

HENNEPIN COUNTY

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PRELIMINARY COMMITTEE AGENDA

RESIDENT SERVICES COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2026
1:30 PM

Chair: Heather Edelson, District 6
ViceChair: Debbie Goettel, District 5
Members: Jeff Lunde, District 1
Irene Fernando, District 2
Marion Greene, District 3
Angela Conley, District 4
Kevin Anderson, District 7

1. Minutes from Previous Meeting

1.A. October 21, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [RS-COMMITTEEMINUTES-21-Oct-2025](#)

2. New Business

Routine Items

2.A. [26-0045](#)

Appointment of the 2026 Hennepin County Special Board of Appeal and Equalization; authorize the rates of compensation for its members

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Board Action Request

TMP-26-0142

Item Description:

October 21, 2025 Meeting Minutes

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COMMITTEE MINUTES

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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2025

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Commissioner Heather Edelson, Chair, called the meeting of the Resident Services Committee for Tuesday, October 21, 2025 to order at 3:09 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Angela Conley, Commissioner Debbie Goettel, Commissioner Heather Edelson, Commissioner Irene Fernando, Commissioner Jeff Lunde, Commissioner Kevin Anderson and Commissioner Marion Greene

1. Minutes from Previous Meeting

1.A. September 16, 2025 Meeting Minutes

APPROVE

Commissioner Angela Conley moved, seconded by Commissioner Irene Fernando, to approve the Minutes.

Aye: Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Goettel, Commissioner Edelson, Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Lunde, Commissioner Anderson and Commissioner Greene

2. New Business

Routine Items

2.A. [25-0415](#)

Amd 6 to Agmt A178204 with Better Futures Minnesota f/k/a Network for Better Futures, to provide lawn care, snow removal and salt/sanding services for maintenance of state of Minnesota tax-forfeit properties administered by Hennepin County, 01/01/26-12/31/26

CONSENT

Commissioner Debbie Goettel moved, seconded by Commissioner Jeff Lunde, to approve the Resolution.

Aye: Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Goettel, Commissioner Edelson, Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Lunde, Commissioner Anderson and Commissioner Greene

2.B. [25-0416](#)

Amd 6 to Agmt CM00000534 with Better Futures Minnesota for routine exterior property inspections and the boarding and securing of Hennepin County tax-forfeit properties, 01/01/26-12/31/26

CONSENT

Commissioner Debbie Goettel moved, seconded by Commissioner Jeff Lunde, to approve the Resolution.

Aye: Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Goettel, Commissioner Edelson, Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Lunde, Commissioner Anderson and Commissioner Greene

There being no further business, the Resident Services Committee for Tuesday, October 21, 2025 was declared adjourned at 3:10 p.m.

Sheri Selton
Deputy Clerk to the County Board

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Board Action Request

26-0045

Item Description:

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Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners delegates its County Board of Appeal and Equalization powers and duties to a Special Board of Appeal and Equalization, comprised of up to seven members, for the purpose of examining and comparing the returns of assessments of property within the county, and equalizing them; that the Special Board of Appeal and Equalization shall convene on June 15, 2026 and continue, as its business requires, thereafter until it adjourns sine die, on or before the close of business on June 30, 2026, at which time the 2026 Hennepin County Special Board of Appeal and Equalization, so appointed, shall cease to exist; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that each Hennepin County Commissioner is entitled to appoint one member to the 2026 Hennepin County Special Board of Appeal and Equalization; that such appointments must be communicated to the County Auditor's Office no later than March 13, 2026; that, after March 13, 2026, any unfilled seats on the Hennepin County Special Board of Appeal and Equalization may be filled by the chair of the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners; and that the Hennepin County Special Board of Appeal and Equalization is authorized to elect its own chair and vice-chair; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that members of the 2026 Hennepin County Special Board of Appeal and Equalization shall be reimbursed at the rate of \$140.00 for attendance at each preparatory training session, and each morning, afternoon and evening meeting session; and, that the Chair of the Special Board of Appeal and Equalization shall be compensated at the rate of \$170.00 for attendance at each preparatory training session, and at each morning, afternoon and evening meeting session; and that all members be reasonably compensated for parking while attending any meeting.

Background:

Minnesota Statutes §§ 274.13-.14 provide that county boards may either serve as the County Board of Appeal and Equalization, or appoint a Special Board of Appeal and Equalization to which they delegate all the powers and duties required for the purpose of examining and equalizing the assessments of the county. At least one member of the Special Board of Appeal and Equalization must be an appraiser, real estate broker or other person familiar with property valuations in the county, and at least one member at each meeting must have completed, within the last four years, the Appeals and Equalization Course developed by the Commissioner of Revenue.

The county board may determine the number of members to be appointed to the special board, the reimbursement, and expenses to be paid, and the term of office of each member.
The special board is subject to the quorum requirements for county boards.

The County Auditor is a non-voting member, who must keep an accurate record of the special board's proceedings and orders. The special board's record must be published; like other proceedings of the county

commissioners, and a copy of the published record must be sent to the Commissioner of Revenue.

Disparity Reduction Statement: The purpose of the Special Board of Appeal and Equalization is to provide a fair and objective forum for property owners to appeal their valuation or classification. By its nature the board is an instrument of disparity reduction as the decisions made by the board must be supported by facts and by Minnesota law ensuring all taxpayers are treated fairly and uniformly.

Recommendation from County Administrator: Recommend Approval