate for low-level adult offender management without shifting costs to the county.
- Increase Community Corrections Act (CCA) funding to ensure adequate state funding for supervision of offenders in the community.
- Support legal options such as vacatur to reduce barriers in housing and employment for the survivors of human trafficking.
- Clarify state financial responsibility for state wards in juvenile court.

- Support the unique needs of female and juvenile offenders in the community by strengthening collaboration with and funding for community corrections systems.
- Support the restoration of voting rights to persons on probation or parole for a felony conviction.
- Expand expungement statute to support individuals with housing or employment barriers and who have demonstrated a commitment to rehabilitation and community enhancement.

### Data practices

Improve the delivery and coordination of supportive services through the use of data-driven strategies.

- Support legislation that promotes streamlined service coordination and data sharing across health, education, public safety and human services organizations.
- Support legislation that provides local governments flexibility over retention of electronic official records and correspondence.
- Support legislation that would allow local governments shared access with law enforcement regarding information related to sex offender supervision.
- Improve county response to data breaches by aligning state mandates for local governments with those for the private sector.
- Improve cybersecurity response by clearly identifying a sole state agency that is accountable for investigating data breaches and responding to applicable reporting requirements.

### Environment and energy

Protect the environment and conserve resources through responsible management of waste and natural resources and promotion of environmental stewardship.

• Restore SCORE funding to its original purpose (funding county waste reduction, recycling and composting efforts to meet state solid waste

goals) by eliminating the diversion of SCORE revenues to the General Fund.

- Ensure that Hennepin County receives a fair share of revenues from the Clean Water, Land and Legacy Amendment.
- Support the efficient, transparent and accountable management of water resources, which maximizes the use of financial and technical resources.
- Support legislation and state funding to local jurisdictions within quarantine areas for planning and response to the loss of trees due to invasive pests and pathogens, such as emerald ash borer.
- Support the Partnership on Waste and Energy <u>2019</u> Legislative Platform.

### General government

Partner with the State of Minnesota to improve government services delivery, reduce mandates on local government, re-prioritize government spending and promote effective management of county programs by allowing local control.

- Support improved efficiency of election administration through the use of e-poll books with electronic signature and improvements to inperson absentee voting.
- Amend state statute to allow local governments to publish official documents electronically rather than in print.
- Support renewal of the allocation of Legacy/Arts and Cultural Heritage funding and other state sources of financial support for libraries with a priority on technology and collection.
- Support the efforts of others to add consistency to investment statutes by allowing large municipalities to make collateralized investments with the same entities currently authorized for uncollateralized investments.

- Support legislation that allows the county authority to solicit bids directly with small business enterprises (SBEs).
- Modernize election statutes by amending outdated voter accessibility technology statutes and repealing 383B elections provisions that are inconsistent with other state statutes.
- Support legislation to expand align in-person absentee voting to with in-person early voting.
- Ensure veterans remain eligible for the veterans property tax exclusion regardless of when they purchase their primary residence.
- Modernize outdated sale/lease statutes to more effectively reach potential customers and reduce the county's administrative burdens.
- Modernize Hennepin County Human Resources statutes to align them with current rules and practices and to minimize duplication of efforts.

### Hennepin Healthcare financial vitality

Ensure access to the full continuum of health care services for all <u>by</u> <u>supporting policies that would increase the financial stability of Hennepin Healthcare, reduce health disparities and improve community health, and invest in the health care workforce to support the capacity to meet the needs of the community.</u>

### Increase the financial stability of Hennepin Healthcare.

 Advance efforts to maximize Medicaid reimbursement and supplemental funding sources in support of financing the mission of Hennepin Healthcare, as the state's largest Medicaid provider system, including the promotion of new payment mechanisms, in both fee for service and managed care, that recognize the higher cost of care associated with serving a disproportionate number of Medicaid patients who have greater social and medical complexities.

