



**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
SEPTEMBER 14, 2021**

WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL RAILROAD AUTHORITY CONVENES

The Washington County Regional Railroad Authority (RRA) met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room. Present were Commissioners Miron, Kriesel, Weik, Johnson, and Karwoski. RRA Chair Johnson presided. Also present were Kevin Corbid, County Administrator; Susan Tice, County Attorney Civil Division Chief; Stephanie Kammerud, Administrative Assistant; and county staff. Official Proceedings of the Regional Railroad Authority are available in the Office of Administration.

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONVENES

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:11 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room.

Present: Commissioner Fran Miron, District 1
 Commissioner Stan Karwoski, District 2
 Commissioner Gary Kriesel, District 3
 Commissioner Wayne Johnson, District 4
 Commissioner Lisa Weik, District 5

Also Present: Kevin Corbid, County Administrator
 Susan Tice, County Attorney Civil Division Chief
 Stephanie Kammerud, Administrative Assistant

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Board Chair Weik asked for comments from the public; none were heard.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner Johnson moved, seconded by Commissioner Kriesel, to adopt the Consent Calendar as follows:

- A. Approval to reappoint Gerald Johnson, Stillwater, and Celia Wirth, Grant, to another term as Managers on the Brown's Creek Watershed District expiring October 21, 2024.
- B. Approval of county comments on the creation of Tax Increment Financing (Redevelopment) District No. 14 in the City of Stillwater and direction to submit comments in a letter.

C. Approval of **Resolution No. 2021-103** as follows:

**AUTHORIZATION FOR JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT WITH
COUNTIES IN AND NEIGHBORING MINNESOTA'S TENTH
JUDICIAL DISTRICT FOR SECURE JUVENILE DETENTION
AND PROGRAMMING**

WHEREAS, Washington County Community Corrections previously entered into a joint powers agreement with counties in and neighboring Minnesota's Tenth Judicial District for the purpose of housing certain juveniles in a secure setting at a reasonable cost; and,

WHEREAS, this previous joint powers agreement between Washington County Community Corrections and other counties in and neighboring Minnesota's Tenth Judicial District shall expire December 31, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, Washington County Community Corrections desires to enter into a new joint powers agreement with counties in and neighboring Minnesota's Tenth Judicial District for the purpose of housing certain juveniles in a secure setting at a reasonable cost.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Washington County Community Corrections has authority to enter into such joint powers agreement pursuant to Minnesota Statutes §471.59.

- D. Approve Contract Agreement No. 14317 between Impact Group Software and Services, LLC dba Cashe Software and Washington County, in the amount not to exceed \$300,000 for the period of September 14, 2021, through August 14, 2026.
- E. Approve amendment to Metropolitan Council Grant Agreement No. SG-14928 to increase the awarded amount of the grant by \$123,474 for Lake Elmo Park Reserve and Central Greenway Regional Trail and Pavement Improvements.
- F. Approval of License to Use Real Property Agreement No. 14305 with the Washington Conservation District for installation and maintenance of bait disposal containers and signage at the listed County Parks.

The motion was adopted 5-0 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Miron, Kriesel, Johnson, Karwoski, and Weik. Nays, none.

MINNESOTA INTER-COUNTY ASSOCIATION

Presentation of the 2021 Legislative Session Report

Minnesota Inter-County Association (MICA) staff provided an end-of-session legislative report on the outcomes of the 2021 Minnesota Legislative Session and its impact on Washington County.

Matt Massman, MICA Executive Director, reported that, despite unique and historic challenges, it was a successful biennial budget legislative session for county governments. There was a \$1.7 billion state budget surplus, plus \$2.8 billion in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, which led to a biennial budget of \$52.2 billion.

There was no change to county program aid. Homeless Prevention Aid is a new, six-year pilot program (2023-2028) which will focus on high school and early adult homes and individuals, and Washington County should receive \$3-\$4 million over the course of that timeframe. There was a reduction in state general property tax for businesses.

