OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNTY BOARD
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA
DECEMBER 16, 2025

WASHINGTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONVENES

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. in the Washington County Government Center, County Board Room.

Present: Commissioner Fran Miron, District 1
Commissioner Stan Karwoski, District 2
Commissioner Bethany Cox, District 3
Commissioner Karla Bigham, District 4
Commissioner Michelle Clasen, District 5

Also Present: Kevin Corbid, County Administrator
John Ristad, Assistant County Attorney Division Chief
Stephanie Kammerud, Administrative Assistant

The Board recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

Board Chair Karwoski asked for comments from the public.

Washington County employees Kaitlyn McCarthy and Alex Calero, representing AFSCME Local 517 Washington County, provided statements regarding current bargaining negotiations.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Commissioner Miron moved to approve the County Board meeting agenda for December 16, 2025. Commissioner Bigham seconded the motion, and it was adopted 5-0.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner Clasen requested to remove the item pertaining to the reappointments to the Washington County citizen advisory boards, committees, and commissions for 2026.

Commissioner Bigham moved, seconded by Commissioner Cox, to adopt the Consent Calendar as follows:

1. Approval of the November 18, 2025, November 25, 2025, and December 2, 2025, County Board meeting minutes.

2. Approve a letter of support for the Comfort Lake Forest Lake Watershed District's proposal to the Board of Water and Soil Resources Water Quality and Storage grant program for Water Quality & Storage Project Modeling and Concept Design.

3. Approval to appoint Jeanine Kuwik to a first term on the Audit Advisory Committee starting January 1, 2026, and expiring December 31, 2028.

4. Approve purchase of the required additional Oracle JD Edwards EnterpriseOne (E1) licenses and associated support, funded by the Capital Technology Fund.

5. Approve Amendment No. 1 for Contract No. 16009 with Youth Service Bureau (YSB) in the amount of $194,083 for the period of January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026 for juvenile diversion services.

6. Approval for a 6-month extension of 1.0 FTE Senior Social Worker, Special Project, in the Children's Division of the Community Services Department.

7. Approve Amendment No. 1 for Contract No. 17207 with Community Action Partnership of Ramsey and Washington Counties for homeless prevention services in the amount of $100,000, bringing the contract total and amount not to exceed to $200,000, and extending the contract term to December 31, 2026.

8. Approve Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 17208 with Solid Ground for homeless prevention services in the amount of $150,000, bringing the contract total amount not to exceed to $250,000, and extending the contract term to December 31, 2026.

9. Approve Amendment No. 5 to Contract No. 16077 with Country Services Inc. for case management services to extend the term of the contract through December 31, 2028, and add $228,000 per year for 2026, 2027, and 2028, for a new contract total of $1,144,314.

10. Approve Amendment No. 2 to Contract No. 16203 with Accord for case management services to extend the term of the contract through December 31, 2028, and add $43,000 per year for 2026, 2027, and 2028, for a new contract total of $192,000.

11. Approve Amendment No. 3 to Contract No. 16214 with Shakir Consulting Services for case management services to extend the term of the contract through December 31, 2028, and add $51,000 per year for 2026, 2027, and 2028, for a new contract total of $235,500.

12. Approve Amendment No. 3 to Contract No. 16134 with SkyNorth Software in the amount of $100,040.00, bringing the total contract value to $529,837.05, for the period of February 6, 2024, to December 31, 2026, with the option to amend and renew until the cooperative contract expires on August 31, 2027.

13. Approve Contract No. 17873 to renew the library service agreement between the Stillwater Public Library and Washington County.

14. Approve Contract No. 17871 to renew the library service agreement between the Bayport Public Library and Washington County.

15. Approval of agreements related to the Washington County Septic and Well Low Interest Loan Program, and authorization for the County Board Chair and/or County Administrator to enter into the agreements.

