Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-547
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Official Proceedings of the County Board of Commissioners

RESOLVED, That the official proceedings of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners for the meeting of September 6, 2016, are hereby approved.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

I, **DONALD DICKLICH**, Auditor of the County of St. Louis, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in my office on the 13th day of September, A.D. 2016, and that this is a true and correct copy.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Duluth, Minnesota, this 13th day of September, A.D., 2016.

DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-548
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Contract with Vendor for PHHS Closed File Scanning
In Virginia, Hibbing and Ely

WHEREAS, The Public Health and Human Services Department (PHHS) has been in the process of developing an Internal Document Management System in order to conserve building space by the elimination of paper storage and to streamline the business process; and

WHEREAS, Because PHHS lacked the staffing and resources to complete the scanning of paper files internally, the Purchasing Division issued a Request for Proposals to scan all closed Duluth files stored in leased office space in the Arvig Building, resulting in a contract with National Business Systems, Inc., of Eagan, MN; and

WHEREAS, PHHS would now like to convert all remaining closed files into the same system in a final phase which includes the Virginia, Hibbing, and Ely offices; and

WHEREAS, National Business Systems, Inc., has provided a quote of $189,879.82 to perform this service;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes a contract with National Business Systems, Inc., Eagan, MN, in an amount not to exceed $189,879.82 for the scanning of PHHS closed files in Virginia, Hibbing and Ely, payable from the PHHS Technology Improvements fund balance, Fund 230, Object 311401, to be transferred into Fund 230, Agency 230011, Object 629900.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-549
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Application and Acceptance of Planning Grant Funding for the Local St. Louis County Continuum of Care

WHEREAS, The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides funding to St. Louis County through local Continuum of Care (CoC) grant awards for permanent and rapid re-housing to homeless persons; and

WHEREAS, For the current HUD FY2016 funding cycle, 33 projects in St. Louis County are projected to receive a total of $3,271,748; and

WHEREAS, In addition to these project grants, HUD planning funds are available to expand the Public Health and Human Services Department's capacity to become more data driven and performance based; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Leadership Council has identified four specific areas as the focus of the funding for next year, to be accomplished through contractors and purchased services;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public Health and Human Services Department to apply for and accept a grant allocation from HUD in the amount of $93,780 for the purpose of purchasing the services, professionals, and/or other resources needed to assist the local Continuum of Care and its Leadership Council for the period September 1, 2016 through August 31, 2017, to be accounted for in Fund 230, Agency 232001, Grant 23217, Grant Year 2016.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-550
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Approval of Registered Land Survey No. 130 (Unorganized Township 63-17)

WHEREAS, The Registrar of Titles is authorized to require Registered Land Survey No. 130 pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 508.47; and

WHEREAS, The County Surveyor and Examiner of Titles have approved Registered Land Survey No. 130; and

WHEREAS, The final prints have been submitted for filing;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board grants final approval to Registered Land Survey No. 130 located in Government Lot 1 of Section 21, Unorganized Township 63 North, Range 17 West, St. Louis County, Minnesota.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-551
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Adoption of Proposed Ordinance No. 60 Amendments, Subdivision Ordinance

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Planning Commission, on June 9, 2016, initiated the proposed amendments to Ordinance No. 60, Subdivision Ordinance, and made them available for public comments; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission held public hearings regarding the amendments to Ordinance No. 60 on August 11, 2016; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission voted to recommend that the St. Louis County Board adopt the proposed amendment to Ordinance No. 60;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board adopts the amendments to Ordinance No. 60, Subdivision Ordinance, contained in County Board File No. 60438; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the effective date for these actions will be October 1, 2016.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-552
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Amend Zoning Ordinance No. 62, to Incorporate and Establish a Zoning Map for Greenwood Township

WHEREAS, Greenwood Township voted on June 14, 2016, to transition zoning authority from the Township to St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Planning Commission held a public hearing on August 11, 2016, to incorporate and establish the Township map as part of Ordinance No. 62; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission recommends approval of the proposed Zoning Ordinance map; and

WHEREAS, The Planning & Economic Development Director and a representative of the County Attorney are working with Greenwood Township to complete all necessary steps to transition zoning authority to St. Louis County;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board amends Ordinance No. 62, to incorporate and establish a zoning map for Greenwood Township;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Planning & Economic Development Director and a representative of the County Attorney's office will work with Greenwood Township officials to resolve all issues related to the transfer of zoning to St. Louis County;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the effective date of zoning transition authority from Greenwood Township to St. Louis County will be October 1, 2016.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-553
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Adoption of Proposed Ordinance No. 62 Amendments, Zoning Ordinance

