WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE

January 20, 2010

Chair Smith 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, Prater, Schwartz, and Smith.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Comms. Judge and Sizemore

OTHERS PRESENT: County Administrator Bob Guenzel; Deputy County Administrator, Verna McDaniel; Corporation Counsel Curt Hedger; James McFarlane, Andy Brush, Dave Shirley, Support Services; Tony VanDerworp, Strategic Planning; Diane Heidt, Monica Boote, Human Resources; Patricia Denig, ETCS; Bob Tetens, Parks and Recreation; Dick Fleece, Jeff Krcmarik, Public Health; Derrick Jackson, Sheriff's Office; Ben Toole, ITS; Joanna Bidlack, Stephanie Jensen, 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:

Economic Development:

ETCS:

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Regional Economic Impact Workforce Investment Act (WIA) National Emergency Grant
Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Peterson moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the Chair of the Board's signature on the ETCS American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Regional Economic Impact (REI) Workforce Investment Act (WIA) National Emergency Grant (NEG) with the Michigan Department of Energy, Labor, and Economic Growth in the amount of $762,252 for the period of October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010 be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Judge and Peterson). Motion carried.

Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Incumbent Worker Training
Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Peterson moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the signature of the Chair of the Board of Commissioners on the ETCS plan to the Michigan Department of Energy, Labor, and Economic Growth (DELEG) for the Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Incumbent Worker program in the amount of $144,659 for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Judge and Peterson). Motion carried.

Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) Energy Assistance Program
Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Peterson moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the County Administrator's signature on the ETCS contract with the Michigan Community Action Agency Association for the 2010 Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) Energy Assistance program (MPSC/MCAAA 2010 Energy Assistance Program), in the amount of $110,731 for the period of October 1, 2009 through July 31, 2010; authorizing the Administrator to sign the notice of grant award; approving the budget; authorizing the Administrator to sign the delegate contracts be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Judge and Peterson). Motion carried.

Foster Grandparents – Federal
Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Peterson moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the signature of the County Administrator on the application to the Corporation for National and Community Service for the fiscal year 2009 Federal Foster Grandparent Program (FGP) in the amount of $442,619 for the period of January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010 for ETCS; authorizing the Administrator to sign the notice of grant award; approving the budget; authorizing the Administrator to sign the delegate contracts be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Judge and Peterson). Motion carried.

Economic Development and Energy:

Dissolution of the Washtenaw County Planning Advisory Board
Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Peterson moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution eliminating the Washtenaw County Planning Advisory Board be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Judge and Peterson). Motion carried.

Land Use & Environment:

Water Resources:

Total Maximum Load Monitoring and Planning in the Middle Huron River Watershed
Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Peterson moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution authorizing the Administrator to sign the Notice of Grant Award with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality for the grant entitled "Total Maximum Load Monitoring and Planning in the Middle Huron River Watershed", on behalf of the Office of the Water Resources Commissioner, in the amount of $134,756 for the period of February 15, 2010 through September 30, 2011; amending the budget and authorizing the Administrator to sign the delegate contracts be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Judge and Peterson). Motion carried.

Public Health:

Environmental Health:

Green Options Initiative
Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Peterson moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution ratifying the County Administrator's signature on the grant application with the United States Environmental Protection Agency for an Environmental Education Grant with the Department of Public Health's Environmental Health Division for the amount of $30,240 for the period of July 1, 2010 until June 30, 2011 be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Judge and Peterson). Motion carried.

Civic Infrastructure:

Clerk/Register of Deeds:

Fee for Notarizing Documents
Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Peterson moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution adopting a fee for notarizing documents in the Office of the County Clerk/Register – Elections & Administration Division be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Judge and Peterson). Motion carried.

Public Safety & Justice:

Trial Court - Juvenile:

Michigan Supreme Court – Michigan Drug Court Grant Program Award Revision
Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Peterson moved to recommend that the Board of Commissioners approve the resolution to ratify the signature of the County Administrator on a grant contract with the Michigan Supreme Court, State Court Administrative Office, Michigan Drug Court Grant Program in the amount of $40,000 for the period of October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010 to sustain the Washtenaw County Juvenile Drug Court be adopted.

Roll call vote: YEAS: 9 NAYS: 0 ABSENT: 2 (Comms. Judge and Peterson). Motion carried.

Report of the Administrator:
Wireless Washtenaw Update
James McFarlane provided a brief update on Wireless Washtenaw. He stated that 20/20 Communications was selected to deploy the network. McFarlane reported that three pilots were built out. He stated that there have been economic challenges in the past few years. He reported that 20/20 applied for $4.2 million in August from the federal government and added that they are still waiting for word on funding. McFarlane reported that infrastructure is needed to move forward. He stated that it is estimated that $10 million would cover the entire County.

Comm. Ouimet asked if starting in the west and moving around is still the plan. McFarlane reported that the plan is currently to build out where infrastructure currently exists.

Comm. Irwin stated that there was a level of excitement that came with this project. Comm. Irwin stated that there were provisions in the contract the 20/20 had to meet that were not met. He stated that he was happy that the County stuck with 20/20. Comm. Irwin asked if anyone has approached to make the pitch to carry the project forward in a more successful way. McFarlane stated that there have been vendors that have had discussions. He stated that the thought process was to give 20/20 the opportunity.

Comm. Schwartz asked if there would be other sources for Wireless if 20/20 shut down all of the sudden. McFarlane reported that this is the main source of internet at this time. Comm. Schwartz stated that he would be interested in finding out what the alternatives are.

Report of the Chair of the Board
Comm. Ouimet reported that there would be no break before the start of the Board of Commissioners meeting.

Items for Current/Future Discussion
Comm. Gunn reported on the NSP funding. She stated that NSP 1 was received and the projects are underway in the City of Ann Arbor and in Townships. Comm. Gunn added that no funds were received from NSP 2. She added that the County will be applying for NSP 3.

Comm. Ping stated that she would like to receive feedback for the document passed out regarding tomorrow's Working Session (document on file in County Clerk's office).

Citizen Participation
None

Commissioners Follow-up to Citizen Participation
None

Pending
None

Adjournment
Comm. Prater seconded by Comm. Ping moved that the meeting be adjourned until February 3rd, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

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Conan Smith, Chair

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

APPROVED: February 3, 2010