

CONSENT AGENDA
FOR THE MEETING
OF
ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

September 14, 2021

Public Works Training Center, 7823 Highway 135, Virginia, Minnesota

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered routine and/or noncontroversial and will be enacted by one unanimous motion. If a commissioner requests or a citizen wishes to speak on an item on the consent agenda, it will be removed and handled separately.

RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL:

Minutes for September 7, 2021.

Health & Human Services Committee – Commissioner Boyle, Chair

1. Authorize purchase of service contracts with various Semi-Independent Living Services (SILS) providers for State Fiscal Years (SFY) 2022 and 2023. *[21-364]*
2. Authorize Interagency Agreements for the Northern St. Louis County Family Services Collaborative and Southern St. Louis County Family Services Collaborative and rescind Resolutions No. 01-125 and No. 04-75 resulting in the dissolution of the former Joint Powers Agreements. *[21-365]*

Public Works & Transportation Committee – Commissioner McDonald, Chair

3. Authorize a grant agreement with the University of Minnesota and Local Operational Research Assistance (OPERA) Program for the installation and purchase of four (4) remote weather monitoring cameras (MP 0000-625069). *[21-366]*
4. Authorize a professional services agreement with HDR, Inc., St. Louis Park, MN, in the amount not to exceed \$149,413 to develop a Railroad Crossing Safety Plan for railroad crossings located on county roads in St. Louis County. *[21-367]*
5. Authorize a cooperative construction agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation to share in the costs to construct left-turn lanes at the intersection of U.S. Highway 2 and County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 98 (Canosia Road) in Solway Township (SAP 069-698-015, CP 0098-538875). *[21-368]*
6. Authorize permanent highway easements for various county highways existing on tax forfeited land that is proposed for auction or sale. *[21-369]*

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7. Authorize acquisition of necessary lands and temporary easements over tax forfeited lands for safety improvement projects (left turn lanes) on CSAH 13 (Midway Road): CP 0013-458864 & SP 069-070-052, CP 0013-458865 & SP 069-070-053, and CP 0013-533028 & SP 069-070-057). *[21-370]*
8. Authorize the relocation of an existing controlled access entrance on CSAH 13 (Midway Road) by Steven and Mary Beth Sandstrom, Hermantown. *[21-371]*
9. Authorize a cooperative agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation to accept funding from the Local Road Improvement Program for the CSAH 138 (Giants Ridge Road) pavement replacement project (SAP 069-738-009, CP 0138-367846). *[21-393]*
10. Request a free conveyance of approximately 50 acres of state tax forfeited land to St. Louis County for the new Maintenance and Garage Facility project in Kugler Township (CP 0000-621901) and approve the \$250 application fee. *[21-394]*
11. Authorize acquisition of necessary lands and temporary easements for the new Maintenance and Garage Facility project in Kugler Township (CP 0000-621901). *[21-395]*

Finance & Budget Committee – Commissioner Nelson, Chair

12. Agreement suspending the Combination On/Off-Sale and Sunday On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License issued to The Shack, Inc., dba The Shack, Unorganized Township 59-16, for an alleged violation of Ordinance No. 28, failure to obtain a Special Event Permit on July 10, 2021. *[21-372]*
13. Application for a Premise Permit by Confidence Learning Center, East Gull Lake, MN, to operate lawful gambling at The Highway 5 (Unorganized Township 59-21), new. *[21-373]*
14. Abatement list for Board approval. *[21-374]*
15. Cancellation of Forfeiture list for Board approval. *[21-375]*
16. Authorize application of a \$54,334 grant from the Depot Foundation for the St. Louis County Heritage and Arts Center (the Depot) to create a lounge/gathering area on the mezzanine level. *[21-376]*

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17. Accept an increase of the 2021 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) entitlement funds in the amount of \$29,218 and authorize the necessary forms and agreements to implement the program; and further, convert all past Single-Family Housing Rehabilitation Program mortgages with a term in excess of ten (10) years to a ten-year period of required occupancy. *[21-377]*
18. Establish a public hearing for November 16, 2021, at 9:35 a.m., in the Industrial Town Hall, Saginaw, MN, to obtain public comment and adopt the 2022 Fee Schedule *[21-391]*
19. Establish public meetings to be held on November 22, 2021, 7:00 p.m., at the St. Louis County Courthouse in Virginia, MN, and 7:00 p.m. on November 29, 2021, at the St. Louis County Government Services Center in Duluth, MN, to receive public input on the proposed property tax levy and operating budget for Fiscal Year (FY) 2022. *[21-392]*
20. 2021 second quarter budget changes. *[21-396]*
21. Adopt and certify the FY 2022 Unorganized Township Road levy in the amount of **\$1,700,775.17** for the purpose of road and bridge maintenance and construction. *[21-397]*
22. Certify the maximum St. Louis County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) property tax levy in the amount of **\$230,288** for FY 2022. *[21-398]*
23. Application for On-Sale and Sunday On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License by AAKC Properties, LLC dba The Oasis, Unorganized Township 60-18, transfer.

Public Safety & Corrections Committee – Commissioner Grimm, Chair

24. Authorize a one (1) year Professional Services contract with Dovetail Partners, Inc., Minneapolis, MN, in the amount of \$100,000 to manage the Firewise projects on behalf of the Sheriff's Office, with three (3) optional one-year extensions subject to contract price change, dependent upon available funding. *[21-378]*
25. Authorize application and acceptance of the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety, 2022 DWI Officer Grant in the amount of \$81,797.04 and the additional hiring of a 1.0 FTE Deputy Sheriff position. *[21-379]*
26. Authorize the County Attorney's Office to purchase Prosecutor by Karpel Case Management Systems and SHIELD referral interface development from Equivant to migrate data from the existing DAMION case management system for a total of \$548,640. *[21-400]*

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Central Management & Intergovernmental Committee – Commissioner Jewell, Chair

27. Appoint Alan Stanaway to serve on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Citizen Advisory Committee with a term ending April 30, 2024. *[21-401]*

Environment & Natural Resources Committee – Commissioner Musolf, Chair

28. Authorize application and acceptance of up to \$58,600 in FY 2022 Subsurface Sewage Treatment System (SSTS) Base and Low-Income Fix-up Grant funding from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency. *[21-380]*
29. Special sale of state tax forfeited lands described as Lots 1 thru 16, Block 13, and Lots 1 thru 16, Block 14, Carlton Place Addition to Duluth (parcel codes 010-0370-01170, 01330, 01350, 01380 and 01390) to the Duluth Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) to be used for affordable housing, upon total payment of \$2,713.65; and further, if the City of Duluth does not purchase the land by March 14, 2022, the land may be offered for sale at public auction. *[21-381]*
30. Special sale of state tax forfeited lands described as Lots 2 and 3, Block 19, Proctorknott Townsite Of (parcel code 185-0030-00670) to the City of Proctor to be used for affordable housing, upon total payment of \$2,338.65; and further, if the City of Proctor does not purchase the land by March 14, 2022, the land may be offered for sale at public auction. *[21-382]*
31. Application for repurchase of state tax forfeited land (homestead) by Daneil Kathlene Kacer, Cloquet, MN (parcel code 530-0010-03460). *[21-383]*
32. Cancellation of contract for purchase of state tax forfeited land with William Frederick Nicholas, Duluth, MN (parcel code 010-2710-07690). *[21-384]*
33. Cancellation of contract for purchase of state tax forfeited land with the Estate of Leroy Francis Sorg, Duluth, MN (parcel code 010-2870-00330). *[21-385]*
34. Cancellation of contract for purchase of state tax forfeited land with Barbara Koralia, Duluth, MN (parcel code 010-3410-00500). *[21-386]*
35. Cancellation of contract for purchase of state tax forfeited land with Lorn Walker, Duluth, MN (parcel code 010-1180-02620). *[21-387]*
36. Cancellation of contract for purchase of state tax forfeited land with Mitchell Tieg Troumbly, Taylors Falls, MN (parcel code 090-0010-12940). *[21-388]*

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37. Cancellation of contract for purchase of state tax forfeited land with Wallace Glen Saice, III, Minneapolis, MN (parcel code 010-4520-11500). *[21-389]*
38. Cancellation of contract for purchase of state tax forfeited land with the Estate of Raymond Abel, Glenwood City, WI (parcel code 140-0070-00790). *[21-390]*
39. Request support from the Minnesota State Legislation to prohibit new captive cervid (whitetail deer) farms; to immediately prohibit the transport of farmed cervids within the state and halt the registration of any new captive cervid farms; and further, set a public hearing for September 28, 2021, at 9:35 a.m., at the Alborn Community Center, Alborn, MN, to consider and receive public input in connection with an interim zoning ordinance placing a moratorium on any new captive cervid farms in St. Louis County. *[21-403]*
40. Authorize a Memorandum of Agreement with Local Government Units to collectively develop and adopt a coordinated watershed management plan consistent with the Board of Water and Soil Resources Operating Procedures for One Watershed, One Plan for the Rainy River – Headwaters/Vermilion River Watershed. *[21-404]*
41. Appoint Commissioner McDonald as a Policy Committee member and Commissioner Jugovich as an alternate to the Rainy River – Headwaters/Vermilion River One Watershed, One Plan Policy Committee. *[21-405]*
42. Bid awarded to Carleton Companies, Inc., Bemidji, MN, in the about of \$458,600 for the demolition of the former V.L. Reishus High School and Natatorium located in Biwabik, MN, due to blight conditions. *[21-406]*

Official Proceedings of the County Board of Commissioners

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, That the official proceedings of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners for the meeting of September 7, 2021, are hereby approved.

**Day Training and Habilitation and Semi-Independent Living
Services Contracts for SFY 2022 and 2023**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, St. Louis County purchases Day Training and Habilitation (DT&H) and Semi-Independent Living Services (SILS) for residents with developmental disabilities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to execute contract documents to purchase Day Training and Habilitation (DT&H) and Semi-Independent Living Services (SILS) for St. Louis County clients for State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2022 and 2023.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That rates for DT&H are set by the State Disability Waiver Rate Management system on a client-by-client basis while SILS will remain at \$33.00 per hour as shown below:

Day Training and Habilitation (DT&H) rates for all county-funded persons are individually determined using the Rate Management System established by the Minnesota Department of Human Services for the following providers to be paid from Fund 230, Agency 232006, Object 604800:

CHOICE, Unlimited – CHOICE
CHOICE, Unlimited – OPTIONS
East Range DAC
Range Center, Inc.
UDAC, Inc.

Semi-Independent Living Services (SILS) rates are \$33.00 per hour for the following providers of SILS services to be paid from Fund 230, Agency 232006, Object 605200:

Duluth Regional Care Center	\$33.00 per hour
Northern Habilitative Services, Inc. of Chisholm	\$33.00 per hour
Trillium Services, Inc.	\$33.00 per hour
REM Arrowhead, Inc.	\$33.00 per hour
Residential Services of NE MN Inc.	\$33.00 per hour
Peace of Mind of Duluth	\$33.00 per hour
Access North- Center for Independent Living	\$33.00 per hour
Tender Loving Care of Duluth, Inc.	\$33.00 per hour
Arrowhead Community Employment	\$33.00 per hour

Authorization to Convert the Family Services Collaborative Joint Powers Agreement to a Collaborative Interagency Agreement

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 125D.23 permits public and private child-serving agencies to come together by mutual agreement to establish a family services collaborative; and

WHEREAS, These activities have been governed by a Joint Powers Agreement authorized by County Board Resolutions No. 01-125 and No. 04-75 for the Northern St. Louis County Family Services Collaborative and the Southern St. Louis County Family Services Collaborative; and

WHEREAS, The State of Minnesota has recommended that Interagency Agreements be established to replace the existing joint powers agreements; and

WHEREAS, Such agreements be used to maintain a collaborative integrated fund of monetary and in-kind resources for the purpose of purchasing goods and services for those eligible children; and

WHEREAS, The County Attorney's Office has reviewed and approved the proposed Collaborative Agreement.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board hereby authorizes the appropriate county officials to execute the Interagency Agreements for Northern St. Louis County Family Services Collaborative and Southern St. Louis County Family Services Collaborative.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That County Board Resolutions No. 01-125 and No. 04-75 are rescinded resulting in the dissolution of the former joint powers agreements.

