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ANOKA COUNTY GENERAL ELECTION RESULTS

SHAKE-UP ON THE ANOKA COUNTY BOARD

by ACR staff

As local election results trickled in Tuesday night, two local races in Anoka County took the spotlight.

County Commissioner Dan Erhart, a 30-year incumbent lost his seat to Scott Schulte in District 7, which includes 17 precincts.

The battle for the Anoka County Board seat was waged in Andover and Coon Rapids, where Schulte is a city councilor at-large. Erhart won all six precincts in Anoka that are in District 7. Two precincts in Andover, P-1 and P-2 were carried by Schulte, who went on to win 8 out of 9 precincts in Coon Rapids. Erhart won Coon Rapids' Ward 4, Precinct 3 by 39 votes.

County Commissioner Dan Erhart (above) and Scott Schulte (below) who successfully challenged him for the District 7 Anoka County Board seat

Erhart garnered 3,005 votes in Anoka (precincts 1, and 4 through 8) while Schulte had 2,335.

Schulte won the contest by 645 votes, tallying 11,264 to Erhart's 10,619. There were 86 write-in votes.

New Commissioner in District 2

Along with Scott Schulte, Julie Braastad will be the other new addition to the Anoka County Board in January.

A city councilor in Ham Lake, Braastad challenged 2-year incumbent Andy Westerberg, a former state legislator, for the District 2 seat. Each candidate fared best in their home areas. Braastad easily carried Ham Lake and East Bethel while Westerberg comfortably carried Blaine. He also carried all four precincts in Andover that are part of the district, however by a slimmer margin.

Braastad topped Westerberg by 975 votes (12,120 to 11,145). There were 112 write-ins.

Three precincts of Blaine were part of the race, Ward 3, P-4, P-5 and P-6. In those precincts, Westerberg had 2,785 votes to Braastad's 1,600.

In Andover (precincts 5 through 8), Westerberg had 2,840 votes and 2,619 for Braastad. It was in Bethel, East Bethel and Ham Lake where Braastad scored her victory, nabbing 7,901 votes in a total of ten precincts. Westerberg collected 5,520 votes in these precincts.

Other Anoka County Board incumbents keep their seats

County Commissioner Matt Look in District 1 fended off a challenge from Allison Lister, one of many candidates assisted by the political action committee, Citizens for Responsible Government, Inc. (*see ACR, Aug. 16, 2012*).

The district includes P-2 and P-3 of Anoka, which Look carried with 58% of the vote. Look's vote totals were consistent in Nowthen, Oak Grove and St. Francis, where he had 58% to 61% of the vote. Look's campaign trouble spot was in Ramsey, where he had formerly been a city councilor. Look was able to maintain 51.5% of the Ramsey vote and carry a win of 13,165 votes to Lister's 10,753.

Ramsey was the area where the Citizens for Responsible Government, Inc. committee spent time and dollars to aid Lister and candidates for Ramsey City Council. The PAC recently filed its finance report with the county, which covered the timeframe of August 4 to October 26.

The report lists County Commissioner Dan Erhart's brother William A. Erhart as contributing $3,492.79 plus a $10,000 loan to the committee. The Minneapolis Regional Labor Federation contributed $1,000. These monies were received a few days before the primary election last August 14. Expenditures during the period amounted to $14,492.79, including a U.S. Postal Service mailing that cost $3,655. The remainder was spent on

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THREE INCUMBENTS REMOVED

RAMSEY CITY COUNCIL MAJORITY SHIFTS 180 DEGREES

The only city contest in Anoka County that saw a clean sweep was Ramsey, where three seats held by incumbents were won by challengers and an open seat was won by the chair of the Economic Development Authority.

The open city council seat, Ward 4, was held by Sarah Strommen who filed to run for mayor this year.

Strommen was successful in ousting mayor Bob Ramsey by a comfortable margin, leading in all precincts.

Strommen collected 6,879 votes to Ramsey's 5,492. There were 33 write-ins. Strommen had 55% of the vote, to Ramsey's 44%. Ramsey was seeking a second term; Strommen had served as a city councilor from 2002 to 2008 and won the Ward 4 seat in a special election in August 2011 after David Jeffrey resigned.

Winning the Ward 4 council seat was Chris Riley, the chair of the city's Economic Development Authority. Another EDA member, John Letourneau, won the at-large seat.

Riley defeated Wayne Buchholz, 1,502 votes to 1,227. Riley and Buchholz were the winners of the primary election out of a field of four candidates. In that election, only 428 votes were cast in the race. 2,735 votes were cast in the same race in the general election, which serves as an example of the public's disinterest in primary elections.

Some of the campaign literature distributed during the Ramsey City Council race.

Letourneau led the primary election for the at-large seat by a 3 to 1 margin over Planning Commission member and Charter Commission chair Joe Field. In the general election, Letourneau commanded 64% of the vote with a tally of 7,291, while Field had 4,036 votes. There were 51 write-ins, the largest number of write-ins cast of all the Ramsey city races. The at-large seat is currently held by Jeff Wise, who was defeated in his re-election bid in the Aug. 14 primary.

Ward 2's city councilor Colin McGlone was seeking a second term but was defeated by Mark Kuzma, 65% to 35% — 2,053 votes to 1,099. There were 10 write-ins.

All four winning candidates were supported by the Citizens for Responsible Government, Inc. PAC (see related article on this page).

— ACR staff

Preliminary Voter Statistics for City of Ramsey General Election — Nov. 6, 2012

Registered voters at 7am	Election Day Registrations (EDR)	Military Absentee ballots	Federal Absentee ballots	Absentee ballots Total	Signatures
13,791	2,589	1,231	8	1,239	12,347
				Total Voting	Turn-out
				13,586	82.5%

Source: MN Secretary of State

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items having to do with sign construction and placement, such as hardware, lumber, gasoline and maps. The report identifies Al Sannerud of Ham Lake as the co-secretary of the committee.

The District 4 seat, held since 1986 by Jim Kordiak, was not up for election this year.

Three other seats, held by incumbents Robyn West, Rhonda Sivarajah and Carol LeDoux, will not be changing hands — all three won their elections handily and without much drama.

District 3 incumbent Robyn West, who was first elected in 2006, easily bested Dan Sanders, a previous third-party State House candidate from Blaine. West collected 58% of the vote (12,829) to Sanders' 41% (9,118 votes). There were 104 write-ins. District 3 includes most of Blaine and two precincts of Spring Lake Park.

Commissioner Carol LeDoux had the same totals as West, with 58% of the vote while her opponent, newcomer Scott Bromley collected 42%. LeDoux had 13,333 votes over Bromley's 9,630. There were 133 write-ins in District 5.

County Board chair Rhonda Sivarajah was re-elected by 63% of those voting, in a re-match against 2008 opponent Kevin Ryan. Ryan received 7,473 votes to Sivarajah's 13,177. There were 88 write-ins in District 6.

Re-elected without opposition to Soil and Water Supervisor seats were incumbents Jim Lindahl, Karla M. Komec and Vici L. Nass.

Mark A. Winters and Carol A. Anderson were elected to North Suburban Hospital District Board seats without opposition. Winters won the at-large seat and Anderson the Spring Lake Park seat. The Mounds View seat was won by John B. Swenson, who also ran unopposed.

Ed. Note: For more detail on county candidates, see the Anoka County Record issue of July 5, 2012 for an article published after candidates had filed for office.

SCHOOL BOARD ELECTIONS IN ISD #12, 13, 728
VOTERS SPLIT ON LEVY QUESTIONS IN ELK RIVER

Question #1 of two levy questions in Elk River's Independent School District #728 was passed by voters Tuesday with 57% support. Yes votes numbered 19,879 and No votes totaled 14,937.

SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION 1 (ISD #728)
RENEWAL OF PORTION OF EXPIRING REFERENDUM REVENUE AUTHORIZATION

The board of Independent School District No. 728 (Elk River Area Schools) has proposed to renew the $386 per pupil portion of the school district's existing referendum revenue authorization which is scheduled to expire after taxes payable in 2013. The proposed referendum revenue authorization would be applicable for ten years, beginning with taxes payable in 2014, unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law. Shall the increase in the revenue proposed by the board of Independent School District No. 728 be approved? BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING TO EXTEND AN EXISTING PROPERTY TAX REFERENDUM THAT IS SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE.

Question #2 however was defeated by 60% of voters. No votes tallied 20,780 while Yes votes numbered 13,960.

SCHOOL DISTRICT QUESTION 2 (ISD #728)
ADDITIONAL FUNDING FOR OPERATIONS, CURRICULUM, TECHNOLOGY AND ALL-DAY, EVERY-DAY KINDERGARTEN

The board of Independent School District No. 728 (Elk River Area Schools) has also proposed to increase its general education revenue by an additional $400 per pupil. The proposed new referendum revenue authorization would be applicable for ten years, beginning with taxes payable in 2013, unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law. If School District Ballot Question 1 is approved, shall the increase in the revenue proposed by the board of Independent School District No. 728 also be approved? BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY TAX INCREASE.

In the **Elk River ISD #728** school board race, two incumbents were returned to office but a third was not. Incumbent Holly M. Thompson was the top vote getter in a field of 6 candidates vying for three seats. Thompson received 12,177 votes for 20%; Sue M. Farber, another incumbent, received 11,798 votes and in third place, Dan Hunt received 10,226 votes. Tom McCauley placed fourth with 9,204 votes; incumbent Janelle Henry came in 5th place with 8,520 and Jane Frazier placed 6th with 7,909. There were 330 write-ins.

In the Lino Lakes-Lexington-Circle Pines-Blaine area, the **Centennial School District (ISD #12)** will have a new School Board member in January. Cindy Norton did not file for re-election — her seat was won by Raymond Culp, who placed third in a four-way contest for three seats. Culp received 6,652 votes (24%). Incumbents Christina Wilson (8,860 votes) and Karen Lodico (7,350 votes) were returned to office. Wilson received 32% of the vote, Lodico 27%. The fourth candidate was Andrea Nazarian-Head, who had 4,173 votes and 15%.

The Columbia School District (ISD #13) had three seats up for election. The district includes Hilltop, all eight precincts of Columbia Heights, and four precincts in Fridley. One incumbent, Ted Landwehr, was re-elected and placed third in the field of six. Not making the cut were incumbent Keith S. Roberts, who had been endorsed by Sen. Barb Goodwin, placing fourth, followed by Grant Nichols and Mike Peterson.

Two newcomers will take school board seats in January: Lori Meyer was the top vote getter with 4,854 votes that accounted for 23% of the total, and John Larkin received 18% of the vote with 3,805. Landwehr received nearly 17% and collected 3,559 votes. Roberts received 3,317 votes; Nichols 2,969, and Peterson 2,546.

Nine school districts that are in Anoka County will have their elections next year; only these three have even-year elections.

Ed. Note: See the June 21, 2012 ACR for more coverage of school and city candidates.

LITTLE CHANGE ON CITY COUNCILS
LINO LAKES CHARTER QUESTION DEFEATED

There was a lot of "let's keep the status quo" voting for city elections on Tuesday, with little change on most city councils.

Columbia Heights. Gary Peterson was re-elected mayor for another two-year term to the seat he has held with the exception of one term, since 1998. He was first elected to the city council in 1983. Bob Odden, a previous challenger, received 32% of the vote. Peterson had 5,349 votes to Odden's 2,609.

Incumbents Robert "Bobby" Williams and Bruce Nawrocki were re-elected to 4-year terms. Williams received 3,930 votes, while Nawrocki just made the cut at 3,401. In a very close third place, Catherine Vesley was nudged out by only 13 votes. Vesley had 3,388 and Stan Hoium had 2,725 votes. There were 61 write-ins for mayor and 56 for city council.

Columbus. Mayor Dave Povolny ran unopposed; two incumbent city councilors were returned to office: Denny Peterson (1,249 votes) and Jeff Duraine (1,582). Glen D. Kothe had 544 votes.

Blaine. Mayor Tom Ryan ran unopposed; two incumbents were re-elected to the city council: Dick Swanson (Ward 1, 4,528 votes, 58%) and Mike Bourke (Ward 2, 4,461 votes, 56%). Jason Babler was Swanson's opponent and scored 3,157 votes and Bourke's challenger, Dave Morrell had 3,456 votes. Councilor Russ Herbst ran unopposed in Ward 3.

Andover. Mayor Mike Gamache ran unopposed; incumbents Mike Knight (8,520 votes) and Sheri Bukkila (8,360) were returned to the city council. A third candidate, David Forsberg, trailed with 5,897 votes. The council seat for Special Election went to councilman Tony Howard (7,090 votes) who had been serving in the position as an appointee. His opponent was Planning Commission member Valerie Holthus (6,545 votes).

Bethel. Mayor Todd Miller ran unopposed; David L. Merritt and Kristi Bottema (an incumbent) were the only two candidates to file for the two council seats scheduled for election.

Anoka. Mayor Phil Rice received 64% of the vote in his re-match against Barbara Deeds Baldwin. The vote was 4,861 to 2,619. There were 2,000 additional voters voting in this race compared to 2010, a state election year but not Presidential. Two seats on the city council went to incumbents Mark Freeburg (3,831 votes) and Steve Schmidt (3,758). Pat Walker had 2,591 and Frank Bodine 2,131. There were 58 write-ins.

Centerville. Mayor Tom Wilharber was unopposed; Incumbents Jeff Paar (1,064 votes) and Ben Fehrenbacher (1,020) won their seats. Matthew Montain had 917 votes and 30%.

East Bethel. Mayor Richard Lawrence will serve a second 2-year term by taking 55% of the vote (2,775). His challenger was Tanner Balfany (2,248 votes). Two open seats on the city council were won by Tom Ronning (2,037 votes) and Ron Koller (1,847). Randy Plaisance (1,784) and Brian Mundle (1,723) had good showings. There were 47 write-ins for mayor and 116 for city council.

Coon Rapids. Councilor Jerry Koch was unopposed in Ward 4; former councilor Ron Manning, making a comeback run in Ward 2 was successful (2,904 votes) over Ken Boelter (2,539). Ward 1 incumbent Denise Klint defeated Chad Newman in a 52-48 contest (2,997 votes to 2,761). For Scott Schulte's at-large council seat, Steve Wells took 56% of the vote (14,529). His opponent, Roger Johnson, received 11,122 votes.

Fridley. Mayor Scott Lund ran unopposed; Incumbent Bob Barnette (5,717 votes) kept his at-large council seat with 53% of the vote, against Rick Wolfe (4,981), a former Fridley city councilor.

Ham Lake. City councilors Gary Kirkeide and Tom Johnson were unopposed.

Hilltop. Incumbent city councilor David Cartwright was re-elected (111 votes), but incumbent councilor Leonard Kozicki came in last place (36 votes). Winning the second seat was John Matheson (93 votes) and in 3rd place was Steven Holloway (71).

Spring Lake Park. Two council seats went to an incumbent councilor, Bill Nash (928 votes) and a former mayor Bob Nelson (1,187 votes). 2010 mayoral candidate Jason Letourneau had 868 votes, missing second place by 61 votes. Dan Lambert was 4th, with 680 votes, Tony Easter (660) and Larry Raymond (365).