- Advance legislation to mitigate funding losses to Hennepin
   Healthcare as a result of the state's implementation of new federal
   requirements for the Medicaid program, including the Medicaid
   Outpatient Drug Rule which will reduce payments to the 340(b)
   Pharmacy Rebate Program and result in approximately \$2 to \$2.5
   million in financial losses to the Hennepin Healthcare's pharmacy
   program
- Promote efforts to protect the state's Medicaid and MinnesotaCare programs when proposed changes would reduce access to coverage for Hennepin Healthcare patients and increase uncompensated care costs to Hennepin Healthcare, including any changes that would restrict an individual's eligibility for coverage based on employment status.
- Promote efforts to strengthen value-based-payment arrangements in Medicaid between providers and the state, including new state investments in short-term stabilization payments for safety-net provider systems intending to expand these arrangements with the state.
- Support the repeal of the sunset of the provider tax to prevent an estimated \$800 million loss to the state budget for the Medicaid program over the next biennium.

### Improve population health and health equity through innovation and reform.

- Promote efforts to address the state's opioid crisis, including increasing access to medication assisted therapy and alternative pain management therapies.
- Advance the development and funding of new innovative health care delivery models aimed at addressing social determinants of health, including, but not limited to, seeking federal approval to

allow Medicaid to cover medical respite care for people experiencing homelessness and expanding the definition of the state plan benefit for care coordination under Medicaid in Minnesota.

- Advance efforts to expand Project ECHO in Minnesota through the Medicaid program with Hennepin Healthcare as one of the state's central specialty care hubs for providing real-time learning for frontline providers on conditions like addiction, Hepatitis C, and mental health disorders.
- Support new state investments in grant programs to reduce health disparities, including, but not limited to, legislation that invests in programs that expand trauma-informed approaches to care and/or address the cultural and racial gaps in women's access to prenatal care.

# Support the capacity of the health care workforce to ensure the delivery of exceptional care.

- Promote efforts to improve access to care that also support the policies and/or investments needed to address any existing workforce and provider shortages in Minnesota, especially in the behavioral health care system.
- <u>Support efforts to</u> maintain or increase current state investment in medical education and health care workforce development funding for <u>Hennepin Healthcare</u>. <u>HCMC</u>.
- Support policies that support increasing staff capacity in the health care workforce through telehealth opportunities.
- Support comprehensive reform of the state's mental health system to ensure patients receive the appropriate level of care and to improve patient outcomes.
- Target increased payments to safety-net hospitals with the largest uncompensated and undercompensated care burden; including the

- establishment of a Medicaid payment enhancement that accounts for the patients' social determinants of health.
- Support Medicaid care delivery reform projects that benefit patients seen by safety-net providers.
- Support funding and development of policies that encourage the state's adoption of best practices in health disparities reduction and health equity.
- Modify statutory language to allow part-time Emergency Medical Systems (EMS) personnel to be covered under the pension plan to attain parity with other first responders.

### Health and human services

Ensure that mental health, chemical health and public health systems work to improve outcomes for all residents, especially the most vulnerable. Support preventative models of care and early intervention service to avoid over-reliance on crisis care and response.

### Administrative and technical improvements

- Simplify and streamline Health and Human Services Program requirements and modernize improve their technological systems, including METS, MAXIS/MEC<sup>2</sup>, SSIS, PRISM and MnCHOICES.
- Support reforms to the Minnesota Family Investment Partnership (MFIP) safety net programs that streamline and align eligibility determination with other income support programs, such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and child care assistance.
- Support improvements to the state operated reporting system for the maltreatment of vulnerable adults. System improvements must include accurate and actionable reporting to county workers and eliminate the unnecessary deployment of law enforcement.
- Oppose cost shifting to local governments for clients released from state human services facilities and state operated services (e.g. Anoka

Metro Regional Treatment Facility, Minnesota Security Hospital in St. Peter and Community Behavioral Health Hospitals). Support adequate state funding for county services when such clients are placed by the state in community-based settings.

 Strengthen data sharing between state and local public health agencies to support HIV/AIDS response. Target available funding to data-driven local prevention, care, and treatment strategies endorsed by local planning bodies.

### Invest in well-being of our children

- Promote child well-being and achieve positive outcomes for countyinvolved youth by standardizing practice models, investing upstream in early interventions, and stabilizing the child protection system.
- Substantially invest in, reform, and eliminate fraud in early childhood development programs, including basic sliding fee child care, foster care child care, early learning scholarships, Head Start and evidencebased targeted home visiting as a means to reduce disparities and invest early in child outcomes.

