



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

September 4, 2002

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Comms. Armentrout, Bergman, Craiger, DeLong, Gunn, Irwin, Kern, Kestenbaum, Peterson, Prater, Sizemore, Solowczuk, Yekulis.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Comms. Montague, Shaw.

OTHERS PRESENT: Bob Guenzel, County Administrator; Frank Cambria, Assistant County Administrator, Curtis Hedger, Corporation Counsel; Peter Ballios, Finance Director; Peggy M. Haines, Clerk/Register; Verna McDaniel, Diane Heidt, Barb Finch, Human Resources; Amy Klinke, Administration; David Behen, Randy Lane, C. J. Waterbury, Facilities; Mark Roby, Erin Purdue, Planning; Jennifer Watson, Finance; Judah Garber, Friend of the Court; Charley Wolfe, Mary Udoji, Library; Ellen Clement, Public Health; Pat Horn-McGee, Lori Wasson, Head Start; Joe DeGraff, Community Corrections; Marc Breckenridge, Emergency Management; Herb Mahoney, Sheriff; Donna Sabourin, Community Mental Health; Bob Tetens, Parks & Recreation; Ed Luchi, ITS; Linda Edwards-Brown, Trial Court-Family; Barbara King, Deputy Clerk; various citizens.

Roll Call

Citizens' Participation

Karen Ufer, Planning Commission member, addressed the Board regarding the elimination of the Planning Commission.

The following individuals addressed the Board in support of the proposed Head Start facility:

Pat Horn-McGee
Cynthia Prater
Jane Williams
Carmen Parsons
Elette Collins
Lovida Roach
Rosanne Heppner

Meg Delaney, Chair of the Neighborhood Advisory Council gave the Board a brief update on the Council.

Karen Sidney addressed the Board in opposition to the proposed Head Start facility.

Mitch Rycus, current Planning Commission Chair, addressed the Board regarding the elimination of the Planning Commission.

Bob Brabbs, President of Local 2733, addressed the Board in support of the Facilities Department reorganization and told the Board that negotiations are progressing and they expect to reach agreement by December 31.

Commissioner Follow-Up to Citizens' Participation

Comm. Yekulis responded to Karen Ufer and Mitch Rycus. He thanked them for their dedication.

Comm. Kern talked about the Head Start bonds.

Comm. Sizemore agreed with Karen Sydney about the over-runs and said we cannot afford them.

New Business:

Emergency Management – Annual Emergency Management Performance Grant & Work Agreement

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Solowczuk moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution authorizing the Chair of the Board to sign an Emergency Management Work Agreement and the County Administrator to sign an Emergency Management Performance Grant Request and Agreement with the State of Michigan.

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

Employment Training & Community Services – Annual 2002 Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Solowczuk moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the County Administrator's signature on the Fiscal Year (FY) Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LEHEAP) application in the amount of \$169,096 to the Michigan Family Independence Agency (FIA) for the period of September 1, 2002, through September 30, 2003; authorizing the county 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 (Montague, Shaw). Motion carried.

Employment Training & Community Services – Reed Act Program

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Solowczuk moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the Chair of the Board's signature on the Employment Training and Community Services Group's Reed Act Plan Application to the Michigan Department of Career Development for the period of March 13, 2002, through September 30, 2002, in the amount of \$661,178; authorizing the Administrator to sign the Notice of Grant Award; approving the budget, and authorizing the County Administrator to sign the delegate contracts.

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

Employment Training & Community Services – Annual Reemployment Services Initiative Program

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Solowczuk moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the Chair of the Board's signature on the Employment Training and Community Services Group's Reemployment Services Initiative application to the Michigan Department of Career Development for the period of July 1, 2002, through June 30, 2003, in the amount of \$21,375.03; authorizing the 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 (Montague, Shaw). Motion carried.