16. Approval of **Resolution No. 2025-135** as follows:

RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT AND CONTINUE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STATE'S AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES PREVENTION AID PROGRAM

WHEREAS, aquatic invasive species (AIS) are non-native aquatic organisms that invade water beyond their natural and historical range and have long-term implications for our environment, economy and human health; and

WHEREAS, the majority of AIS infestations in Minnesota are caused by the unintentional transfer of AIS through boats, trailers, live wells, bilge water, bait buckets, ballast water from barges, boat lifts, docks and other recreational equipment; and

WHEREAS, 28 lakes and 2 rivers in Washington County are now on the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources' Infested Waters List including those affected by Eurasian watermilfoil (Alice, Big Marine, Bone, Camp Galilee, Clear, Colby, DeMontreville, Elmo, Forest, Goose, Horseshoe, Jane, Long (four distinct lakes), Mud, Olson, Pine Tree, Plaisted, Powers, Sunfish, Sunnybrook, Sunset, White Bear, and Wilmes lakes; Mississippi and St. Croix rivers), flowering rush (Forest Lake, Mississippi River), zebra mussels (Big Carnelian, Big Marine, Bone, Clear, Forest, Jane, Little Carnelian, Long, Olson and White Bear lakes; Mississippi and St. Croix rivers); and bighead, grass and silver carp (Mississippi River and St. Croix rivers); and

WHEREAS, Washington County's Battle Creek, Oneka, Square, Tanners, and other lakes are not yet affected by AIS; and

WHEREAS, A Minnesota State Management Plan for Invasive Species was completed in 2009 outlining effective and known strategies for addressing AIS in Minnesota and an updated version of this state plan titled A Minnesota Management Plan for Invasive Species was approved in 2022; and

WHEREAS, the Minnesota State Legislature passed MN Statute 477A.19 Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Aid in 2014 providing counties with $10 million annually with the amount designated for each county based on the number of watercraft trailer launches and watercraft trailer parking spaces; and

WHEREAS, the AIS Prevention Aid results in a 2026 allocation of $143,718 (based on 25 watercraft trailer launches x $2,217 per launch) plus (388 watercraft trailer parking spaces x $228 per space); and

WHEREAS, acceptance of this funding requires Washington County to establish, by resolution or through adoption of a plan, guidelines for the use of the proceeds which are to prevent the introduction or limit the spread of aquatic invasive species at all access sites within the county; and

WHEREAS, the county may appropriate the proceeds directly or may use any portion of the proceeds to provide funding for a joint powers board or cooperative agreement with another political subdivision, a soil and water conservation district in the county, a watershed district in the county, or a lake association located in the county; and

WHEREAS, Washington County plans to utilize funds to work the Washington Conservation District and other partners for the provision of activities to prevent the spread of AIS including watercraft inspections, AIS training and coordination with local law enforcement, public awareness, and/or prevention and management projects within the scope of activities in the State's AIS framework ; and

WHEREAS, the County must submit a copy of its resolution or plan to the Department of Natural Resources by December 31, 2025.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Commissioners of Washington County, Minnesota accepts and will continue to implement the state's Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Aid; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners will submit this resolution to the DNR for acceptance pursuant to applicable Minnesota laws and rules.

17. Approval to increase the full-time equivalent (FTE) of two existing positions within the Department of Public Health and Environment: 0.06 FTE Community Nutrition Specialist for WIC services; and 0.2 FTE Planner II/Senior for the Planning and Performance Management Team.

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

Commissioner Miron moved to approve the reappointments to the Washington County citizen advisory boards, committees, and commissions for 2026. Commissioner Bigham seconded the motion, and it adopted 4-1 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Miron, Cox, Bigham, and Karwoski. Nay, Commissioner Clasen.

PUBLIC WORKS

Resolution to Update the Eligibility List for the County Transportation Sales Tax

Public Works Deputy Director Frank Ticknor presented a resolution to update the eligibility list for the County Transportation Sales Tax (CTST). Mr. Ticknor reported that the CTST authorizes counties to implement a transportation sales and use tax to fund transportation projects. Counties may impose a transportation sales tax of up to 0.5% on taxable retail sales and an excise tax of $20 per motor vehicle purchased from a retail seller within the county. The revenues must be dedicated exclusively to capital cost for transportation projects and/or transit operating costs. The funds can only be used on projects designated by the County Board through a project eligibility list.