# Invest in health through mental health and chemical health improvements

- Support systems redesign to meet the needs of individuals with mental illness, including expanded supportive housing options and services required for stabilizing individuals in the community. <u>Expand</u> access to waiver-funded services to meet condition-related needs.
- Support efforts to integrate mental health, chemical health and criminal justice interventions to address the needs of justice-involved persons, to ensure better outcomes for residents and to reduce recidivism.
- Support legislation and that promotes and sustains efforts to develop a comprehensive and integrated model of health and human services delivery (similar to Hennepin Health) to outcomes for residents.

• <u>Support continuation of the provider tax to ensure long-term stable</u> <u>funding for affordable coverage and access to community-based care.</u>

### Housing

Leverage limited resources more efficiently and advance stable housing for individuals and families.

- Support the creation of a renewable capital investment fund for development of necessary community housing options for vulnerable individuals.
- Maintain funding for homeless prevention, outreach and emergency shelters.
- Increase access to affordable long-term housing for low and moderate income residents.
- Support legislation and administrative reforms that provide a continuum of services and housing, including 24-hour supervised care options for persons with acute and chronic care needs.

### Taxes

Protect state funding for mandated services and assure flexibility to serve our residents without undue reliance on property taxes.

- Protect essential County Program Aid (CPA) that supports countymandated services and reduces reliance on property tax.
- Oppose tax cuts relative to federal tax conformity that deplete state funding for local government mandates.

### Transportation

Strengthen the long-term value of neighborhoods and communities through strategic public investments in infrastructure that improve mobility and safety and connect people to jobs.

• Extend to the Bottineau Light Rail Transit line the liability and insurance provisions that currently exist for Southwest Light Rail line. Revise statutory end date for projects formally entering the

engineering phase of the Federal Transit Administration's "New Starts" capital investment grant program from December 31, 2016 to January 31, 2017.

- Support a comprehensive transportation package that provides new revenue for roads, bridges and transit.
- Support elimination of the prohibition on state funding for long-term capital maintenance for the Southwest Light Rail Transit (SWLRT) project.
- Modify the special distribution of leased vehicle sales tax in the metro area to fairly include Hennepin and Ramsey counties.
- Oppose any increase in weight or size limits for commercial trucks and other motor vehicles.

### Workforce development

Meet the future workforce needs of Hennepin County and other employers and address persistent economic and racial disparities by connecting well-trained and qualified individuals to high demand jobs in our region.

- Support expansion and flexibility of state programs to provide enhanced training and employment opportunities to better address persistent employment disparities.
- Seek funding to increase training and employment services to clients in correctional programs such as Productive Day, Sentencing to Service (STS), STS Homes, probation and electronic home monitoring.
- Support reforms to the SNAP's Employment and Training Program that streamline program administration and restructure participation sanctions, while enhancing program integrity as a means to increase work participation rates.

### Non-profit requests

Support the following non-profit organizations by serving as the fiscal agent for state bonding proceeds.

- Avivo—\$10 million
- Children's Theater—\$4 million



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### MINNESOTA

# Board Action Request 18-0497

### **Item Description:**

Amend Hennepin County Building Use Policy

WHEREAS, on January 10, 2018, the U.S. Immigration Customs and Enforcement ("ICE") promulgated Directive Number 11072.1: Civil Immigration Enforcement Actions Inside Courthouses, which authorizes ICE agents to take civil immigration enforcement actions under certain circumstances inside courthouse buildings; and

WHEREAS, Hennepin County manages 131 facilities in Hennepin County and invites residents and clients to more than 100 of these facilities, including buildings that contain courthouses, libraries, social services, and probation offices, among others; and

WHEREAS, Hennepin County has an interest in providing a safe and inviting environment in courthouses and other county facilities that serve Hennepin County residents, and this environment may be disrupted by the presence of ICE agents or other immigration agents who come to Hennepin County facilities to arrest individuals for civil immigration violations.

#### Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Hennepin County Use of Space by the Public in County Facilities is amended to include a new Section, entitled U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Civil Enforcement Activities, as attached in Exhibit A.

