

**City of Ramsey
Weekly Update
January 31, 2013**

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Meeting Date: 01/31/2013

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Form Review

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Tuesday, February 5, 2013

5:30 p.m. - City Council Work Session – Lake Itasca Room

Immediately Following Work Session - Special HRA – Lake Itasca Room

Preview of Next Week

NorthMetro Chamber of Commerce 2012 Excellence in Business Awards Luncheon – Tuesday, February 5, 2013 – Majestic Oaks, 701 Bunker Lake Blvd, Ham Lake. Registration begins at 11:30 followed by the luncheon and award ceremony at noon. Featured speaker is Kieran Folliard, founder of 2 Gingers whiskey. The 2012 Business Award winners are **Acapulco restaurant** (Products), **Running Aces Harness Park** (Services), and **The Power Within, Marisa Reyes** (Micro Business).

City Council Work Session (5:30 p.m. – LIR)

- Consider Bury & Carlson request to terminate Lease Agreement
- Review 2013 Parks Capital Improvements
- Discussion Regarding the Economic Development Manager Position
- Discussion Regarding 2013 Union Contract Negotiations for AFSCME, LELS-Patrol and LELS-Sergeants (Discussion Closed to the Public)
- Review Proposal From Elwyn Tinklenberg re Legislative Consulting Services
- Discuss Dates for Joint City Council Meeting with City of Anoka

Special HRA (Immediately Following CCWS – LIR)

- Consider Alternate Platting Scenario - COR TWO
- Consider potential land use and sale of land - Southwest corner of Ramsey Boulevard and Sunwood Drive (Portions may be closed to the public)
- Consider proposed change to purchase agreement - Edgewood Development (Portions may be closed to the public)

Council Update

Governor Dayton's LGA Program Proposal. Staff received a copy of our Governors' Local Government aid proposed and impact to Ramsey. *Attached to the Weekly Update is a Copy of Governor Dayton's LGA Program Proposal.*

Flaherty & Collins Project Tour. A tour of the Flaherty & Collins project is being offered Tuesday, February 26 – one at noon – and one at 4:00 p.m. Jo has sent a calendar request out to the Mayor and Council for each of these times. If any Staff is interested, please inform Kurt. The plan is to meet in the main foyer at City Hall prior to the tour.

Department Highlights:

Admin

- Attended a Business Expansion and Retention meeting put on by Greater MSP for Anoka County. Greater MSP is a metro-wide economic development organization.

Building Maintenance

- Snow and ice removal on parking lots and walks
- Repair broken paper shredder for administration
- Relocate finance department awards to new area

City Clerk

- Scheduling, ordering food, RSVP's & check requests for various luncheons/events
- Proofing/editing minutes and forwarding information for execution of resolutions
- Completed International Institute of Municipal Clerks salary survey

Finance

- Complete W2's
- Annual Report of Outstanding Indebtedness to Anoka County
- Close out projects to respective funding sources for 2012

Fire

- Notable Responses
 - 1/25- Water flow from suppression system in the 7300 block of Bunker Lake Blvd. Unit arrived to find a leaking sprinkler pipe due to freezing/thawing. Crews shut down and drained suppression system.
 - 1/29- Unresponsive female at home in the 18000 block of Erkium. Patient had flu and was dehydrated. Transported by Allina
 - 1/29- P.I. accident on Hwy 10 at Sunfish Lake Blvd. Unit arrived to a 2 vehicle accident with minor injuries. Crews assisted with traffic and road clean up.
- Fire Administration
 - Completed FAQ's for CRM requests
 - Attended Youth First meeting for interest in firefighting
 - Review of shared services data
- Training this week: Major Maintenance

HR

- Scored City Engineer applications and scheduled interviews
- Prepared staff reports and supporting documentation
- Met with staff from Anoka Technical College's Professional Workforce Training Division

IT

- Worked in conjunction with LOGIS to reconfigured our VPN environment in order to simplify authentication and redistribute appropriate permissions to user. Also, added three new tokens for the IT Specialist, HR Manager and Management Analyst positions in order for them to have the opportunity to do work outside the office. Contractors from Zayo were out installing ground wires and testing the data connection of the new fiber network early this week. The testing process wasn't scheduled to start for another month, but they are well underway already. Testing should be completed in early March if all goes well at the other sites.