**Local Operational Research Assistance (OPERA) Program Grant for
Remote Monitoring Camera Project**

COMMISSIONER_____

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has applied to the Local Operational Research Assistance (OPERA) Program for a grant from the Minnesota Local Road Research Board administered by the University of Minnesota for a pilot project to implement remote monitoring cameras; and

WHEREAS, The Local Operational Research Assistance (OPERA) Program has given notice that funding for this project is available; and

WHEREAS, The amount of the grant has been determined to be up to \$20,000 to furnish and install four (4) remote monitoring cameras.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That St. Louis County does hereby agree to the terms and conditions of the grant consistent with Minn. Stat. § 174.52 and will pay any additional amount by which the cost exceeds the estimate and will return to the Operational Research Assistance (OPERA) Program any amount appropriated for the project but not required.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate county officials are authorized to execute a grant agreement and any amendments thereto with the Operational Research Assistance (OPERA) Program concerning the above-referenced grant.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That funds from the Local Road Improvement Program will be receipted into Fund 200, Agency 201102, Object 532305.

Professional Services Agreement with HDR, Inc., to Develop a Railroad Crossing Safety Plan for Railroad Crossings Located on County Roads in St. Louis County

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, St. Louis County owns and maintains approximately 3,000 miles of county roads on which there are 122 active at-grade railroad crossings; and

WHEREAS, While crashes at railroad crossings involving a train are rare, they have a higher likelihood of resulting in injury or death as compared to other crash types; and

WHEREAS, A concerning realization is that railroad crossings controlled by crossing gates still experience crashes involving trains; and

WHEREAS, This background information, along with St. Louis County's commitment to Minnesota's Towards Zero Deaths initiative, suggests it is time to think differently about the approach to railroad crossing safety; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department intends to develop a Railroad Crossing Safety Plan for railroad crossings on county roads to better target investments to improve safety at railroad crossings (CP 0000-621920); and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department identified the need to secure an engineering consultant to assist with the development of this Railroad Crossing Safety Plan; and

WHEREAS, The evaluation committee, composed of representatives from the Public Works Department and the Minnesota Department of Transportation, selected HDR, Inc., of Minneapolis, MN, through the quality-based selection method.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate County Officials to enter into a professional services agreement, and approve any amendments authorized by the County Attorney, with HDR, Inc., to develop a Railroad Crossing Safety Plan for railroad crossings located on county roads in St. Louis County with the total cost of these services is not to exceed \$149,413.00, payable from Fund 220, Agency 220642, Object 626600.

Cooperative Construction Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation to Construct Left-Turn Lanes on US 2 at the Intersection of CSAH 98 in Solway Township

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) State Aid Division administers the Local Partnership Program which provides opportunities for local agencies to partner with the MnDOT to construct mutually beneficial improvements on the Trunk Highway system that are not currently programmed; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department submitted a Local Partnership Program funding request to construct left-turn lanes on US 2 at the intersection with County State Aid Highway 98 (Canosia Road) located in Solway Township in the year 2022; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County was awarded \$500,000 in Local Partnership Program funding for this project, which is further identified as SAP 069-698-015, CP 0098-538875; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department will lead this project which work includes design engineering, bidding and construction engineering/administration; and

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Department of Transportation will share in the construction cost of this project in accordance with a cooperative construction agreement.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That St. Louis County enter into MnDOT Agreement No. 1048289 with the State of Minnesota, Department of Transportation for the following purposes:

To provide for payment by the State to the County of the State's share of the costs of the left turn lane construction, and other associated construction to be performed upon, along, and adjacent to Trunk Highway 2 at the junction of County State Aid Highway 98 (Canosia Road) under State Project No. 6908-70 (T.H. 2=203).

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the County Board Chair, Public Works Director and the Assistant County Attorney are authorized to execute the Agreement and any amendments to the Agreement.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That State funds will be receipted into Fund 220, Agency 220591, Object 532304.

**Highway Right-of-Way Easements across State Tax Forfeited Land
Proposed for Auction**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Lands and Minerals Department is preparing plans to offer a number of tax forfeited tracts of land for public auction or sale in October 2021; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department has reviewed the list of parcels proposed to be offered for sale at said auction and identified six (6) parcels that are presently encumbered with only prescriptive easements over the course of existing county highways located on those parcels; and

WHEREAS, It is in the best interests of the County to secure and to record permanent highway easements for these highways prior to any sale or other conveyance of the property into private ownership.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Sub. 4, the St. Louis County Board hereby authorizes the County Auditor to grant the necessary easements for highway purposes over the following tax forfeited parcels:

1. CSAH 35 (Schultz Road) – Canosia Township
SW ¼ of SE ¼, Section 2, Township 51 North, Range 15 West.
(parcel ID No. 280-0010-00450)
2. CR 311 and CSAH 27 (Fermoy and Zim Roads) – McDavitt Township
SW ¼ of the NW ¼, Section 27, Township 56 North, Range 18 West.
(parcel ID No. 435-0010-04760)
3. CR 213 (McDavitt Road) – McDavitt Township
Part of SW ¼ of SW ¼, Section 21, Township 55 North, Range 18 West.
(parcel ID No. 435-0020-03880)
4. CR 207 and CR 788 (Kolu and Cranberry Roads) – McDavitt Township
Part of NE ¼ of SE 1/4, Section 28, Township 55 North, Range 18 West.
(parcel ID Nos. 435-0020-05210 & 435-0020-05240)
5. CSAH 56 (Morris Thomas Road) – Solway Township
Part of NW ¼, Section 35, Township 50 North, Range 16 West.
(parcel ID Nos. 530-0010-06470 & 530-0010-06480)
6. CSAH 21 (Highway 21) – Embarrass Township
N ½ of SW ¼, Section 29, Township 60 North, Range 15 West.
(parcel ID No. 330-0010-04680)

Acquisition of Right-of-Way: CSAH 13 Projects

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department is planning to make improvements to three (3) separate intersections along County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 13 (Midway Road) consisting of constructing dedicated left-turn lanes which will improve safety greatly and improve safe traffic flow; and

WHEREAS, The improvements are to be done at the intersections of Midway Road and North Cloquet Road (CSAH 45), Midway Road and Stark Road (CSAH 11) and Midway Road and Arrowhead Road (CSAH 32); and

WHEREAS, This State Aid Project is to be constructed in 2023; and

WHEREAS, The improvements have been determined necessary to provide for the safety and convenience of the traveling public; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the existing highway right-of-way, certain lands are required for construction, together with temporary construction easements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public Works Director to proceed with the acquisition of the necessary lands and temporary easements for CSAH 13 Projects: CSAH 13, CP 0013-458864 & SP 069-070-052, CP 0013-458865 & SP 069-070-053, and CP 0013-533028 & SP 069-070-057, and to authorize the County Auditor to grant permanent highway easements across tax forfeited lands and temporary construction easements for the project with right-of-way acquisition is payable from Fund 200, Agency 203001.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4, the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Auditor to grant highway easements across tax forfeited lands necessary for the project.

Controlled Access Relocation CSAH 13 (Sandstrom Request)

COMMISSIONER_____

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department acquired controlled access along a four-mile segment of County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 13 within the City of Hermantown; and

WHEREAS, Steven and Mary Beth Sandstrom, the owners of the South Half of Northwest Quarter of Southwest Quarter (S 1/2 of NW 1/4 of SW 1/4), Section 5, Township 50, Range 15 West of the Fourth Principal Meridian, St. Louis County, Minnesota, EXCEPT the following described parcel: Beginning at the Northwest corner of said NW 1/4 of SW 1/4, thence East along the North line of said NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 a distance of 60 feet to a point; thence running South distant 60 feet of and parallel to the West line of said NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 a distance of 188.22 feet to a point; thence running East a distance of 15 feet to a point; thence running South distant 75 feet East of and parallel to the West line of said NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 to the South line of said NW 1/4 of SW 1/4; thence running West along said South line to the Southwest corner of said NW 1/4 of SW 1/4; thence running North along the West line of said NW 1/4 of SW 1/4 a distance of approximately 1,324.06 feet to the point of beginning, would like to move this approved controlled access further south so that is on higher ground and out of the wetland area; and

WHEREAS, Public Works has reviewed the request and has determined that the relocation of the entrance to the new location does not negatively impact or reduce public safety.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public Works Director to approve and oversee the removal of the existing entrance and the relocation of the entrance on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 13.

RESOLVED FURTHER, Mr. and Mrs. Sandstrom must apply for an entrance permit prior to any commencement of work.

**Cooperative Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Transportation to
Accept Funding from the Local Road Improvement Program for the CSAH 138
Pavement Replacement Project**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, St. Louis County applied to the Commissioner of Transportation for a grant from the Minnesota State Transportation Fund for Local Road Improvement for the County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 138 (Giants Ridge Road) pavement replacement project, which project is further identified as SAP 069-738-009, CP 0138-367846; 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 \$1,250,000 by reason of the lowest responsible bid.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That St. Louis County does hereby agree to the terms and conditions of the grant consistent with Minn. Stat. § 174.52 and 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.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the County Board Chair, Public Works Director and the Assistant County Attorney are hereby authorized to execute the Local Road Improvement Program grant agreement and any amendments thereto for and on behalf of St. Louis County.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That Local Road Improvement Program funds will be receipted into Fund 220, Agency 220613, Object 521612.

**Request for Free Conveyance of State Tax Forfeited Land to St. Louis County-
New Maintenance and Garage Facility (Kugler Township)**

COMMISSIONER_____

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board, at the request of the Public Works Department, seeks to have approximately 50 acres of state tax forfeited land converted into county fee land for use as part of a new Maintenance and Garage Facility in Kugler Township; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §. 282.01 1a(e), non-conservation tax forfeited land may be conveyed without monetary compensation or consideration to a governmental subdivision for an authorized public use.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board hereby requests, that pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 1a(e), a free conveyance of the state tax forfeited parcels described in County Board File No._____ for use as part of a Maintenance and Garage Facility, with the \$250 application fee payable from Fund 200, Agency 203001.

**Acquisition of Lands for New Maintenance and Garage Facility
(Kugler Township)**

COMMISSIONER_____

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department is planning to build a new Maintenance and Garage Facility in Kugler Township; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the existing highway right-of-way, certain lands are required for said construction, together with temporary construction easements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public Works Director to proceed with the acquisition of the necessary lands and temporary easements for County Project 0000-621901, and to execute the documents as may become necessary on behalf of the county. Acquisition of lands is payable from Fund 200, Agency 203001.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) is requested to sell the State of Minnesota owned lands described in County Board File No. _____ for use as part of a Maintenance and Garage Facility, payable from Fund 200, Agency 203001.