Linwood Township. Two of three Township Supervisors were defeated. Philip Osterhus won re-election to Seat B (1210 votes); his opponent Jeffrey Schipper had 1,173 votes. Incumbents Mike Parker (Seat C) and Michael L. Budde (Seat E) were defeated by Carol Searing and Edward Kramer, respectively. The Seat C contest marked 1,303 votes for Searing and 1,133 for Parker. The Seat E contest was a field of three, with incumbent Budde

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placing second (759 votes). In third place was Mark Olson (583). The victor, Edward Kramer had 1,147 votes. For town clerk, incumbent Judith K. Hanna won by 34 votes over Sandra Mishler. Totals were 1347 votes to 1313.

Nowthen. Mayor Bill Schulz retained his seat by garnering 1,347 votes to second-place finisher Randy Bettinger (828 votes). Matt Lendt received 199. Two city councilors, Leistico and Olmon did not file for re-election. Winning the open seats were Mary Rainville (1,240 votes) and Jim Scheffler (851). Other candidates were Dale Gene Ames (663), Robert Mahutga (548) and Paul Reighard (436). Rainville had 33% of the vote.

Oak Grove. Sean Sullivan nudged out incumbent Kevin Robinson, who had been appointed in January 2011 to complete the council term of Mark Korin. Sullivan has been a candidate previously and this time came in second place to claim one of the two seats, besting Robinson by only 33 votes. The top vote-getter was incumbent Scott Lawrence, receiving 1,917 votes. Sullivan had 1,622, Robinson 1,589, Renee Reece-Murray, 1,024 and Weston Rolf, 991 votes. There were 22 write-ins.

St. Francis. Mayor Jerry Tveit coasted to a third term as he defeated William Gardner in a 61-38 contest. Tveit had 1,900 votes to Gardner's 1,178. Two at-large city council seats were taken by Tim Brown (1,210 votes) and Mike Haggard (1,199). Also in the running were incumbent Jeffrey Sandoval (990 votes) and Richard Orpen (938). A third council seat was for a two-year term, completing the term of Leroy Schaffer who resigned in July 2011. Brown was appointed to the seat until the 2012 election — then Brown decided to file for one of the 4-year term seats. For the former Schaffer seat, there was a field of three candidates: Amy Lazere (1,386 votes), Dan Sherburne (678) and Jesse James Jones (589). Lazere was one of the leaders of the unsuccessful recall election against Schaffer; Sandoval was also involved in the effort but lost his council seat Tuesday. There were 27 write-ins for mayor, 43 for the at-large council seats, and 16 for the former Schaffer seat.

Lexington. Mayor Mike Pitchford was re-elected with 58% of the vote (494 votes). Opponent Mark A. Kurth had 353 votes. There were 5 write-ins. Two city council seats were on the ballot, and split. Top vote-getter was Jack Plasch with 413 votes but incumbent Russ Baker lost his seat by placing last with 279 votes. Winning the second seat was Carin Payment (387). Tim A. Schirck (327 votes; third place).

Lino Lakes. The charter amendment question was defeated because it didn't reach the 51% threshold of affirmative votes needed to pass. The question was virtually a deadlock among voters. The tally was only 15 more Yes votes than No's. Just over 10,000 voters weighed in — 5,024 votes Yes and 5,009 No.

Below is the question as it appeared on the ballot:

CITY QUESTION 1 (Lino Lakes)
PROPOSED CHARTER AMENDMENT

Shall Chapter 8 of the City of Lino Lakes charter be amended as described below: Chapter 8 is amended to provide that the City may undertake public improvements financed in whole or in part with special assessments generally using the procedures in state law, except that: (a) if more than 50% of the property owners abutting the named streets file a timely objection, the City must hold a second meeting to take additional testimony; (b) if the Council orders the improvement after the second meeting, more than 50% of the affected owners may stop the improvement by filing objections within 30 days after the City Council action; and (c) if the cost of any improvement is to be paid in part from ad valorem taxes, the improvement is subject to city-wide referendum if a timely petition is filed by registered voters equal to at least 12 percent of the votes cast in the last general municipal election. The amendment also eliminates three special zones where State law special assessment rules apply; instead Chapter 8 as amended applies throughout the City.

The day after the election, this news release was released by Lino Lakes' Community Development Director, Mike Grochala:

"The amendment to the Lino Lakes City Charter designed to eliminate an automatic referendum on local public improvements received the majority of votes but failed to pass due to requirements in state law. Unofficial results show that 50.07% of Lino Lakes' voters approved the amendment by a mere 15-vote margin. However, Minnesota Statute 410.12 requires that charter amendments must be approved by a 51 percent margin.

"The City Council proposed the change to Chapter 8 of the City Charter which outlines the process for approval of public improvements. The amendment would have expanded neighborhood involvement when an improvement such as local road reconstruction is proposed, while changing the process for a city-wide referendum if the City is using special assessments plus general fund dollars for the improvement. Instead of every project going to a city-wide vote, citizens could petition to have the amendment placed on the ballot.

"Staff had planned to bring an updated overview of our pavement needs and a proposed phasing plan to the City Council," said Mike Grochala, Lino Lakes Community Development Director. "In light of the amendment results we will also plan on reviewing what alternatives exist for financing our pavement program."

Results will not be official until approved by the canvassing board on November 13."

Ed. Note: Previous coverage of candidates and election contests can be found in the Anoka County Record of June 21, July 5 and Aug. 16, 2012. We published the Lino Lakes Charter Amendment in our Oct. 25 edition.

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BOTH STATE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS FAIL

Neither the "Marriage Protection Amendment" or the "Voter Restriction Amendment" as they were often referred to by proponents and opponents alike, were passed in the statewide election Tuesday. The most vehement opposition to both amend-ments was in the metro area, particularly Hennepin and Ramsey counties.

Constitutional Amendment #1 read as follows:
Shall the Minnesota Constitution be amended to provide that only a union of one man and one woman shall be valid or recognized as a marriage in Minnesota?

At press time, the Secretary of State's office was reporting an estimated total number of voters for both amendments at 2,949,352.

There were 1,399,676 Yes votes for the "Marriage Amendment" and 1,361,854 Yes votes for the Voter ID amendment. To pass a state constitutional amendment, the number of Yes votes must be a simple majority (50%+1) of those who vote in the election, not simply those voting *on the question* . Thus, the often said phrase, "leaving it blank counts as a No vote".

The Secretary of State's office estimated the marriage amendment had 47.46% support statewide, and the Voter ID amendment had 46.17% support.

How Anoka County voted on the marriage amendment. Question #1 had just over 50% support in Anoka County, estimated at 50.61%. There were 94,690 Yes votes and 90,468 No. Estimated blanks was 1,927 and estimated total number of voters per Secretary of State, 187,085.

The amendment had the least support in the county in Hilltop and Columbia Heights, where it had 43% "Yes" support.

Other cities in the middle were Fridley with 45% support for the amendment, Circle Pines 46%, Anoka, Coon Rapids, Lexington, Blaine and Lino Lakes had 48%, Centerville 49% and Spring Lake Park 50%.

Among the cities that had more than 50% support, Andover and Ramsey showed 53%, Bethel 54%, St. Francis 56%, East Bethel 57% and Linwood Township and Ham Lake had 58% support.

The greatest amount of support for the marriage amendment was in Oak Grove (60%) and Nowthen (63%).