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Planning Commission, on June 9, 2016, initiated proposed amendments to Ordinance No. 62, Zoning Regulations; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission held public hearings regarding the amendments to Ordinance No. 62 on August 11, 2016; and

WHEREAS, The Planning Commission voted to recommend that the St. Louis County Board adopt the proposed amendment to the ordinance;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners adopts amendments to Ordinance No. 62, Zoning Regulations contained in County Board File No. 60439; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the effective date for these actions will be October 1, 2016.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
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County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-554
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Repurchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Abrahamson (Homestead)

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, costs, and interest; and

WHEREAS, The applicant, Carolyn Abrahamson of Duluth, MN, has applied to repurchase state tax forfeited land legally described as:

CITY OF HIBBING
LOTS 25 AND 26, BLOCK 9
KOSKIVILLE HIBBING
Parcel Code: 140-0130-02160; and

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

WHEREAS, Approving the repurchase will correct undue hardship and 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 Carolyn Abrahamson of Duluth, MN, on file in County Board File No. 60327, subject to payments including total taxes and assessments of $3,859.31, service fee of $114, deed tax of $12.74, deed fee of $25, recording fee of $46 and Eviction Court costs of $379, for a total of $4436.05 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
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County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-555
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Adjoining Owner Sale (Duluth Township)

WHEREAS, St. Louis County desires to offer for sale a certain parcel of tax forfeited land described as:

TOWN OF DULUTH
THAT PART OF NE 1/4 OF NW 1/4 LYING N OF THE NORTH SHORE ROAD EX 1 30/100 ACRES AT WEST SIDE EX HIGHWAY RT OF WAY 5/100 ACRES
Section 1, Township 51 North, Range 12 West
Deeded Acres: .45
Parcel Code: 315-0010-00040
LDKey: 117692
Zoning: SMU-6; and

WHEREAS, The parcel is 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, The parcel cannot be improved because it is 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 will promote the return of the land to the tax rolls; and

WHEREAS, The parcel of land has been classified as non-conservation land pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 282.01;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the sale of the parcel described here, and the County Auditor is authorized to offer the parcel at private sale to adjacent property owners for the price of $1,200 plus a 3% assurance fee of $36, deed fee of $25, deed tax of $3.96 and recording fee of $46, for a total of $1,310.96 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund);

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

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-556
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Special Sale to the City of Chisholm

WHEREAS, The City of Chisholm has requested to purchase state tax forfeited land described as follows for the price of $2,280, plus fees, for the purpose of affordable housing:

Legal: Lots 13, 14, 15 and 16, Block 27, Pearce Addition to Chisholm
Parcel Codes: 020-0170-01930, 1950
Acres: 0.29
LDKeys: 117272, 117273; 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, 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 the county board determines that a sale at a reduced price is in the public interest because it 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;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the sale of state tax forfeited lands, as described, to the City of Chisholm for the price of $2,280 plus the following fees: 3% assurance fee of $68.40, deed fee of $25, deed tax of $7.52, and recording fee of $46, for a total of $2,426.92 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 land described here if the City of Chisholm does not purchase the land by December 31, 2016.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Duluth, Minnesota, this 13th day of September, A.D., 2016.

DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-557
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Request for Free Conveyance of State Tax Forfeited Land to the City of McKinley

WHEREAS, Pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 282.01, Subd. 1a, upon recommendation of the County Board, the Commissioner of Revenue may convey non-conservation tax forfeited land to another governmental subdivision for an authorized public use; and

WHEREAS, The City of McKinley has requested a free conveyance of state tax forfeited land for a water-main maintenance building, legally described as:

CITY OF MCKINLEY
LOTS 13 AND 14, BLK 29, EX THAT PART WHICH LIES NELY OF A LINE RUN PARALLEL WITH AND DISTANT 90 FT SWLY OF THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LINE: FROM A POINT ON THE E AND W QUARTER LINE OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 58 NORTH, RANGE 16 DISTANT 390.52 FT E OF THE W QUARTER CORNER THEREOF; RUN NWLY AT AN ANGLE OF 41 DEG 14' 41" WITH SAID E AND W QUARTER LINE FOR 13.59 FT; THENCE DEFLECT TO THE RIGHT AT AN ANGLE OF 47 DEG 17' 41" FOR 501.77 FT TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE LINE TO BE DESCRIBED; THENCE RUN SELY ON THE LAST DESCRIBED COURSE FOR 159.78 FT; THENCE DEFLECT TO THE LEFT 3 DEG 30' FOR 209.37 FT; THENCE DEFLECT TO THE LEFT 0 DEG 11' 00" FOR 171.16 FT; THENCE DEFLECT TO THE LEFT ON A 18 DEG 00' CURVE (DELTA ANGLE 43 DEG 30' 53") FOR 241.75 FT AND THERE TERMINATING.
TOWNSHIP 58 NORTH, RANGE 16 WEST, SECTION 17
PARCEL CODE: 160-0010-02570
0.1 ACRE; and