- Working with Captain Jeff Katers in order to create two PD computer images that will, in turn, allow us to quickly build PD computers in minutes rather than hours. This will reduce staff time spent doing updates and installations on the computers when setting them up initially and reduce turn-around time if they break down.

Planning/Building

- Conference call re: status update of Stoney River. Building Permit expected to be issued in approximately 30 days.
- Conference call re: revised schedule for Alternative Urbanwide Area Review (AUAR) for The COR. Anticipate a request to order update in April.
- Staff is working on scheduling a Planning Commission Work Session in February to review multiple concept plans for potential future developments.

Police

- **In need of Daycare.** Officers received a call of a six month old left unattended at a licensed in-home day care. The complainant indicated that she arrived to pick her son up from daycare and found the lights off as she entered the residence. She located her son in a bouncy chair in a room with no one around. The daycare provider was located and stated she forgot the child was there and had left to go to Wal-Mart. There was a 16 year old home but he was unaware that the child was there. The complainant wanted the daycare provider charged. The provider was charged with Child Endangerment, a gross misdemeanor. Anoka County Child Protection was notified.
- **Animal Identification.** An officer was dispatched to a call of a porcupine in the garage of a Ramsey residence. The officer located a muskrat in the corner of the garage but was unable to get the animal out. The complainant was given the phone number of an exterminator to assist her. The following morning, the complainant contacted the police department three times requesting further assistance in getting the animal out of the garage. She stated that the person that the officer suggested was too expensive and she wanted an officer to come back and remove the animal. She was advised to try other exterminators to assist her.
- **Good News.** Chief Way had an opportunity to discuss public safety with Congresswoman Michele Bachmann at her new office in Anoka this past week. Bachmann indicated that Hwy #10 improvements are going to be her number one priority.

Public Works

- Winter returned on Sunday with a quick 2" of snow. The original forecast was freezing rain, so PW crews were out early Sunday afternoon spreading salt to hopefully prevent the rain from bonding to our main roads. We were fortunate and the moisture turned over to snow almost immediately. PW crews were back in Sunday night to plow off our arterial routes and re-apply salt with that shift ending at about 9:30pm. The full crew was back in for the 3rd time at 2am to start city wide plowing. Monday night was more of the same with the crew called back in at 0130 to salt our streets citywide because of freezing rain. Thanks to all our drivers for making our city streets as safe as possible.

Utilities

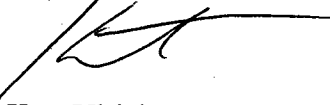
- The public works on-call person was dispatched to retrieve a fire hydrant that was struck and broken off after a vehicle struck it over the weekend. This happened in the Brookfield development on 170th Trail. The hydrant appears as though it was dragged down the roadway due to the damage to the hydrant. Repairs to the hydrant will be made including new paint and then the hydrant will be re-installed and put into service.

- Continue to clean out after the weekend storm. All water towers, pump houses, etc. have been plowed and salt/sand added to icy spots

Save the Date:

- **Anoka Area Chamber of Commerce State of the Cities Luncheon** – Tuesday, February 12, 2013 – Harvest Grill at Bunker Hills. Registration begins at 11:00 a.m. followed by lunch and program from 11:30 to 1:00 p.m. RSVP's are necessary; therefore, a meeting request was sent to Mayor and each Councilmember to either accept or decline.
- **Anoka Area Chamber of Commerce Casino Royale Gala Dinner Fundraiser** – February 22, 2013 – New Location This Year – Greenhaven Golf & Banquet Center, Anoka. Dinner starts at 7:00 p.m. The City has ordered a table at the event. *Attached to the Weekly Update is a Flyer for the Anoka Area Chamber of Commerce Casino Royal Gala.*
- **The Mayor's Trail Ride** has been rescheduled for February 23, 2013, due to lack of snow.
- **Flaherty & Collins Project Tour** – February 26, 2013 – noon and 4:00 p.m. Meet in main foyer of City Hall.