#### ATTACHMENTS:

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Approval to establish a payback guideline of 15 years or less for energy conservation projects - offered by Commissioner Goettel

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BE IT RESOLVED, that County conservation projects reducing operating and energy costs have a payback of 15 years or less; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that operating costs include but are not limited to equipment replacements, operational repair, staff time and utility savings resulting from the energy improvement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that projects that are large asset investments such as building envelope, HVAC systems and renewable energy systems be evaluated on a life-cycle cost basis and incremental increase over like in kind replacement.

#### **Background:**

**History:** Hennepin County has been actively reducing its energy consumption since the early 1990's. Funding for these projects has primarily come from capital funding with the support of utility rebates. Xcel Energy's rebate program limited rebates for any project with a longer than 10 year payback. Facility Services therefore focused their efforts on projects that maximized the use of capital dollars by leveraging utility rebates by only doing project that meet the 10 year criteria.

Since that time, Xcel Energy has increased their payback criteria to 15 years to help support more energy saving opportunities. This aligns well with the county's efforts for energy conservation. The county has made great strides in conserving energy over the years and has implemented many measures to address energy consumption during project work and throughout their facility portfolio.

In 2014, Facility Services rolled out their Energy Plan with a goal to reduce energy consumption in county facilities by 3% annually for the next 7 years for a total of 20% by 2020. In this plan it outlines the use of a payback period for energy conservation driven projects that is half of the lifecycle of that piece of equipment or about 10-15 years. Other systems such as geothermal, roof insulation and solar systems area suggested to be evaluated on a life cycle basis as they are typically included in the building design.

In 2016, the Office of Budget and Finance along with the County Administrator established an 8-year payback for capital projects as a guideline for continued effort and acceleration. This payback was supported by the concern about technology advancements typically being about 8 years.

**Current Request:** This BAR proposes to increase the payback guideline from currently 8 years to 15 years while considering the potential for technology advances when evaluating each project.

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## Health and human services

Ensure that mental health, chemical health and public health systems work to improve outcomes for all residents, especially the most vulnerable. Support preventative models of care and early intervention service to avoid over-reliance on crisis care and response.

## Administrative and technical improvements

- Simplify and streamline Health and Human Services Program requirements and modernize improve their technological systems, including METS, MAXIS/MEC<sup>2</sup>, SSIS, PRISM and MnCHOICES.
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Strengthen data sharing between state and local public health
 agencies to support HIV/AIDS response. Target available funding to
 data-driven local prevention, care, and treatment strategies endorsed
 by local planning bodies.

## Invest in well-being of our children

- Promote child well-being and achieve positive outcomes for countyinvolved youth by standardizing practice models, investing upstream in early interventions, and stabilizing the child protection system.
- Substantially invest in, reform, and eliminate fraud in early childhood development programs, including basic sliding fee child care, foster care child care, early learning scholarships, Head Start and evidencebased targeted home visiting as a means to reduce disparities and invest early in child outcomes.

# Invest in health through mental health and chemical health improvements

- Support systems redesign to meet the needs of individuals with mental illness, including expanded supportive housing options and services required for stabilizing individuals in the community. <u>Expand</u> access to waiver-funded services to meet condition-related needs.
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Leverage limited resources more efficiently and advance stable housing for individuals and families.

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Protect state funding for mandated services and assure flexibility to serve our residents without undue reliance on property taxes.

- Protect essential County Program Aid (CPA) that supports countymandated services and reduces reliance on property tax.
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Meet the future workforce needs of Hennepin County and other employers and address persistent economic and racial disparities by connecting well-trained and qualified individuals to high demand jobs in our region.

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Ensure that mental health, chemical health and public health systems work to improve outcomes for all residents, especially the most vulnerable. Support preventative models of care and early intervention service to avoid over-reliance on crisis care and response.