Broadband was a key priority for MICA and it received \$70 million of ARPA Capital Projects funds, dedicated to the state Broadband Grant Program. There was \$250 million set aside for Frontline Worker Pay and work continues for a consensus on how to allocate the funds. There is no capital bonding bill and likely no special session in September.

Steve Novak, MICA Transportation & Transit Legislative Liaison, reported on transportation highlights. Funding included: \$44 million for Local Bridge Replacement; \$75 million for Local Road Improvement Program; \$12 million for town roads; \$18 million for small city streets; \$2.6 million each year to reopen all driver's license exam stations closed in 2020; \$113 million in Trunk Highway funds; and \$30.9 million General Fund projects.

Leased vehicle sales tax proceeds will remain status quo, which is considered a victory. This continues to be a major issue.

The federal bipartisan infrastructure bill of \$1.2 trillion has passed the Senate. This bill will provide considerable funding for transportation in Minnesota.

Nancy Silesky, MICA Health and Human Services (HHS) Legislative Liaison, reported on health and human services highlights. The Legislature added \$15 million per biennium into the Local Public Health grant, and \$15 million into new Local Public Health infrastructure funding. An additional \$8 million to tobacco and vaping prevention, and \$1.5 million to home visiting grants over the next three years.

The Legislature resolved the Department of Human Services accounting error, related to substance use disorder services that were being delivered to Institutions of Mental Disease, which would have cost \$8.3 million statewide.

The Waiver Extension Bill was passed during special session. This included telehealth for targeted case management, remote MN Choices reassessments and MFIP applications, and increased

number of housing support days. Another waiver passed during regular session related to child protection. Under that provision, counties have up to five days to have the face-to-face visit with the child, if it is deemed the child is in no danger of being in contact with the alleged offender.

There were investments in mental health, which included an increase of \$1.75 million per year for the next three years for adult mental health initiative grants, and \$16 million in additional capacity for adult mobile crisis services. A new program that will create a children's mental health transition and support team, will receive \$5 million to facilitate transition back to the community for children that have been in psychiatric residential treatment centers.

There was a cost shift to counties of \$2.4 million per biennium for the Children's Adolescent Behavioral Health Hospital (CABHH) in Willmar, Minnesota, when it is deemed a child no longer needs that hospitalization level of care, but is awaiting a bed elsewhere.

Counties did avoid cost shifts with disability waivers, MN Choices reimbursement, and placements of disabled individuals 18-27 years of age in certain settings.

Carli Stark, MICA Corrections and Public Safety Legislative Liaison, reported on the highlights of public safety and corrections. There was a one-time increase in the Community Corrections Act subsidy funding of \$1.2 million for FY2022 and FY2023 only. After this biennium, it will go back to the previous funding level. A community supervision study group is working to make recommendations on future funding system/levels.

The 911 Telecommunications Fee decreased from 95 cents to 80 cents; however, the state increased direct appropriation to local Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) from the Department of Public Safety \$27,328,000 the first year, and \$28,011,000 the second year. There were no Emergency Management Readiness grants. Counties will receive \$500,000 each year for 50% matching grant for court security updates.

Mr. Massman continued MICA's report with general government changes.

Counties that operate licensing bureaus continue to have concerns about property tax subsidies and the fees not covering the cost of the work needed. There has not been an increase in those transaction fees. However, kiosks were authorized, and it is clear in legislation that the local licensing centers that sponsor those kiosks will get to keep that transaction revenue.

There was funding given to programs that fund replacement of non-compliant septic systems. A three-year extension was authorized to the power purchase agreement for the St. Paul Cogeneration facility for tree waste. There was funding given to Aquatic Invasive Species and SCORE grants.

Mr. Massman concluded there are several interim studies being conducted with potential county impacts. Heading into the 2022 legislative session, a healthy state budget condition is anticipated.

WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Resolution Approving 2020 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report

Melissa Taphorn, Executive Director of the Washington County Community Development Agency, presented the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), which details Washington County’s progress toward meeting the goals outlined in Washington County’s 2020-2024 Consolidated Plan and projects undertaken with 2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and the Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) program funds. The CAPER is a means to communicate to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and policymakers how funds are spent and the impact the programs make in our community. Ms. Taphorn also presented photos of HOME and CDBG projects.

