WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

March 19, 2008

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Comms. Bergman, Gunn, Irwin, Ouimet, Peterson, Ping, Lovejoy Roe, Schwartz, Sizemore, and Smith.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Comm. Grewal

OTHERS PRESENT: County Administrator, Robert Guenzel, Deputy County Administrator Verna McDaniel, Corporation Counsel Curt Hedger; Gordon Burger, Dale Vanderford, James McFarlane, Jim Zwolensky, Support Services; Peter Ballios, Finance; Mary Udoji, Margaret Wolfe, Library; Mark Lindke, Veterans Services; Jeff Krcmarik, Planning and Environment; Linda Wicks, Professional Development; Alan Israel, Prosecuting Attorney's Office; Diane Heidt, Human Resources; Audrey Tisdale, CSTS; Ken Schrader, ITS; Kerry Sheldon, Administration; Jason Brooks, Clerk's Office; various citizens; and members of the press.

Roll Call

Citizen Participation
None

Commissioner Follow-Up to Citizens' Participation
None

New Business:

Support Services Community of Interest:

Infrastructure & Planning:

Fiber Optic Network
Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Irwin moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution authorizing the County Administrator to sign the contract with Fiberlink, Inc. contingent on the sale of bonds, in the amount not to exceed $2,748,834 to build a fiber optic network to serve key County sites be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

Notice of Intent to Sell Bonds and Continuing Disclosure for Capital Improvements
Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Irwin moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution authorizing the Notice of Intent to sell bonds for capital improvement projects in the amount not to exceed $15,620,000 ($12,600,000 for construction of a new 14A-1 District Court and $2,750,000 for construction of a new wide area fiber optic network to be owned by the County), authorizing continuing disclosure for the sale of bonds in relation to construction of 14A-1 District Court and fiber optic network as be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

Office of the Administrator:

Safe Havens – Supervised Visitation Grant
Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Irwin moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the signature of the County Administrator on the application to the United States Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women for the period of October 1, 2008 through October 1, 2011 in the amount of $400,000; authorizing the Administrator to sign Notice of Grant Award, Amending the budget, and Authorizing the Administrator to sign delegate contracts be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 10 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 1 (Comm. Grewal). Motion carried.

Report of the Administrator
None

Report of the Chair of the Board
Comm. Irwin reported that the Board of Commissioners meeting would start at 6:45.

Items for Current/Future Discussion
None

Citizen Participation
Tom Partridge stated that he urges the Board to take advantage of public town halls and conferences on the topic of community partnerships and social services.

Commissioners Follow-up to Citizen Participation
Comm. Smith referred Tom Partridge to Article 7 Sections 1, 17, and 22 of the Michigan Constitution with regards to an earlier conversation about powers of local government.

Pending
None

Adjournment
Comm. Gunn seconded by Comm. Peterson moved that the meeting be adjourned until April 2nd, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

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Barbara Levin Bergman, Chair

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Lawrence Kestenbaum, Clerk/Register
By: Jason Brooks, Deputy Clerk

APPROVED: 4/2/08