## Administrative and technical improvements

- Simplify and streamline Health and Human Services Program requirements and modernize improve their technological systems, including METS, MAXIS/MEC<sup>2</sup>, SSIS, PRISM and MnCHOICES.
- Support reforms to the Minnesota Family Investment Partnership (MFIP) safety net programs that streamline and align eligibility determination with other income support programs, such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and child care assistance.
- Support improvements to the state operated reporting system for the maltreatment of vulnerable adults. System improvements must include accurate and actionable reporting to county workers and eliminate the unnecessary deployment of law enforcement.
- Oppose cost shifting to local governments for clients released from state human services facilities and state operated services (e.g. Anoka

Metro Regional Treatment Facility, Minnesota Security Hospital in St. Peter and Community Behavioral Health Hospitals). Support adequate state funding for county services when such clients are placed by the state in community-based settings.

 Strengthen data sharing between state and local public health agencies to support HIV/AIDS response. Target available funding to data-driven local prevention, care, and treatment strategies endorsed by local planning bodies.

## Invest in well-being of our children

- Promote child well-being and achieve positive outcomes for countyinvolved youth by standardizing practice models, investing upstream in early interventions, and stabilizing the child protection system.
- Substantially invest in, reform, and eliminate fraud in early childhood development programs, including basic sliding fee child care, foster care child care, early learning scholarships, Head Start and evidencebased targeted home visiting as a means to reduce disparities and invest early in child outcomes.

# Invest in health through mental health and chemical health improvements

- Support systems redesign to meet the needs of individuals with mental illness, including expanded supportive housing options and services required for stabilizing individuals in the community. <u>Expand</u> access to waiver-funded services to meet condition-related needs.
- Support efforts to integrate mental health, chemical health and criminal justice interventions to address the needs of justice-involved persons, to ensure better outcomes for residents and to reduce recidivism.
- Support legislation and that promotes and sustains efforts to develop a comprehensive and integrated model of health and human services delivery (similar to Hennepin Health) to outcomes for residents.

• <u>Support continuation of the provider tax to ensure long-term stable</u> <u>funding for affordable coverage and access to community-based care.</u>

## Housing

Leverage limited resources more efficiently and advance stable housing for individuals and families.

- Support the creation of a renewable capital investment fund for development of necessary community housing options for vulnerable individuals.
- Maintain funding for homeless prevention, outreach and emergency shelters.
- Increase access to affordable long-term housing for low and moderate income residents.
- Support legislation and administrative reforms that provide a continuum of services and housing, including 24-hour supervised care options for persons with acute and chronic care needs.

## Taxes

Protect state funding for mandated services and assure flexibility to serve our residents without undue reliance on property taxes.

- Protect essential County Program Aid (CPA) that supports countymandated services and reduces reliance on property tax.
- Oppose tax cuts relative to federal tax conformity that deplete state funding for local government mandates.

## Transportation

Strengthen the long-term value of neighborhoods and communities through strategic public investments in infrastructure that improve mobility and safety and connect people to jobs.

• Extend to the Bottineau Light Rail Transit line the liability and insurance provisions that currently exist for Southwest Light Rail line. Revise statutory end date for projects formally entering the

engineering phase of the Federal Transit Administration's "New Starts" capital investment grant program from December 31, 2016 to January 31, 2017.

- Support a comprehensive transportation package that provides new revenue for roads, bridges and transit.
- Support elimination of the prohibition on state funding for long-term capital maintenance for the Southwest Light Rail Transit (SWLRT) project.
- Modify the special distribution of leased vehicle sales tax in the metro area to fairly include Hennepin and Ramsey counties.
- Oppose any increase in weight or size limits for commercial trucks and other motor vehicles.

## Workforce development

Meet the future workforce needs of Hennepin County and other employers and address persistent economic and racial disparities by connecting well-trained and qualified individuals to high demand jobs in our region.

- Support expansion and flexibility of state programs to provide enhanced training and employment opportunities to better address persistent employment disparities.
- Seek funding to increase training and employment services to clients in correctional programs such as Productive Day, Sentencing to Service (STS), STS Homes, probation and electronic home monitoring.
- Support reforms to the SNAP's Employment and Training Program that streamline program administration and restructure participation sanctions, while enhancing program integrity as a means to increase work participation rates.

## Non-profit requests

Support the following non-profit organizations by serving as the fiscal agent for state bonding proceeds.

- Avivo—\$10 million
- Children's Theater—\$4 million



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