

With one exception, counties tripping over themselves to raise license tab taxes

Anoka County though, proposes to eliminate the tax altogether

Since 1972, the legislature has only allowed metropolitan counties to levy a license tab tax on vehicles which were kept within the county. A metropolitan county is defined as Anoka, Carver, Dakota, Hennepin, Scott, and Washington. The maximum tax allowed was \$5 per vehicle per year. (Minnesota Statutes 163.051)

This license tab tax, technically called a “wheelage” tax, applies to all vehicles, motorized and non-motorized, that require annual registration. This includes cars, trucks, mopeds, and some trailers. Semi-trailers and small utility trailers with lifetime registrations do not pay the tax along with motorcycles, which are exempted. This tax is on top of the state’s annual vehicle license tab tax.

In 2013, the legislature changed the law by expanding it to include all 87 counties. As a result, county boards across the state have been in a rush to take advantage of this newly granted taxing authority. One reason for the rush is because counties must decide by August 1st of every year if they wish to levy this tax for the next calendar year.

The legislature also raised the tax from \$5 to \$10 per vehicle per year in all counties with the exception of Olmstead County (Rochester metropolitan area). Olmstead County was granted the authority to levy an additional \$10 per vehicle per year to fund infrastructure improvements associated with the Mayo Medical Center project. The legislature also included a raise in the tax to \$20 per vehicle which will take effect in 2018. Currently counties are limited to either no tax or a \$10 tax.

The intent of wheelage tax revenue is to fund road and bridge projects. Some counties though, such as Carver County, have publicly stated that these funds may also be used for transit improvements. Also there is no law to prevent a county from instituting a wheelage tax to fund roads and bridges, and then take property tax funds previously dedicated to roads and bridges and redirect those funds to other purposes. Instituting a wheelage tax provides no guarantee that there will be any increase in funding for road and bridge projects.

In neighboring Sherburne County, the *Citizen* reported that the board voted unanimously to levy a \$10 per vehicle per year tax after a 30 minute discussion. They estimate that the tax will raise approximately \$750,000 in revenue in their county. WJON reported that both Stearns and Benton County boards have instructed staff to prepare resolutions to bring before the board authorizing the

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establishment of a \$10 per vehicle per year tax. Hennepin County passed the \$10 per vehicle per year tax on Tuesday.

Ramsey County, which for years has chosen not to levy this tax partially because of the tax’s regressively, adopted the tax on a 5-2 vote on Tuesday. Commissioners Janice Rettman and Blake Huffman both voted no. Commissioner Huffman stated, “My concerns about adding a wheelage tax in Ramsey County include: growing this tax without decreasing the existing source of road funding, not understanding the impact of the tax on the transportation industry (school buses, deliver, etc.), and the regressive nature of this tax. The owner of a \$500 vehicle pays the same as someone driving a Jaguar or a Tesla.” Ironically a lead proponent of the effort in Ramsey County to levy the tax, Commissioner Jim McDonough, represents some of the lowest income residents of the state.

A wheelage tax is considered regressive because the tax does not recognize a person’s ability to pay. The other option for county road funding, which counties will continue to utilize, is the property tax. With property taxes though, often there is a relationship between the value of a home and the income of the occupants of the home. Also the state has property tax refund programs for taxpayers who have a large tax bill and low income. But when a county shifts property tax revenue to fees, therefore lowering the property tax rate, these same homeowners have a more difficult time qualifying for state property tax refund programs.

Anoka County Stands Out

Anoka County though has stood out statewide as the only county which is actually moving forward to eliminate the wheelage tax. Years ago, the Anoka County board established a \$5 wheelage tax. If the county board chose to do nothing, the tax would automatically increase to \$10 per vehicle for 2014, which would be a 100% increase. This and other facts did not sit well with the members of the board’s public works committee. The board’s public works committee is chaired by Commissioner Robyn West with Commissioner Matt Look as vice-chair, and Commissioners Rhonda Sivarajah and Scott Schulte as members.

At the Anoka County Public Works Committee meetings on July 1st and July 15th, staff was directed to draft a resolution to repeal the tax and bring it forward for consideration by the full board. At the July 1st meeting, staff indicated that if the current \$5 wheelage tax were to be eliminated, the property tax levy would need to be increased by \$1,385,000 to replace lost revenue. Commissioner Matt Look stated that property taxes will not be increased as a result of eliminating the wheelage tax. He said, “Although we are taking action to repeal it (the wheelage tax), we are still making the road budget whole, by transferring other money. Long and short, we will not have less in roads this year than previous years because of the repeal of the tax.”

Several Anoka County Commissioners have indicated their support for repealing the existing \$5 wheelage tax based upon the principal of the issue. Public works

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Circle Pines among 31 Minnesota cities whose credit rating has been downgraded by Moody's

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The bond ratings of a steadily increasing number of local governments in Minnesota have been cut in the past 18 months, an “alarming” trend that’s attracting the attention of national financial analysts.

Credit ratings measure the ability of a government or other debtor to repay financial obligations, and the likelihood of default.

Thirty-one Minnesota cities have seen their credit ratings slip since January 2012, including several whose general obligation bond ratings were “super-downgrades,” involving a cut of at least three steps. Two cities have lost their investment-grade bond ratings status — Le Center and Vadnais Heights — as Gaylord, Granite Falls, Hayfield, Le Sueur and North Mankato each dropped three rungs respectively in the financial risk assessments.

Municipal Market Advisors, a trade newsletter that tracks municipal bonds, first singled out the state in a report titled “Minnesota City Downgrades Fast and Furious.”

“It was an unusually large number of municipalities, of cities, in a particular state that were facing negative rating action that weren’t part of a broader rating review,” said Lisa Washburn, author of the April 29 report.

The pace has picked up sharply since 2011, when just one Minnesota city received a lowered bond rating. Last year, Moody’s or Standard and Poor’s credit rating services reduced the rates for 13 Minnesota municipalities. In 2013, an additional 18 cities have already been notified of a downgrade in their credit status.

“These trends are alarming; however, we do not anticipate that the downgrades themselves, or the fiscal strains driving the downgrades, will lead to a material increase in actual impairments or defaults,” the MMA report states. “However, above-average downgrade activity may well continue among these ...”

Another trade newsletter, The Bond Buyer, reported the relatively high level of downgrades show Minnesota cities continue to struggle with “diminished property tax bases, limited revenue flexibility, and other fiscal strains. The downgrades underscore the challenges local governments still face despite the economic recovery.”

Analysts noted that state changes to the property tax system have made it more difficult for smaller cities’ to balance their books after property valuation declines from the recession. Cities have resisted hiking property valuations in the midst of a prolonged recovery, putting more stress on local government budgets.

The city of Le Center has resorted to borrowing from a bank to meet its debt-service obligations, as well as to pay for city operations. Overall, the downgrades could make it more expensive for cities and their taxpayers to turn to the municipal bond market for future projects, depending on market conditions at the time.

“It means the rating agencies’ view on their credit quality, their ability to repay their debt in full and on time, has been reduced,” said Washburn. “In theory, that means if they were to have to come to the capital markets, they may face an increased cost in order to gain access to capital markets.”