WHEREAS, The Land Commissioner recommends that this parcel be classified as non-conservation having considered, among other things: the present use of adjacent land; the productivity of the soil; the character of forest or other growth; the accessibility of lands to established roads, schools, and other public services; and the peculiar suitability or desirability of lands for particular uses; and

WHEREAS, This parcel of land is located inside the boundaries of a municipality or town and Minn. Stat. § 282.01 provides that classification or reclassification and sale of lands situated within a municipality or town must be approved by the governing body of the municipality or town; and

WHEREAS, The classification of this parcel will be deemed approved if the County Board does not receive notice of the municipality's or town's disapproval of the classification within 60 days of the date on which this resolution is delivered to the clerk;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the classification of state tax forfeited land described herein to non-conservation and recommends that the Commissioner of Revenue convey the land to the City of McKinley for a water-main maintenance building subject to payment of $250 administrative fee, $250 Department of Revenue fee, $1.65 deed tax, $25 deed fee, and $46 recording fee, for a total of $572.65, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund);

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the request for approval of the classification of the state tax forfeited parcel described herein shall be transmitted by St. Louis County Land and Minerals Department to the clerk of the City of McKinley.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Duluth, Minnesota, this 13th day of September, A.D., 2016.

DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-558
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Demolition of Structures on Tax Forfeited Lands

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(c)(1), authorizes the county auditor, with the approval of the county board, to provide for the demolition of a building or structure, which has been determined by the county board to be especially liable to fire or so situated as to endanger life or limb or other buildings or property in the vicinity because of age, dilapidated condition, defective chimney, defective electric wiring, any gas connection, heating apparatus, or other defect; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 2(e), authorizes the county auditor, with the approval of the county board, to provide for the demolition of any structure on tax forfeited lands, if in the opinion of the county board, county auditor, and land commissioner, the sale of the land with the structure on it, or the continued existence of the structure by reason of age, dilapidated condition or excessive size as compared with nearby structures, will result in a material lessening of net tax capacities of real estate in the vicinity of the tax forfeited lands, or if the demolition of the structure or structures will aid in disposing of the tax forfeited property; and

WHEREAS, The County Board, the County Auditor and the Land Commissioner have determined that the tax forfeited properties described in County Board File No. 60441 contain structures that are in an unsafe and dilapidated condition, and the demolition of these structures will aid in selling or conveying the tax forfeited properties;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Auditor to provide for the demolition of structures on state tax forfeited lands described in County Board File No. 60441 because the County Board, County Auditor, and Land Commissioner are of the opinion that the structures are in an unsafe and dilapidated condition and the demolition of the structures will aid in selling or conveying the tax forfeited properties.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Duluth, Minnesota, this 13th day of September, A.D., 2016.

DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-559
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Right of Way and Utility Easement Across State Tax Forfeited Land to the City of Chisholm (Garden Lands)

WHEREAS, The City of Chisholm has requested a right of way and utility easement across state tax-forfeited land; and

WHEREAS, Exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts and will not conflict with public use of land; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4, authorizes the 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 County Auditor to grant a non-exclusive right of way and utility easement to the City of Chisholm across state tax forfeited lands described as the Westerly 17 feet, Lot 20, Garden Lands, Chisholm;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That granting of this easement is conditioned upon payment of $500 land use fee, $125 administration fee, and $46 recording fee, for a total of $671 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Duluth, Minnesota, this 13th day of September, A.D., 2016.

DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-560
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Right of Way and Utility Easement across State Tax Forfeited Land to the City of Chisholm (Lakeview Addition)

WHEREAS, The City of Chisholm has requested a right of way and utility easement across state tax-forfeited land; and

WHEREAS, Exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts and will not conflict with public use of land; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4, authorizes the 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 County Auditor to grant a non-exclusive right of way and utility easement to the City of Chisholm across state tax forfeited lands described as the Southerly 365.32 feet of the Westerly 66 feet of the S1/2 of the SE1/4 of the NW1/4 except the rail yard right of way, Section 22, Township 58 North, Range 20 West;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That granting of this easement is conditioned upon payment of $500 land use fee, $125 administration fee, and $46 recording fee, for a total of $671 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Duluth, Minnesota, this 13th day of September, A.D., 2016.

DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-561
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Access Easement across State Tax Forfeited Land to
Judith Ann and Eric M. Mattson (Culver Township)

WHEREAS, Judith Ann and Eric M. Mattson have requested an access easement across state tax-forfeited land; and

WHEREAS, There are no reasonable alternatives to obtain access to the property; and

WHEREAS, Exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts and will not conflict with public use of land; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4a, authorizes the 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 County Auditor to grant a non-exclusive access easement to Judith Ann and Eric M. Mattson across state tax forfeited lands as described in County Board File No. 60294;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That granting of this easement is conditioned upon payment of $270 land use fee, $100 administration fee, and $46 recording fee, for a total of $416 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

I, **DONALD DICKLICH**, Auditor of the County of St. Louis, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in my office on the 13th day of September, A.D. 2016, and that this is a true and correct copy.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Duluth, Minnesota, this 13th day of September, A.D., 2016.

DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-562
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Access Easement across State Tax Forfeited Land to Judith Ann Mattson
(Culver Township)

WHEREAS, Judith Ann Mattson has requested an access easement across state tax forfeited land; and

WHEREAS, There are no reasonable alternatives to obtain access to the property; and

WHEREAS, Exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts and will not conflict with public use of land; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4a, authorizes the 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 County Auditor to grant a non-exclusive access easement to Judith Ann Mattson across state tax forfeited lands as described in County Board File No. 60294;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That granting of this easement is conditioned upon payment of $1,874 land use fee, $100 administration fee, and $46 recording fee, for a total of $2,020 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Duluth, Minnesota, this 13th day of September, A.D., 2016.

DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-563
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Access and Utility Easement across State Tax Forfeited Land to Cellular Inc. Network Corp. d/b/a Verizon Wireless (Gnesen Township)

WHEREAS, Cellular Inc. Network Corp. d/b/a Verizon Wireless has requested an access and utility easement across state tax-forfeited land; and

WHEREAS, There are no reasonable alternatives to obtain access to the property; and

WHEREAS, Exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts and will not conflict with public use of land; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4, authorizes the 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 County Auditor to grant a non-exclusive access and utility easement to Cellular Inc. Network Corp. d/b/a Verizon Wireless across state tax forfeited lands as described in County Board File No. 60294;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That granting of this easement is conditioned upon payment of $831 land use fee, $100 administration fee, and $46 recording fee, for a total of $977 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-564
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Timber Contract Price Adjustments in Response to 2016 Storm and Fire Events

WHEREAS, The Land and Minerals Department has a number of current timber contracts which have been damaged by the July 2016 windstorms and one timber contract damaged by a spring wildfire; and

WHEREAS, The timber within these contract areas has been devalued; and

WHEREAS, The Land and Minerals Department has precedent of reducing sold timber prices after significant storm events in 1995 and 1999 upon receiving County Board authorization;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Land Commissioner to apply price reductions on current timber contracts impacted by 2016 storm and fire events by reducing the damaged portion of the contract volume.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-565
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Appraisal Reports for the Sale of Timber -
Public Oral Salvage Timber Auction

RESOLVED, That the appraisal reports for the sale of timber to be offered at PUBLIC ORAL SALVAGE TIMBER AUCTION, Tracts 1 through 11 (totaling $89,606.58), as submitted by the Land Commissioner, on file in the office of the County Auditor identified as County Board File No. 60295, are approved and the County Auditor is authorized to carry out the recommendations as listed in said appraisal reports.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
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County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-566
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Award of Bid: Fuel Deliveries of Gasohol, Fuel Oil and Diesel Fuel

WHEREAS, The Purchasing Division solicits bids annually for the purchase of fuels for use throughout the county; and

WHEREAS, The Purchasing Division received bids from four (4) different vendors; and

WHEREAS, Each location and fuel type is treated as a separate bid award providing the county with the lowest cost; and

WHEREAS, The vendor location at Cotton received no bids and the Purchasing Division negotiated with Inter City Oil of Duluth, MN, for a bid constant of .435/gallon for both Diesel and Gasohol;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Purchasing Division to purchase fuels from the vendor with the lowest net cost as indicated on the attached Bid Tabulation (Bid No. 5330).