Best regards,



Kurt Ulrich
City Administrator

Attachments: Copy of Governor Dayton's LGA Program Proposal
 Anoka County Press Releases – Commission Rhonda Sivarajah Elected Anoka County Board Chair
 Anoka County Press Releases – Commissioner Matt Look Elected Anoka County Board Vic Chair
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SUMMARY: GOV. DAYTON'S LGA PROGRAM PROPOSAL

Gov. Dayton has proposed replacing the current LGA program with a new Formula that has three major factors:

1. Public Safety & Street Needs (75% of LGA)
 - a. Based on three year average expenditure 2008-2010
 - b. Remains constant
 - c. Modeled on average city spending at different population levels
2. Percent of tax exempt parcels (12.5% of LGA)
 - a. Excludes city owned and bare lands
 - b. Based on tax record status on parcels
 - c. Calculated at \$65 per percentage point
3. Percent of housing built pre-1970 (12.5% of LGA)
 - a. Change from current pre-1940 factor
 - b. Recognizes need for updating post war housing stock
 - c. Reflects concurrent need do update infrastructure

Details include a transition period:

1. All 729 cities currently receiving LGA get a \$30/capita increase for 2014
2. Full implementation in 2018
3. Subsequent year changes limited:
 - a. Annual change limited to \$10 per capita (no less \$\$ for 3-4 years)
 - b. Annual reductions limited to \$300,000

Ability to Pay: City Tax Base (adjusted net tax capacity) times the average city tax rate.

Unmet Need: Revenue need minus ability to pay- IF wealth exceeds needs, no aid.

Notes:

1. Senate Tax Committee Chair is Sen. Rod Skoe
2. Senate President is Sen. Tom Bakk
3. Senate Tax Reform Division Chair is Sen. Ann Rest
4. House Tax Committee Chair is Rep. Ann Lenczewski
5. LGA formula run shows distinct Metro trend