Violation of St. Louis County Ordinance No. 28 (Unorganized Township 59-16)

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Liquor Licensing Committee met on August 3, 2021, to consider recommending action to be taken by the County Board as a result of an alleged liquor law violation, failure to obtain a Special Event Permit, July 10, 2021, against The Shack, Inc., dba The Shack, Unorganized Township 59-16; and

WHEREAS, The Liquor Licensing Committee recommended a thirty (30) day license suspension and \$1,500 civil penalty, with thirty (30) days of the suspension and \$1,500 of the civil penalty stayed for two (2) years on the condition that the licensee have no same or similar violations during the two (2) year period, and recommended that the County Attorney's Office propose this penalty to The Shack, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, The Shack, Inc., has agreed to accept the proposal if approved by the County Board.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to execute an agreement suspending the Combination On/Off-Sale and Sunday On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License issued to The Shack, Inc., dba The Shack, Unorganized Township 59-16, for thirty (30) days and \$1,500 civil penalty, with thirty (30) days and \$1,500 of the civil penalty stayed for two (2) years on the condition that the licensee have no same or similar violations during the two (2) year period.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That a new violation within the next (2) two years (ending September 14, 2023) will result in the imposition of the suspension and civil penalty and may also be cause for additional action against the liquor license of the licensee pursuant to St. Louis County Ordinance No. 28, Section 13.

**Premise Permit Application for Lawful Gambling
(Unorganized Township 59-21)**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, That pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 349.213, Subd. 2, the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners approves the following Premise Permit Application, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 61435 for the following organization:

Confidence Learning Center, East Gull Lake, to operate lawful gambling out of the following:

The Highway 5, Unorganized Township 59-21, 6304 Highway 5, Hibbing, MN, new.

Abatement List for Board Approval

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the applications for abatement, correction of assessed valuations and taxes plus penalty and interest, and any additional accrual, identified in County Board File No. 61426.

Cancellation of Forfeiture List for Board Approval

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the applications for
cancellation of forfeiture, identified in County Board File No. _____.

**Authorization to Apply for Depot Foundation Grant for St. Louis
County Heritage & Arts Center: Depot Lounge**

BY COMMISSIONER_____

WHEREAS, The Depot Foundation awards grant funding to entities housed within the St. Louis County Heritage and Arts Center (the Depot), or those that hold events at the Depot; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Heritage and Arts Director would like to request \$54,334 to hire a professional team to relight and furnish the mezzanine lounge.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the application of a Depot Foundation grant in the amount of \$54,334 for the St. Louis County Heritage and Arts Center (the Depot) for furnishing and relighting the mezzanine lounge.

**2021 HUD CDBG Entitlement Grant Increase and
Mortgage Term Standardization**

BY COMMISSIONER_____

WHEREAS, Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, establishes the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) for the purpose of developing viable communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding community opportunities principally for low- and moderate-income persons; and

WHEREAS, The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) is authorized to make entitlement grants to cities and counties to finance local CDBG programs and provided notice to St. Louis County of its 2021 entitlement grant for the CDBG program; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board conducted a public hearing on the fiscal year 2021 Action Plan on April 27, 2021, to allow public comment and approved submission of the 2021 Action Plan by Board Resolution No. 21-272 to receive the 2021 CDBG entitlement grant; and

WHEREAS, After submission of the 2021 Action Plan, HUD revised the amount of the CDBG entitlement grant greater than \$25,000 requiring resolution of the County Board to accept the increased entitlement in accordance with Board Policy.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board accepts the 2021 HUD CDBG entitlement grant and authorizes the St. Louis County Planning and Community Development Director and a representative of the County Attorney to execute the grant agreement on behalf of St. Louis County, along with all the necessary forms, attachments, addendums, certifications, and subsequent forms to implement the program and complete the agreement between St. Louis County and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That \$2,011,928 in grant funds will be allocated from CDBG Grant 2021 to Fund 260.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board allocates funding from the entitlement grant and program income to 2021 projects and authorizes the St. Louis County Planning and Community Development Director and a representative of the County Attorney to execute agreements for these projects. Disbursements related to the CDBG agreements are to be made from CDBG Fund 260 according to the specific 2021 projects included in the revised County Board File No. 61459.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes that the term of occupancy for all previous CDBG-funded Single Family Housing Rehabilitation Program mortgages with a term in excess of ten (10) years be administratively reduced to a term of ten (10) years for consistency, monitoring, and payoff calculation. The ten-year term remains compliant with the HUD CDBG Regulations.

Establish a Public Hearing to Consider Adoption of the 2022 Fee Schedule

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board will convene a public hearing on Tuesday, November 16, at 9:35 a.m., at the Industrial Town Hall, Saginaw, MN, to consider the adoption of the fee schedule for various county services for the year 2022.

Establish Public Meetings on the 2022 Property Tax and Operating Budget

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 275.065 requires that counties establish a public meeting date for the purpose of receiving comments from the public on the proposed property tax levy and operating budget for the year 2022 prior to adopting a final levy and budget.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board establishes public meetings to gather comment on the proposed property tax levy and operating budget for year 2022 on Monday, November 22, 2021, 7:00 p.m., at the St. Louis County Courthouse, Virginia, MN, and Monday, November 29, 2021, 7:00 p.m., at the St. Louis County Government Services Center, Duluth, MN.

2021 Second Quarter Budget Changes

BY COMMISSIONER: _____

WHEREAS, All increases in original governmental funds revenue and expenditure budgets require County Board approval; and

WHEREAS, Departments anticipate being notified of additional revenues throughout the year and need approval to increase revenue and expenditure budgets; and

WHEREAS, Proposed budget adjustments are levy neutral.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners authorizes the following budget changes:

GRANT BUDGET CHANGE

1. Increase the Sheriff's revenue and expense budget in the 2018 Stonegarden grant to account for additional grant funding (\$14,520.00).

USE OF AN EXISTING FUND BALANCE

2. Use of Property Management's parking fund balance for an emergency storm drain repair in the Duluth Government Services Center parking ramp (\$11,360.00).
3. Use of Environmental Services fund balance for costs associated with the Canyon development project, including planning services (Res No. 21-358), lobbying, and other government-related services (\$153,916.00).

REVENUE AND EXPENSE BUDGET INCREASE

4. Increase Public Works capital equipment revenue and expense budget to account for capital asset sales in excess of the original budget (\$227,577.44).

BUDGET TRANSFER

5. Transfer funds from Administration to Attorney to cover unbudgeted costs associated with a CHIPS (Child in Need of Protective Services) contract amendment (\$4,050.00).
6. Transfer from Public Works to Sheriff for 2021 enforcement of road restrictions (\$10,000.00).
7. Transfer funds from the Environmental Trust Fund to Environmental Services for site planning and geographical services for St. Louis County in its consideration to acquire the Waste Management Voyageur Landfill in Canyon (\$21,000.00).

CONTRIBUTION TO FUND BALANCE

8. Decrease Environmental Services budgeted use of fund balance and increase the revenue budget to account for expense reimbursements from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency for the Environmental Assistance Recycling Program Grant (\$10,680.20).

	Fund	Agency	Object	Grant	Year	Expense Budget	Transfer Out	Accumulation of Fund Balance	Revenue Budget	Transfers In	Use of Fund Balance
GRANT BUDGET CHANGE											
1	100	129999	540959						(14,520.00)		
	100	129999	610300			4,326.00					
	100	129999	615000			764.00					
	100	129999	695100			9,430.00					
USE OF AN EXISTING FUND BALANCE											
2	100	128010	632900			11,360.00					
	100	999999	311105								(11,360.00)
3	600	608001	660268			153,916.00					
	600	999999	311200								(153,916.00)
REVENUE AND EXPENSE BUDGET INCREASE											
4	407	407001	666300			227,577.44					
	407	407001	590650						(227,577.44)		
BUDGET TRANSFER											
5	100	113002	626100			4,050.00					
	100	113002	590500							(4,050.00)	
	100	104001	629900			(4,050.00)					
	100	104001	697700				4,050.00				
6	100	129001	590100							(10,000.00)	
	100	129001	583100						10,000.00		
	200	200001	697600				10,000.00				
	200	200001	627700			(10,000.00)					
7	600	608001	590100							(21,000.00)	
	600	608001	660268			21,000.00					
	500	500001	697600				21,000.00				
	500	500001	311200								(21,000.00)
CONTRIBUTION TO FUND BALANCE											
8	600	602100	532506						(10,680.20)		
	600	999999	311200					10,680.20			

Unorganized Township Road Levy – FY 2022

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, Minnesota Laws 1995, Chapter 47, authorizes St. Louis County to pool unorganized town road levies pursuant to Minn. Stat. §163.06.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board, acting on behalf of unorganized townships for the purpose of road and bridge maintenance and construction, adopts and certifies a maximum levy of \$1,700,775.17 for the year 2022 to be levied only in such unorganized townships.

HRA Proposed 2022 Levy

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) must establish a maximum proposed property tax levy and have this amount certified by the St. Louis County Board by September 30, 2021.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board certifies the HRA maximum property tax levy for 2022 in the amount of \$230,288.

**Application for On-Sale and Sunday On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License
(Unorganized Township 60-18)**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

RESOLVED, That pursuant to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 340A, as amended, and Rules and Regulations adopted by this Board under St. Louis County Ordinance No. 28, dated May 22, 1978, as amended, the following application for an intoxicating liquor license is hereby approved, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 61408.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That said license is approved contingent upon license holder paying real estate or personal property taxes when due.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That if the named license holder sells their licensed place of business, the County Board may, at its discretion and after an investigation, transfer the license to a new owner, but without pro-rated refund of the license fee to the license holder.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That said license is approved contingent upon proof of Minnesota Department of Health Food and Beverage License and Minnesota Department of Health approval.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That said license shall be effective through June 30, 2022:

AAKC Properties LLC dba The Oasis, Unorganized Township 60-18, On-Sale and Sunday On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License, transfer.

Professional Services Agreement with Dovetail Partners, Inc.

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The Sheriff's Office has worked with the Purchasing Division to create a single source contract with Dovetail Partners, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, The Firewise grant allows for the hiring of a Firewise Coordinator; and

WHEREAS, The Title III funding allows for assisting communities with Firewise planning; and

WHEREAS, Dovetail Partners, Inc., is currently under contract managing grant funded projects with the Sheriff's Office; and

WHEREAS, Dovetail Partners, Inc., has the time, expertise and desire to manage the Firewise projects on behalf of the Sheriff's Office.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes a contract with Dovetail Partners, Inc., of Minneapolis, MN, for a one-year contract, not to exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars and no cents (\$100,000.00), to be accounted for as follows: Twenty-five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars and no cents (\$25,500.00) from Fund 100, Agency 132999, Object 629900, Grant 13210, Year 2021; Seventy-four Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars and no cents (\$74,500.00) from Fund 100, Agency 135999, Object 629900, Grant 13503, across multiple years. The contract comes with an available option for three (3) one (1) year extensions subject to contract price change, dependent upon available funding.

**Application and Acceptance of the 2022 DWI Officer Grant Along with the
Addition of 1.0 Deputy Sheriff FTE**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) has a mandate to promote the safety of those who use public roadways; and

WHEREAS, Federal guidelines require this money be spent on projects designed to reduce DWI incidents; and

WHEREAS, The DWI officer will work the required peak nights and times when drinking and driving occurs; and

WHEREAS, The DWI Officer grant requires the addition of a 1.0 Deputy Sheriff FTE that will be eliminated at the end of the grant period.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the application and acceptance of the 2022 DWI Officer Grant (\$81,797.04) and the additional hiring of 1.0 Deputy Sheriff FTE position to be accounted for in Fund 100, Agency 129999, Grant 12954, Year 2022.