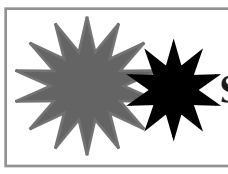
How did the marriage amendment do in other counties? The least amount of support in Minnesota's 87 counties was Hennepin County with 34% support, followed closely by Ramsey County at 36% and Cook County at 39%. St. Louis County tracked at 44% however Duluth showed only 34% support. Scott County was at 48% and Carver County 50%. Most counties outside the metro were in the 60 percentile.

Counties that were above 70% support included Clearwater, Lincoln, Todd, Murray, Rock, and Nobles. It appears that the strongest support of all counties was Pipestone County with 75%.

Support in Anoka County for the Voter ID amendment. There was a 53% Yes vote, with 100,311 voters in favor and 84,332 against. Estimated blanks were 2,442 and the estimated total number of voters was 187,085.

Anoka County cities' support for Voter ID amendment

City	% of support	City	% of support
Andover	58	Ham Lake	61
Anoka	51	Hilltop	45
Bethel	59	Lexington	54
Blaine	52	Lino Lakes	55
Centerville	57	Linwood Tshp	59
Circle Pines	48	Nowthen	64
Columbia Heights	41	Oak Grove	62
Columbus	59	Ramsey	58
Coon Rapids	51	Spring Lk Pk	50
East Bethel	60	St. Francis	60
Fridley	43		



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Minnesota counties' and select cities' support for Voter ID amendment

County	% of support	County	% of support	County	% of support
Aitkin	50	Lac Qui Parle	39	Sibley	49
Anoka	53	Lake	40	Stearns	52
Becker	53	Lake of Woods	52	Steele	48
Beltrami	45	Le Sueur	49	Stevens	42
Benton	55	Lincoln	50	Swift	38
Big Stone	41	Lyon	48	Todd	55
Blue Earth	43	McLeod	54	Traverse	44
Brown	45	Mahnomen	45	Wabasha	47
Carlton	42	Marshall	40	Wadena	57
Carver	56	Martin	45	Waseca	44
Cass	53	Meeker	50	Washington	50
Chippewa	41	Mille Lacs	53	Wantonwan	44
Chisago	56	Morrison	56	Wilkin	58
Clay	55	Mower	47	Winona	46
Clearwater	54	Murray	48	Wright	58
Cook	34	Nicollet	40	Yellow Medicine	42
Cottonwood	45	Nobles	60		
Crow Wing	54	Norman	45	**SELECT CITIES**	
Dakota	50	Olmsted	51	Bemidji	43
Dodge	52	Otter Tail	55	St. Cloud	48
Douglas	52	Pennington	51	Mankato	41
Faribault	45	Pine	47	Cloquet	43
Fillmore	39	Pipestone	63	Chanhassen	53
Freeborn	46	Polk	55	Chaska	53
Goodhue	48	Pope	44	Brainerd	49
Grant	45	Ramsey	36	Baxter	53
Hennepin	37	Red Lake	47	Burnsville	49
Hubbard	52	Redwood	47	Farmington	58
Isanti	58	Renville	42	West St. Paul	41
Itasca	40	Rice	44	Minneapolis	20
Jackson	48	Rock	57	St. Louis Park	33
Kanabec	52	Roseau	55	Cambridge	54
Kandiyohi	48	St. Louis	37	Austin	47
Kittson	37	Scott	56	Rochester	50
Koochiching	43	Sherburne	60	Duluth	34

George Mauer Trio at Northtown Library

A piano. A bass. A guitar. That's all you really need for an afternoon of fun although you might want to include the guys who play the instruments, too. The George Maurer Trio knows how to jazz up a library with a big sound. Take a guided tour through the legacy left by great American jazz musicians while learning how their works have impacted American culture and music. Live at the Library will feature **the George Mauer Trio** at Northtown Library, **Saturday, December 1st** at 2:00 pm. This program is free and open to the public.

The George Mauer Trio is presented by GL Berg and Anoka County Library in partnership with MELSA (Metropolitan Library Service Agency). This program funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

Northtown Library is located at 711 County Road 10 in Blaine. For more information call 763-717-3267 or visit your local library or the website at anokacountylibrary.org.

THE PRESIDENTIAL VOTE

Presidential candidate	Statewide vote	%	Anoka County vote	%
Obama (D)	1,546,021	52	88,611	47
Romney (R)	1,320,048	45	93,430	50
Johnson (Lib)	35,095	1	2,284	1
Stein (Green)	13,023		687	
Goode (Constitution Party)	3,721		232	
Carlson (Grassroots Party)	3,149		207	
Anderson (Justice Party)	1,992		122	
Morstad (Const. Govt.)	1,091		76	
Harris (Socialist Workers Party)	1,050		48	
Lindsay (Socialism and Liberation)	397		17	
Write-Ins	10,360		747	

PRESIDENTIAL VOTE IN OTHER COUNTIES

	Obama	Romney	Johnson	Stein
Hennepin	62%	35%	8,289	3,743
Ramsey	66%	31%	3,460	1,611
Dakota	50%	47%	2,746	804
Washington	49%*	48%	1,596	401
Scott	41%	56%	941	217
Carver	39%	59%	555	164
Wright	38%	59%	831	224
St. Louis	63%	34%	1,404	610
Isanti	40%	58%	227	68
Lake	59%	38%	63	44
Olmsted	50%	47%	1,158	332
Mower	60%	37%	219	70
Chisago	42%	55%	338	106
Goodhue	47%	50%	301	107

* Obama narrowly won Washington County, by 1,066 votes.

The Ramsey Police Department and the MN Dept of Public Safety, Alcohol & Gambling Enforcement Division are hosting a **FREE Alcohol Server and Fraudulent ID training course.**

If your business sells alcohol, this is a training for you and your employees.

OPEN TO ALL BUSINESSES OPERATING IN ANOKA COUNTY

Thursday, December 6, 2012
1:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Ramsey City Hall — Alexander Ramsey Room

Registration is required. Space is limited.

This class meets the requirements by Dram Shop/liability insurance providers for server training, and participants of the entire two-hour class will receive a certificate of attendance, valuable for proof of attendance and possibly resulting in a discount in insurance premiums (check with your insurance representative).

ANOKA COUNTY

Anoka County Govt. Center
2100 3rd Ave.
Anoka MN 55303-5024
Ph.: 763-323-5700
www.co.anoka.mn.us

NOTICE
THE PUBLIC IS INVITED TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC MEETING REGARDING THE ANOKA COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN
THURS., NOV. 8, 2012 FROM 6 TO 8 PM IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM
ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE 13301 HANSON BLVD. N.W., ANDOVER

Tues. Nov. 13
Mgmt Cmte, 8:30 am, Rm 772
Anoka County Board, 9:30 am, Rm 705, ACGC
Anoka County Board "work session", 10:30 am or after Regional Rail Authority mtg, Rm 772, ACGC
Wed. Nov. 14
Waste Mgmt & Energy Cmte., 8:15 am, Rm 772, ACGC
Thurs. Nov. 15
Community Corrections Advisory Bd., Rm 710, ACGC
Public Safety Cmte., 3 pm, Anoka Co Public Safety Ctr., Andover
Mon. Nov. 19
Public Works Cmte., 9 am, Rm 772, ACGC
Tues. Nov. 20
Human Services Cmte., 8:30 am, Rm 710, ACGC
Information Technology Cmte., 10:30 am, Rm 772, ACGC
Veterans Services Cmte., 12:30 pm, Rm 715, ACGC
Finance & Capital Imprvmts Cmte., 1 pm, Rm 772 ACGC
Intergovernmental-Community Relations, 3 pm, Rm 772 ACGC

ANDOVER

Andover City Hall
1685 Crosstown Blvd NW
Andover, MN 55304
Ph: 763-755-5100
www.ci.andover.mn.us