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-567
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Award of Bid: Mesabi Trail (Eagles Nest Township)

WHEREAS, Bids have been received electronically by the St. Louis County Public Works Department for the following tied project:

CP 0000-213215, SP 069-090-030, TA 6916(215), Recreational Trail from Eagles Nest Town Hall to Camp Lake Road in Eagles Nest Township; and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on August 11, 2016, and the low responsible bid determined;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the award on the above project to the low bidder:

LOW BIDDER	ADDRESS	AMOUNT
Mesabi Bituminous, Inc.	P.O. Box 728 Gilbert, MN 55741	$1,051,354.60

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate county officials are authorized to approve the contractor's Performance Bonds and to execute the bonds and contract for the above listed project payable from:
CP 0000-213215, SP 069-090-030, TA 6916(215), Fund 220, Agency 220406, Object 652700

With additional revenue budgeted for expense:

St. Louis and Lake Counties Regional Railroad Authority	Fund 220, Agency 220406, Rev. Obj. 583101	$263,354.60

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

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Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-568
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Agency Agreement between the Minnesota Department of Transportation and St. Louis County for Road Safety Plan Updates

WHEREAS, After receiving its first County Road Safety Plan from the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) in 2012, St. Louis County has invested nearly $2.2 million dollars in highway safety projects identified by the County Road Safety Plan during the period 2013 through 2016; and

WHEREAS, Because of the county's record of implementing highway safety projects identified in the County Road Safety Plan, St. Louis County was selected to participate in the MnDOT update to the St. Louis County Road Safety Plan; and

WHEREAS, The estimated engineering cost for the update to the St. Louis County Road Safety Plan is $100,000 with 80 percent of the cost anticipated to be covered by federal funds made available by the Federal Highway Administration and a 20 percent local match of $20,000 provided by St. Louis County;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 161.36, the Commissioner of Transportation be appointed as Agent of St. Louis County to accept as its agent, federal aid funds which may be made available for eligible transportation related projects;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Chair of the County Board and County Auditor are hereby authorized and directed for and on behalf of St. Louis County to execute and enter into an agreement with the Commissioner of Transportation prescribing terms and conditions of said federal aid participation as set forth and contained in "Minnesota Department of Transportation Agency Agreement No. 1026227", a copy of which said agreement was before the County Board and which is made part hereof by reference (County Board File No. 60443), with funds for the local match to be provided by Fund 200, Agency 200008, Object 626600.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-569
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Implementation of the County Road Safety Plan and other Highway Safety Strategies on the St. Louis County Road System

WHEREAS, The first priority listed in the St. Louis County Public Works Department mission statement is safety; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County believes that traffic-related deaths on St. Louis County Roads are unacceptable and is supportive of and active in the Minnesota Toward Zero Deaths partnership; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has been recognized by the Minnesota Department of Transportation as a champion of implementing its County Road Safety Plan with its investment of $3.8 million in highway safety projects between 2009 and 2015 on St. Louis County Roads; and

WHEREAS, As a result of the cumulative efforts of educators, enforcement, engineering and emergency response professionals, there has been a 57 percent reduction in serious crashes on St. Louis County Roads between the years of 2003 and 2015; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County plans to invest $6.2 million in additional highway safety projects between 2016 and 2020 to further reduce serious crashes on County Roads; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County intends to update its County Road Safety Plan in cooperation with the Minnesota Department of Transportation to identify additional highway safety strategies;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners fully supports the efforts of the Public Works Department to continue the implementation of the County Road Safety Plan and other highway safety strategies through multiple funding sources on St. Louis County Roads;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public Works Director/Highway Engineer to apply for and accept highway safety related grants from federal, state and other sources that are consistent with implementation of the County Road Safety Plan.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-570
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Acceptance of County Veterans Service Office Operational Enhancement Grant

WIIEREAS, 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 county's veteran population to be used for the purpose of enhancing the benefits programs and services provided to Minnesota veterans; and

WHEREAS, On July 28, 2016, 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, 2017 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 conduct 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 Minnesota Laws 2015 Chapter 77, 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 2016 proposed budget is amended to include receipt of $17,500 from the MDVA, with funds deposited into Fund 100, Agency 124999, Grant 12403, Year 2016.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-571
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Abatement List for Board Approval

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the applications for abatements, correction of assessed valuations and taxes plus penalty and interest, and any additional accrual, identified in County Board File No. 60288.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-572
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

LANDesk Client Asset Management Software

WHEREAS, The Information Technology (IT) Department wishes to improve four key metrics in the way it supports county business operations including customer service and support, project management and accountability, risk management, and fiscal responsibility; and

WHEREAS, In 2016 IT has focused on expanding the capabilities of the IT Customer Service division and ticketing system to include the ability to manage county technology assets; and

WHEREAS, Currently, multiple toolsets are used creating inefficient processes that lack the standard client asset management features necessary to properly maintain St. Louis County devices; and