Mr. Ticknor reported that as a reminder, the Counties Transit Improvement Board (CTIB) implemented a region-wide 0.5% sales tax from 2008 to 2017, to deliver transit projects throughout the region. When CTIB dissolved, the county implemented a 0.25% County Transportation Sales Tax (CTST) for county-specific transit projects. In 2021, the County Board increased the CTST to 0.5%, the maximum allowed by state statute, with 50% dedicated to transit and the other 50% dedicated to road and bridge improvements. This split, as well as the eligibility list, was adopted through a board resolution at that time.

Mr. Ticknor reported that the current CTST eligibility list includes 21 Road & Bridge projects and 6 Transit improvements. The types of improvements expected on these transit and highway segments include road reconstruction or expansion, pavement rehabilitation, intersection improvements, new road/transit alignment, and supporting transportation facilities. Mr. Ticknor emphasized that this eligibility list is not a directive, but serves as a tool to identify a funding source that may be applied on a project when the timing is right, rather than a fixed schedule of projects to be completed by a certain date. Public Works references this list when updating the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). The specific funding needs for each project are determined through the development of each project and reviewed with the board through the CIP process.

Mr. Ticknor reported that since 2023, Public Works has been evaluating how best to update the eligible project lists for Road & Bridge and Transit. In general, Public Works uses a variety of project development tools to identify potential projects and are now in the final stages of creating a new tool, the Long-Range Transportation Plan, which is expected to be adopted in early 2026. With the Long-Range Transportation Plan completing in 2026, Public Works recommends a full analysis and update of the eligibility list as part of the 2027-2031 CIP development process. This recommendation has been reviewed internally and discussed with the Capital Planning Leadership Committee in both March and May of this year.

Mr. Ticknor reported that modifying the eligibility list requires a public hearing, which was held on November 25, 2025. Public Works recommends adding CIP project #RB-2685, County Road 19A to 100th Street, to the CTST eligibility list.

Commissioner Bigham moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2025-136** as follows:

RESOLUTION APPROVING AN UPDATED PROJECT ELIGIBILITY LIST, EXHIBIT A, ASSOCIATED WITH THE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION SALES AND USE TAX

WHEREAS, County Infrastructure serves as the foundation for economic development in the county and the region; and

WHEREAS, Washington County has shown a strong commitment over the years to funding needed infrastructure improvements, for roads, bridges and transit, to support our growing and vibrant county; and

WHEREAS, the county has been diligent in minimizing the impacts to property taxes whenever possible, by seeking and leveraging non property tax revenue sources, including state and federal funding, wheelage tax, local option sales taxes, and more; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners authorized and implemented a 0.5% sales and use tax and an excise tax of $20 per motor vehicle as provided for in Minnesota Statutes Section 297A.993, imposed on October 1, 2021, for the purpose of funding transit and road and bridge improvements; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds of such a Transportation Tax must be spent on projects designated on the Washington County Transportation Sales, Use and Excise Tax – Project Eligibility List, or as otherwise denominated by the county consistent with Minnesota Statutes Section 297A.993, subdivision 2; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Commissioners desires to add one project, County Road 19A – 100th Street Realignment, to the eligibility list; for which the required public hearing has been held on November 25, 2025, and which Project Eligibility List is adopted herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Board of Commissioners hereby adopts the Updated Project Eligibility List, which is attached as Exhibit A, updated on December 16, 2025, to this resolution and is on file with the clerk of the board.

Commissioner Cox seconded the motion, and it was adopted 4-1 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Miron, Cox, Bigham, and Karwoski. Nay, Commissioner Clasen.

Property Purchase in the City of Lake Elmo

Public Works Director Wayne Sandberg presented a request to approve a purchase agreement and lease agreement to advance the County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 17/Trunk Highway (TH) 36 Interchange Project. Mr. Sandberg reported that the CSAH 17 (Lake Elmo Avenue)/TH 36 Interchange Project is programmed in Washington County's Capital Improvement Plan as project #RB-2674.