Analysts say the financial fallout caused by two \$25 million projects in Vadnais Heights and Monticello underscores the potential risks of city’s bonding for enterprise projects. Just last week, Monticello offered to settle with bondholders of the city’s struggling Fibernet telecommunications network for an estimated 25 cents on the dollar. In February, Vadnais Heights declined a \$455,000 lease revenue bond payment, defaulting on debt-service obligations for a sports arena built with \$24.8 million in bonds. The Vadnais Heights case stands out as a rare example of a municipal bond market default.

“Municipalities tend to be viewed very positively

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Rep. Abeler's Session Wrap-Up

The 2013 Legislative Session came to a close at the end of May. Here is an update on the important budget decisions made at your State Capitol.

For the first time in a generation, one party, the DFL, had total control of budgetary and policy decision-making in St. Paul. I was optimistic at first. I have always worked well with my colleagues on the other side of the aisle, because I firmly believe collaboration generates the best results. When Minnesota listens to all of its voices, it does better work.

But on very crucial budget decisions, the new leaders listened to just a few and ignored the rest this session.

The result is a budget that brings in the most revenue in state history while outspending this multi-billion dollar increase in just a few short years. For all the talk of working together, which has become my hallmark, little actual collaboration occurred. Very disappointing for me. The results could have been so much better had they worked across the aisle.

The Recent Past: 2011 Budget Turnaround

EFFICIENT, EFFECTIVE GOVERNMENT WAS DELIVERING RESULTS

Two years ago, DFL Gov. Mark Dayton and the GOP-controlled legislature were forced to hammer out a bipartisan plan to lead Minnesota. Looking back now, after two years, we can see that the fiscally responsible, commonsense policies put in place then worked. Minnesota's economy grew and created jobs. Every indication has been up for the past year, leading up to the end of session.

A historic \$5 billion budget deficit took a dramatic turnaround and grew into a modest budget surplus. What was once a 7.5 percent unemployment rate is now 5.3 percent.

Just last year, 55,000 new jobs were created and 60,000 Minnesotans took a risk and worked hard to start their own business.

And the best news is: Minnesota's economy continues to improve and revenues continue to come in higher than projected.

Here are some key developments which show how Minnesota is on its current path to a healthier economy:

- **REVENUE RISING:** Economic forecasts issued since legislative Republicans and Gov. Dayton put a new budget in place in 2011 have combined to produce nearly \$3 billion in more-than-expected revenue.
- **LONG-TERM STABILITY:** Budget decisions we made in 2011 not only erased a \$5 billion shortfall, but paved the way for a small but meaningful surplus projected for 2016-17.
- **RESERVES REPLENISHED:** Budget surpluses filled the state's depleted reserves, cash flow account and repaid \$1.8 billion to Minnesota schools.

These are major accomplishments.

The Present

2013: ONE VOICE APPROACH TO STATE BUDGETING

1) MANY MIDDLE-CLASS PEOPLE WILL PAY MORE

The 2013 Tax Bill raises \$2.1 billion in new taxes starting this summer along with some changes many of us feel will adversely affect the Minnesota job climate and slow down the recovery.

- **New 4th Tier Tax:** \$1.12 billion by increasing income tax on top bracket by 26 percent, including small businesses. This makes Minnesota's income tax rate the 2nd-highest in the nation for comparative income. This will include more people than "the rich." Many of those affected will be unpleasantly surprised and unprepared.
- **Large Employer Tax:** \$424 million from a tax increase on large employers may result in less take-home pay for their employees. While some think that these businesses can afford this tax increase, others predict that some businesses will move from Minnesota, and others may not come here in the first place. That would cost jobs and opportunities.
- **Cigarette Tax:** \$408 million from increase of \$1.60/pack (from \$1.23 to \$2.83). While this will decrease smoking, it is felt that this increase will hit the poor disproportionately.
- **Sales and Gift Tax:** \$137 million by expanding sales tax to services like warehousing and storage, IT services and telecommunications and gift tax. Even though it doesn't take effect until next April, there is already talk of repealing the warehousing/storage sales tax. Some business expansions are already being postponed due to this "one-of-a-kind" Minnesota-only tax.

2) CARELESS SPENDING

Rather than creating a more effective government by reviewing the budget areas line-by-line, my colleagues across the aisle focused on restoring spending this session. By permanently increasing spending over the next two years by \$3 billion, hardworking taxpayers will continue to fund many inefficient government programs. It takes continual program review and consolidation to assure that we get value for our money. There was almost none of that this session. Quite disappointing.

- **Health Insurance Exchange:** Also known as MNsure, it will cost \$74 million per year to operate. That's a lot. As part of the ACA/Obamacare, it may mean higher costs, fewer choices and potentially less privacy for Minnesotans. Despite the

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Please, don't be fooled

Last week we received some good news from the Minnesota Department of Management and Budget. The State of Minnesota has brought in \$463 million more revenue than estimated in the 2013 February Forecast. June 2013 was the final month operating under the Republican budget which contained no tax increases.

With this surplus from the budget enacted by the Republican-controlled legislature, the state will now have paid back the entire aid shift from previous legislatures plus begin to make a down payment on paying off the DFL property tax recognition shift. Please do not be fooled by what you may hear DFL legislators say about the budget and the education shift. The DFL-majority did not pay down the education shift. Instead, they shifted \$50 million in the 2013 education finance bill.

The bottom line is that the budget passed by Republicans in the legislature in 2011 has worked. In January of 2011 as Republicans came into the majority in both chambers of the legislature, the state was facing a \$6.2 billion deficit for fiscal years 2012-2013 with the biennium ending on June 30, 2013. We were able to do the hard work of balancing the budget and funding our priorities without raising taxes by restraining the growth of automatic spending increases and finding efficiencies in government.

Now, we've seen the fruits of our labor. Because we did not impose tax increases on Minnesota families, we encouraged productivity and allowed our state's economy to thrive. It's evident that Democrats in the legislature needlessly and recklessly imposed a \$2.1 billion tax increase on every single man, woman, and child in Minnesota without regard for the consequences to our state's economy.

How "tax the rich" became "tax us all"

For years, Minnesota Gov. Mark Dayton has been pontificating about taxing the rich. He has bantered with and bullied legislators about raising taxes on Minnesota's top income earners.

(Ironically, the governor has lived off a South Dakota trust fund that pays little or no taxes on its earnings.)

Six weeks ago, Dayton's wish came true when DFL legislators passed \$2.1 billion in tax increases. But the big lie about the Democrats' tax bill that Dayton so eagerly signed into law is that it raises taxes on all Minnesotans — not just the rich, as Dayton has professed on numerous occasions.

While Dayton and his DFL cronies profess to take from the rich to provide property tax relief to the masses, in reality they enacted massive tax increases that will impact everyone in the state.

The list includes income taxes, business taxes, sales taxes, cigarette taxes, gift taxes and even Internet taxes, in addition to added fees for drivers' licenses and cell phones.

This tidal wave of taxes will ripple across the state and impact every family and business from Ada to Zumbrota. No matter what spin or hype Dayton and Democratic legislators use to hide their taxes increases, the true effects will be felt by everyone.

