WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE
November 15, 2000

The meeting was called to order by Chair Robinson at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room, Administration Building, 220 North Main Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Comms. Armentrout, Bergman, Chockley, DeLong, Gunn, Irwin, Kern, Kestenbaum, Montague, Robinson, Schultz, Shaw, Yekulis.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Comms. Craiger, DuRussel.

OTHERS PRESENT: Robert Guenzel, County Administrator; Frank Cambria, Deputy Administrator; Curtis Hedger, Corporation Counsel; Pete Ballios, Finance; Peggy M. Haines, Clerk/Register; Verna McDaniel, Diane Buisch, Monica Boote, Human Resources; Mark Roby, Planning; Alan Israel, Prosecuting Attorney; Denise Dalrymple, Children Services; Jennie Bivens, ETCS; David Hanson, Friend of the Court; Barbara King, Clerk/Register; various citizens, and members of the press.

Roll Call

Comm. Yekulis asked for a moment of silence in memory of the three Chelsea high school students who died as a result of an automobile accident. A moment of silence was observed.

Citizens' Participation
None.

Commissioner Follow-Up to Citizen Participation
None.

Children Services – All Students Achieve Program Parent Involvement and Education Grant/"First Steps Program"

Comm. Shaw seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution, at the Board Meeting tonight, authorizing $40,000 in match for the Washtenaw Intermediate School District application for the All Students Achieve Program Parent Involvement and Education Program (ASAP-PIE)/ - "First Steps" for a total Program of $2,449,570 for the period 2/1/00 through 6/30/02.

Denise Dalrymple, Children's Services Director, answered questions.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 13. NAYS: None. ABSENT: 2 (Craiger, DuRussel). Motion carried.

Planning – Affordable Housing Agreement with Dawn Farm for Purchase of Property at 343 Beakes Street

Comm. Shaw seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution authorizing the Administrator to sign the Affordable Housing Agreement with Dawn Farm for a

recoverable grant for purchase of property at 343 Beakes Street, Ann Arbor, in the amount of $46,000 for a total project cost of $230,000.

Mark Roby, Community Development Manager and Jim Balmer, (with Dawn Farm), answered questions.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 13. NAYS: None. ABSENT: 2 (Craiger, DuRussel). Motion carried.

Employment Training and Community Services – Annual Michigan Works! System Implementation Plan

Comm. Shaw seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the signature of the Chair of the Board of the Michigan Works! System Plan with the Michigan Department of Career Development (MDCD) for the period of July 1, 2000, through June 30, 2001, for the Employment Training and Community Services (ETCS) Group.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 13. NAYS: None. ABSENT: 2 (Craiger, DuRussel). Motion carried.

Employment Training and Community Services – Annual FY 2001 Displaced Homemaker Program

Comm. Shaw seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the signature of the Chair of the Board on the fiscal year (FY) 2001 Displaced Homemaker Program (DHP) Plan application to the Michigan Department of Career Development (MDCD) in the amount of $55,000 for the period of October 1, 2000, through September 30, 2001 for the Employment Training and Community Services Group; authorizing the County Administrator to sign the Notice of Grant Award; amending the budget, and authorizing the County Administrator to sign the delegate contracts.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 13. NAYS: None. ABSENT: 2 (Craiger, DuRussel). Motion carried.

Employment Training and Community Services – Annual FY 2001 Work First Plan

Comm. Shaw seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the Chair of the Board's signature on the application to the Michigan Department of Career Development (MDCD) for the fiscal year 2001 Work First Plan in the amount of $1706,729, for the period of October 1, 2000, to September 30l 2001, for the Employment Training and Community Services Group; authorizing the Administrator to sign the Notice of Grant Award; amending the budget; and authorizing the Administrator to sign the delegate contracts.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 13. NAYS: None. ABSENT: 2 (Craiger, DuRussel). Motion carried.

Human Resources – Domestic Partner Benefits Program

Comm. Shaw seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution authorizing the implementation of Domestic Partner Benefits, as well as recommended procedures and summary of benefits.

Bob Guenzel, Diane Buisch, and Monica Boote provided the Board with a short presentation on the proposed Domestic Partner Benefits Program and answered questions.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 8. NAYS: 5 (Chockley, DeLong, Robinson, Schultz, Yekulis). ABSENT: 2 (Craiger, DuRussel): None. Motion carried.

Planning – Historic Preservation Grant

Comm. Shaw seconded by Comm. Gunn moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution, at the Board Meeting tonight, authorizing the signature of the Washtenaw County Administrator on the application to the State of Michigan Historic Preservation Grant Program for a Reconnaissance Survey of Scio, Lodi, and Manchester Townships in the amount of $7,225 for a total program amount of $14,125; authorizing the Administrator to sign the Notice of Grant Award; amending the budget; and authorizing the Administrator to sign the delegate contracts.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 13. NAYS: None. ABSENT: 2 (Craiger, DuRussel). Motion carried.

Report of the County Administrator
None.

Report of the Chair of the Board
None.

Items for Current/Future Discussion
Comm. Kestenbaum commended the County Clerk, our local Clerks, City and Township, and the hundreds of citizens who worked as elections workers on doing a great job in the recent election. He told the Board that we do have a problem in the number of precincts that are split.

Several other Commissioners also commended the Court Clerk in making a real effort to see that the election went smoothly.

Citizen Participation
Peggy M. Haines, County Clerk, thanked the Board for their comments.

Commissioners Follow-up to Citizen Participation
None.

Adjournment

Comm. Montague supported by Comm. Yekulis moved that the meeting be adjourned until November 30, 2000. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

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Comm. Al Robinson, Chair

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Peggy M. Haines, Clerk/Register
By: Barbara L. King , Deputy Clerk