WHEREAS, The IT Department in coordination with the Purchasing Division issued a Request for Proposal for a new IT Client Asset Management software application; and

WHEREAS, A selection committee reviewed two software packages and rated them on features and functionality, vendor qualifications and support, proposed work plan and schedule, ease of management and maintenance, and total cost; and

WHEREAS, The selection process identified LANDesk as the preferred IT Client Asset Management software package with a total one-time cost of $138,651 with ongoing yearly software maintenance costs starting in year two in the amount of $34,899;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to execute purchase agreements and professional service contracts to purchase and implement the LANDesk Client Asset Management software package to be purchased from CDW of Vernon Hills, IL, in the amount of $138,651, payable from Fund 100, Agency 117001, Object 634801 and to update the 2017 budget to include the annual maintenance cost of $34,899.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Duluth, Minnesota, this 13th day of September, A.D., 2016.

DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-573
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Lawful Gambling Application (Gnesen Township)

RESOLVED, That pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 349.213, Subd. 2, the St. Louis County Board approves the following Lawful Gambling License Application (raffle/tipboards) on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 60394, for the following organization:

Gnesen Volunteer Fire Department, 4504 Datka Road, Duluth, MN, 55803, to conduct off-site gambling on October 15, 2016, raffle, at Gnesen Town Hall, 4011 West Pioneer Road, Duluth, MN, 55803, Gnesen Township.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-574
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Establish Public Meetings on the 2017 Property Tax and Operating Budget

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 2017 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 2017 on Thursday, December 1, 2016, 7:00 p.m., at the St. Louis County Courthouse, Virginia, MN, and Thursday, December 8, 2016, 7:00 p.m., at the St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, MN.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-575
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Resolution of LGU for James Metzen Mighty Ducks Ice Arena Grant Application

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission (MASC), via the State General Fund, provides for general funds to assist political subdivisions of the State of Minnesota for the fulfillment of the purpose and goals of the James Metzen Mighty Ducks Grant Program; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board of Commissioners desires to complete a project named "Dehumidification Project and Electric Resurfacer and Edger" at Mars Lakeview Arena located at 1201 Rice Lake Road, Duluth, MN;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

1) That the total cost of completing the project shall be $300,000 and the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners is requesting $150,000 from the James Metzen Mighty Ducks Grant Program and will assume responsibility for a matching contribution of $150,000 raised by the Mars Lakeview Arena, as outlined in the grant application submission materials.

2) That the Mars Lakeview Arena agrees to own, assume 100 percent operational costs for the facility or equipment, and will operate the facility or equipment for its intended purpose for the functional life of the facility or equipment which is estimated to be 20 years.

3) That the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners agrees to enter into necessary and required agreements with the MASC for the specific purpose of completing the project.

4) That a request for reimbursement be made to the MASC for the amount awarded after the completion of the project.

5) That Donald Dicklich, the St. Louis County Auditor/Treasurer is authorized and directed to execute said application and serve as the official liaison with the MASC.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
Office of County Auditor, ss.
County of St. Louis

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DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-576
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

HRA Proposed 2017 Levy

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Housing and Redevelopment Authority must establish a maximum proposed property tax levy and have this amount certified by the St. Louis County Board by September 15, 2016;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board certifies the Housing and Redevelopment Authority maximum property tax levy for 2017 in the amount of $212,074.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

STATE OF MINNESOTA
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County of St. Louis

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WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL OF OFFICE at Duluth, Minnesota, this 13th day of September, A.D., 2016.

DONALD DICKLICH, COUNTY AUDITOR

By
Deputy Auditor/Clerk of the County Board

Resolution
of the
Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-577
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Workers' Compensation Report

RESOLVED, That the workers' compensation report of claims by employees for work-related injuries, dated September 2, 2016, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 60274, is hereby received and ratified as payable from Fund 730, Agency 730001.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

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St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-578
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Establishment of a "True County" Assessor System

WHEREAS, Assessing property values is an essential component of Minnesota's property tax system, with property assessments defining the tax base, and consequently, who pays what share of the overall property tax levy; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board of Commissioners believes that the county's property valuation system must be constructed to be timely, uniform, and fair for all of its citizens; and

WHEREAS, To ensure equitable assessing throughout St. Louis County, the County Board established a "Blue Ribbon" Assessment Practices Review Panel charged with reviewing the mixed assessment practices, and proposing a strategy for the future; and

WHEREAS, The Assessment Practices Review Panel found the mixed assessment system to be flawed with many properties across the county being under-valued or over-valued and some not being assessed at all; and