According to the Minnesota Department of Revenue, households of all income ranges will see their tax burden increase as a percentage of their income. Households with the lowest incomes — less than \$11,000 a year — will see the greatest change in the percentage of state and local tax burden, the department reports.

These low-income earners will see a 1.56 percent increase in total tax burden, moving from their current 29.9 percent of income paid in taxes to a tax burden of 31.5 percent of income.

This compares to a .67 percent increase in taxes for Minnesota's top earners with annual incomes over \$146,400, going up from 10.3 percent to 11 percent state and local taxes as a percent of total income.

While Democrats "achieved" their goal of making Minnesota's tax system hyper-progressive, they failed at reducing taxes for the poorest of households in Minnesota — those with earnings of less than \$20,000 annually. The result is a tax increase on Minnesota's lowest earners and at the same time, huge tax increases on the state's job creators — the worst of all outcomes in tax policy.

Thousands of jobs likely will be lost as businesses move to lower taxed states, while our poorest citizens will be burdened with higher taxes and fees.

One of the more regressive taxes enacted by legislators this year was the \$1.60 per pack increase in the cigarette tax. Under the pretense that smokers will quit, naive lawmakers increased the tax above



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on the willingness factor,” said Washburn. “But once there’s a reason to view you negatively on that factor, it’s a very significant fall from what your credit quality would be.”

While the number of municipal bond defaults remains low, analysts say the hangover from the recession will continue to present economic challenges to local government officials and operations.

“Growing pension costs, increasing exposure to the capital markets and changing attitudes towards default and bankruptcies have intensified credit stress faced by local governments,” Anne Van Praagh, a Moody’s analyst, said in a release. “Demographic trends may further constrain some local governments’ long-term flexibility, creating an environment with more downside risks and limited upside potential.”

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Downgraded Minnesota Cities

Issuer/Bond	Current Rating	Prior Rating	Rating Agency	Year of Downgrade
Ada (City), general obligation bonds	A-minus	A-plu	S & P	2012
Le Center (City), general obligation bonds	Ba2	A1	Moody’s	2012
Le Sueur (City), general obligation unlimited tax bonds	Baa1	A1	Moody’s	2012
Monticello (City), general obligation bonds	A2	As3	Moody’s	2012
North Branch (City), general obligation bonds	A1	Aa3	Moody’s	2012
North St. Paul (City), general obligation bonds	Aa3	Aa2	Moody’s	2012
Pine City (City), general obligation bonds	A2	A1	Moody’s	2012
Sleepy Eye (City), general obligation bonds	A2	A1	Moody’s	2012
Spring Valley (City), general obligation bonds	A2	A1	Moody’s	2012
Vadnais Heights (City), general obligation bonds	Ba1	As2	Moody’s	2012
Virginia (City), general obligation bonds	A2	A1	Moody’s	2012
Watertown (City), general obligation bonds	A2	A1	Moody’s	2012
Wayzata (City), general obligation bonds	Aa1	Aaa	Moody’s	2012
Albany (City), general obligation bonds	A2	A1	Moody’s	2013
Avon (City), general obligation bonds	A3	A2	Moody’s	2013
Byron (City), general obligation bonds	A2	A1	Moody’s	2013
Cologne (City), general obligation bonds	A2	A1	Moody’s	2013
Dayton (City), general obligation bonds	A1	Aa3	Moody’s	2013
Gaylord (City), general obligation bonds	Baa1	A1	Moody’s	2013
Granite Falls (City), general obligation bonds	Baa1	A1	Moody’s	2013
Hayfield (City), general obligation bonds	Baa3	A3	Moody’s	2013
Le Center (City), general obligation bonds	B1	Ba2	Moody’s	2013
Little Falls (City), general obligation bonds	A2	A1	Moody’s	2013
Madelia (City), general obligation bonds	A3	A2	Moody’s	2013
North Mankato (City), general obligation bonds	A3	Aa3	Moody’s	2013
Rollingstone (City), general obligation bonds	Baa2	Baa1	Moody’s	2013
Wadena (City), general obligation bonds	A2	A1	Moody’s	2013
Circle Pines (City), general obligation bonds	A1	Aa3	Moody’s	2013
Delano (City), general obligation bonds	A1	Aa3	Moody’s	2013
Center (Town), general obligation bonds	A-minus	A	S & P	2013
Buffalo (City), general obligation bonds	A-plus	AA-minus	S & P	2013

Source: *Municipal Market Advisors, Bond Buyer Weekly Rating Actions*, supplemented with information from Moody’s.com. *Editor’s note: the only Anoka County city on the list of downgraded bond ratings is Circle Pines, listed here fourth from the bottom. Other area cities such as Vadnais Heights, North St. Paul, Wayzata and Buffalo made the list.*

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promises, it does nothing to guarantee better health care, lower actual insurance premiums or create savings in the health care system. ACA/Obamacare will actually increase costs and may reduce coverage options for many. Not exactly the miracle solution people expected when this “landmark” legislation was originally passed.

- Funding state agencies above requested amounts: In some cases, House and Senate leaders compromised upward and spent more money on state government programs than either body had originally approved. Some things you can’t make up.
- Bonding bill: Neither side of the aisle had enough support to pass the original \$800 million bonding bill. Negotiations to find common ground went very badly until the end when an agreement came together and we did pass a \$176 million bill that focused on repairs for the Capitol, flood mitigation and veterans.

3) OTHER CONTROVERSIES

Instead of focusing on items that unite us – such as crafting a balanced budget and creating jobs – legislative leaders spent most of this session debating divisive social issues or proposals.

- Childcare unionization: Legislation was passed that grants a unionization vote on childcare providers. This was very controversial, and is being currently challenged in court.
- Eliminating GRAD standards: My colleagues got rid of graduation standards instead of giving Minnesota students and our state’s future workforce the tools they need to meet our high standards. Our high school diploma should be more than a certificate of participation.
- Cuts to vulnerable Minnesotans: Legislative leaders increased spending in every budget area except for pretend cuts for Health & Human Services which received a “\$50 million cut.” Actually, that budget spent over \$200 million more than forecasted. However, the way it got done seriously affected programs for the disabled and elderly. My efforts to help improve upon this were dismissed.
- Redefinition of marriage: Despite the fact that Minnesotans remains divided on this issue, state leaders prioritized a measure to legalize same-sex marriage in Minnesota. This passed, and takes effect August 1.
- 2nd Amendment restrictions: The majority tried repeatedly to pass legislation that would limit the 2nd Amendment rights of law-abiding gun owners in Minnesota by proposing major changes that would have minimal or no beneficial effect on public safety. Eventually, they abandoned their extreme proposals and worked with all parties to shore up the mental health record system in ways that will do some real good.

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the level of all of Minnesota’s surrounding states. For example, the tax in North Dakota is 44 cents per pack compared to Minnesota’s new \$2.83 per pack.

The net result is likely to be less revenue than anticipated for Minnesota and more cross-border sales for smokers.

This study by the Department of Revenue also highlights that despite an increase of \$120 million in aid to cities and counties, the total state and local tax burden will increase across all income levels.