**Authorize Purchase of Prosecutor by Karpel Case Management System and
Purchase Data Migration and SHIELD Referral Interface from Equivant
(DAMION Case Management System)**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, Among other limitations, the current case management system used in the County Attorney's Office is antiquated and unsuitable for fast paced electronic court environments; and

WHEREAS, On May 12, 2020, by Resolution No. 20-269, the County Board authorized the County Attorney's Office to apply for a Federal Innovative Prosecution Solutions Grant in the amount of up to \$340,000 to aid in the purchase and implementation of a case management system; and

WHEREAS, On November 24, 2020, by Resolution No. 20-545, the County Board authorized the acceptance of the two-year Innovative Prosecution Solutions Grant in the amount of \$340,000; and

WHEREAS, After discussing case management systems with other county attorney's offices throughout the state and undertaking the Single Source procurement process, the County Attorney's Office selected Prosecutor by Karpel as its desired case management system.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Attorney's Office to enter into a purchase agreement with Prosecutor by Karpel for a case management system.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Attorney's Office to purchase data migration services and SHIELD referral interface development from Equivant to migrate current and historical data from the existing DAMION case management system to the Prosecutor by Karpel case management system for a total of \$548,640 with \$340,000 payable from Fund 100, Agency 113999, Object 634801, Grant 11309, Year 2020, and funds transferred from the Information Technology assigned fund balance, Fund 100, Object 311139, in the amount of \$208,640.

Committee Vacancy Appointment to the CDBG Citizen Advisory Committee

BY COMMISSIONER_____

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board appoints citizens to serve on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Citizen Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, Four (4) individuals applied for the one (1) At-Large vacancy on the committee; and

WHEREAS, On August 6, 2021, the County Board was provided with a three-week applicant review period via Board Memo No. 21-35, as required by Board policy.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board hereby appoints the following individual to the CDBG Citizen Advisory Committee with a term ending April 30, 2024:

At-Large Representative: Alan Stanaway

**Authorization to Apply for and Accept FY2022 MPCA SSTS Base Grant
and Low- Income Fix-up Grant Funding**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) notified the Planning and Community Development Department that FY2022 funding is available to assist in Subsurface Sewage Treatment System (SSTS) program administration and upgrades; and

WHEREAS, MPCA SSTS Base Grant is \$18,600 per county for counties that administer an SSTS program; and

WHEREAS, MPCA SSTS Low-Income Fix-up Grant Program awards counties up to \$40,000 per county for upgrading eligible substandard SSTS systems for low-income residents; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has applied for, and received, funding through this grant since 2012.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Planning and Community Development Department to apply for and accept up to \$58,600 in FY2022 SSTS Base and Low-Income Fix-up Grant Funding from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency. Funds will be deposited into Fund 289/285, Agency 289999/285999, Revenue 530102, Grant 28902/28501, Year 2022 for \$18,600, and Fund 285, Agency 285999, Revenue 532503, Grant 28501, Year 2022 for up to \$40,000, or its designated fund.

**Special Sale to the Duluth Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) for
Affordable Housing**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The Duluth Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) has requested to purchase the following described state tax forfeited land for the price of \$2,500, plus fees, for affordable housing:

Legal: LOTS 1 THRU 16, BLOCK 13 and LOTS 1 THRU 16, BLOCK 14,
CARLTON PLACE ADDITION TO DULUTH
Parcel Codes: 010-0370-01170, 010-0370-01330, 010-0370-01350,
010-0370-01380, 010-0370-01390
GIS Acres: 2.29
LDKeys: 100295, 100296, 100297, 100298, 100299; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 1a.(d), allows for non-conservation tax forfeited land to be sold to a governmental subdivision for less than market value if a reduced price will provide incentive to correct blighted conditions or will lead to the development of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, These parcels of land have been classified as non-conservation land pursuant to Minnesota Stat. § 282.01; and

WHEREAS, These parcels of land have not been withdrawn from sale pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 85.012, 92.461, 282.01, Subd. 8, and 282.018, and other statutes that require the withholding of state tax forfeited lands from sale.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the sale of state tax forfeited land, as described, to the Duluth Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) for the price of \$2,500 plus the following fees: 3% assurance fee of \$75, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$1.65, and recording fee of \$112, for a total of \$2,713.65, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor may offer for sale at public auction the state tax forfeited properties described here if the Duluth Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) does not purchase by March 14, 2022.

Special Sale to the City of Proctor for Affordable Housing

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The City of Proctor has requested to purchase the following described state tax forfeited land for the price of \$2,200, plus fees, for affordable housing:

Legal: Lots 2 and 3, Block 19, PROCTORKNOTT TOWNSITE OF
Parcel Code: 185-0030-00670
GIS Acres: 0.17
LDKey: 124148; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 1a.(d), allows for non-conservation tax forfeited land to be sold to a governmental subdivision for less than market value if a reduced price will provide incentive to correct blighted conditions or will lead to the development of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, This parcel of land has been classified as non-conservation land pursuant to Minnesota Stat. § 282.01; and

WHEREAS, This parcel of land has not been withdrawn from sale pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 85.012, 92.461, 282.01, Subd. 8; and 282.018, and other statutes that require the withholding of state tax forfeited lands from sale;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the sale of state tax forfeited land, as described, to the City of Proctor for the price of \$2,200 plus the following fees: 3% assurance fee of \$66, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$1.65, and recording fee of \$46, for a total of \$2,338.65, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor may offer for sale at public auction the state tax forfeited property described here if the City of Proctor does not purchase by March 14, 2022.

**Repurchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Kacer
(Homestead)**

BY COMMISSIONER: _____

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.241 provides that state tax forfeited land may be repurchased by the previous owner subject to payment of delinquent taxes and assessments, with penalties, interest, and maintenance costs; and

WHEREAS, The applicant, Daneil Kathlene Kacer of Cloquet, MN, has applied to repurchase state tax forfeited land legally described as:

TOWN OF SOLWAY
E 1/2 of E 1/2 of NE 1/4 of NW 1/4
Section 19, Township 50 North, Range 16 West
Parcel code: 530-0010-03460; and

WHEREAS, The applicant was the owner of record at the time of forfeiture and is eligible to repurchase the property; and

WHEREAS, Resolution of any county or municipal code violations will become a condition of the repurchase; and

WHEREAS, The applicant shall either pay in full or enter into a ten-year contract for deed to repurchase the homestead property; and

WHEREAS, Approving the repurchase will promote the use of lands that will best serve the public interest.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the repurchase application by Daneil Kathlene Kacer of Cloquet, MN, on file in County Board File No. 61454, subject to payments including total taxes and assessments of \$12,905.69, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$42.59, and recording fee of \$46, for a total of \$13,019.28 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund), plus a service fee of \$500 to be deposited into Fund 100 (General Fund), and further subject to any other conditions discussed herein.

**Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land –
Nicholas**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The contract with William Frederick Nicholas of Duluth, MN , for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract by publication for lands legally described as:

CITY OF DULUTH
NW 1/4 OF SE 1/4 OF SW 1/4 OF SW ¼
Section 30, Township 50 North, Range 14 West
Parcel code: 010-2710-07690
C22160206; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d), authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with William Frederick Nicholas of Duluth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

**Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land –
Sorg**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The contract with the Estate of Leroy Francis Sorg of Duluth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract by publication for lands legally described as:

CITY OF DULUTH
LOT 32, BLOCK 0, LINCOLN PARK ADDITION TO DULUTH
Parcel code: 010-2870-00330
C22170071; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d), authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with the Estate of Leroy Francis Sorg of Duluth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

**Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land –
Koralia**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The contract with Barbara Koralia of Duluth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract for lands legally described as:

CITY OF DULUTH
LOTS 5 THRU 9, BLOCK 4, MYERS AND WHIPPLES ADDITION TO DULUTH
Parcel code: 010-3410-00500
C22170187; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d), authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Barbara Koralia of Duluth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

**Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land –
Walker**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The contract with Lorn Walker of Duluth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract for lands legally described as:

CITY OF DULUTH
E 1/2 LOT 444, BLOCK 116, DULUTH PROPER SECOND DIVISION
Parcel code: 010-1180-02620
C22170235; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d), authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Lorn Walker of Duluth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

**Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land –
Troumbly**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The contract with Mitchell Tieg Troumbly of Taylors Falls, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract for lands legally described as:

CITY OF VIRGINIA

LOT 3, BLOCK 49

VIRGINIA

Parcel code: 090-0010-12940

C22170346; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d), authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Mitchell Tieg Troumbly of Taylors Falls, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

**Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land –
Saice**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The contract with Wallace Glen Saice, III of Minneapolis, MN, for the repurchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract by publication. The cancellation is contingent upon the purchaser failing to cure the default for lands legally described as:

CITY OF DULUTH

LOT 3, BLOCK 86, WEST DULUTH 6TH DIVISION

Parcel code: 010-4520-11500

C22170367; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d), authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Wallace Glen Saice, III of Minneapolis, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

**Cancellation of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land –
Abel**

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, The contract with Estate of Raymond Abel of Glenwood City, WI, for the repurchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract by publication. The cancellation is contingent upon the purchaser failing to cure the default for lands legally described as:

CITY OF HIBBING

Lot 7 Block 5 EXCEPT Easterly 2.68 feet, CENTRAL ADDITION TO HIBBING

Parcel code: 140-0070-00790

C22190111; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d), authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Estate of Raymond Abel of Glenwood City, WI, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

Supporting Legislation Prohibiting New Captive Deer Farms

BY COMMISSIONER _____

WHEREAS, Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) is a contagious fatal neurodegenerative disease afflicting whitetail deer (cervids); and

WHEREAS, CWD is caused by misfolded proteins called prions, which attack the brain of infected animals, resulting in death; and

WHEREAS, CWD has spread to 26 states, three Canadian provinces, several counties in Southeast Minnesota, and now one county in Northern Minnesota (Beltrami); and

WHEREAS, Nearly all CWD-infected cervids (deer) originate in captive commercial farms, of which 259 are located in Minnesota, including three in St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota wild deer are an important source of food, recreation, and tradition for our nearly 500,000 firearm and archery hunters who in turn, generate over a half billion dollars in economic activity in rural counties; and

WHEREAS, CWD spread reached a crisis level in Minnesota this spring after several CWD infected deer were found on a Beltrami County deer farm; and

WHEREAS, The owners of the Beltrami County deer farm disposed several CWD-infected deer carcasses on nearby tax-forfeited land where disease carrying prions were found in the soil, allowing for their ongoing and indefinite viability.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board calls upon the Minnesota Legislature to, as soon as possible, enact legislation prohibiting new captive cervid farms in the state, and further calls upon state agencies to immediately prohibit the transport of farmed cervids within the state and halt the registration of any new captive cervid farms until such time that the legislature enacts such legislation.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That, for purposes of this issue only, the St. Louis County Board waives County Board Resolution No. 85-103 and related guidelines, and hereby sets a public hearing to occur on Tuesday, September 28, 2021, at 9:35 a.m. at the Alborn Community Center, 6388 Hwy. 7, Alborn, MN, 55702, to consider and receive public input in connection with an interim zoning ordinance placing a moratorium

on any new captive cervid farms in St. Louis County until such time that the County Board is able to study and consider enacting a permanent ordinance.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That copies of this resolution shall be sent to: Governor Walz, House Speaker Hortman, Senate Majority Leader Gazelka, the SLC Legislative Delegation, the House & Senate Environment Committees, the Commissioners of DNR, Agriculture, and PCA and the Minnesota Board of Animal Health.