Commissioner Miron moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-104** as follows:

**RESOLUTION APPROVING WASHINGTON COUNTY’S 2020
CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION
REPORT FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK
GRANT AND HOME INVESTMENT PARTERNSHIPS
PROGRAMS AND AUTHORIZING SUBMISSION OF SUCH
GRANT REQUEST TO THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

WHEREAS, Washington County is an Entitlement Community for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program; and

WHEREAS, Washington County is entitled to HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) funding through its participation in the Dakota County HOME Consortium with the cities of Coon Rapids and Woodbury and the counties of Anoka, Dakota and suburban Ramsey; and

WHEREAS, Washington County Community Development Agency (the “Agency”) has entered into a Subrecipient Agreement with Washington County to administer and manage the CDBG and HOME programs (collectively, the “Programs”); and

WHEREAS, the Programs require the submission of a Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (the “CAPER”) every year in accordance with Chapter 91 of Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations; and

WHEREAS, the CAPER requires a fifteen day public notice and public hearing before approval; and

WHEREAS, the required public comment period for the CAPER is held from August 27, 2021, to September 21, 2021; and



WHEREAS, the Agency will hold a public hearing on September 21, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Dakota County HOME Consortium will hold a public hearing on September 21, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the CAPER must be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development by September 28, 2021.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WASHINGTON COUNTY, that the Washington County 2020 CAPER for the CDBG and HOME programs is approved for submission to HUD; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners approval of the 2020 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report for submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion, and it was adopted 5-0 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Miron, Kriesel, Johnson, Karwoski, and Weik. Nays, none.

LIBRARY

Resolution to Proclaim September 2021 as Library Card Sign-Up Month

Library Director Amy Stenftenagel reported that September is Library Card Sign-Up Month, a national campaign to emphasize the importance of library cards to a child's education and to combat illiteracy. The campaign first started in 1987 as a response to then Secretary of Education, William Bennett, who encouraged a campaign because "Every child should obtain a library card and use it."

Washington County Library is celebrating September as Library Card Sign-up Month by promoting the benefits of signing up for a library card, including access to materials and resources that serve students of all ages, as well as lifelong learners, job seekers, small business owners, and more. To acknowledge the important role libraries play in communities and to encourage everyone to sign up for their own library card, September 2021 is declared as Library Card Sign-Up Month in Washington County.

Commissioner Johnson moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2021-105** as follows:

LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH 2021 PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, libraries and librarians play a crucial role in the education and development of children through programs and services; and

WHEREAS, libraries provide a variety of resources to stimulate an interest in reading and learning for community members of all ages; and

WHEREAS, signing up for a library card is the first step in supporting academic achievement and lifelong learning; and

WHEREAS, a library card empowers all people to pursue their dreams, explore new interests, and connect with the wider world; and

WHEREAS, library staff also create welcoming, inclusive, and stimulating spaces for community members of all backgrounds to learn together and engage with one another; and

WHEREAS, libraries are constantly transforming and expanding services to meet the evolving needs of their communities; and

WHEREAS, libraries will continue to play a vital role in our communities through our recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby acknowledges the important role libraries play in our communities and, in proclaiming September 2021 as Library Card Sign-up Month, encourages everyone to sign up for a library card today.

Commissioner Karwoski seconded the motion, and it was adopted 5-0 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Miron, Kriesel, Johnson, Karwoski, and Weik. Nays, none.

PUBLIC WORKS

Deputy Director/County Engineer Wayne Sandberg presented a contract with Alliant Engineering, Inc. to complete final design for the County Road (CR) 65 (Oakgreen Avenue) Improvement Project in the amount of \$537,180.

Mr. Sandberg reported that CR 65 is in need of major improvements due to the increased daily traffic. There are several deficiencies, including no engineered drainage system, which leads to wet subgrade and heaving during spring thaw. It is not designed to handle 9- or 10-ton traffic, lacks turning lanes at intersections, and there is no established clear zone and there are sightline concerns.