In short, the results this year’s tax legislation will be higher taxes for all households across all income levels, according to Dayton’s own department.

If the taxes weren’t increased enough as a result of the provisions in the tax bill, Democratic legislators approved more taxes in the transportation bill. While not passing a gasoline tax increase this year, they did expand statewide the option for counties to adopt a \$10 per vehicle wheelage tax. They also passed legislation permitting any county outside the seven-county metro area to increase the sales tax by a half percent without voter approval, plus impose a \$20 motor vehicle excise tax for any transit or transportation project.

The net result of Dayton’s “tax the rich” scheme is that Minnesotans will pay more in taxes if they drive a car, renew their drivers’ license, download a song or a movie, rent a car, smoke cigarettes, give a large gift, have a cell phone, subscribe to satellite television, are subject to the alternative minimum tax or earn more than \$150,000 in 2013.

Minnesota’s tax policy now reflects Gov. Dayton’s wish: to move Minnesotans back into the category of the “highest taxed” people in the country. He may have desired to tax only the rich, but the result is he ended up taxing everyone.

Dayton’s “tax the rich” rhetoric is a big tax lie.

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committee chair West stated that since all roads are used by all residents in one manner or another, it is more appropriate to use property tax dollars vs. these user fees. She said, “I am very satisfied to simplify and clarify what we are doing with the taxpayer’s hard earned dollars.” Board chair Sivarajah stated, “This wheelage tax fee is one of the biggest irritants that citizens have.”

Commissioner Look pointed out that the county already levies property taxes for roads and this will not change. He said, “We have simply found that it irritates people that see it as a line item fee. For me, I was originally irritated when I had to pay it for a four wheeler that was never used on roads. For transparency though, Anoka County residents pay for all road repairs/upgrades that are not paid for by the state or federal government. If the state and federal government dollars do not cover road projects, our only option is to levy Anoka County residents for the difference.”

Commissioner Look was also opposed to the automatic increase in the wheelage tax from \$5 to \$10 and the manner in which the legislature approved it. He said that the law was worded to create an automatic increase without any action being required by the county board. Look said, “In counties that currently had the tax (such as Anoka County), no public vote would be required, avoiding public scrutiny, hoping that many will not notice the increase on their tabs and titles. Shameful politics in my opinion!”

The Anoka County Board will consider the resolution to repeal the wheelage tax at their regular board meeting held in the board chambers at 9:30 a.m., but the day has been rescheduled from the regular Tuesday to Thursday, July 25th.

SPOTLIGHT ON COMING EVENTS

Rep. Scott to speak to conservative women’s forum

Rep. Peggy Scott of Andover will be among the speakers at a July 25 event sponsored by the Women’s Victory Fund, a conservative political action committee. The event will be held at the Water Street Inn in Stillwater, with a social hour at 6:00 p.m. and speakers at 7:00 p.m. Speakers will also include Sen. Julie Rosen, Sen. Carrie Ruud, Sen. Karin Housley, Rep. Cindy Pugh and Rep. Kathy Lohmer, among others.

Declared Republican candidates for governor will appear at the Mermaid

Republican Party units in the Anoka County area for Senate Districts 31, 35, 36 and 37 will be hosting a candidate forum Thursday, August 1 at the Mermaid Restaurant and Lounge, 2200 County Hwy. 10 in Mounds View, with a social hour to begin at 6:15 p.m. Republican gubernatorial candidates have been invited to the forum, which will begin at 7:00 p.m. and be moderated by Walter Hudson of the North Metro Tea Party Patriots. Admission is \$10.00, serving as a fundraiser for the sponsoring local party units. The event will be held on the west (back side) of the building in the Coral Bay ballroom.

Anoka County Sheriff’s office hosts kids’ fishing day and tournament

The Anoka County Sheriff’s Office has partnered with Fishing for Life to host a kid’s fishing day and tournament on Friday, Aug. 2. Children and parents will be paired up with a Fishing Guide and taken out in a boat. Trophies will be given for the largest Bass, Northern, Pan Fish and more. Kids will also be able to fish from the dock and participate in the “Sunny Shoot Out!” All equipment, bait, lunch, entertainment and trophies are provided free. The event will take place at Lake George Regional Park, 21050 Lake George Blvd. in Oak Grove, and there will be no admission charged to enter the park for this event. Registration begins at 9:00 a.m., fishing starts at 9:30. Catches will be weighed in at noon, followed by lunch and presentation of awards. Pre-registration is encouraged by calling 763-767-4671 or register online at www.anokacounty.us/crimewatch

ANOKA COUNTY SHERIFF'S CRIME REPORT — JUNE

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Thefts & Damage to Property

06.03 165xx Wintergreen St NW smashed windows and damage to camper
 06.03 136xx Crosstown Blvd NW business; attempted break in; damaged door
 06.03 143xx Vale St NW unsecured vehicle; GPS stolen
 06.03 151xx Zilla St NW radar detectors stolen from vehicles; no sign of forced entry
 06.05 12xx 146 Ln NW stolen license plate
 06.06 12xx 155 Ln NW attempted break in; damage to window trim
 06.07 151xx Avocet St NW spare tire stolen from under the vehicle
 06.08 23xx 135 Ave NW unsecured vehicle; GPS
 06.08 10xx 152 Ln NW unsecured vehicle; GPS, tools
 06.08 138xx Evergreen St NW dirt bike stolen from the side of the house
 06.11 142xx Drake St NW unsecured vehicle; I-Pod
 06.11 150xx Eagle St NW unsecured vehicle; nothing of value stolen
 06.12 15000 Block Uplander St NW long board stolen
 06.12 144xx Flintwood St NW unsecured vehicle; electronics, tools
 06.12 137xx Vale St NW unsecured vehicle; GPS, electronics
 06.12 2xx 144 Ln NW unsecured vehicle; GPS, maglight
 06.14 154xx Martin St NW unsecured vehicle; gold clubs
 06.14 154xx Martin St NW unsecured vehicle; nothing of value was stolen
 06.14 153xx Linnet St NW unsecured vehicle; nothing of value was stolen
 06.15 19xx 158 Ln NW trolling motor stolen off a boat parked in the driveway
 06.15 3xx 139 Ln NW flag and flagpole stolen from the property
 06.15 139xx Holly St NW license plates stolen from a vehicle
 06.16 137xx Goldenrod St NW unsecured vehicles; GPS, ipod, fishing poles
 06.16 25xx 154 Ln NW unsecured vehicles; GPS, credit cards
 06.16 25xx 154 Ln NW unsecured vehicle; GPS
 06.16 145xx Yellowpine St NW unsecured vehicle; stereo
 06.16 15xx 148 Ln NW dog statue stolen from the property
 06.16 25xx 154 Ln NW unsecured vehicle; I-Pod
 06.16 145xx Bluebird St NW unsecured vehicle; stereo
 06.19 152xx Wintergreen St NW damage to shed lock
 06.21 143 Ave NW/Woodbine St NW long board stolen
 06.24 157xx Kiowa St NW theft of mail from the mailbox
 06.25 22xx 140 Ave NW — theft of mail from the mailbox

Arrests

06.03 Undercliff St NW/Tulip St NW DAC-IPS; a deputy stopped the driver for not wearing his seatbelt. The deputy then discovered the driver did not have a valid driver's license and drugs were located in the vehicle. The K-9 was requested to assist in a drug search. The male was arrested and his vehicle was towed.
 06.06 5th Degree Controlled Substance, DAR; driver stopped for a revoked license; driver appeared under the influence of drugs. Vehicle was searched and narcotics were located. The male was arrested
 06.08 18xx 134 Ave NW Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a domestic between female roommates. Both females were arrested.
 06.09 147xx Jay St NW Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a father/son domestic. The son was arrested.