Mr. Sandberg reported that acquisition of right-of-way and associated easements has been authorized for Washington County to acquire the entire property at 5900 Lake Elmo Avenue North in Lake Elmo, owned by River Valley Christian Church (RVCC). Because RVCC is a nonprofit religious institution, the property is subject to statutory protections under Minnesota law, requiring voluntary agreement for acquisition. During negotiations, the county and project partners evaluated alternative designs, costs, impacts and timelines, should a settlement not be reached.

Mr. Sandberg reported that the final purchase amount for the property is $7,350,000, which reflects compensation for relocation, reestablishment, and administrative settlement in lieu of redesign. In addition, as part of the negotiated settlement, RVCC will lease the property back from the county until May 31, 2026. This arrangement is formalized in a separate lease agreement, which provides RVCC time to transition to a new facility while allowing the county to maintain its project schedule.

Commissioner Cox moved to approve the purchase agreement and lease agreement with River Valley Christian Church for property located at 5900 Lake Elmo Avenue, Lake Elmo, Minnesota, to advance the CSAH 17/TH 36 Interchange Project. Commissioner Miron seconded the motion, and it was adopted 4-1 as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Miron, Cox, Bigham, and Karwoski. Nay, Commissioner Clasen.

Resolutions to Adopt the 2026 Washington County Budget

County Administrator Kevin Corbid presented resolutions to adopt the county's 2026 budget and levy. Mr. Corbid summarized the budget process, which began with a workshop in March, and led to a required public budget meeting on December 2. Between those two meetings, the Office of Administration met with departments to create its recommended 2026 budget. Public workshops were held in July and August with all departments, and the board approved its proposed budget and levy in September. Mr. Corbid noted that all of the information that was shared in those public meetings can be found on the county website.

Mr. Corbid reported that the 2026 budget includes revenue and expenses that total just more than $435 million, which funds the work of approximately 1,500 county employees. The property tax levy is a 6.95% increase over the 2025 levy. Washington County's levy increase is the smallest of any of the seven metropolitan counties. Key factors influencing the 2026 budget are the increasing costs of goods and services from inflationary pressures and tariffs, the cost of wages and benefits, and State and Federal changes, such as the cost for Minnesota Paid Leave and cost shifts in the areas of SNAP benefits and Medicaid. The 2026 budget addresses the most pressing issues for the county and keeps us moving forward, with consideration for the property tax impact on property tax payers.

Resolution Certifying the Adopted Property Tax Levy Payable 2026 for Washington County

Commissioner Miron moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2025-137** as follows:

RESOLUTION CERTIFYING PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY
FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY PAYABLE 2026

The Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby certify to the Washington County Auditor-Treasurer the following proposed tax levy for payable 2026:

Washington County $150,162,700

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

Resolution Certifying the Adopted Property Tax Levy Payable 2026 for Washington County Regional Rail Authority

Commissioner Bigham moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2025-138** as follows:

RESOLUTION CERTIFYING PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY
FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL RAIL AUTHORITY
PAYABLE 2026

The Washington County Board of Commissioners does hereby certify to the Washington County Auditor-Treasurer the following proposed tax levy for payable 2026:

Regional Rail Authority $660,000

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

Washington County

Resolution Adopting the Washington County 2026 Budget

Commissioner Miron moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2025-139** as follows:

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE
WASHINGTON COUNTY
Adopted BUDGET FOR PAYABLE 2026