Tues. Nov. 13
Planning Comm., 7 pm
Wed. Nov. 14
Open Space Advisory Comm., 7 pm
Thurs. Nov. 15
Parks Comm., 7 pm
Tues. Nov. 20
City Council, 7 pm

ANOKA

Anoka City Hall
2015 1st Ave. N.
Anoka, MN 55303-2270
Ph: 763-576-2700
www.ci.anoka.mn.us

Wed. Nov. 7
Planning Comm., 7 pm
Thurs. Nov. 8
EDA — 7:30 am
Tues. Nov. 13
Heritage Preserv. Comm., 5 pm
HRA, 5 pm
Wed. Nov. 14
Waste Reduction & Recycling Bd., 5 pm
Mon. Nov. 19
City Council, 7 pm
Tues. Nov. 20
Parks & Rec Board, 7 pm
Wed. Nov. 21
Parking Advisory Bd, 7:15 am, 275 Harrison St., Public Safety Ctr, Anoka
Mon. Nov. 26
City Council "work session", 5 pm

BETHEL

Bethel City Hall
23820 Dewey St. / PO Box 64
Bethel, MN 55005
Ph: 763-434-4366
www.bethelmn.govoffice2.com

1st & 3rd Thursdays
City Council — 7 pm

BLAINE

Blaine City Hall
10801 Town Square Dr NE
Blaine, MN 55449
Ph: 763-784-6700
www.ci.blaine.mn.us

Thurs. Nov. 8
City Council "workshop", 6:30 pm
Tues. Nov. 13
Blaine Arts Council, 5:30 pm
Blaine Historical Soc., 6:30 pm
Planning Comm., 7 pm
Thurs. Nov. 15
City Council "workshop", 6:30 pm; meeting 7:30 pm
Tues. Nov. 20
Natural Resource Conserv. Bd., 7 pm
Tues. Nov. 27
Park Board, 7 pm

CENTERVILLE

Centerville City Hall
1880 Main St
Centerville, MN 55038
Ph: 651-429-3232
centervillemn.com

Tues. Nov. 13
Planning Comm., 6:30 pm
Wed. Nov. 14 & 28
City Council, 6:30 pm

CIRCLE PINES

Centerville City Hall
1880 Main St
Centerville, MN 55038
Ph: 651-429-3232
centervillemn.com

Tues. Nov. 13
Park Board, 6 pm
City Council, 7 pm
Mon. Nov. 19
Planning Comm., 7 pm
Wed. Nov. 21
Utilities Comm., 4:30 pm
Thurs. Nov. 27
City Council., 7 pm

COLUMBIA HEIGHTS

Columbia Heights City Hall
590 40th Ave NE
Columbia Heights, MN 55421
Ph: 763-706-3600
ci.columbia-heights.mn.us

Tues. Nov. 13
Special EDA meeting, 6:30 pm
City Council, 7 pm
Mon. Nov. 19
Library Task Force, 6:30 pm
Mon. Nov. 26
City Council, 7 pm
Wed. Nov. 28
Park & Rec. Comm., 5:30 pm, Murzyn Hall

COLUMBUS

Columbus City Hall
16319 Kettle River Blvd.
Columbus, MN 55025
Ph: 651-464-3120
www.ci.columbus.mn.us

Wed. Nov. 14 & Dec. 12
EDA/EDAB, 6 pm
City Council, 7 pm
Thurs. Nov. 15 & Dec. 20
Parks Board, 6:30 pm
Wed. Nov. 21 & Dec. 5
Planning Comm., 7 pm
Wed. Nov. 28
City Council, 7 pm

COON RAPIDS

Coon Rapids City Hall
11155 Robinson Dr.
Coon Rapids, MN 55433
Ph: 763-755-2880
www.coonrapidsmn.gov

Tues. Nov. 13
City Council "work session", 6:30 pm, Sustainability report
Thurs. Nov. 15
Sustainability Comm., 6:30 pm
Planning Comm., 6:30 pm
Historical Comm., 7:30 pm
Tues. Nov. 20
Arts Comm., 5:45 pm
City Council, 7 pm

EAST BETHEL

East Bethel City Hall
2241 221st Avenue NE
East Bethel, MN 55011
Ph: 763-367-7840
eastbethel.govoffice.com

Tues. Nov. 13
Road Comm., 6:30 pm
Wed. Nov. 14
Park Comm., 7 pm
Town Hall Meeting, 6pm; Q & A at 7 pm, City Hall
Wed. Nov. 21
City Council, 7:30 pm
Tues. Nov. 27
Planning Comm., 7 pm
Wed. Nov. 28
EDA, 6:30 pm

FRIDLEY

Fridley City Hall
6431 University Ave NE
Fridley, MN 55432
Ph: 763-571-3450
www.ci.fridley.mn.us

Tues. Nov. 13
Environmental Quality and Energy Commission, 7 pm
Mon. Nov. 19 & Dec. 3
City Council, 7 pm
Wed. Nov. 21
Planning Comm., 7 pm

HAM LAKE

Ham Lake City Hall
15544 Central Ave NE
Ham Lake, MN 55304
Ph: 763-434-9555
www.ci.ham-lake.mn.us
Hours: M-Th 7 AM - 4:30 PM
Fri: 7 AM-12 NOON

Tues. Nov. 13
City Council canvass election, 5 pm
Planning Comm., 6 pm
Mon. Nov. 19
City Council, 6 pm
Wed. Nov. 21
Park & Tree Comm., 6 pm
Mon. Nov. 26
Planning Comm., 6 pm

HILLTOP

Hilltop City Hall
4555 Jackson St. NE
Hilltop, MN 55421
Ph: 763-571-2023

Call city hall for information

LEXINGTON

Lexington City Hall
9180 Lexington Av
Lexington, MN 55014
Ph: 763-784-2792
www.ci.lexington.mn.us

Thurs. Nov. 15
City Council, 7 pm, "workshop" follows meeting
Mon. Nov. 19
Fire Relief Assn, 6:30 pm, Fire Hall
Thurs. Dec. 6
City Council, 7 pm
Wed. Dec. 12
Planning Comm., 7 pm

LINO LAKES

Lino Lakes City Hall
600 Town Center Pkwy
Lino Lakes, MN 55014
Ph: 651-982-2400
www.ci.lino-lakes.mn.us

Thurs. Nov. 8
Charter Comm., 6:30 pm
Tues. Nov. 13
City Council, 6:30 pm, including canvassing election
Wed. Nov. 14
Planning-Zoning Bd., 6:30 pm
Mon. Nov. 26
City Council "work session" & meeting, 5:30 pm
Wed. Nov. 28
Environmental Board, 6:30 pm

LINWOOD TWSHP

Linwood Town Hall
22817 Typo Creek Dr. NE
Linwood, MN 55079
Ph: 651-462-2812
linwoodtownship.org

Tues. Nov. 13 & 27
Town Board, 6 pm
Mon. Nov. 19
Senior Advisory Bd., 9 am
Tues. Nov. 20
Planning & Zoning, 7 pm
Mon. Nov. 26
Parks & Rec. Comm., 7 pm

NOWTHEN

Nowthen City Hall
8188 199th Ave NW
Nowthen, MN 55330
Ph: 763-441-1347
nowthenmn.govoffice2.com

Call city hall for information

OAK GROVE

Oak Grove City Hall
19900 Nightingale St. NW
Oak Grove, MN 55011
Ph: 763-404-7000
oakgrove.govoffice.com

2nd and last Monday of month
City Council, 7 pm (EDA follows council mtg on last Monday)
3rd Wednesday
Parks Comm., 7 pm
3rd Thursday
Planning Comm., 7 pm