GOVERNOR DAYTON'S LOCAL GOVERNMENT AID PROGRAM PROPOSAL: 1-22-2013

City	2012 Total Tax Capacity	2011 Population	TT Capacity Per Capita	2013 Certified LGA	Gov's Proposed 2014	Gov's Proposed Increase	Gov's Proposed 2018	Gov's Proposed Increase
Andover	\$ 23,449,581	30,847	\$ 760	\$ -	\$ 77,748	\$ 77,748	\$ 489,865	\$ 489,865
Anoka	\$ 13,398,784	17,331	\$ 773	\$ 901,095	\$ 1,421,025	\$ 519,930	\$ 2,114,265	\$ 1,213,170
Brooklyn Center	\$ 18,668,118	30,204	\$ 618	\$ 411,378	\$ 1,317,498	\$ 906,120	\$ 2,525,658	\$ 2,114,280
Brooklyn Park	\$ 58,797,178	76,238	\$ 771	\$ -	\$ 905,632	\$ 905,632	\$ 3,955,152	\$ 3,955,152
Champlin	\$ 18,286,284	23,223	\$ 787	\$ -	\$ 107,665	\$ 107,665	\$ 678,364	\$ 678,364
Circle Pines	\$ 3,303,142	4,922	\$ 671	\$ 152,142	\$ 299,802	\$ 147,660	\$ 430,191	\$ 278,049
Coon Rapids	\$ 48,217,805	61,766	\$ 781	\$ -	\$ 694,597	\$ 694,597	\$ 3,165,237	\$ 3,165,237
Lexington	\$ 1,248,635	2,074	\$ 602	\$ 335,280	\$ 397,620	\$ 62,340	\$ 314,500	\$ (20,780)
Maple Grove	\$ 86,497,634	62,436	\$ 1,385	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Mounds View	\$ 11,165,353	12,136	\$ 920	\$ 232,078	\$ 596,158	\$ 364,080	\$ 1,081,598	\$ 849,520
New Hope	\$ 16,851,982	20,486	\$ 823	\$ 41,843	\$ 656,423	\$ 614,580	\$ 1,475,863	\$ 1,434,020
Osseo	\$ 2,595,761	2,430	\$ 1,068	\$ 634,438	\$ 707,338	\$ 72,900	\$ 610,138	\$ (24,300)
Ramsey	\$ 20,606,344	23,865	\$ 863	\$ -	\$ 33,600	\$ 33,600	\$ 211,705	\$ 211,705
Spring Lake Park	\$ 5,202,819	6,432	\$ 809	\$ -	\$ 66,580	\$ 66,580	\$ 323,860	\$ 323,860
Members	\$ 328,289,420	374,390	\$ 877	\$ 2,708,254	\$ 7,281,686	\$ 4,573,432	\$ 17,376,396	\$ 14,668,142
Arden Hills	\$ 14,039,499	9,381	\$ 1,497	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Blaine	\$ 57,953,252	58,331	\$ 994	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Columbia Heights	\$ 11,228,806	19,619	\$ 572	\$ 895,180	\$ 1,483,750	\$ 588,570	\$ 2,268,510	\$ 1,373,330
Columbus	\$ 5,033,928	3,919	\$ 1,284	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Corcoran	\$ 7,137,207	5,390	\$ 1,324	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Crystal	\$ 14,768,222	22,168	\$ 666	\$ 1,455,066	\$ 2,120,106	\$ 665,040	\$ 2,631,497	\$ 1,176,431
Dayton	\$ 5,370,438	4,743	\$ 1,132	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Fridley	\$ 29,269,729	27,515	\$ 1,064	\$ 759,414	\$ 1,584,864	\$ 825,450	\$ 1,248,844	\$ 489,430
Ham Lake	\$ 15,045,315	15,374	\$ 979	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Lino Lakes	\$ 17,999,453	20,505	\$ 878	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
New Brighton	\$ 20,928,345	21,496	\$ 974	\$ -	\$ 238,750	\$ 238,750	\$ 1,098,590	\$ 1,098,590
Oak Grove	\$ 6,650,456	8,045	\$ 827	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Plymouth	\$ 105,039,603	71,263	\$ 1,474	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Robbinsdale	\$ 8,966,302	14,014	\$ 640	\$ 1,170,849	\$ 1,591,269	\$ 420,420	\$ 1,705,799	\$ 534,950
Roseville	\$ 51,055,871	33,807	\$ 1,510	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Shoreview	\$ 29,767,430	25,118	\$ 1,185	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
St. Anthony Village	\$ 8,573,245	8,333	\$ 1,029	\$ -	\$ 22,360	\$ 22,360	\$ 140,881	\$ 140,881
Non Members	\$ 408,827,101	369,021	\$ 1,108	\$ 4,280,509	\$ 7,041,099	\$ 2,760,590	\$ 9,094,121	\$ 4,813,612
NMMA Area Cities	\$ 737,116,521	743,411	\$ 992	\$ 6,988,763	\$ 14,322,785	\$ 7,334,022	\$ 26,470,517	\$ 19,481,754
All Metro Cities	\$ 3,129,912,940	2,796,800	\$ 1,119	\$ 133,582,742	\$ 168,875,422	\$ 35,292,680	\$ 190,971,930	\$ 57,389,188
Greater MN Cities	\$ 1,074,495,284	1,574,812	\$ 682	\$ 293,911,898	\$ 337,562,590	\$ 43,650,692	\$ 315,466,082	\$ 21,554,184
All State Cities	\$ 4,204,408,224	4,371,612	\$ 962	\$ 427,494,640	\$ 506,438,012	\$ 78,943,372	\$ 506,438,012	\$ 78,943,372



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Commissioner Rhonda Sivarajah Elected Anoka County Board Chair

For the third consecutive year, Anoka County Commissioner Rhonda Sivarajah was elected chair of the seven-member county board at its recent organizational meeting. Commissioner Matt Look was elected vice chair.