Preliminary design efforts are complete and supported from the public and local municipalities. This is a larger improvement project on a Non-State Aid Highway and the pavement on this roadway is among the worst in the county, with a PCI of 38 or less, which is considered in the red zone.

Commissioner Kriesel moved to approve Contract No. 14287 with Alliant Engineering, Inc. to complete final design for the CR 65 (Oakgreen Avenue) Improvement Project in the amount of \$537,180. Commissioner Miron seconded the motion and it was adopted unanimously.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Resolutions to Approve the Preliminary 2022 Proposed Levies/Budgets

County Administrator Kevin Corbid introduced the 2022 proposed levies and budgets. By law, the county board must adopt its preliminary levy by September 30th. Resolutions will be presented that identify the county's proposed budget and levy, the proposed budget and levy of the Washington County Regional Railroad Authority, and consent to the preliminary levy of the Washington County Community Development Agency.

Mr. Corbid stated that on July 27, 2021, and over the last months, the Office of Administration and department directors introduced a budget that recognized that Washington County continues to be a fast growing county, both in terms of population and tax base. That growth drives the need for service delivery improvements and enhancements. This recommended budget and corresponding levy increase prioritizes the delivery of high-quality services and protecting the county's financial health by making investments.

This 2022 budget recommendation comes after the board approved no levy increase in 2021 as a result of the economic conditions created by the COVID-19 global pandemic. By holding the levy flat in 2021, the board provided property tax relief to businesses and homeowners who had been financially impacted through loss of a job, reduced hours or pay, and reduced business income for many that were forced to close their doors or reduce service.

This budget will work together with the federal funding that has been provided through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to ensure ongoing pandemic response, and will continue this county board's work to maintain strong fiscal management that protects the long-term health of the county and its residents, as well as responding to the growing needs of the community.

In accordance with state statute, once the preliminary levy is set today, it cannot be increased, but it can be decreased between now and when the final levy and budget are approved in December.

Deputy County Administrator Jan Lucke presented the budget summary with the recommended net tax levy and corresponding net tax rate. The budget includes a 5.78% increase to net levy, which results in a tax rate that is increased 0.6% from last year, and decreased 4.7%, as compared to the 2020 tax rate. Actions taken in 2020 to support pandemic response and recognize uncertain economic times influenced the recommended budget for 2022.

As the pandemic recovery continues, and the economy responds positively, the 2022 recommended budget includes a proposed levy increase that, when spread over two years, reflects an increase of less than 3% each year.

The proposed county net levy is 5.78%. The Land and Water Legacy Program (LWLP) referendum levy and the Regional Railroad Authority (RRA) levy are held flat. There is a slight drop in anticipated County Program Aid in the coming year, due to formula distribution. Non-levy revenue represents all funding sources not specifically itemized. The 2022 increase is primarily driven by the 0.25% increase in transportation sales tax to fund county road and bridge projects. Other financing sources are primarily interfund transfers and loan disbursements. The increase in 2022

is primarily driven by an interfund transfer from the Department of Public Health & Environment's operating budget to the capital budget, for the construction of the northern Environmental Center.

The Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit project often fluctuates from year to year. This item will continue to be refined before the board adopts the final budget in December.

Planned contribution to fund balance, or revenues that exceed expenditures, is primarily related to transportation sales tax funding in the capital road and bridge fund and revenue that exceeds expenditures in the Regional Rail Fund.

Expenditures include client/citizen support, personnel services, services and charges, and materials and supplies.

Expenditures for the Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit Project are funded with transportation sales tax. There is no property tax levy funding Gold Line expenditures.

Capital expenditures includes all capital improvement projects and has a tendency to fluctuate more than the operating budget, as capital projects typically do not follow linear spending patterns.

Debt changes each year are based on the principal and interest schedule for the county's debt. All of 2022 expenses are for debt previously issued.

Other financing uses are primarily interfund transfers and loan disbursement and related to the northern Environmental Center.

Deputy County Administrator Jennifer Wagenius presented key budget components and tax impacts.