RAMSEY

Ramsey Municipal Center
7550 Sunwood Dr. NW
Ramsey, MN 55303
Ph: 763-427-1410
www.ci.ramsey.mn.us

Tues. Nov. 13
Canvass election, 5 pm; Personnel Cmte and City Council "work session" follow City Council mtg, 7 pm; HRA follows
Thurs. Nov. 15
Mayor's Town Hall mtg, 7 pm
Tues. Nov. 20
Public Works Cmte, 6 pm, HRA and City Council "work session" to follow
Tues. Nov. 27
City Council "work session", 5:30 pm; followed by City Council meeting, 7 pm, followed by HRA

ST. FRANCIS

St. Francis City Hall
23340 Cree St. NW
St. Francis, MN 55070
Ph: 763-753-2630
stfrancismn.org
M-Th 7am-5:30pm (Closed Fri)
Mtgs held at ISD #15 offices
4115 Ambassador Blvd NW

1st and 3rd Mondays
City Council, 6 pm
3rd Wednesday
Planning Comm., 7 pm

SPRING LAKE PARK

Spring Lake Park City Hall
1301 81st Ave NE
Spring Lake Park, MN 55432
Ph: 763-784-6491
slpmn.org

Tues. Nov. 13
City Council "workshop" including canvass election, 6:30 pm
Mon. Nov. 19
City Council, 7 pm
Mon. Nov. 26
Planning Comm., 7 pm
Mon. Dec. 3
City Council Truth in Taxation Hearing, 7:15 pm

ANOKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT

1318 McKay Dr NE #300
Ham Lake, MN 55304
Ph.: (763) 434-2030
anokaswcd.org

Mon. Nov. 19 & Dec. 17
Board of Supervisors, 5 pm

SCHOOL DISTRICTS

ANOKA-HENNEPIN ISD #11

11299 Hanson Blvd NW
Coon Rapids MN 55433
Ph.: (763) 506-1000
anoka.k12.mn.us

Tues. Nov. 13
School Board "work session", 6 pm, Educ Service Ctr, 2727 N Ferry St., Anoka
Mon. Nov. 26
School Bd mtg, Sandburg Educ Ctr, 1902 2nd Ave, Anoka, 6:30 pm

CENTENNIAL ISD #12

4707 North Rd
Circle Pines, MN 55014
Ph.: (763) 792-6000
isd12.org

Tues. Nov. 13
School Bd — canvass election, 7:30 am
Mon. Nov. 19
School Board, 6:30 pm
Mon. Dec. 3
School Bd "work session", 5:30 pm

COLUMBIA HEIGHTS ISD #13

1440 49th Ave NE
Columbia Heights, MN 55421
Ph.: (763) 528-4436
columbia.mn.schoolwebpages.com

Tues. Nov. 13
School Board, 7 pm
Tues. Nov. 20
School Bd "work session", 5:30 pm
Tues. Nov. 27
School Board, 7 pm

ELK RIVER AREA ISD #728

815 Hwy 10
Elk River, MN 55330
Ph.: (763) 241-3400
elkriver.k12.mn.us

Wed. Nov. 14
School Bd canvass election mtg, 6 pm, ISD Office

FOREST LAKE AREA ISD #831

6100 N 210th St
Forest Lake, MN 55025
Ph.: (651) 982-8100
forestlake.k12.mn.us

Thurs. Nov. 8
School Board Mtg & Cmtes., 6 pm
Thurs. Dec. 6
School Bd Mtg & TNT (Truth in Taxation) Hearing, 7 pm

FRIDLEY ISD #14

6000 W Moore Lake Dr
Fridley, MN 55432
Ph.: (763) 502-5000
fridley.k12.mn.us

School Bd. meetings held at Fridley City Hall, 6431 University Ave NE
"Work Session" 5:30 pm; Public Comment 7 pm; Meeting 7:30 pm

Thurs. Nov. 20
School Board
Tues. Dec. 18
School Bd Mtg & TNT (Truth in Taxation) Hearing

ST. FRANCIS ISD #15

4115 Ambassador Blvd
St. Francis, MN 55070
Ph.: (763) 753-7040
stfrancis.k12.mn.us

School Bd. meetings at 7 pm
Public comment at 6:30 pm

Mon. Nov. 12 & Nov. 26
Wed. Nov. 14 Special Meeting, 6 pm

SPRING LAKE PARK ISD #16

1415 81st Ave NE
Spring Lake Park, MN 55432
Ph.: (763) 786-5570
splkpark.k12.mn.us/

Tues. Nov. 13 & Tues. Dec. 18
School Board, 6:45 pm

WHITE BEAR LAKE ISD #624

4855 Bloom Ave
White Bear Lake, MN 55110-5418
Ph.: (651) 407-7501
whitebear.k12.mn.us

Mon. Nov. 12
School Board, 7 pm
Mon. Nov. 26
School Bd "work session" 5:30 pm

916 INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL DISTRICT

2540 Cty Rd F, White Bear Lake
Board meetings at Bellaire School, District Office Board Room
Ph.: (651) 415-5562
nemetro.k12.mn.us

Tues. Dec. 4, 6 pm

WATERSHED DISTRICTS and other meetings

COON CREEK WATERSHED DIST.

12301 Central Ave NE, Suite 100, Blaine
Ph.: (763) 755-0975
www.cooncreekwd.org

all or portions of Fridley, SLP, Blaine, Coon Rapids, Andover, Ham Lake, Columbus

2nd & 4th Mondays, 7:30 pm, Bunker Activity Center, 550 Bunker Lake Blvd NW, Andover (763) 757-3920

Meeting moved to Tues. Nov. 13 due to Veterans' Day holiday

LOWER RUM RIVER WATERSHED MGMT. ORG.

(LRRWMO)
2015 1st Ave., Anoka
Ph.: (763) 767-5131
www.anokanaturalresources.com/lrrwmo/index.htm

all or portions of Ramsey, Anoka, Coon Rapids, Andover

3rd Thursday, 8:30 am, Anoka City Hall

RICE CREEK WATERSHED DIST.

4325 Pheasant Ridge Dr, Suite 611, Blaine
Ph.: (763) 398-3070
www.ricecreek.org

all or portions of Blaine, Centerville, Fridley, Col. Hts., SLP, Circle Pines, Lexington, Columbus, Lino Lakes, and parts of Ramsey & Washington counties

2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 9 am, Shoreview City Hall

SUNRISE RIVER WATERSHED MGMT. ORG.

(SRWMO)
East Bethel City Hall
2241 221st Ave, East Bethel
Ph.: (763) 434-9569
www.anokanaturalresources.com/srwmo/index.htm

Comprises all or portion of East Bethel, Linwood Township, Columbus, Ham Lake

Jan. 10, 6:30 pm, East Bethel City Hall

UPPER RUM RIVER WATERSHED MGMT. ORG.

(URRWMO)
P.O. Box 15, Bethel MN 55005
Ph.: (763) 434-8331
www.anokanaturalresources.com/urrwmo/index.htm

Comprises all or portion of Bethel, Oak Grove, St. Francis, Nowthen, East Bethel

Wed. Jan. 9, 7 pm, Sandhill Ctr., 23820 Dewey St NW, Bethel

QCTV Cable Commission

Ramsey, Andover, Champlin, Anoka

Thurs. Nov. 15, 5 pm, Anoka City Hall

North Metro TV Cable Commission

Blaine, Centerville, Spring Lake Park, Lino Lakes, Lexington, Ham Lake, Circle Pines

Wed. Nov. 21, Cable Commsn., 6 pm, Spring Lake Park City Hall
Wed. Dec. 5, Executive Cmte., 6 pm, North Metro TV studios, 12520 Polk St NE, Blaine

NOTE: Meetings listed on this page are subject to change of time or date — call ahead to verify

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 15 SCHOOL BOARD SPECIAL MEETING
CENTRAL SERVICES CENTER
COMMUNITY ROOM
4115 AMBASSADOR BOULEVARD
ST. FRANCIS, MN
AGENDA
1. Call to Order
2. Hearing before an Independent Hearing Officer on the proposed removal of Director Matt Rustad from the School Board
3. Adjournment

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF RAMSEY ANOKA COUNTY STATE OF MINNESOTA TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Notice is hereby given that the Ramsey City Council will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, November 13, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. at Ramsey Municipal Center, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey MN 55303.