**Memorandum of Agreement, Local Water Planning – Rainy River –
Headwaters/Vermilion River One Watershed, One Plan**

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. §§ 103B.301 to 103B.355, Comprehensive Local Water Management Act, authorize Minnesota Counties to develop and implement a local water management plan; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County currently has a state-approved Comprehensive Local Water Management Plan that covers the period of August 26, 2010, through December 31, 2023; and

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources has developed policies for coordination and development of comprehensive watershed management plans, also known as One Watershed, One Plan, consistent with Minn. Stat. § 103B.801, Comprehensive Watershed Management Planning Program; and

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources selected the Rainy River – Headwaters/Vermilion River Watershed planning area for a planning grant through the One Watershed, One Plan program; and

WHEREAS, The One Watershed, One Plan planning process requires participation from Local Government Units within the planning boundary through the adoption of a Memorandum of Agreement.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners authorizes the appropriate county officials to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with Local Government Units to collectively develop and adopt a coordinated watershed management plan for implementation consistent with the Board of Water and Soil Resources Operating Procedures for One Watershed, One Plan for the Rainy River – Headwaters/Vermilion River Watershed.

**Local Water Planning – St. Louis River One Watershed, One Plan Policy
Committee Member and Alternate Appointment**

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WHEREAS, The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources selected the Rainy River – Headwaters/Vermilion River watershed planning area for a planning grant through the One Watershed, One Plan program; and

WHEREAS, The One Watershed, One Plan planning process requires participation from local units of government within the planning boundary with a representative from each Local Government Unit to serve on the Rainy River – Headwaters/Vermilion River One Watershed, One Plan Policy Committee.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners appoints Commissioner McDonald as Policy Committee member and Commissioner Jugovich as an alternate to the Rainy River – Headwaters/Vermilion River One Watershed, One Plan Policy Committee.

**Award of Bid: Demolition of Tax Forfeited Structures in Biwabik
(Former V.L. Reishus High School and Natatorium)**

BY COMMISSIONER:_____

WHEREAS, The tax forfeited former V.L. Reishus High School and Natatorium in Biwabik are blighted, unsafe, unsuitable for rehabilitation, and need to be demolished to address public health and safety concerns; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board of Commissioners approved the demolition of tax forfeited structures listed in County Board File No. 60441 by Board Resolution No. 17-518, and was informed about the addition of these structures to the demolition list by Board Memo No. 21-20, submitted on April 22, 2021; and

WHEREAS, The city of Biwabik supports the demolition of these tax forfeited structures; and

WHEREAS, The Purchasing Division solicited bids for the demolition of tax forfeited structures; and

WHEREAS, Carleton Companies, Inc., of Bemidji, MN, submitted the low bid in the amount of \$458,600.00.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to execute a contract with Carleton Companies, Inc., for the demolition of the former V.L. Reishus High School and Natatorium located in Biwabik at the bid price of \$458,600.00 in accordance with the specifications of Bid No. 5735 and addendums, payable from the Economic Development Blight Project Fund 178, Agency 178005, and subject to approval of the County Attorney.

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS, MINNESOTA,
HELD ON AUGUST 10, 2021**

The Board of County Commissioners of the County of St. Louis, Minnesota, met this 10th day of August 2021, at 9:31 a.m., at the Government Services Center, Virginia, Minnesota, with the following members present: Commissioners Frank Jewell, Patrick Boyle, Ashley Grimm, Paul McDonald, Keith Nelson and Chair Mike Jugovich - 6. Absent: Commissioner Keith Musolf - 1.

Chair Jugovich asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of all victims of violence, foreign and domestic; followed by the pledge of allegiance. Chair Jugovich acknowledged the effort and sacrifices that frontline workers have made during the pandemic.

Chair Jugovich opened the meeting to persons who wish to address the Board concerning issues not on the agenda, and no one came forth.

Commissioner McDonald, supported by Commissioner Jewell, moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed; six yeas, zero nays, one absent (Musolf).

The Board recessed at 9:33 a.m. At 11:52 a.m., the Board reconvened with the following members present: Commissioners Frank Jewell, Patrick Boyle, Ashley Grimm, Paul McDonald, Keith Nelson and Chair Mike Jugovich - 6. Absent: Commissioner Keith Musolf - 1.

Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Boyle, moved to approve a second consent agenda consisting of items passed at the Committee of the Whole meeting. The motion passed; six yeas, zero nays, one absent (Musolf).

Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Jewell, moved to approve the proposed settlement and authorize the appropriate county officials to negotiate and execute appropriate settlement documents and to make the settlement payment contemplated by the proposed settlement in the amount of \$28,425.15 to Wendy Morrison-Thompson. The motion passed; six yeas, zero nays, one absent (Musolf). Resolution No. 21-480.

The following Board and contract files were created from documents received by this Board:

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, Julie Marinucci, Land and Minerals Director, and Nancy Nilsen, County Auditor/Treasurer, submitting Board Letter No. 21-333, Adjoining Owner Sales.—61533

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and Todd Ells, County Veterans Service Officer, submitting Board Letter No. 21-339, Acceptance of County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant.—61534

Cancellations of Contract for Purchase of State Tax Forfeited Land (Defaults) approved during CY 2021.—61535

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, Julie Marinucci, Land and Minerals Director, and Nancy Nilsen, County Auditor/Treasurer, submitting Board Letter No. 21-353, Conveyance of State Tax Forfeited Land to Town of Morse.—61536

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and Matthew Johnson, Planning and Community Development Director, submitting Board Letter No. 21-355, Authorization to Apply for and Accept MN Board of Water & Soil Resources SSTS Abatement Grant.—61537

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, Jim Foldesi, Public Works Director/Highway Engineer, Wally Kostich, Arrowhead Regional Corrections Executive Director, and Julie Marinucci, Land and Minerals Director, submitting Board Letter No. 21-356, Memorandum of Understanding with the Friends of the Wellstone Memorial.—61538

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and Matthew Johnson, Planning and Community Development Director, submitting Board Letter No. 21-357, American Rescue Plan Act Funds, St. Louis County Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program.—61539

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and Matthew Johnson, Planning and Community Development Director, submitting Board Letter No. 21-358, Approval of a Broadband Infrastructure Grant – Consolidated Telephone Corporation (CTC).—61540

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and Mark Rubin, County Attorney, submitting Board Letter No. 21-360, Wendy Morrison-Thompson Settlement Agreement.—61541

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, Linnea Mirsch, Public Health and Human Services Director, and James Gottschald, Human Resources and Administration Director, submitting Board Letter No. 21-361, Required Face Coverings in all St. Louis County Buildings.—61542

Agreement for Services between the County of St. Louis and Alliant Engineering, Inc., Minneapolis, MN, for Intersection Control Evaluation Studies on Rice Lake Road County State Aid Highway 4 (CP 0004-490685).—21-611

Department of Human Services SFY 2022 Housing Support Agreement – Group Settings, Contract No. 54159, between St. Louis County and Drew Shaine, LLC, Duluth, MN.—21-612

Department of Human Services SFY 2022 Housing Support Agreement – Group Settings, Contract No. 54079, between St. Louis County and Johnson Country Living, Floodwood, MN.—21-613

Agreement for Services between the County of St. Louis and LHB Corporation, Duluth, MN, for a stream restoration design consisting of a natural weir structure to a section of Prairie River located at County Bridge No. 136 (State Bridge No. 7717) crossing.—21-614

Tax Abatement Agreement 5721; Rev 1, between the County of St. Louis and the City of Duluth, for up to \$600,000 in tax abatement financing for the ST Paper 1, LLC plan to convert the existing Verso paper mill facility into a new manufacturing plant.—21-615

Amendment No. 2, Amendment No. 1 - 2020-013846, Original Damion No. 2019-013056, between the County of St. Louis and Oneida Realty Company, Duluth, MN, extending the term of the contract for the period July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022, and amending the scope of service to janitorial services only at the Depot.—21-616

Service Contract between the County of St. Louis and Gausman & Moore, Duluth, MN, for specifications, bidding and construction administration services for the Virginia Government Services Center Emergency Generator project.—21-617

Upon motion by Commissioner McDonald, supported by Commissioner Jewell, resolutions numbered 21-441 through 21-455, as submitted on the consent agenda, were unanimously adopted as follows:

BY COMMISSIONER McDONALD:

RESOLVED, That the official proceedings of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners for the meeting of August 3, 2021, are hereby approved.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-441

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department is leading a project in 2022 to resurface County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 138 (Giants Ridge Road), beginning at MNTH 135 and ending at the end of pavement, which project is identified as SAP 069-738-009, CP 0138-367846; and

WHEREAS, Giants Ridge, which is a subsidiary of the Minnesota Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation, requested improvements be made to an existing pedestrian crossing on CSAH 138, located 0.68 mile south of the end of pavement; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department reviewed this request and agreed to incorporate certain improvements to this pedestrian crossing in the roadway resurfacing project; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County will be responsible to construct pedestrian landings and install pavement markings whereas the Minnesota Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation will be responsible for the cost to pave the trail on the east side of Giants Ridge Road that connects to this pedestrian crossing; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department will prepare the plan and specifications, award the contract to the lowest responsible bidder, perform all necessary contract administration from contract award to certification of final payment, and perform all record keeping and construction inspection; and

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation will pay to St. Louis County for their respective cost share as detailed in the plan at the contract unit prices.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the appropriate county officials are hereby authorized to enter into an agreement, and approve any amendments approved by the County Attorney's Office, with the Minnesota Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation (IRRR) to complete pedestrian improvements on CSAH 138 (Giants Ridge Road). The funds received from the IRRR will be receipted into Fund 220, Agency 220613, Object 532304.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-442

WHEREAS, The Voyageur Country ATV Club (VCATV) has secured a State grant in the amount of \$154,300 from the Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation (IRRR) to complete work on various segments of the Voyageur Country ATV trail system located in St. Louis County, hereafter referred to as the "Project"; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County shall act as the fiscal agent and contract administrator for the State grant funds for the Project; and

WHEREAS, The VCATV Club, or its Consultants, shall perform the planning, design, environmental permitting, and right-of-way acquisition for the Project; and

WHEREAS, Any Project costs in excess of the State grant funds are responsibility of the VCATV Club.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the execution of a grant with the State of Minnesota.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to enter into an agreement, and any amendments approved by the County Attorney, with the VCATV Club to receive and administer the State grant to complete work on various segments of the Voyageur Country ATV system located in St. Louis County, Minnesota. Revenue for these grants will be receipted into the project specific Agency in Fund 220, Object 530818.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-443

WHEREAS, Four (4) ATV Clubs intend to complete a FY 2022 Regional Trails grant application to the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation (IRRR) in the amount of \$950,000 for improvements to various segments of each club's ATV trail system located in northern St. Louis County, Minnesota, hereafter referred to as the "Project"; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County is requested to act as the sponsoring agency for the Project grant application to the Iron Range Resources & Rehabilitation (IRRR); and

WHEREAS, Each individual ATV Club will be responsible for all costs not covered by the IRRR grant for the Project.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board agrees to act as the sponsoring agency for the FY 2022 Regional Trails grant application to the Iron Range Resources & Rehabilitation (IRRR) of four (4) ATV Clubs to perform work on various segments of each trail system located in northern St. Louis County, Minnesota. Revenue for these grants will be receipted into the project specific Agency in Fund 220, Object 530818.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-444