06.11 39xx 173 Ln NW 2nd Degree Domestic Assault; deputies responded to father/daughter domestic. The father was arrested.

06.12 42xx 144 Ln NW Domestic Assault by Strangulation; deputies responded to a mother/son domestic. The son was arrested.

06.12 Bunker Lk Blvd NW/Quinn St NW; Warrant Arrest, Civil Apprehend and Hold; deputies received information of a male with warrants in the area of the location. The deputies located the male and was arrested.

06.15 Bunker Lake Blvd NW/Prairie Rd NW 3rd Degree DWI; a deputy responded to a property damage car crash. The driver involved appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested..24

06.16 35xx 135 Ln NW 5th Degree Possession Controlled Substance, Theft; deputies responded to an unwanted male at the location. The deputies located the male and during a routine search located many stolen items, prescription pills that did not belong to him and a baggie of narcotics. The male was arrested.

06.18 147xx Sycamore St NW 5th Degree Domestic assault; deputies responded to a boyfriend/girlfriend domestic. The male was arrested.

06.19 Round Lake Blvd NW/162 Ln NW DAR, Speed, No Proof of Insurance; a deputy stopped a driver for speeding. The deputy then learned that the driver did not have a valid drivers license and no proof of insurance. The male was arrested.

06.20 19xx 134 Ln NW 5th Degree Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a domestic between two males. One male was arrested.

06.24 15400 Block of Round Lake Blvd NW 2nd Degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for poor driving conduct. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested..156

06.27 136xx Crosstown Blvd NW GM Insurance, DAR, Seatbelt; a deputy stopped a driver for expired registration. The driver did not have insurance on the vehicle with three prior convictions in the last 10 years, a valid drivers license or a seatbelt on. The male was arrested.

06.28 Hanson Blvd NW/Bunker Lake Blvd NW 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance; a deputy stopped a driver for speeding. During the conversation with the driver he admitted to having narcotics in the vehicle. Narcotics were located during the search of the vehicle. The male was arrested.

Burglaries

06.09 143xx Wintergreen St NW; unsecured garage door; two long board skateboards

06.12 12xx 153 Ave NW — unsecured garage door; cash

06.15 11xx 142 Ln NW — unsecured residence; tools

06.17 137xx Goldenrod St NW vehicle vandalized; keyed

06.26 160xx Round Lake Blvd NW forced entry through basement window; misc property stolen

Columbus

Thefts & Damage to Property

06.02 153xx Lake Dr NE attempted break in; damage to car trim

Burglaries

06.21 134xx East Rondeau Lake Dr NE unsecured residence; copper, voltage lines

Arrests

06.04 63xx Block Camp Three Rd NE 5th Degree Controlled Substance; deputies responded to a suspicious vehicle. While speaking with the driver a glass pipe containing narcotics fell onto the ground. The vehicle was searched and another baggie of narcotics was located. The male and female occupants were arrested.

06.09 13300 Block I-35W 4th Degree DWI, Speeding; a deputy stopped a driver for speeding. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted

and failed. The male was arrested..217

06.11 Hornsby St NE/Lake Dr NE Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a boyfriend/girlfriend domestic. The male had left the scene prior to the deputies' arrival. An attempt to locate was put out through dispatch.

06.20 94xx Lake Dr NE 2nd Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance; a deputy stopped a driver for revoked drivers license. During a routine search of the vehicle narcotics were located. The male was arrested.

06.24 152xx Zurich St NE 5th Degree Possession of a Controlled Substance; a deputy made contact with a suspect in a theft. The male was uncooperative. While exiting the vehicle the male dropped a small baggie containing narcotics. The male was arrested.

East Bethel

Arrests

06.08 Hwy 65 NE/187 Ln NE DAC-IPS; a deputy stopped a driver for not having a valid drivers license. The male was arrested.

06.18 197xx Tri Oak Circle NE deputies responded to a mother/son domestic. The son was arrested.

06.27 243xx Hwy 65 NE Warrant Arrest; deputies went to the location to look for a man with a warrant. The male was located and arrested.

Burglaries

06.03 200xx East Bethel Blvd NE forced entry through rear door; copper wire stolen

06.17 184xx Buchanan St NE business; forced entry; tools, supplies, copper

06.19 45xx 239 Ave NE cut lock on an enclosed trailer; tools

06.20 16xx 207 Ave NE unsecured garage; grass trimmer

Thefts & Damage to Property

05.31 185xx Lakeview Pt Dr NE unsecured residence; jewelry (suspect knows victim)

06.01 6xx Lincoln Dr NE — vandalism to vehicle; spray painted

06.02 243xx Hwy 65 NE flag pole stolen from the front yard

06.02 243xx Hwy 65 NE — unsecured residence; iPod (suspect knows the victim)

06.05 42xx Theiland Blvd NE — catalytic converter cut off a vehicle

06.05 190xx Jackson St NE — stolen license plate

06.06 46xx 229 Ave NE — bank accounts opened using victim's social security number

06.06 214xx Johnson St NE — vandalism to a garbage can

06.11 8xx 235 Ave NE — unsecured vehicle; guitar

06.19 195xx East Bethel Blvd NE; two ATV's stolen from the property

06.21 204xx HWY 65 NE — unsecured vehicle; Gas Smoker

06.22 19xx 221 Ave NE — hay bale stolen from the property

06.22 38xx 191 Ave NE — vandalized vehicle; smashed windows

06.22 35xx Vikings Blvd NE — vandalized vehicle; smashed windows

06.22 28xx 183 Ave NE damaged mailbox

06.23 38xx 191 Ave NE unsecured garage; leather jacket, sunglasses

06.24 221xx Quincy St NE vandalized vehicle; tires slashed

Ham Lake

Burglaries

05.31 36xx 164 Ave NE landscape stone thrown through basement window

06.01 182xx Austin St NE unsecured rear door; purse, credit cards, play station

06.01 179xx Central Ave NE unsecured garage door; chainsaw, drill, misc tools

06.01 35xx 167 Ln NE vandalism to a fence and mailbox

06.06 3xx 134 Ave NE mail stolen from the mailbox

06.06 171XX Hwy 65 NE padlock cut off

storage door; ATV stolen

Thefts & Damage to Property

06.02 7xx 180 Ln NE broken sprinkler heads; appeared to be done by a vehicle

06.04 27xx 158 Ave NE damage to the lawn; appeared to be done by a vehicle

06.06 18xx Deerwood Dr NE unsecured vehicle; wallet, credit cards

06.06 170xx Staples St NE damage to the lawn; appeared to be done by vehicle

06.10 156xx Central Ave NE business; unsecured shed; wood chipper

06.20 50xx ivy Ln NW unsecured residence; jewelry

06.24 32xx 168 Ave NE unsecured garage; golf set, generator, misc tools

06.29xx 166th Ave NE 5th Degree Domestic Assault deputies responded to a husband/wife domestic. The female was arrested.