The purpose of the hearing is to consider a proposed ordinance to vacate a portion of the drainage and utility easement contained within the following legally described property:

Lot 14 Block 2 The Village of Sunfish Lake 2nd, except road subject to easement of record Anoka County Minnesota

All interested persons are invited to attend the hearing and comment on the proposed ordinance. The City of Ramsey complies with the Americans with Disabilities Act and upon advance request information will be provided in an alternative form and interpreters will be available. Any person with such a request should contact JoAnn Shaw at 763-427-1410 by noon on Wednesday, November 7, 2012 There is a TDD machine at Ramsey Municipal Center the number is 763-427-8591.

Written comments are welcome and shall be addressed to the Ramsey City Council, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey, MN 55303. Written comments shall be received at the above address prior to 4:00pm on Tuesday, November 13, 2012.

TimGladhill
Development Services Manager
Date: November 2, 2012

CITY OF FRIDLEY PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE BEFORE THE PLANNING COMMISSION

To: All property owners/ residents within 350 feet of property generally located at 6210 Highway 65 NE.
CASE NUMBER:
Text Amendment, TA # 12-02
APPLICANT:
Miller Funeral Home
Petitioner or representative must attend the Planning Commission meeting.
PURPOSE:
To add language to the C-3, General Shopping zoning district code language that would allow a crematory as an accessory to a mortuary.
LOCATION OF PROPERTY:
6210 Highway 65 NE
Lots 3 & 4, Block 1, Herwal 2nd Addition, subject to easement of record.
DATE AND TIME OF HEARING:
Planning Commission Meeting:
Wednesday, November 21, 2012, 7:00 p.m.
The Planning Commission Meetings are televised live the night of the meeting on Channel 17.
PLACE OF HEARING:
Fridley Municipal Center, City Council Chambers, 6431 University Avenue N.E., Fridley, MN.
HOW TO PARTICIPATE:
1. You may attend hearings and testify.
2. You may send a letter before the hearing to Julie Jones, Planning Coordinator, at 6431 University Avenue N.E., Fridley, MN 55432 or FAX at 763-571-1287.
SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS:
Hearing impaired persons planning to attend who need an Interpreter or other persons with disabilities who require auxiliary aids should contact Roberta Collins at 763-572-3500, no later than November 14, 2012. The TDD # is 763-572-3534.
ANY QUESTIONS:
Contact Stacy Stromberg, Planner, at 763-572-3595.
* PROPOSED CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE
The proposed City Council meeting Date for this item will be Monday, December 3, 2012. *This date is subject to change depending on the outcome of the Planning Commission meeting. Please confirm City Council date prior to attending City Council meeting.

CITY OF FRIDLEY SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF NOVEMBER 13, 2012

The City of Fridley will not discriminate against or harass anyone in the admission or access to, or treatment, or employment in its services, programs, or activities because of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, disability, age, marital status, sexual orientation or status with regard to public assistance. Upon request, accommodation will be provided to allow individuals with disabilities to participate in any of Fridley's services, programs, and activities. Hearing impaired persons who need an interpreter or other persons with disabilities who require auxiliary aids should contact Roberta Collins at 572-3500. (TTD/572 3534)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
BOARD OF CANVASS MEETING
1. Receive and Certify the Statement of Canvass from the General Election of November 6, 2012.
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
2. Approve Search Services Agreement with Slavin Management Consultants for the City Manager Selection Process.
ADJOURN.

MINNESOTA SECRETARY OF STATE MARK RITCHIE ANNOUNCES STATE CANVASSING BOARD MEMBERS

ST. PAUL, Minn.— October 30, 2012 — Secretary of State Mark Ritchie today announced the members of the State Canvassing Board whose responsibility it will be to canvass and certify the results of the State General Election held on November 6.

Minnesota Statutes 204C.31 requires the Secretary of State to select the five members of state canvassing board. By law members of the board must be the secretary of state, two judges from the Minnesota Supreme Court and two judges of the district court.

Members of the 2012 State General Election State Canvassing Board include:

· The Honorable Mark Ritchie, Minnesota Secretary of State

· The Honorable Paul H. Anderson, Associate Justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court

· The Honorable Christopher J. Dietzen, Associate Justice of the Minnesota Supreme Court

· The Honorable Edward I. Lynch, Chief Judge, First Judicial District

· The Honorable Karen J. Asphaug, District Court Judge, First Judicial District

To avoid conflicts of interest, by law, no judges or justices who are members of the state canvassing board may be candidates at the election. It is also important to note that unlike other election issues subject to administrative recounts, constitutional amendments are not subject to recounts administered by the state canvas-sing board, but are subject to court election contests.

The State Canvassing Board will meet at 1 p.m. on Tuesday, November 27, 2012, in Room 10 of the State Office Building located at 100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., St. Paul, Minnesota.

ANOKA CONSERVATION DISTRICT ANNUAL TREE AND SHRUB SALE

The Anoka Conservation District is now accepting pre-orders for the annual tree and shrub sale. The District offers a wide variety of native stock, including black cherry trees, mixed oak trees, red maple trees, and white pine trees. The trees and shrubs are sold in bare root seedlings or transplants and are approximately 18" to 24" in height. They may be purchased in bundles of ten for $17, or twenty-five for $30. Native prairie seed and tree aides are also available.

If you are interested, go online and check out the Anoka Conservation District website at www.AnokaSWCD.org. Once there, you can go to the tree sale products section of the website and click on the species title which contains links to detailed descriptions and photographs of each of the varieties being offered. The website also contains information about the kinds of trees and shrubs to plant in your particular situation along with planting directions. If you would prefer you may talk directly to Anoka Conservation District staff by calling 763-434-2030.

You may purchase these trees and shrubs in one of the following ways: Go to the website and use the online ordering option or to print a form and send it in with payment. Call the ACD office at 763-434-2030x10 and have a form sent to you or order by phone. Orders will be accepted until April 11 and will be available for pickup April 27 at the Anoka County Fairgrounds between 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m. Please order early to guarantee availability.

TRASH OR TREASURE? FIND OUT AT A NEW ROAD SHOW EVENT IN COON RAPIDS

Have you ever wondered if your collectibles and antiques are worth something? Now is your chance to find out. The Anoka County Historical Society and the Coon Rapids Historical Commission are teaming up to present the first ever "Road Show Event." It's a chance for people to learn from local experts about the value of their items. You will also learn how to care for the items and how to sell them for their maximum value, if you choose to do so. However, there will be no selling of items at this event.

Date: Tuesday, November 13
Time: 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Location: The Coon Rapids Senior Center
11155 Robinson Drive
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

There is no cost to attend this event, however, a donation for the ACBC food shelf is appreciated. You may bring in a non-perishable food item or provide a cash donation.

If you plan to attend, please note the following:
You may bring up to 3 items
No large items please
You are responsible for the moving and safety of your items while on City of Coon Rapids property
There will NOT be any buying or selling at the event
No advance registration is required
Depending on the number of people in attendance, the doors may close early so the event can end at 9:00 p.m.