OPERATING FUNDS	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE OTHER THAN LEVY	PLANNED USE OF FUND BALANCE	GROSS LEVY	STATE AID (CPA)	CERTIFIED LEVY
General	$183,340,900	$92,711,500	1,867,800	$88,761,600	$14,515,600	$74,246,000
Community Services	$68,560,800	$40,176,000	0	$28,384,800	$0	$28,384,800
Library	$11,096,900	$693,200	0	$10,403,700	$0	$10,403,700
Parks	$5,050,800	$2,452,200	8,400	$2,590,200	$0	$2,590,200
Public Works	$31,894,500	$20,976,000	0	$10,918,500	$0	$10,918,500
Subtotal:	**$299,943,900**	**$157,008,900**	**1,876,200**	**$141,058,800**	**$14,515,600**	**$126,543,200**
CAPITAL PROJECT FUNDS						
Capital Bond Projects	$0	$0	0	$0	$0	$0
Capital Parks Projects	$1,845,000	$1,845,000	0	$0	$0	$0
Capital Projects - Other	$13,568,000	$5,742,400	1,000,000	$6,825,600	$0	$6,825,600
Capital Land & Water Legacy	$0	$0	0	$0	$0	$0
Capital Repairs	$2,000,000	$1,332,800	667,200	$0	$0	$0
Capital Road & Bridge	$100,044,900	$95,344,900	4,700,000	$0	$0	$0
Subtotal:	**$117,457,900**	**$104,265,100**	**6,367,200**	**$6,825,600**	**$0**	**$6,825,600**
DEBT SERVICE FUNDS						
Debt Service - General	$15,582,800	$0	0	$15,582,800	$0	$15,582,800
Debt Service - Referendum	$1,211,100	$0	0	$1,211,100	$0	$1,211,100
Subtotal:	**$16,793,900**	**$0**	**0**	**$16,793,900**	**$0**	**$16,793,900**
Total Proposed Budget:	**$434,195,700**	**$261,274,000**	**8,243,400**	**$164,678,300**	**$14,515,600**	**$150,162,700**
Total Washington County Proposed 2026 Levy:				**$164,678,300**	**$14,515,600**	**$150,162,700**

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

Washington County

Resolution Adopting the Washington County Regional Rail Authority 2026 Budget

Commissioner Karwoski moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2025-140** as follows:

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE
WASHINGTON COUNTY REGIONAL RAIL AUTHORITY
Adopted BUDGET FOR PAYABLE 2026

SPECIAL REVENUE FUND	EXPENDITURES	OPERATING TRANSFERS AND REVENUE OTHER THAN LEVY	FUND BALANCE (Contrib)/Use	GROSS LEVY	STATE AID (CPA)	CERTIFIED LEVY
Regional Rail Authority	$849,800	$189,800	$0	$660,000	$0	$660,000
Total Proposed Budget:	**$849,800**	**$189,800**	**$0**	**$660,000**	**$0**	**$660,000**
Total Washington County Regional Rail Proposed 2026 Levy:				**$660,000**	**$0**	**$660,000**

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

Resolution Consenting to the Adopted Property Tax Levy Payable 2026 for the Washington County Community Development Agency

Commissioner Miron moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2025-141** as follows:

RESOLUTION CONSENTING TO THE PROPOSED PROPERTY TAX LEVY FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AGENCY PAYABLE 2026

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

Washington County Community Development Agency $7,079,361

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

Washington County

PUBLIC WORKS

Resolution to Adopt the 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan

Public Works Deputy Director Frank Ticknor presented a resolution to adopt the 2026-2030 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). Mr. Ticknor reported that the CIP covers a five-year period, and contains capital projects for the years 2026 through 2030, and the 2026 projects in the CIP are part of the 2026 proposed budget. The CIP is a multi-year planning and budgeting tool that assists the county in prioritizing current and future needs. By state statute, any project that will be funded by bond proceeds is required to be included in the Capital Improvement Plan. Also included are projects primarily budgeted in the county's Capital Funds, Regional Rail fund, and Gold Line fund.

Mr. Ticknor presented a chart of the five-year investment of the CIP, which is approximately $493 million. This includes general obligation bonds in 2027 of $40 million. The CIP contains 105 projects: 16 projects/plans for Parks and Land with approximately $17 million in planned investment; 21 projects/programs for Public Facilities with approximately $132 million in planned investment; and 68 projects/programs for Road & Bridge with approximately $343 million in planned investment.

Mr. Ticknor reported on the CIP expenditures by categories. Parks & Land is 4% of total CIP investment and includes capital investment or major maintenance activity in county parks and trails. Public Facilities is 27% of total CIP investment and includes the construction, expansion, or major remodels of county buildings. It is noteworthy that the potential 2027 general obligation bond sale of $40 million is included in the Public Facilities category for the Park Grove Library, R.H. Stafford Library, and the South Shop project. Road & Bridge is the largest share of projects at 69% of total costs and includes road & bridge construction projects, which includes standalone trail projects, the pavement preservation program, traffic signal program, as well as transit projects, such as the Gold Line project.