WHEREAS, In February 2012, the Review Panel recommended a transition to a "True County" system whereby the County Assessor is responsible for all county assessing;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board establishes a "True County" Assessor System for the County of St. Louis, Minnesota to ensure that property is fairly and consistently valued in all jurisdictions and that the property tax burden is distributed equitably, as defined by the State Legislature;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the transition to a "True County" Assessor System shall become effective January 1, 2018, which is the second assessment date following adoption of this resolution.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

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Resolution
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Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-579
Offered by Commissioner: Boyle

Appointments to the CDBG Citizen Advisory Committee

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

WHEREAS, Five (5) current citizen members have requested to serve another term on the CDBG Citizen Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, There are seven (7) vacancies on this committee to be filled through an advertised application process; and

WHEREAS, The per diem for participation on the CDBG Citizens Advisory Committee has not been increased since 1992 and a request has been made to increase this amount to $50 for each meeting attended and include reimbursement for round-trip mileage at the applicable federal CONUS rate, effective January 1, 2017;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board reappoints the following citizens to the CDBG Citizen Advisory Committee with terms expiring April 30, 2019:

- Raymond Svatos (St. Louis County Association of Townships)
- Valerie Strukel (Eveleth)
- John Mulder (Hermantown)
- Ann Taray (At Large - Meadowlands)
- Jessica Rich (At Large - Floodwood)

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the County Auditor is authorized to advertise and accept applications until November 15, 2016, for seven (7) vacant positions on the CDBG Citizen Advisory Committee with terms to expire April 30, 2019 as follows:

- One representative of small cities
- One representative of northern townships
- One representative of southern townships
- One representative of Hibbing
- Three at large representatives

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the per diem for participation on the CDBG Citizens Advisory Committee will be increased to $50 for each meeting attended and include reimbursement for round-trip mileage at the applicable federal CONUS rate, effective January 12, 2017.

Commissioner Boyle moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

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Resolution
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Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-580
Offered by Commissioner: Nelson

Repurchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Prosperity House, LLC, and Hull (Non-Homestead)

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.241 authorizes repurchases of tax-forfeited land under certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, Prosperity House, LLC, and Chris Hull have both applied to repurchase tax-forfeited land addressed at 611 East 6th Street, Duluth, MN and legally described as:

CITY OF DULUTH
E1/2 LOT 3, BLOCK 5
NORTONS DIVISION OF DULUTH
Parcel Code: 010-3490-00280; and

WHEREAS, Both applicants are eligible to repurchase the property; and

WHEREAS, The applicants are unable to resolve their interests and decide who among them is to receive the title to the property;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That, in connection with the repurchase applications on file in County Board File No. 60327, the St. Louis County Board approves a joint repurchase of the property through a single repurchase contract among the county, Prosperity House, and Mr. Hull, and authorizes the appropriate county officials to negotiate and execute appropriate repurchase documents;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the approval set forth herein shall expire if Prosperity House and Mr. Hull do not execute the repurchase contract within 30 days after the date of this resolution;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That if Prosperity House and Mr. Hull comply with all of the terms and conditions of the repurchase contract, the county shall ask the State of Minnesota to issue a single deed to Prosperity House and Mr. Hull;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the repurchase amount shall be calculated in accordance with the repurchase statutes, and any amount received by the county in connection with the repurchase shall be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund);

Commissioner Nelson moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 5
Nays – Commissioner Rukavina – 1
Abstain – Commissioner Dahlberg – 1

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Resolution
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Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-581
Offered by Commissioner: Nelson

Unorganized Township Road Levy – FY 2017

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 $1,582,000 for the year 2017 to be levied only in such unorganized townships.

Commissioner Nelson moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Boyle, Dahlberg, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 5
Nays – Commissioners Rukavina and Jewell – 2

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Resolution
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St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-582
Offered by Commissioner: Rukavina

Fire Protection/First Responder Services Contracts for Unorganized Territories - 2017

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board is authorized to act on behalf of unorganized townships for purposes of furnishing fire protection and first responder services, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 365.243; and

WHEREAS, The following legally organized corporations under the State of Minnesota have notified St. Louis County of their intent to provide fire protection and/or first responder services in said townships for the year 2017;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to sign any associated contract documents;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the County Auditor is hereby authorized to spread local levies for the furnishing of fire protection and/or first responder services in unorganized townships as follows, to be accounted for in Fund 148, Agency 148001, Object 699100:

OPTION A

City of Babbitt Unorganized Townships 61-12 & 61-13	$81,885
City of Chisholm Unorganized Township 59-21 (Everything except 13041 Memory Lane through 13099 Memory Lane)	$15,914
City of Cook Unorganized Townships 62-17 & 63-17	$14,700
City of Floodwood Unorganized Township 52-21	$9,863
City of Orr Unorganized Township 63-19 & 66-20	$10,174
Bearville Township Volunteer Fire Dept. Unorganized Township 62-21	$5,132
Central Lakes Volunteer Fire Dept. Unorganized Township 56-17	$43,050

Colvin Volunteer Fire Dept. Unorganized Township 55-15 (Sections 1-21 and 29 & 30)	$10,500
Ellsburg Volunteer Fire Dept. Unorganized Township 55-15 (Sections 22-28 and 31-36)	$4,763
Embarrass Region Volunteer Fire Dept. Unorganized Township 61-14	$6,019
Evergreen Volunteer Fire Dept. Unorganized Townships 60-19 & 60-20	$23,100
French Volunteer Fire Dept. Unorganized Township 59-21 (13041 Memory Lane through 13099 Memory Lane)	$1,026
Gnesen Volunteer Fire Dept. Unorganized Township 53-15	$18,812
Greenwood Township Volunteer Fire Dept. Unorganized Township 63-15	$8,400
Lake Kabetogama Area Fire Dept. Unorganized Townships 67-20, 67-21, 68-19, 68-20, 68-21 & 69-19	$31,708
Lakeland Volunteer Fire Dept. Unorganized Township 57-16	$61,950
Makinen Volunteer Fire Dept. Unorganized Township 56-16	$46,200
Morse-Fall Lake Rural Protection Assoc. Unorganized Townships 63-14, 64-12, 64-13, 65-13 & 65-14	$26,250
Northland Volunteer Fire Dept. Unorganized Township 53-16	$18,900
Palo Regional Volunteer Fire Dept. Unorganized Townships 56-14, 57-14 & 58-14 (Sections 25-36)	$37,800

Pequaywan Lake Volunteer Fire Dept.	
Unorganized Township 54-13	$3,780
Pike-Sandy-Britt Volunteer Fire Dept.	
Unorganized Townships 59-16 & 60-18	$48,901
Silica Volunteer Fire Dept.	
Unorganized Township 55-21	$47,250

Commissioner Rukavina moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

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Resolution
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Board of County Commissioners
St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-583
Offered by Commissioner: Nelson

Certification of 2017 Maximum Property Tax Levy

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board must establish a maximum proposed property tax levy and have this amount certified to the County Auditor by the St. Louis County Board by September 30, 2016;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board certifies the maximum property tax levy for 2017 in the amount of $126,550,079.

Commissioner Nelson moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 6
Nays – Commissioner Dahlberg – 1

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Resolution
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St. Louis County, Minnesota
Adopted on: September 13, 2016 Resolution No. 16-584
Offered by Commissioner: Rukavina

Resolution Declaring a State of Local Disaster in St. Louis County

WHEREAS, The thunderstorms and high-velocity winds of September 5, 2016 producing heavy rain, wind damage, and tree blowdowns have severely impacted areas of St. Louis County, including the northern part of the Town of Biwabik, the northern part of the Town of White, with damage in Aurora and the Giant's Ridge areas; and

WHEREAS, These September thunderstorms and wind events have resulted in widespread damage to trees, powerlines and buildings producing a significant amount of property damage; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Sheriff's Office Division of Emergency Management requests that the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners declare St. Louis County in a STATE OF LOCAL DISASTER due to the September 2016 thunderstorms and tree blowdown events; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County is conducting a Damage and Impact Assessment Report for submission to Minnesota Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) to determine eligibility for state public disaster assistance in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 12B.30; and

WHEREAS, Once the initial damage assessment is completed and a disaster area has been properly declared, a disaster reassessment application must be submitted to the Minnesota Department of Revenue Executive Council for St. Louis County to be eligible for state reimbursement for Local-Option Disaster Abatements and Credits and Homestead Disaster Credits that may be afforded to affected property owners (Minn. Stat. §§ 273.1231 through 273.1235);

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners hereby declares a STATE OF LOCAL DISASTER in St. Louis County, Minnesota, due to conditions resulting from the thunderstorms, strong winds, tree blowdown and damage to property resulting from the severe thunderstorms of September 5, 2016, and requests state public disaster assistance in accordance with Minn. Stat. § 12B.30, for any eligible storm recovery activities and reimbursements for Local-Option Disaster Abatements and Credits and Homestead Disaster Credits that may be afforded to affected property owners, according to Minn. Stat. §§ 273.1231 through 273.1235.

Commissioner Rukavina moved the adoption of the Resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote:
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Dahlberg, Rukavina, Stauber, Nelson and Chair Raukar – 7
Nays – None

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