If you have questions, please contact the Anoka County Historical Society at (763) 421-0600.

CITY OF COLOGNE CITY ADMINISTRATOR POSITION

The City of Cologne, Minnesota is currently accepting applications for the position of City Administrator. Cologne is a statutory (Chapter 412) city governed under the Mayor-Council plan. The City of Cologne is located in the southwest edge of the seven county metropolitan area of the Twin Cities.Cologne is a progressive community with a strong vision for the future.

Position Summary: The City Administrator is responsible to the Mayor-City Council for thegeneral administration of city business. The City Administrator supervises all city departments; creates yearly general budgets, including a 5-year capital improvement replacement program, employee development/training plans, provides financial and administrative reports to the Mayor-City Council;and makes recommendations to the Mayor-City Council to ensure the successful operation of city business.

Requirements: Bachelor's degree in public administration or business administration or related field.

Excellent written and verbal communication skills, including communicating professionally with press/media.

Experience in financial planning and budgeting for upwards of $1-5 million.

Experience, knowledge, and/or understanding of redevelopment tools (TIF, TDD, CID) and ability to skillfully negotiate with property owners, special and bond counsels, and other government entities.

Experience managing personnel from various departments, including department heads such as City Clerk, Finance Officer, Fire Chief, Director of Public Works, and Director of Public Utilities. Preferably candidate would possess 2 years experience working as a city administrator in a small city or as an assistant administrator in a large city.

Experience administering and complying with rules and regulations and ensuring that City Personnel comply with all Ordinances, the Charter, and the Civil Service Rules and Regulations.

As Human Resources Director, the ability to be discreet and handle confidential information appropriately and following the Civil Service Rules and Regulations. This includes maintaining the legalities of closed meetings.

Ability to execute job responsibilities while managing the disparate views of multiple elected officials and experience collaborating across an organization with various departments.

The City of Cologne is an equal opportunity employer and will not discriminate against any applicant for employment because of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, disability, age, marital status, sexual orientation, genetic information, status with regard to public assistance, or any other class or characteristic protected by law.

Interested candidates should submit a resume, cover letter, and references to the Mayor of Cologne, Bernie Shambour, City of Cologne, 1211 Village Parkway, P.O. Box 120 Cologne MN 55322 Salary commensurate with experience, government experience not required.

Position Open until filled.

CITY OF SHOREWOOD CITY ADMINISTRATOR POSITION

The City of Shorewood, MN (pop. 7,307) is seeking a City Administrator. Shorewood is a western Hennepin County suburb on the south shore of Lake Minnetonka, predominately residential with a 5-member City Council, a $5.3 million dollar general fund budget and 20 employees. It is the largest city in a 4-member police, joint powers association and a 5-member fire, joint powers association. The City prides itself on its environmental stewardship and is an active member in various conservation and watershed districts. Requirements include a BA, (MA preferred), in public or business administration with 3 to 5 years of executive experience in a government setting or any combination of related training and experience. Must have knowledge of local government operations, be team oriented and possess effective communication skills. Salary negotiable DOQ. Send cover letter, resume and salary history to Interim Administrator Bill Joynes, at bjoynes@ci.shorewood.mn.us . Inquiries to Bill Joynes @ 952-474-7905. Applications close on November 20, 2012.

ANOKA COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY ANNOUNCES WINTER HOURS

The Anoka County Household Hazardous Waste Facility's winter schedule is now in effect, open two days a week: Wednesdays, 2 p.m.-8 p.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m.-3 p.m. The facility is located at 3230 101st Avenue NE in Blaine, off Radisson Road. Household hazardous wastes that are accepted include acids, aerosol cans with product remaining, drain cleaner, driveway sealer, fluorescent bulbs, liquid paint, liquid mercury, mercury thermometers, motor oil, oven cleaner, paint stripper, paint thinner, pesticides, pool chemicals, stains, varnishes, and wood preservatives. Residents dropping materials off at the site must provide proof of county residency, such as a driver's license. The facility accepts household hazardous waste from residents of Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, and Washington counties. Businesses, organizations, and schools may not bring hazardous waste to the facility. Wastes that are not accepted include ammunition, appliances, batteries, dried paint, electronics, empty containers, medical wastes, radioactive wastes, railroad ties, and tires. For disposal options for unacceptable wastes, or other information call Anoka County Integrated Waste Management at 763-323-5730.

MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY HOLIDAY EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

Capitol Mall Walking Tour

Minnesota State Capitol, St. Paul
Dates: Nov. 10, 11, 17, 18, 24, 25, 2012
Time: 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays, 1 to 4 p.m. Sundays
Fee: Self-guided brochure available for $2 at Capitol Information Desk.

Since 1912, there has been a rich tradition of placing war memorials and remembrances of noted Minnesotans from the state's history and government on the Capitol Mall. They are created in various forms, including sculpture, flower gardens, plaques and public spaces. A self-guided brochure, available for purchase at the Capitol's Information Desk, takes visitors along the Capitol Mall and explains the history of this public space and the significance of each of the memorials.

New Hours at MHS's Research Library

Hours at the Minnesota Historical Society's research library will change effective Dec. 1:

Tuesday, noon to 8 p.m.
Wednesday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Closed Sundays and Mondays

In addition, hours will no longer change between summer and the rest of the year.

The library recently surveyed students, family historians, teachers, scholars, attorneys and others who visit or want to use the library's collections. When asked about access to the library, the most common response was for longer days and morning hours.

In order to keep staffing costs from rising sharply to meet this change, the library will close on Sunday, the day with the smallest number of visitors.

The library has also added two Saturdays (Memorial Day and Labor Day weekends) to be more consistent with History Center hours and the researchers' expressed desires.

New patrons or returning patrons who want to learn more about the Society's collections and how to access materials can attend a free class "I'm New Here: Introducing the Library." This class is offered every Saturday year round. Reservations are recommended; call 651-259-3300 or register online at www.mnhs.org/library/classes.

Minnesota Historical Society Gale Family Library
Address: 345 Kellogg Blvd. W., St. Paul 55102-1903
Hours: Tuesday, noon to 8 p.m.; Wednesday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 4 pm. Closed Sundays and Mondays.
Cost: Free
Phone: 651-259-3300
Email: reference@mnhs.org
Website: www.mnhs.org/library

I'm New Here: Introducing the Library

Minnesota Historical Society Library, St. Paul
Dates: Nov. 10, 17, 24, Dec. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 2012
Time: 9:15 to 10:15 a.m.
Fee: Free
Reservations: recommended, call 651-259-3300 or register online

The library contains an array of sources for finding family history; researching a term paper; looking into the history of a house, business, organization or neighborhood; or just discovering more about Minnesota's rich past and many cultures. This free class held each Saturday year round, introduces these resources and offers tips on how to use catalogs, request materials and purchase photocopies.

A Victorian Christmas at the Ramsey House

Alexander Ramsey House, 265 S. Exchange St., St. Paul
Dates: Nov. 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30, Dec. 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 27, 28, 29, 30, 2012
Time: 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Wed.-Sat.; noon-3:30 p.m. Sundays
Fee: $11 adults, $9 seniors and college students, $7 ages 6-17; $3 discount for MHS members.
Reservations: recommended, call 651-296-8760 or register online

JFK Assassination: The Mystery & Legend

Presentation by David E. Jones at the New Brighton Library

11 AM, Thurs. NOV. 15

Where were you when JFK was assassinated? Nearly 50 years later, this event still sparks discussion and controversy. Bring a bag lunch and join us as David Jones leads a balanced discussion of one of the pivotal events of the 20th century.
Contact Number: 612-321-9321

Ramsey County Libraries / Legacy Amendment