Ms. Wagenius reported that this year's budget is all about moving forward from pandemic operations to meet the service needs of a growing community. During the past couple months, the board has heard details on specific initiatives included in this budget. In general, the county has learned much from the pandemic that will allow staff to improve service delivery and employ technology in new ways. Most of the new technology onboarded during the pandemic was paid for with one-time funding from the CARES Act. This budget provides funding for ongoing expenses required to maintain those systems and the operational improvements they provide and works in tandem with the American Rescue Plan Act. This budget also funds additional cyber security efforts, a priority for government and private entities everywhere.

During the pandemic, voters learned that they like to vote early. This budget includes funding for even-year election costs that reflect an increase in early voting from the last mid-term election, but at a reduction from the volumes experienced during the pandemic. The board's capital financial planning strategy is reflected in this budget.

Diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts are a priority of this board and the organization. This budget includes some funding for that work countywide, as well as funding for specific equity initiatives, such an effort related to library fees.

The county is again entering this budget cycle without negotiated wage settlements or health insurance contributions after reaching a one-year agreement with most bargaining units last year. Labor relations strategy planning for 2022 began in August during a closed session with the board. Originally when this budget was prepared, 2022 was the last year of the county's three-year agreement with HealthPartners. Since that time, the county was able to negotiate an extension of that agreement that brought down the level of increase for 2022 to just more than 3.3%. The work of the county's Insurance Labor Management Committee also had a positive impact in lowering the increase that was expected.

In keeping with the recovery theme, two positions in the organization are reinstated as part of this budget recommendation: a planning position in the Office of Administration that will be used throughout the county; and, a Human Resources labor relations position. This budget also funds critical positions in the Community Services Department funded with intergovernmental revenue, a managerial level position to oversee the county's mental health and opioid (MORE) program that was a joint request from the Community Corrections, Community Services, and Public Health & Environment departments. There are also several levy-funded positions in the Sheriff's Office, Information Technology, Human Resources, Library, and Parks.

The 2022 budget reflects the impacts of the planning and decision-making that have been done around capital financial planning. Within this budget, the board is able to reallocate \$4.7 million to capital projects. This opportunity is further accelerated by the board's long-term planning strategy to activate a local option sales tax starting October 1st which will provide approximately \$10 million per year for road and bridges. This budget also continues the practice of increasing rent modestly each year to build a fund balance to maintain county facilities. In total, these changes will lessen the county's reliance on issuing debt to pay for needed capital improvements and have a positive impact on the county's long-term financial health.

Ms. Wagenius continued with capital budget highlights. Larger projects included in this budget are the northern Environmental Center and expansion of the southern Environmental Center. There are also major investments in roads and bridges, including funding for pavement preservation, road reconstruction, planning for future projects, and investments in the county's parks.

This budget also includes progress on the Gold Line Bus Rapid Transit project based on the recent 90% cost estimate. The budget for the project in the coming years will fluctuate dramatically and is based on the county's contribution to infrastructure in the year the construction occurs. These numbers are expected to be further refined before the adoption of the final budget in December. As a reminder, this project is not funded with levy; rather it is completely funded with local option sales tax allocated to transit.

Ms. Wagenius continued with tax impacts. The 2022 budget creates a \$30 increase on the county portion of the tax bill for a taxpayer who owns a median-valued home that had a median increase from 2021 to 2022. Looking back an additional year, for the extraordinary circumstances in 2020, from 2020 to 2022, the county tax would be increasing only \$5.



Summarizing this information in terms of tax rate, based on information available today, the 2022 recommended budget calculates to a tax rate of 27.596%, which is a reduction from the 2020 tax rate, and an increase of 0.6%, or generally flat, when compared to 2021.

Ms. Lucke continued with comparisons to other metropolitan counties and the proposed schedule going forward.

The 2021 net levy per capita range from a high of \$679 to a low of \$334 with Washington County's net levy per capita third lowest, very near the five-county average and well below the seven-county average.

In comparing metropolitan county tax rate ranges for taxes payable in 2021, Washington County continued to have a tax rate lower than most. This means that if an individual had a home valued at the same amount in any county, except Dakota County, that individual owner would pay more in county property taxes than the owner of a residence in Washington County.