06.06 3xx Constance Blvd NE 2nd Degree Assault; deputies responded to a brother/brother domestic with a gun. One male was arrested.

06.06 153xx Block HWY 65 DWI, Refusal, DAC-IPS, No Proof Insurance; a deputy stopped the driver for poor driving conduct. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed, the driver refused PBT and formal intox test. The male was arrested.

06.09 70xx Ivy Ln NE 5th Degree Domestic Assault deputies responded to a husband/wife domestic. The male was arrested.

06.09 15900 Block Hwy 65 5th Degree Controlled Substance, Warrant Arrest, GM No Proof of Insurance; a deputy stopped a driver for not having a valid drivers license. The deputy then learned that the driver had a felony warrant and could not provide proof of insurance on the vehicle. During the search of the vehicle two small baggies of narcotics were located. The female was arrested.06.15 154xx HWY 65 NE 2nd Degree Assault; deputies responded to domestic between two males. Both males were arrested.

Thefts & Damage to Property

06.08 18xx 153 Ave NW smashed window; cash, wallet

06.09 37xx 133 Ln NE damage to the overhead garage door

06.15 177xx Johnson St NE unsecured vehicle; helmet, misc clothes

06.19 169xx Baltimore St NE business; damage to many vehicles in the parking lot

06.20 14xx Lombardy Dr NW gas siphoned

06.21 180xx Ulysses St NE smashed vehicle window; purse, credit cards

06.24 33xx Bunker Lake Blvd NE vandalized vehicle; tires slashed, spray painted

06.25 7xx 134 Ave NE unsecured vehicle; garage door opener

06.26 27xx 149 Ave NE unsecured vehicle; backpack, change

06.26 24xx Bunker Lake Blvd NE unsecured vehicle; change

06.26 25xx Bunker Lake Blvd NE unsecured vehicle; change

06.26 24xx Bunker Lake Blvd NE unsecured vehicle; change

06.26 33xx Bunker Lake Blvd NE unsecured vehicle; cigarettes

Linwood Township

Thefts & Damage to Property

06.04 85xx 238 Ave NE — gas siphoned from a vehicle

06.23 80xx 241 Ln NE — vandalized garage; slashed the sides

Arrests

06.07 217xx Viking Blvd NE OFP Violation; a deputy responded to a OFP Violation. It was determined the female did violate the order. The female was arrested.

06.14 62xx N Linwood Dr NE Warrant Arrest; deputies went to the location on a warrant attempt. The suspect was located and arrested.

06.16 8700 Block Viking Blvd NE DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for poor driving conduct and no rear tail light. The driver

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appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The female was arrested. 2306.16 156xx Central Ave NE 5th Degree Controlled Substance; deputies responded to a possible kidnapping at the location. The claim of kidnapping was unfounded. However, during the investigation process narcotics were located on two males. Both males were arrested.

06.16 217xx Block Viking Blvd 2nd Degree DWI a deputy stopped a driver for equipment violations. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The female was arrested. 1906.21 69xx 230 Ave NE - 5th Degree Domestic Assault; deputies responded to a mother/son domestic. The son was arrested.

**Nowthen
Burglaries**

06.12 80xx Viking Blvd NW business; front door smashed; cigarettes

Thefts & Damage to Property

06.17 187xx Baugh Ave NW unsecure residence; generator

Arrest/Incidents

06.20 Pinnaker Rd NW/Norris Lake Rd NW Dumping Complaint; a mattress, computer monitor, trash bags and misc other trash dumped at the location. The deputy was able to retrieve an address after going through the trash. The male was issued a citation

**Oak Grove
Burglaries**

06.06 28xx 187 Ln NW — forced entry through service door; nothing was

stolen
06.18 12xx 193 Ln NW — unsecure residence; water heater, vacuum, flooring

Thefts & Damage to Property

06.06 23xx 181 Ave NW shelving stolen from the side of a building

06.10 33xx Viking Blvd NW unsecure vehicle; cell phone, wallet

06.10 20xx 195 Ln NW boat stolen from the property

06.18 199xx Gladiola St NW reflectors stolen from the driveway, damaged mailbox

06.22 210xx Lake George Blvd NW gas siphoned and batteries stolen

06.24 210xx Sycamore St NW damage to mailbox

06.24 212xx Sycamore St NW mailbox stolen

Arrests

05.31 197xx Cedar Dr NW Domestic Assault by Strangulation, Motor Vehicle Theft, Flee; deputies responded to a boyfriend/girlfriend domestic. Pre arrival the male stole the female's vehicle and fled. CID was called to the scene and the investigation continues.

06.14 229 Ave NW/Nightingale St NW DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for poor driving conduct. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety test were conducted and failed. The female was arrested. 114

06.14 3500 Block 197 Ave NW Felony Warrant Arrest, DAR; deputies stopped a driver for driving with a revoked license and having a felony warrant. The male was arrested.

06.22 216xx Lake George Blvd NW 1st Degree DWI, Canceled IPS; deputies responded to a single car property

damage crash. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested. 291

06.25 217xx Lake George Blvd NW 3rd Degree DWI; a deputy stopped a driver for expired registration. The driver appeared intoxicated. Field sobriety tests were conducted and failed. The male was arrested. 13

FUTURE TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION BY RAMSEY CITY COUNCIL (Tentative)

- Discuss Advertising – Ramsey Resident
- Discuss Building Inspections RFP Reschedule Presentation by Ed Reynoso
- Budget Discussions
- Discuss Building Design Review Committee
- Amended MOU re Armstrong Boulevard
- Adopt Resolution in Support of Constitution Week – A Presentation to a Representative of the Daughters of the American Revolution — 8/13
- Happy Days Update
- Consider Proposal from North Fork Inc. to Convey Certain Parcels Adjacent to Lake Itasca to the City for Park Purposes

Future HRA discussion topics:

- Review Draft of Housing Assistance Policy
- Review Sign Options for Sunwood Retail Area and Consider Advertisement for Bids

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The Oak Grove Lions Club will host

Acorn Day in Oak Grove

August 10, 2013

11 am to 8 pm

Volunteers needed

Proposed activities will include games for Children, Crafts, Fire Department Display, Food, Car Show, Bingo, Country Western Band and other educational displays and entertainment. There will also be the Lion's Wellness Van that will be checking blood pressure, Cholesterol, and other concerns free of charge.