WHEREAS, The Purchasing Division prepared a Request for Bids seeking qualified contractors to furnish, deliver and apply Calcium Chloride and bids were received and opened by the St. Louis County Purchasing Division on Wednesday, April 21, 2021, for the contract containing 38% Liquid Calcium Chloride; and

WHEREAS, 2021 has presented challenges with the low rainfall amounts resulting in drought conditions and significant dust on the gravel road network and in order to preserve and protect the existing roadways, it was determined increase product quantities would be necessary; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department has identified the need for increasing the furnished and delivered quantity by 200,000 gallons, a net increase of \$202,000.00, and increasing the bulked delivered quantity to 100,000, a net increase of \$97,000.00, will allow the completion of services requested plus treatment to areas originally not accounted for prior to the drought conditions.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That Board Resolution No. 21-290, adopted as on May 11, 2021, to hereby be amended as follows: To increase the total cost of liquid calcium chloride delivered and applied cost to \$1,070,000.00 plus increase alternates to a cost of \$147,000.00 for new total cost of \$1,217,000.00 payable from Fund 200, Agency 207001, and Object Code 653400.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-445

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department's 2021 budget includes purchase of sodium chloride (road salt) and alternative chemical deicer (brine solutions); and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department requested State Contact Pricing for road salt and brine solutions; and

WHEREAS, Morton Salt, Inc., of Chicago, Illinois, successful negotiated the lowest furnished and delivered price to 16 locations under State of Minnesota Contract 177615 in the amount of \$1,199,570.00; and

WHEREAS, Envirotech Services, Inc., and K-Tech Specialty Coatings, Inc., have selected from the State of Minnesota's multi-awarded contract to provide deicer alternatives at the estimated delivered cost of \$75,000.00.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the estimated purchase of salt at the State of Minnesota Contract price from Morton Salt, Inc., of Chicago, Illinois, for a maximum delivered cost of \$1,199,570.00, payable from Fund 200, Agency 207021, Object 651700.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Board authorizes the purchase of brine at the State of Minnesota Contract price Envirotech Services, Inc., of Denver, Colorado, and K-Tech Specialty Coatings, Inc. of Ashley, Indiana, at the estimated delivered cost of \$75,000.00 payable from Fund 200 Agency 207001 Object 651700.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-446

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the applications for abatement, correction of assessed valuations and taxes plus penalty and interest, and any additional accrual, identified in County Board File No. 61426.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-447

RESOLVED, That pursuant to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 340A, as amended, and Rules and Regulations adopted by this Board under St. Louis County Ordinance No. 28, dated May 22, 1978, as amended, the following application for an intoxicating liquor license is hereby approved, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 61408.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That said license is approved contingent upon license holder paying real estate or personal property taxes when due.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That if the named license holder sells their licensed place of business, the County Board may, at its discretion and after an investigation, transfer the license to a new owner, but without pro-rated refund of the license fee to the license holder.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That said license is approved contingent upon proof of Beatty Township approval.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That said license shall be effective through June 30, 2022:

Northern Financial Holdings, LLC dba Elbow Lake Lodge, Beatty Township,
On-Sale and Sunday On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License, transfer.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-448

RESOLVED, That pursuant to St. Louis County Ordinance No. 51, the application for license to sell tobacco products at retail, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 61402, is hereby approved and the County Auditor is authorized to issue the license to the following establishment:

T. Musech Enterprises, Inc. dba Country Store, City of Cook, transfer.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That if the named license holder sells their licensed business, the County Board may, at its discretion and after an investigation, transfer the license to a new owner, but without pro-rated refund of the license fee to the license holder.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-449

RESOLVED, That pursuant to Ordinance No. 28, Section 11, Subdivision 11.06, authorization is hereby granted to Authentic Property Investments, LLC dba Eagle's Nest Resort,

Fredenberg Township, to sell/serve outside the designated serving area of the County Liquor License for the date of August 25, 2021, as per application on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 61408.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-450

RESOLVED, That pursuant to Ordinance No. 28, Section 11, Subdivision 11.06, authorization is hereby granted to Dawghouse Bar & Grill, LLC dba Dawghouse Bar & Grill, Northland Township, to sell/serve outside the designated serving area of the County Liquor License for the dates of September 10 - 12, 2021, as per application on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 61408.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-451

WHEREAS, St. Louis County received an amended petition for revocation of a portion of Savanna Road lying north of the intersection of Savanna Road/County Road 186 and Floodwood Road in the Town of Halden, St. Louis County, specifically revoking the portion of Savanna Road/County Road 186 beginning at the southern-most part of parcels 390-0010-00330 in the west and 390-0010-00120 in the east and running north until Savanna Road/County Road 186's terminus; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 163.11, Subd. 5, the County Board may, by resolution, revoke any County highway and the highway shall thereupon revert to the town in which it is located; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 163.11, Subd. 5a, and before adopting a resolution revoking a county highway that would revert to a town, the County Board shall fix a date, time, and place of hearing in the town where the highway is located to consider the revocation; and

WHEREAS, A public hearing on the Amended Petition was properly noticed and held on August 2, 2021, at 1:00 p.m. at the Town Hall in Halden Township; and

WHEREAS, No parties appeared in opposition to the Petition; and

WHEREAS, A Consent to Vacation was signed by Chris Pulling and Allyn Clark, who are the only private property owners with land served by this right-of-way, and are attached to the Amended Petition; and

WHEREAS, Petitioner has executed an easement granting St. Louis County and other appropriate parties and entities continued access to the tax forfeit properties along the segment being revoked and vacated; and

WHEREAS, On July 20, 2021, Halden Township passed a Resolution waiving all rights to damages and claims under Minn. Stat. § 163.11 and immediately vacating this right-of-way under Minn. Stat. § 164.07 upon revocation by St. Louis County.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 163.11, the County Board hereby revokes the following right-of-way, which shall revert to Halden Township:

All of the public road right-of-way lying north of the intersection of Savanna Road/County Road 186 and Floodwood Road in the Town of Halden, St. Louis County, specifically revoking the portion of Savanna Road/County Road 186 beginning at the southern-most part of parcels 390-0010-00330 in the west and 390-0010-00120 in the east and running north until Savanna Road/County Road 186's terminus.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the County Board shall send two (2) certified copies of this Resolution to the Halden Township Board of Supervisors.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-452

WHEREAS, William T. Foreman and Joanne E. Foreman have requested a 33-foot wide non-exclusive right-of-way easement across state tax forfeited land to access private property; and

WHEREAS, The easement encumbers 2.21 acres in the S ½ of Section 13, Township 52 North, Range 16 West; and

WHEREAS, There are no reasonable alternatives to obtain access to the property and exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4a, authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant easements across state tax forfeited land for such purposes.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant a non-exclusive right-of-way easement to William T. Foreman and Joanne E. Foreman across state tax forfeited lands as described in County Board File No. 61411.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the granting of this easement is conditioned upon payment of \$2,211 land use fee, \$300 administration fee, plus \$46 recording fee, for a total of \$2,557 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-453

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board desires to offer for sale, as recommended by the Land Commissioner, certain parcels of land that have forfeited to the State of Minnesota for non-payment of taxes; and

WHEREAS, These parcels cannot be improved because they are less than the minimum size, shape, frontage and/or access required by the applicable zoning ordinance; and

WHEREAS, The County Auditor has determined that a non-public sale to adjacent property owners will promote the return of the lands to the tax rolls; and

WHEREAS, These parcels of land have been classified as non-conservation land pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 282.01; and

WHEREAS, These parcels are not withdrawn from sale pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 85.012, 92.461, 282.01, Subd. 8, and 282.018, and other statutes that require the withholding of state tax forfeited lands from sale; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.016(c) authorizes the County Auditor to identify any person or entity, or entity controlled by such person, as a prohibited purchaser or bidder if said person or entity is delinquent on real or personal property taxes in St. Louis County. The prohibited purchaser or bidder condition applies to all sales of tax forfeited parcels that are offered at a public auction, adjoining property owner sales, and properties that are on past and future available land lists; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 4(c), authorizes the County Board to provide for the listing and sale of individual parcels by other means, including through a real estate broker, notwithstanding the public sale provisions in Minn. Stat. § 282.01 Subd. 7. This subdivision shall be liberally construed to encourage the sale and utilization of tax forfeited land in order to eliminate nuisances and dangerous conditions and to increase compliance with land use ordinances; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.135 authorizes the County Board to delegate to the County Auditor any authority, power, or responsibility relating generally to the administration of tax forfeited land, including developing the necessary policies and procedures to implement the sale of individual tax forfeited parcels by alternative methods as permitted by Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 4(c).

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the sale of the parcels described in County Board File No. 61533, and the County Auditor is authorized to offer the parcels at private sale to the adjacent property owners, with prohibited purchaser and bidder conditions, to encourage return of the parcel to the tax rolls. Funds from the sales are to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Land Commissioner shall give at least a 30-day notice of the sales to all adjoining property owners.

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board desires to offer for sale, as recommended by the Land Commissioner, certain parcels of land that have forfeited to the State of Minnesota for non-payment of taxes; and

WHEREAS, The parcels as described in County Board File No. 61473 have been classified as non-conservation as provided for in Minn. Stat. Chapter 282.01; and

WHEREAS, These parcels are not withdrawn from sale pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 85.012, 92.461, 282.01, Subd. 8, and 282.018, and other statutes that require the withholding of state tax forfeited lands from sale; and

WHEREAS, Where approval by the Commissioner of Natural Resources is required, by Minn. Stat. § Chapter 282, such approvals have been obtained; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.016(c) authorizes the County Auditor to prohibit persons or entities from becoming a purchaser, either personally or as an agent or attorney for another person or entity, of tax forfeited properties offered for sale if the person or entity owns another property within the county for which there are delinquent taxes owing; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 4(c), authorizes the County Board to provide for the listing and sale of individual parcels by other means, including through a real estate broker, notwithstanding the public sale provisions in Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 7. This subdivision shall be liberally construed to encourage the sale and utilization of tax forfeited land in order to eliminate nuisances and dangerous conditions and to increase compliance with land use ordinances; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 13, authorizes the County Board, or the County Auditor if the Auditor has been delegated such authority, to sell tax forfeited lands through an online auction. When an online auction is used to sell tax forfeited lands, the County Auditor shall post a physical notice of the online auction and shall publish a notice of the online auction on its website not less than ten days before the online auction begins, in addition to any other notice required; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.135 authorizes the County Board to delegate to the County Auditor any authority, power, or responsibility relating generally to the administration of tax forfeited land, including developing the necessary policies and procedures to implement the sale of individual tax forfeited parcels by alternative methods as permitted by Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 4(c);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Auditor to offer the state tax forfeited lands described in County Board File No. 61473 for sale at a public, online auction with prohibited purchaser and bidder conditions, starting at the fair market value in accordance with terms set forth in the Land and Minerals Department policy, and in a manner provided for by law. Funds from the auction are to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-455

Upon motion by Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Boyle, resolutions numbered 21-456 through 21-479, as submitted on a second consent agenda, were unanimously adopted as follows:

BY COMMISSIONER NELSON:

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency awards grant funds to counties to fund services for the homeless and those at risk of homelessness, and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has applied for and received funding from the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency Family Homeless Prevention and Assistance Program (FHPAP) since the

1995-1997 biennium to fund services for the homeless and those at risk of homelessness.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public Health and Human Services Department to accept grant funding in the amount of \$880,900 from the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency for the Family Homelessness Prevention and Assistance Program for the time period of October 1, 2021, through September 30, 2023.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That Public Health and Human Services staff are authorized to follow the recommendations of the FHPAP Review Committee, enter into agreements with sub-grantees accordingly, and increase the revenue and expense budget in 2021 with any adjustments to be made in the 2022 and 2023 budgets accordingly if there are any unspent funds or overspent funds not to exceed the grant funding of \$880,900.