Sivarajah has been a member of the county board since 2003. In addition to her duties as board chair, she will serve as chair of the county's Airport and Human Services Committees and the Anoka County/Blaine Airport (Janes Field) N.W. Building Area Joint Powers Board. She was named vice chair of the county's Management Committee and will serve on the Internal Audit; Finance & Capital Improvements; Public Works; Web Oversight; Wetlands Review; Benefits and Compensation; and Ag Preservations Credit Ad Hoc Committees. Sivarajah also was named vice chair of the Anoka County Regional Railroad Authority. She is a Workforce Council Liaison and will serve on the Anoka County-Blaine Airport Advisory Commission; Anoka County Housing & Redevelopment Authority; the Board of Directors, Executive Committee, and Radio Cost Allocation Committee of the Metropolitan Emergency Services Board; I-35E Coalition; Metropolitan Mosquito Control District Board; Board of Oversight of Court-Appointed Attorneys; and the Association of Minnesota Counties Board of Directors.

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Commissioner Rhonda Sivarajah Elected Anoka County Board Chair – Add 1

Sivarajah also serves on the Governor’s Workforce Development Council; Minnesota Workforce Council Association; Commission of Deaf, DeafBlind, and Hard of Hearing Minnesotans; the Newborn Hearing Screening Advisory Committee; and the Greater MSP Board of Directors (Minneapolis Saint Paul Regional Economic Development Partnership).

Sivarajah represents District 6 in eastern Anoka County, which includes Centerville, Circle Pines, Columbus, Lexington, Lino Lakes, Linwood Township, and a portion of Blaine.

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Commissioner Matt Look Elected Anoka County Board Vice Chair

Anoka County Commissioner Matt Look was named vice chair of the seven-member county board at its recent organizational meeting. In addition, Look will chair the Anoka County Regional Railroad Authority and the county's Finance and Capital Improvements and Wetlands Review Committees. He was named vice chair of the Public Works Committee and was appointed to the Waste Management and Energy and Fairgrounds Advisory Committees and the Facilities Management and Construction Subcommittee.

In addition, Look was appointed to the Northstar Corridor Development Authority, Counties Transit Improvement Board, Metropolitan Council Transportation Advisory Board, Grant Evaluation and Ranking System (GEARS) Committee, Anoka County Housing and Redevelopment Authority, and the Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board. He is also a voting delegate for the Association of Minnesota Counties.

Look represents District 1, which includes Ramsey, Nowthen, St. Francis, Oak Grove, and a portion of Anoka.

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Commissioner Matt Look Named Anoka County Board Vice Chair – Add 1



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Commissioner Julie Braastad Named to Anoka County Committees

Anoka County Commissioner Julie Braastad was named vice chair of the county's Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Community Relations Committees at the county board's recent organizational meeting. In addition, Braastad will serve on the Management, Human Services, Airport, Finance and Capital Improvements, Ag Preservations Credit Ad Hoc, and Minnesota Extension Committees. She also was named to the Anoka County Regional Railroad Authority, Metropolitan Library Services Agency (MELSA), Metropolitan Mosquito Control District Board, North TH65 Corridor Coalition, Joint Law Enforcement Council, East Central Regional Juvenile Center Advisory Board, and as an alternate on the Community Corrections Advisory Board. She is a voting delegate for the Association of Minnesota Counties and is the Library Board liaison.

Braastad represents District 2, which includes Bethel, East Bethel, Ham Lake, and portions of Andover and Blaine.

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Commissioner Scott Schulte Named to Anoka County Committees

Anoka County Commissioner Scott Schulte was named vice chair of the county's Parks and Recreation Committee at the county board's recent organizational meeting. In addition, Schulte will serve on the Information Technology, Intergovernmental and Community Relations, Public Works, and Waste Management and Energy Committees, and the Facilities Management and Construction Subcommittee. He also was named to the Anoka County Regional Railroad Authority, Metropolitan Energy Policy Coalition, Solid Waste Management Coordinating Board, Counties Transit Improvement Board, Community Corrections Advisory Board, and Joint Law Enforcement Council. Schulte is a voting delegate for the Association of Minnesota Counties and is the lead commissioner in matters relating to pipeline safety legislation.

Schulte represents District 7, which includes portions of Andover, Anoka, and Coon Rapids.

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