Mr. Ticknor reported on the CIP funding sources. The largest portion of funding comes from Intergovernmental Revenues at 45%, which includes various state funding sources, such as highway state aid, federal grants, and local contributions. The County Transportation Sales Tax also represents a major funding source over the next five years, including 3% for Transit and 10% for Road & Bridge. Also included are a variety of smaller funding sources such as the county Wheelage Tax, Transmission Line Tax, Capital Repair Fund, Bond Proceeds, and Transportation Advancement Account. The other category includes private funds, operating transfers, and other contributions. Other Bonds include Metropolitan Council and State Bonds requests.

Mr. Ticknor reported that the 2026-2030 CIP was developed with financial considerations, policy documents, city and township engagement, and technical review. On October 7, 2025, the County Board reviewed the draft 2026-2030 CIP at a workshop. Following the workshop, the CIP was posted on the county website for review and comment. Comments were received from the cities of Afton, Cottage Grove, Forest Lake, Hastings, Hugo, Lake Elmo, Marine on St. Croix, Oakdale, Scandia, St. Paul Park, Woodbury, Stillwater Township and West Lakeland Township. A public hearing was held on November 25, 2025, and since the public hearing, six additional emails were received.

Commissioner Bigham moved to adopt **Resolution No. 2025-142** as follows:

ADOPTION OF THE 2026-2030
WASHINGTON COUNTY CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners has formulated the 2026-2030 Washington County Capital Improvement Plan, which covers a five-year period from the date of its adoption and sets forth the estimated schedule, timing, and details of the specific capital improvements by year, the estimated cost; the need for the particular improvement; and the sources of revenue to pay for the improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners released the draft version of the proposed 2026-2030 Washington County Capital Improvement Plan to the communities of Washington County on October 7, 2025, for the purpose of receiving written comments; and

WHEREAS, the Washington County Board of Commissioners, after public notice, conducted a public hearing on November 25, 2025, for the purpose of receiving public comments on the proposed 2026-2030 Washington County Capital Improvement Plan; and

WHEREAS, in passing the aforesaid Plan, the County Board of Commissioners has considered the following for each project to be funded with Capital Improvement Bonds:

1) The condition of the County's existing infrastructure, including the projected need for repair or replacement;
2) the likely demand for the improvement;
3) the estimated cost of the improvement;
4) the available public resources;
5) the level of overlapping debt in the County;
6) the relative benefits and costs of alternative uses of the funds;
7) operating costs of the proposed improvements; and
8) alternatives for providing services more efficiently through shared facilities with other counties or local government units.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Washington County Board of Commissioners adopts the 2026-2030 Washington County Capital Improvement Plan, which is attached hereto.

Commissioner Miron seconded the motion, and it was adopted 4-1 with a Roll Call vote as follows: Ayes, Commissioners Miron, Cox, Bigham, and Karwoski. Nay, Commissioner Clasen.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioners reported on meetings and other events they attended. Please see archived livestreaming of the board meeting for full commissioner reports on the county's website washingtoncountymn.gov under "County Board of Commissioners."

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE

No board correspondence was received.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the County Board, Commissioner Bigham moved to adjourn. Commissioner Clasen seconded the motion, and it was adopted 5-0.

The County Board meeting adjourned at 11:41 a.m.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE

The board met in workshop session for an overview of a potential project to transition the Sheriff's Records Management System (RMS) from on-premise hosting to a cloud environment. Present for the workshop were Commissioners Miron, Karwoski, Cox, Bigham, and Clasen. Also present were Kevin Corbid, Jan Lucke, Jennifer Wagenius, and county staff.

BOARD WORKSHOP WITH ADMINISTRATION

The board met in workshop session to review the proposed 2026 legislative platform. Present for the workshop were Commissioners Miron, Karwoski, Cox, Bigham, and Clasen. Also present were Kevin Corbid, Jan Lucke, Jennifer Wagenius, outside agencies, and county staff.

Attest:

Kevin Corbid

Kevin Corbid
County Administrator

Stan Karwoski

Stan Karwoski
County Board Chair