We will need volunteers to help with various aspects of this event. Please call for details on planning meetings, etc. Call Lion President Mark Silernagel 763-753-2215 or Lion Roger Welch 763-753-4810

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GOVERNMENT MEETINGS CALENDAR

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

Wed. July 24
Anoka Co. Joint Law Enforcement Council,
2 pm, Columbia Heights Public Safety Bldg., 825 41st Ave NE

Thurs. July 25
Management Cmte., 8:30 am, Rm 772
Anoka County Board, 9:30 am, Rm 705, ACGC; followed by HRA
Anoka Co. Board "work session", 1:30 pm, Rm 772, ACGC

Thurs. Aug. 1
Anoka Co. Workforce Council Mtg., 7:30 am, Blaine Human Service Ctr, Rm 202, 89th Ave., west of Central

Mon. Aug. 5
Public Works Cmte., 9 am, Rm 772, ACGC

Tues. Aug. 6
Parks & Rec. Cmte., Camp Salie, Martin-Island Linwood Lakes Reg. Park, 9 am

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

Mon. July 22
City Council, 7 pm

Thurs. Aug. 1
HRA, 7 pm

Mon. Aug. 5
Parks & Rec. 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

Mon. July 22
Planning Comm., 6 pm

Mon. Aug. 5
City Council, 6 pm

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

Mon. July 22
Park & Rec. Comm., 6 pm

Tues. July 23
Town Board, 6 pm

Tues. Aug. 6
Road & Bridge Cmte., 7 pm

OAK GROVE
Oak Grove City Hall
19900 Nightingale St. NW
Oak Grove, MN 55011
Ph: 763-404-7000
www.ci.oak-grove.mn.us

2nd and last Monday of month
City Council, 7 pm (EDA follows council mtg on last Monday)

3rd Wednesday
Parks Comm., 6 pm

3rd Thursday
Planning Comm., 7 pm

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

Thurs. July 18 & Aug. 1
Planning Comm., 7 pm

Tues. July 23
City Council "work session" 5:30 pm, reg mtg, 7 pm, followed by HRA

Mon. Aug. 5
EPB, 6:30 pm

Thurs. Aug. 8
EDA, 7:30 am
Park & Rec. Comm., Riverdale Pk, 6:30 pm

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

Mon. Aug. 19
Board of Supervisors, 5 pm

CENTENNIAL ISD #12
4707 North Rd
Circle Pines, MN 55014
Ph.: (763) 792-6000
isd12.org

Mon. Aug. 5
School Bd "work session", 5:30 pm

Mon. Aug. 19
School Bd regular mtg, 6:30 pm

FRIDLEY ISD #14
6000 W Moore Lake Dr
Fridley, MN 55432
Ph.: (763) 502-5000
fridley.k12.mn.us

Tues. Aug. 20
School Bd "work session," 5:30pm,
Public Comment, 7 pm, Business Mtg 7:30 pm, Fridley City Hall

SPRING LAKE PARK ISD #16
1415 81st Ave NE
Spring Lake Park, MN 55432
Ph.: (763) 786-5570
springlakeparkschools.org

Tues. Aug. 13
School Bd, 6:45 pm

Tues. Aug. 27
School Bd "work session", 6 pm

QCTV Cable Commission
Ramsey, Andover, Champlin, Anoka
Thurs. Aug. 15, 10 am, Anoka City Hall

North Metro TV Cable Commission
Ham Lake, Blaine, Spring Lake Park, Lino Lakes, Lexington, Centerville, Circle Pines
Executive Committee and Cable Commission meetings cancelled for July and August

Meetings listed on this page are subject to change —call ahead to verify

ANOKA COUNTY BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

The Anoka County Board met on June 25, 2013. Standing county committee information reports and action items were considered, and action was taken as necessary. The following resolutions were adopted: #2013-75, 76, 77, and 78 - highway projects, #2013-79 - Performance Measurement Program, #2013-80 - economic assistance payments, #2013-81 - funding for FHPAP, #2013-82 - county fees, #2013-83 and 84 - tax forfeit property, and #2013-85 - Property Records & Taxation Director Appointment. A public hearing was held regarding Anoka County user fees. A full copy of the agenda, minutes, accounts, and claims greater than \$2000 may be found on the Anoka County Web site: www.anokacounty.us (Published July 18, 2013 Anoka County Record)

CITY OF HAM LAKE
COUNTY OF ANOKA
STATE OF MINNESOTA
ORDINANCE NO. 13-07

An Ordinance relating to the Ham Lake City Charter, providing for an amendment by ordinance relating to the assessment of costs incurred in implementing pest control measures.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Ham Lake, Anoka County, Minnesota, as follows:

Chapter Eight of the Ham Lake City Charter is hereby amended as follows:

I. The last sentence of Section 8.01 is hereby deleted, to be replaced by the following language:

"Except as provided in Section 8.04 below and except as provided by Minnesota law pertaining to assessments in the nature of municipal Regulatory Service Fees for the abatement of nuisances, no assessment shall exceed the benefits to the property."

II. There is hereby added to the Ham Lake City Charter a Section 8.04, to read as follows:

SECTION 8.0 Pest Control Assessments

Pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes Chapter 18G.13, and all amendments thereto, if the City by resolution or ordinance adopts pest control measures that provide for the summary removal of diseased trees (including living, dead, standing or fallen trees) or parts thereof, such as branches, bark or roots, from private property, or the summary correction of conditions that tend to promote the spread of plant disease, the City may recover its costs of implementing such measures against the property to which the measures apply, in the following manner:

1) Prior to the summary removal of the diseased items, or the correction of the condition, the City staff have give notice to the owner of the property to remove the trees or correct the condition, to be implemented within 30 days of the date of the notice. Notice shall be effective if sent by regular U.S. Mail, postage prepaid, to the person(s) or entity listed as owner in the public records of Anoka County. The notice shall include, without limitation the following advisory:

You are hereby notified that if you fail to comply with the demand to remove or correct the condition, State law authorizes the City to employ agents to come upon your property to remove trees or correct the condition, and to assess the cost of such activity against your property if you do not reimburse the City for such cost.

2) If the property owner fails to remove the diseased items or to correct the conditions within the time specified in the notice, and the City implements summary removal/correction procedures, the city's costs shall be computed and an invoice for such costs mailed to the owner, containing the following notice (blanks to be completed as information becomes available):

You are hereby notified that as a result of your failure to take corrective action to remove or correct diseased tree conditions as required in a previous notice to you the City of Ham Lake has completed the work at a cost of \$_____. If you do not remit this sum to the City on or before November 14, _____, the City will certify this amount as an assessment against your property for collection with taxes due in the year _____, together with interest thereon.

If the owner of the property fails to reimburse the City by the required date, the City costs shall be certified as an assessment for collection with real estate taxes, together with interest accrued at a rate to be established by resolution prior to the time of certification to the County, but if no resolution is then currently in effect, then at a rate of 3.0% per annum.

3) The foregoing procedures shall apply to all cases of removal/correction that occur in the year 2014 and thereafter, and notwithstanding the foregoing notice provisions, shall apply to all cases occurring in the year 2013 in which the property owner was given reasonable notice to remove or correct a disease condition accompanied by a statement that failure to do so would result in removal/correction at the owner's expense.

Presented to the Ham Lake City Council on July 1, 2013 and adopted by a unanimous vote this 15th day of July, 2013.