BUDGET REFERENCE:

Fund 230, Agency 232001, Object 530701, Grant 23204, Year 2021

Fund 230, Agency 232001, Object 629900, Grant 23204, Year 2021

Fund 230, Agency 232001, Object 607200, Grant 23204, Year 2021

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-456

WHEREAS, During the 2013 Legislative Session, the structure of the County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant program was modified and state funding increased to provide an annual base grant to all 87 Minnesota counties in the amount of \$7,500, plus an additional allocation based on each counties' veterans population to be used for the purpose of enhancing the benefits programs and services provided to Minnesota veterans; and

WHEREAS, On July 1, 2021, St. Louis County received notice from the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA) that the County Veterans Office Operational Enhancement Grant was allocated in the amount of a \$7,500 base grant and an additional \$10,000 based upon the estimated veterans population residing in the county; and

WHEREAS, Counties have until June 30, 2022, to spend the allocated money on qualified items, and by that date, the funds must be spent, documentation of the qualified expenditures received by the MDVA, and any unused funds returned; and

WHEREAS, In order to access the grant funding, a certified County Board Resolution and signed Grant Contract must be received by the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs (MDVA).

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to enter into a grant contract with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs to accept the County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant in the amount of \$17,500.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the grant must be used to provide outreach to the county's veterans; assist in the reintegration of combat veterans into society; to collaborate with other social service agencies, educational institutions, and other community organizations for the purposes of enhancing services offered to veterans; to reduce homelessness among veterans; and to enhance the operations of the County Veterans Service Office, as specified in Minn. Stat. § 197.608 and Minnesota Laws 2021, 1st Special Session, Chapter 12, Article 1, Section 37, Subd. 2., and that this Grant should not be used to supplant or replace other funding.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Veterans Service Office 2021 adopted budget is amended to include receipt of \$17,500 from the MNDVA, with funds deposited into Fund 100, Agency 124999, Grant 12403, Year 2021.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-457

WHEREAS, Frederic D. and Marlene J. Miller, F & M Miller Family Trust, and Brice Miller have requested a 33-foot wide non-exclusive right-of-way easement across state tax forfeited land to access private property; and

WHEREAS, There are no reasonable alternatives to obtain access to the property and exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4a authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant easements across state tax forfeited land for such purposes;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant a non-exclusive right-of-way easement to Frederic D. and Marlene J. Miller, F & M Miller Family Trust, and Brice Miller across state tax forfeited lands as described in County Board File No. 61411.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the granting of this easement is conditioned upon payment of a \$594 land use fee, \$150 administration fee, plus \$46 recording fee, for a total of \$790 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-458

WHEREAS, Terry E. Thene has requested a 33-foot wide non-exclusive right-of-way and utility easement across state tax forfeited land to access private property; and

WHEREAS, The easement encumbers 0.228 acres in the NW ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 14, Township 53 North, Range 14 West; and

WHEREAS, There are no reasonable alternatives to obtain access to the property and exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4a, authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant easements across state tax forfeited land for such purposes.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant a non-exclusive right-of-way and utility easement to Terry E. Thene across state tax forfeited lands as described in County Board File No. 61411.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the granting of this easement is conditioned upon payment of \$228 land use fee, \$150 administration fee, plus \$46 recording fee, for a total of \$424 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-459

WHEREAS, The contract with David Scott Nordlund and Amanda I. Nordlund of Mt. Iron, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchasers were properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract for lands legally described as:

CITY OF MT IRON

NW1 /4 OF NW 1/4 EX S 1/2 OF N 1/2 & EX N 1/2 OF NE 1/4 AND EX S 1/2 OF SE 1/4 AND EX S 1/2, Section 33, Township 58 North, Range 18 West

Parcel code: 175-0071-04890

C22160198; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d), authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with David Scott Nordlund and Amanda I Nordlund of Mt. Iron, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any

current occupants.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-460

WHEREAS, The contract with John P. LeMoyne of Eveleth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract for lands legally described as:

CITY OF EVELETH

LOT: 0005 BLOCK: 001, STATE ADDITION TO EVELETH

Parcel code: 040-0170-00050

C22160204; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d), authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with John P. LeMoyne of Eveleth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-461

WHEREAS, The contract with Tanya Lee Catlin of Hibbing, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract for lands legally described as:

CITY OF HIBBING

LOT: 0031 BLOCK: 008, BROOKLYN

Parcel code: 140-0050-01030

C22170128; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d), authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Tanya Lee Catlin of Hibbing, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-462

WHEREAS, The contract with Lance Lee Dement and Denise Marie Dement of Hoyt Lakes, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchasers were properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract for lands legally described as:

CITY OF AURORA

LOTS 16 AND 17, BLOCK 1, HOLLAND ADDITION CITY OF AURORA

Parcel code: 100-0042-00160

C22170129; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d), authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Lance Lee Dement and Denise Marie Dement of Hoyt Lakes, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-463

WHEREAS, The contract with Lance Lee Dement and Denise Marie Dement of Hoyt Lakes, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchasers were properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract for lands legally described as:

CITY OF AURORA

LOTS 1 THRU 8 and LOT 9 EX E 66 FT, BLOCK 4,

SUNSET ACRES 3RD ADDITION TO AURORA

Parcel codes: 100-0071-00280,00360

C22170377; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d), authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Lance Lee Dement and Denise Marie Dement of Hoyt Lakes, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-464

WHEREAS, The contract with Edward V. Enquist of Biwabik, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract for lands legally described as:

CITY OF BIWABIK

LOT: 0003 BLOCK: 010, BIWABIK

Parcel code: 015-0010-00460

C22170252; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d), authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Edward V. Enquist of Biwabik, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-465

WHEREAS, The contract with Lewis L. Lester, IV, of Eveleth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract by publication. The cancellation is contingent upon the purchaser failing to cure the default for lands legally described as:

UNORGANIZED TOWNSHIP 56-16

N 200 FT OF W 450 FT OF NE 1/4 OF NE 1/4 and S 100 FT OF N 300 FT OF W 450 FT OF NE 1/4 OF NE 1/4, Section 9, Township 56 North, Range 16 West

Parcel codes: 676-0010-01412 and 676-0010-01414

C22170306; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d), authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Lewis L. Lester, IV, of Eveleth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-466

WHEREAS, The contract with Lewis L. Lester, IV of Eveleth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract by publication. The cancellation is contingent upon the purchaser failing to cure the default for lands legally described as:

CITY OF DULUTH

S 35 FT OF N 105 FT OF LOTS 2 AND 4 EX PART SELY OF A LINE RUNNING FROM A PT 105 FT S OF N LINE & 17 FT W OF E LINE OF LOT 4 TO A PT ON E LINE 88 FT S OF NE COR OF LOT 4 INC S 35 FT OF N 140 FT OF LOTS 2 & 4 EX PART SELY OF A LINE RUNNING FROM A PT 140 FT S OF N LINE & 48.10 FT NELY OF W LINE TO A PT 105 FT S OF N LINE & 17 FT W OF E LINE LOT 4 INC THAT PART OF LOT 6 NWLY OF A LINE RUNNING FROM A PT ON NELY LINE 41 FT SELY OF NELY COR TO A PT ON SWLY LINE 85.68 FT SELY OF NWLY COR, BLOCK 116, DULUTH PROPER THIRD DIVISION

Parcel code: 010-1350-06050

C22170308; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d), authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Lewis L. Lester, IV, of Eveleth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-467

WHEREAS, The contract with Estate of Leigh Ann Surla of Eveleth, MN, for the repurchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract by publication. The cancellation is contingent upon the purchaser failing to cure the default for lands legally described as:

TOWN OF FAYAL

LOT: 0046, ELY LAKE SOUTHWOOD

Parcel code: 340-0087-00460

C22180035; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d), authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Estate of Leigh Ann Surla of Eveleth, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-468

WHEREAS, The contract with Wayne Kraabel of Virginia, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land is in default for nonpayment of installments and real estate taxes; and

WHEREAS, The purchaser was properly served with Notice of Cancellation of Contract by publication. The cancellation is contingent upon the purchaser failing to cure the default for lands legally described as:

CITY OF EVELETH

LOT: 0012, BLOCK: 075, DORR ADDITION TO EVELETH

Parcel code: 040-0080-00130

C22180234; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(d), authorizes the County Auditor, with the approval of the County Board, to dispose of or sell abandoned personal property on tax forfeited land after making reasonable efforts to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the cancellation of contract with Wayne Kraabel of Virginia, MN, for the purchase of state tax forfeited land described above, according to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 5, and Minn. Stat. § 282.40, and according to the procedures of Minn. Stat. § 559.21.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Auditor is authorized to sell or dispose of abandoned personal property remaining on the above-described state tax forfeited property after making reasonable effort to provide at least 28 days' notice to the former owner, taxpayer, and any current occupants.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-469

WHEREAS, The state tax forfeited parcels described in County Board File No. 61483 are currently included in an established memorial forest; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 459.06, Subd. 3, state tax forfeited land which has been included in an established memorial forest and found more suitable for other purposes may, by resolution of the County Board, be withdrawn from the forest if the Commissioner of Natural Resources approves the sale of such land; and

WHEREAS, The state tax forfeited parcels described here are more suitable for purposes other than forest management.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the state tax forfeited parcels described in County Board File No. 61483 shall be withdrawn from Memorial Forest status.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-470

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 1a(e), upon the favorable recommendation of the County Board, the Commissioner of Revenue may convey state tax forfeited land to another governmental subdivision for an authorized public use without monetary compensation or consideration; and

WHEREAS, The Town of Morse wishes to acquire tax forfeited parcel 395-0010-03121 as described in County Board File No. 61536 for road right-of-way purposes; and

WHEREAS, This parcel of land has not been withdrawn from sale pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 85.012, 92.461, 282.01, Subd. 8, and 282.018, and other statutes that require the withholding of state tax forfeited lands from sale; and

WHEREAS, This parcel of land has been classified as non-conservation land pursuant to Minnesota Stat. § 282.01.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board recommends that the Commissioner of Revenue convey the state tax forfeited land parcel described in County Board File

No. 61536 to the Town of Morse, subject to payment of \$250 Department of Revenue fee, \$250 administrative fee, \$1.65 deed tax, \$25 deed fee, and \$46 recording fee, for a total of \$572.65.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-471

WHEREAS, The Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa has requested to purchase state tax forfeited land located within the Fond du Lac Reservation described in County Board File No. 61473; and

WHEREAS, The 1985 legislature passed into law Chapter 138, Section 5, which gave the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa the first opportunity to purchase tax forfeited land to be sold within the Reservation boundary; and

WHEREAS, These parcels of land have been classified as non-conservation land as provided for in Minn. Stat. Chapter 282.01; and

WHEREAS, These parcels of land have not been withdrawn from sale pursuant to Minn. Stat. §§ 85.012, 92.461, 282.01, Subd. 8, and 282.018, and other statutes that require the withholding of state tax forfeited lands from sale; and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of Natural Resources has approved the sale of these parcels as required by Minn. Stat. Chapter 282.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the sale of state tax forfeited land described in County Board File No. 61473 to the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa for the estimated market value of \$89,200 plus the following fees: 3% assurance fee of \$2,676, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$294.36, and recording fee of \$46, for a total of \$92,241.36, to be deposited into Fund 240 (forfeited tax fund).