Ms. Lucke concluded the presentation with the proposed schedule going forward. After the preliminary levy and budget are set today, there will be a budget workshop on November 16th and a public budget meeting the evening of November 30th. The final adoption of the 2022 levy, budget, and capital improvement plan will be December 14, 2021.

Mr. Corbid presented the following resolutions continued on the next page.



Resolution Certifying the Proposed Property Tax Levy Payable 2022 for Washington County

Commissioner Miron moved to approve **Resolution No. 2021-106** as follows:

**RESOLUTION CERTIFYING PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY
FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY PAYABLE 2022**

The Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby certify to the Washington County Auditor-Treasurer the following proposed tax levy for payable 2022:

Washington County \$122,306,800

Commissioner Kriesel seconded the motion, and it was adopted 5-0 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Miron, Kriesel, Johnson, Karwoski, and Weik. Nays, none.

Resolution Certifying the Proposed Property Tax Levy Payable 2022 for the Washington County Regional Railroad Authority

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve **Resolution No. 2021-107** as follows:

**RESOLUTION CERTIFYING PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY
FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL RAILROAD
AUTHORITY PAYABLE 2022**

The Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby certify to the Washington County Auditor-Treasurer the following proposed tax levy for payable 2022:

Regional Railroad Authority \$660,000

Commissioner Karwoski seconded the motion, and it was adopted 5-0 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Miron, Kriesel, Johnson, Karwoski, and Weik. Nays, none.

Resolution Adopting the Proposed 2022 Budget for Washington County

Commissioner Kriesel moved to approve **Resolution No. 2021-108** as follows:

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY Proposed BUDGET FOR PAYABLE 2022						
OPERATING FUNDS	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE OTHER THAN LEVY	FUND BALANCE Contrib/(Use)	GROSS LEVY	STATE AID (CPA)	CERTIFIED LEVY
General	\$146,507,400	\$76,750,700	\$1,080,800	\$70,837,500	\$10,173,900	\$60,663,600
Community Services	\$52,597,400	\$30,139,100	\$0	\$22,458,300	\$0	\$22,458,300
Library	\$8,684,100	\$314,100	\$0	\$8,370,000	\$0	\$8,370,000
Parks	\$4,222,900	\$2,069,700	\$0	\$2,153,200	\$0	\$2,153,200
Public Works	\$24,761,400	\$15,725,700	\$0	\$9,035,700	\$0	\$9,035,700
Subtotal:	<u>\$236,773,200</u>	<u>\$124,999,300</u>	<u>\$1,080,800</u>	<u>\$112,854,700</u>	<u>\$10,173,900</u>	<u>\$102,680,800</u>
CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS						
Capital Parks Projects	\$4,285,100	\$3,535,100	\$0	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$0
Capital Projects - Other	\$18,626,800	\$13,186,600	\$0	\$5,440,200	\$100,000	\$5,340,200
Capital Repairs	\$1,250,000	\$1,250,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Road & Bridge	\$37,150,000	\$38,225,000	\$1,225,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$0
Subtotal:	<u>\$61,311,900</u>	<u>\$56,196,700</u>	<u>\$1,225,000</u>	<u>\$6,340,200</u>	<u>\$1,000,000</u>	<u>\$5,340,200</u>
DEBT SERVICE FUNDS						
Debt Service - General	\$15,458,700	\$2,355,800	\$0	\$13,102,900	\$0	\$13,102,900
Debt Service - Referendum	\$1,147,400	(\$35,500)	\$0	\$1,182,900	\$0	\$1,182,900
Subtotal:	<u>\$16,606,100</u>	<u>\$2,320,300</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$14,285,800</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$14,285,800</u>
Total Proposed 2022 Budget:	<u>\$314,691,200</u>	<u>\$183,516,300</u>	<u>\$2,305,800</u>	<u>\$133,480,700</u>	<u>\$11,173,900</u>	<u>\$122,306,800</u>
Total Washington County Proposed 2022 Levy:				<u>\$133,480,700</u>	<u>\$11,173,900</u>	<u>\$122,306,800</u>

Commissioner Miron seconded the motion, and it was adopted 5-0 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Miron, Kriesel, Johnson, Karwoski, and Weik. Nays, none.