Facilities Management – Head Start Facility

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Solowczuk moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution authorizing the Chair of the Board of Commissioners to sign a Sales Contract with the Ypsilanti Public Schools, upon all contingencies of that contract being met, to purchase approximately 11.4 acres in Superior Township to build a new Head Start Facility, waive County bidding requirements, and permit the County to contract with Ann Arbor Architects Collaborative, and authorize the County Administrator to sign any necessary documents to insure the timely construction of the Head Start facility.

Mr. Guenzel answered questions. During the discussion, Comm. Armentrout asked if the words "building replacement fund", in the paragraph entitled Impact on Budget, on page 4, shouldn't be "capital reserve fund". Mr. Guenzel agreed.

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

Facilities Management – Bond Resolution of Intent – Head Start Facility

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Solowczuk moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution to approve plans, cost estimate, estimate of the period of usefulness, and lease contract.

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

Facilities Management - Realignment

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Solowczuk moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution authorizing the Facilities Management Departmental Reorganization including the creation and elimination of positions.

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

Sheriff – Annual Drive Michigan Safely Funding

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Solowczuk moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the County Administrator's signature on an application with the State of Michigan, Office of Highway Safety Planning, for the Drive Michigan Safely Task Force – 2002 – 2003 Grant Program for one year, commencing October 1, 2002, and ending September 30, 2003, in the amount of \$55,742; authorizing the Administrator to sign the Notice of Grant Award; amending the budget, and authorizing the Administrator to sign delegate contracts.

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

Sheriff – Annual Secondary Road Patrol Program

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Solowczuk moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the Chair of the Board's signature on an application to the State of Michigan, Office of High Safety Planning, for the continuation of the Sheriff's Department Secondary Road Patrol Program, for the period of October 1, 2002, to September 30, 2003, in the amount of \$261,324.

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

Trial Court – Community Corrections – Annual Comprehensive Community Corrections Plan

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Solowczuk moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution, at the Board Meeting tonight, ratifying the signature of the Administrator on the application to the Michigan Department of Corrections/Office of Community Corrections for the Washtenaw County/City of Ann Arbor Communication Corrections Comprehensive Plan for the period October 1, 2002, through September 30, 2003, in the amount of \$1,236,554; 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 (Montague, Shaw). Motion carried.

Trial Court – Family Division – Annual 2002/03 Child Care Fund Budget Summary Form 2091

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Solowczuk moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution authorizing the Chair of the Board to sign the 2002/2003 State Child Care Fund Budget Summary Form 2091.

Linda Edwards-Brown, Family Court Administrator, answered questions.

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

Administration – Enhanced Access to Public Records Policy Amendment

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Solowczuk moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution amending the Enhanced Access to Public Records Policy to include EGovernment Annual Maintenance Fee for monthly account customers.

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

Administration – Implementation of Administrator’s Recommendations on the Plante & Moran Report

Comm. Bergman seconded by Comm. Solowczuk moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution approving the Administrator’s recommendation regarding the Plante & Moran Report on the Department of Environment and Infrastructure Services, the Planning Department, and the Metropolitan Planning Commission, dissolving the Washtenaw County Metropolitan Planning Commission, and creating the Washtenaw County Planning Advisory Board.

Mr. Guenzel explained the process and answered questions. Adam Rujan, Plante & Moran partner, also answered questions. Discussion.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 11. NAYS: 2 (Kern, Yekulis). ABSENT: 2 (Montague, Shaw). Motion carried.

Report of the Administrator

None.

Report of the Chair of the Board

None.

Items for Current/Future Discussion

Comm. Yekulis mentioned the Ann Arbor News article about the shelter and lawsuit settlement, and asked some questions. Mr. Guenzel explained the process. Comm. Yekulis asked for a copy of the agreement and the cost estimate for the upkeep of the building. Discussion.

Citizen Participation

None.

Commissioners Follow-up to Citizen Participation

None.

Adjournment

Comm. Solowczuk seconded by Comm. Prater moved that the meeting be adjourned until September 18, 2002.

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Martha L. Kern, Chair

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

APPROVED: September 18, 2002