/s/Michael G. Van Kirk, Mayor /s/Denise Webster, Deputy City Clerk (Published July 18, 2013 Anoka County Record)

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS
2013 STREET IMPROVEMENTS
CITY OF OAK GROVE, MINNESOTA

The City of Oak Grove will receive sealed bids at the City Hall, located at 19900 Nightingale Street NW, Oak Grove, MN 55011-9204 for the construction of 2013 Street Improvements until 10:00 AM on August 8, 2013. All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at that time.

The work for which bids are asked includes the following: The work consist of 650 SY Mill Bituminous Surface; 3,800 tons Bituminous; and other ancillary items of work.

The BIDDING DOCUMENTS may be examined at the offices of MSA Professional Services, Inc.; St. Paul and the City of Oak Grove. Plan-holders list will be updated interactively on our web address at http://www.msa-ps.com under Bidding.

Copies of the BIDDING DOCUMENTS are available at www.questcdn.com. You may download the digital plan documents for \$25.00 by inputting Quest eBidDoc #2826965 on the website's Project Search page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at 952-233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with the digital project information.

No proposal will be accepted unless accompanied by a certified check or bid bond equal to at least 5% of the amount bid, payable to the OWNER as a guarantee that, if the bid is accepted, the bidder will execute and file the proper contract and bond within 15 days after the award of the contract. The certified check or bid bond will be returned to the bidder as soon as the contract is signed, and if after 15 days the bidder shall fail to do so, the certified check or bid bond shall be forfeited to the OWNER as liquidated damages.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 60 days after the actual date of the opening thereof. OWNER reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids. Published by the authority of the City of Oak Grove.

CONSULTING ENGINEER:
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60 Plato Blvd East
Suite 140
St. Paul, MN 55107-1835
Steve Winter, P.E.
(612) 548-3121 Project #10154017 (Published July 18, 2013 & Aug. 1, 2013 Anoka County Record)

CITY OF HAM LAKE
COUNTY OF ANOKA
STATE OF MINNESOTA
ORDINANCE NO. 13-08

An Ordinance relating to Background Checks on certain individuals seeking employment or certain permits in the City. Be it Ordained by the City Council of the City of Ham Lake, Anoka County, Minnesota, as follows:

Article 7-136 of the Ham Lake City Code is hereby repealed, to be replaced by the following Article 7-136.

7-136 Criminal History Background Investigations

Criminal History Background Investigations may be conducted by City Staff using publicly available websites, by the Anoka County Sheriff's Office for liquor, beer, wine or non-intoxicating malt liquor licenses or for other lawful purposes on request of City Staff, or by the Minnesota Bureau of Criminal Apprehension where nationwide background data is required. All background investigations shall first be approved by the City Administrator.

7-136.1 Required Investigations

A. Employment with City. All persons seeking employment with the City shall be subject to a criminal history background investigation at such time and the person is selected for a job interview. The extent of the background check shall be in accord with State and Federal laws pertaining to the nature of the duties to be performed by the prospective employee.

B. Beverage Licenses. Persons seeking City on-sale or off-sale licenses to sell intoxicating liquor, beer, wine or non-intoxicating malt liquor shall be subject to statewide background checks.

C. Specific Permits or Licenses. Persons seeking permits or licenses for Transient Merchant, Peddler, Canvasser, Solicitor, Massage Therapy or Lawful Gambling shall be subject to statewide or nationwide background checks.

D. Institutional Ownership. If the applicant for a liquor, beer, wine, non-intoxicating malt liquor or lawful gambling license is a corporation, limited liability company or partnership, the entity shall designate a responsible managing person, and the person so designated shall be subject to the background check.

7-136.2 Use of Data Data obtained in any background check shall not be public data, and shall be maintained in the manner provided by law by all agencies having possession of the data.

7-136.3 Consent Form Prior to conducting or requesting a background check, the applicant shall be required to execute a written consent form compliant with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes Chapter 13. The City staff shall maintain and update such forms for this purpose.

7-136.4 Denial of Employment or Request No person shall be denied employment by reason of information discovered in a background check unless the information consists of a criminal history that relates directly in whole or in part to the position being sought, and the conviction level is higher than a petty misdemeanor. No person shall be denied a permit or license based on information discovered in a background check unless the information consists of a criminal history that relates directly in whole or in part to the activity for which the license or permit is being sought, and the conviction level is higher than a petty misdemeanor. If employment, permitting or licensure is denied to any applicant based on information received in a background check, City staff shall give a written notice to the applicant stating the following:

- A. The reason for the denial;
- B. The complaint and grievance procedures set forth in Minnesota Statutes Chapter 364.06;
- C. The earliest date that the applicant may re-apply;
- D. That if the applicant has competent evidence of rehabilitation, all such evidence will be considered by the City upon reapplication.

Adopted by a unanimous vote of the Ham Lake City Council on the 15th day of July, 2013.

/s/Michael G. Van Kirk, Mayor /s/Denise Webster, Deputy City Clerk (Published July 18, 2013 Anoka County Record)

ON THE BALLOT ...

- Special Election - July 30, 2013
 - Ramsey - Council Member Ward 1
- School Board Members/Directors - November 5, 2013
 - ISD 11 Anoka Hennepin - Subdistrict 3 Director, Subdistrict 4 Director and Subdistrict 6 Director (4 year terms)
 - ISD 14 Fridley - 3 Board Members (4 year term)
 - ISD 15 St Francis - 3 Board member (4 year term), 1 Board member (2 year term)
 - ISD 16 Spring Lake Park - 4 Board Members (4 year term)
 - ISD 624 White Bear Lake - 4 Board Members (4 year term)
 - ISD 831 Forest Lake - 3 Board Members (4 year term)
- Local City Elections - November 5, 2013
 - Circle Pines - Mayor (2 year term), 2 Council seats (4 year term)
 - Lino Lakes - Mayor (2 year term), 2 Council seats (4 year term)
- Special Election - November 5, 2013
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COUNTY OF ANOKA
DISTRICT COURT
TENTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Court File No. 02-PR-13-319
NOTICE OF AND ORDER FOR HEARING ON PETITION
FOR FORMAL SUMMARY ASSIGNMENT

In Re: Estate of Isidra Z. Calica, Decedent

Gregoria A. Galamgam has filed a Petition for Formal Summary Assignment. It is Ordered that on July 30, 2013 at 9:00 a.m., a hearing will be held in this Court at 325 East Main Street, Anoka, Minnesota, on the petition.

Notice shall be given by publishing this Notice and Order as provided by law and by:

Mailing a copy of this Notice and Order to each interested person by United States mail at least 14 days before the time set for the hearing.

BY THE COURT
/s/Barry A. Sullivan
Judge of District Court
Dated: 6/18/13

/s/Jennifer A. Schlieper, Court Administrator, filed June 18, 2013

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13924 Olive Street N.W., Andover MN 55304

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D & K Investments, LLC, 13924 Olive Street N.W., Andover MN 55304

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FILED: June 17, 2013, #677417300025
/s/John David Schragger
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1501 Pheasant Hills Circle, Lino Lakes MN 55038

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Diehl's Accounting Service, Inc., 1501 Pheasant Hills Circle, Lino Lakes MN 55038

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