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-472

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) notified the Planning and Community Development Department that grant funding is available to assist low-income households with the abatement and upgrade of Subsurface Sewage Treatment Systems (SSTS) identified as Imminent Threats to Public Health; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Environmental Services Department has previously applied for, and received, funding through this grant in 2016 and 2018.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Planning and Community Development Department to apply for and accept up to \$200,000 in grant funding from the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources Clean Water Fund to assist low-income households in St. Louis County with the abatement and upgrade of subsurface sewage treatment systems identified as Imminent Threats to Public Health. Funds will be deposited into Fund 286, Agency 286999, Revenue 530102, Grant 28601, Year 2022, or its designated fund.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That should the grant application be successful, matching funds in the amount of 25% will be provided from the Environmental Trust Fund (Shoreline Sales Fund 500, Agency 500001), or its designated fund.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Planning and Community Development Director and a representative of the County Attorney to execute any grant and agency agreements where necessary.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-473

WHEREAS, St. Louis County and the Friends of the Wellstone Memorial wish to execute a Memorandum of Understanding to ensure the Wellstone Memorial remains a fitting and inspirational affirmation of the legacy of Paul and Sheila Wellstone, and a loving tribute to their daughter Marcia Wellstone Markuson, their colleagues Mary McEvoy, Tom Lopic, and Will McLaughlin; all of whom died in a plane crash near the site of the Memorial on October 25, 2002; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County will coordinate periodic maintenance of the Memorial site as needed; and

WHEREAS, The Friends of the Wellstone Memorial will use their best efforts to raise sufficient funds to maintain the historic placards located at the Memorial as needed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes St. Louis County to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Wellstone Group to ensure the Wellstone Memorial is properly maintained into the future and remains a fitting tribute to the Wellstone family and colleagues.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-474

WHEREAS, High-speed internet broadband service has become vital to St. Louis County's economy; and

WHEREAS, There are unserved and underserved broadband service areas of St. Louis County, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, The County has identified the need to establish a St. Louis County Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program to assist communities with financing broadband infrastructure to expand investment in high-speed broadband initiatives in their communities to unserved or underserved areas in St. Louis County, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, The County has previously identified economic development as a strategic priority; and

WHEREAS, The County seeks to invest up to \$1,750,000 in 2021-2024 American Rescue Plan Act Funds in broadband infrastructure projects of which is allowed under the Act; and

WHEREAS, The County also has statutory authority through Minn. Stat. § 375.83 to make such a contribution.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the establishment of the Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program per Board File No. 61539.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board approves initial funding of up to \$1,750,000 in funds for the program from an allocation of St. Louis County's American Rescue Plan Act.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes appropriate County officials to enter into and execute any funding agreement(s) and associated documents as necessary to administer the program and fund projects in accordance with the American Rescue Plan Act, payable from Fund 239, Object 239054 or its designated fund.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-475

WHEREAS, High-speed internet broadband service has become vital to St. Louis County's economy and is an important public infrastructure for all residents, businesses and public facilities within St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, There are unserved and underserved broadband service areas in St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, The County has established a St. Louis County Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program to assist communities with financing broadband public infrastructure to expand investment in high-speed broadband initiatives in their communities to unserved or underserved areas in St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, The County has received a Consolidated Telephone Corporation (CTC) request, in partnership with the Northeast Service Cooperative (NESC), the City of Rice Lake, and the Towns of Canosia, Gnesen, Lakewood, and Normanna, to St. Louis County's Broadband Infrastructure Grant program in the amount up to \$400,000 to provide a grant match to a federal program application for a broadband public infrastructure construction project for these jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, CTC is in the process of working with these communities and applying to the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) Broadband Infrastructure Program to help financially support this approximately \$10 million dollar broadband public construction project; and

WHEREAS, If awarded, it may be required under Minn. Stat. §§ 116J.993 through 116J.995, Business Subsidy Law, that a public hearing be conducted prior to granting any business subsidy in an amount greater than \$150,000 in value, if applicable; and

WHEREAS, Funding is available through St. Louis County's Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program, which is funded by the American Rescue Plan Act; and

WHEREAS, The County has previously identified economic development as a strategic priority; and

WHEREAS, The County has statutory authority through Minn. Stat. § 375.83 to make such a contribution.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program application from Consolidated Telephone Corporation (CTC) in the amount up to \$400,000 to be used as part of a federal funding grant match for the broadband public infrastructure construction project in the City of Rice Lake and the Towns of Canosia, Gnesen, Lakewood, and Normanna.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes appropriate county officials to enter into and execute any funding agreement(s) and associated documents as necessary to administer the program, comply with American Rescue Plan Act, and fund projects, payable from Fund 239, Object 239054, or its designated fund.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes that if the funds are not awarded by NTIA, that the project funds are placed back into St. Louis County's Broadband Infrastructure Grant Program pool of funds for other broadband project awards.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That should it be determined that a public hearing be required under Minn. Stat. §§ 116J.993 through 116J.995, such hearing will be held only after it is determined if CTC is successful in its NTIA grant application.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-476

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Regional Landfill (Landfill) opened in November 1993 and provides Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) disposal to the County's Solid Waste Management Area (SWMA); and

WHEREAS, Absent additional improvements and investment, the Landfill capacity is projected to last another twenty years, based on current fill rates; and

WHEREAS, The Environmental Services Department (Department) has evaluated alternative waste disposal options for the SWMA after the Landfill reaches permitted ultimate capacity, including the siting of a MSW landfill sized to serve the SWMA, with capability to serve the Western Lake Superior Sanitary District, neighboring counties and closed dumps and landfills, should conditions warrant; and

WHEREAS, The Department selected for consideration the Voyageur Industrial Landfill site in Canyon; and

WHEREAS, The Department has retained the services, on an as needed basis, of Stoel Rives, LLP, a nation-wide legal consulting firm with an office in Minneapolis that focuses, in part, on providing guidance to public sector entities in Minnesota related to environmental, land use and solid waste issues involving regulatory compliance, due diligence and negotiation related to facility and property transfers, and siting, permitting and development of solid waste facilities; and

WHEREAS, The Department contracted with Stoel Rives, LLP, earlier this year to conduct a comprehensive environmental assessment of the Voyageur Industrial Landfill in Canyon to determine

if the landfill warrants further consideration as a critical component of the Department's long-range waste management plan; and

WHEREAS, Based on the environmental assessment results, the Department requested and received a proposal from Stoel Rives, LLP, to conduct a real property appraisal and title search, and to assist the Department with property acquisition discussions.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate County Officials to enter into a professional services agreement with Stoel Rives, LLP, to conduct a real property appraisal and title search, and property acquisition assistance of the Voyageur Industrial Landfill at a cost of \$199,000 payable from Fund 600, Agency 608001, and Object 660268.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-477

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 13D.05, subd. 3(b), the Committee of the Whole may close a meeting as permitted by the attorney-client privilege; and

WHEREAS, The County Attorney requires candid and open discussion to provide legal advice to the Committee of the Whole with respect to a proposed settlement and litigation strategy relating to *Morrison-Thompson v. Straw*, a state-court action arising from a motor-vehicle accident that occurred at the intersection of U.S. Highway 53 and East Leander Road (also known as County State Aid Highway 87) in Angora Township in January 2015, in a closed session of the Committee of the Whole; and

WHEREAS, A closed session would benefit the public because potential financial liability could result in the expenditure of public funds.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Committee of the Whole will convene a closed session on August 10, 2021, for the purpose of discussing the proposed settlement and litigation strategy relating to *Morrison-Thompson v. Straw* in accord with Minn. Stat. § 13D.05, subd. 3(b).

RESOLVED FURTHER, That no other pending public business will be discussed at this closed session.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-478

WHEREAS, On March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization deemed COVID-19 to be a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, On March 13, 2020, President Donald Trump declared a Presidential National Emergency, and Governor Tim Walz declared a Peacetime State of Emergency in Minnesota, to authorize any and all necessary resources to be used in support of the response to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Due to available vaccine and resulting decrease in reported cases Governor Tim Walz did not renew the Peacetime Emergency in Minnesota and the St. Louis County Board, on July 6, 2021, adopted Resolution No. 21-398 terminating its local state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, Because of the continuing and increasing spread of COVID-19, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) now recommends that face coverings be worn indoors in public spaces in locations where there is "substantial" or "high" transmission rate of the virus; and

WHEREAS, The CDC has subsequently identified a new COVID variant (Delta) that has been found to be more easily transmittable, even within the vaccinated population; and

WHEREAS, The CDC COVID tracker now indicates that the rate of transmission of COVID-19 in St. Louis County is "substantial"; and

WHEREAS, On August 2, 2021, the Sixth Judicial District Chief Judge issued an order that face coverings be worn in the courtrooms and in publicly accessible areas/hallways in and adjacent to the courtrooms and Court Administration offices in all St. Louis County Courthouses; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board finds that the COVID-19 Delta variant is concerning and with the potential for outbreak in St. Louis County increasing, the need for taking

steps to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the public and its employees will not be resolved in the immediate future.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners, effective immediately, directs the County Administrator (or designee) to institute a face covering requirement for all county employees and visitors to county facilities, regardless of vaccination status, when inside facilities and offices owned or operated by the county, and for employees when they are conducting in-person county meetings away from county owned facilities in the course of their work.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That a face covering requirement so implemented, be reviewed for ongoing necessity and actively managed (paused and reinstated) by the County Administrator, in consultation with the Board Chair, until the end of the COVID-19 public health crisis or rescission by County Board action.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That County Administration shall report all COVID-related information to the County Board on a weekly basis including but not limited to location, type of institutions involved, and number of tests performed.

Adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-479

BY COMMISSIONER NELSON:

WHEREAS, In August 2020, Wendy Morrison-Thompson commenced *Morrison-Thompson v. Straw*, a state-court action against St. Louis County and one of its employees arising from a motor-vehicle accident that occurred at the intersection of U.S. Highway 53 and East Leander Road (also known as County State Aid Highway 87) in Angora Township in January 2015; and

WHEREAS, The parties to the action have agreed to a proposed settlement of the action that is subject to the approval of the St. Louis County Board; and

WHEREAS, Under the proposed settlement, Ms. Morrison-Thompson will release her claims against St. Louis County and its officers, employees, and agents, and St. Louis County will make a settlement payment in the amount of \$28,425.15; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board wishes to approve the proposed settlement to avoid the expense and risk associated with litigation.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the proposed settlement and authorizes the appropriate county officials to negotiate and execute appropriate settlement documents and to make the settlement payment contemplated by the proposed settlement in the amount of \$28,425.15, payable from Fund 720, Agency 720001, Expense Code 636200.

Unanimously adopted August 10, 2021. No. 21-480

At 11:54 a.m., August 10, 2021, Commissioner Boyle, supported by Commissioner Jewell, moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed; six yeas, zero nays, one absent (Musolf).

Mike Jugovich, Chair of the Board
of County Commissioners

Attest:

Nancy Nilsen, County Auditor
and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board
of County Commissioners

(Seal of the County Auditor)