Resolution Adopting the Proposed 2022 Budget for the Washington County Regional Railroad Authority

Commissioner Johnson moved to approve **Resolution No. 2021-109** as follows:

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL RAIL AUTHORITY PROPOSED BUDGET FOR PAYABLE 2022						
SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	EXPENDITURES	OPERATING TRANSFERS AND REVENUE OTHER THAN LEVY	FUND BALANCE Contrib/(Use)	GROSS LEVY	STATE AID (CPA)	CERTIFIED LEVY
Regional Rail Authority	\$699,600	\$124,000	\$84,400	\$660,000	\$0	\$660,000
Total Proposed 2022 Budget:	\$699,600	\$124,000	\$84,400	\$660,000	\$0	\$660,000
Total Washington County Regional Rail Proposed 2022 Levy:				\$660,000	\$0	\$660,000

Commissioner Karwoski seconded the motion, and it was adopted 5-0 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Miron, Kriesel, Johnson, Karwoski, and Weik. Nays, none.

Resolution Consenting to the Proposed Property Tax Levy Payable 2022 for the Washington County Community Development Agency

Commissioner Miron moved to approve **Resolution No. 2021-110** as follows:

**RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE PROPOSED PROPERTY
TAX LEVY FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMUNITY
DEVELOPMENT AGENCY PAYABLE 2022**

Pursuant to Minnesota Statute section 469.033 subdivision 6, the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby consent to the special tax levy of the Washington County Community Development Agency in an amount not to exceed:

Washington County Community Development Agency \$5,680,360

Commissioner Karwoski seconded the motion, and it was adopted 5-0 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Miron, Kriesel, Johnson, Karwoski, and Weik. Nays, none.

Resolution Endorsing September 2021 as Workforce Development Month in Washington County

Rick Roy, Workforce & Veteran Services Division Manager, presented a resolution in accordance with Minnesota Governor Walz authorizing September 2021 as Workforce Development Month.

Commissioner Karwoski moved to approve **Resolution No. 2021-111** as follows:

**ENDORISING SEPTEMBER 2021 AS
WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT MONTH
IN WASHINGTON COUNTY**

WHEREAS, investment in the education, training, and career advancement of Minnesota's workforce is crucial to the ability of our state to compete in the global economy; and

WHEREAS, collaboration between the workforce system and business, education, and private-public partners is critical to align training and workforce needs; and

WHEREAS, unprecedented changes in our state demographics between 2015 and 2035, including more than a half-million people reaching the age of 65 and a decline in the share of the working-age population from 62% to 57%, means employers and Minnesota's workforce system must work together to bring all of our population who need sustainable employment into the workforce; and

WHEREAS, by 2035, one in four Minnesotans will be from a community of color or Indigenous population; and

WHEREAS, bringing all Minnesotans who need sustainable employment into the workforce will help address employment and economic disparities based on race, disability, veteran status, or past criminal record; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota's workforce system, called CareerForce, now more than ever is providing proactively tailored resources to help meet the needs of all Minnesota employers and career seekers; and

WHEREAS, CareerForce commits to customer-focused services, pledges to put equity at the center of all its work, and focuses on meeting customers where they are in the spirit of One Minnesota.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners hereby endorses the Governor of Minnesota's proclamation that the month of September 2021, to be Workforce Development Month in Washington County.

Commissioner Miron seconded the motion, and it was adopted 5-0 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Miron, Kriesel, Johnson, Karwoski, and Weik. Nays, none.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioners reported on meetings and other events they attended. Please see archived web streaming of the board meeting for full commissioner reports at www.co.washington.mn.us, under "County Board."

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

No board correspondence was received.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Kriesel moved to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Karwoski, and it was adopted unanimously. The County Board meeting adjourned at 11:33 a.m.

Attest:

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Kevin Corbid
County Administrator

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Lisa Weik
County Board Chair