

HENNEPIN COUNTY

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FINAL COMMITTEE AGENDA

LAW, SAFETY AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2025
1:30 PM

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

1. Minutes from Previous Meeting

1.A. April 29, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Attachments: [LSJ-COMMITTEEMINUTES-29-Apr-2025](#)

2. New Business

Addendum

2.A. [25-0209](#)

JPA A2512844 between Hennepin County and the police depts of Minneapolis-Saint Paul International Airport, Brooklyn Park, Champlin, Eden Prairie, Golden Valley, and Saint Louis Park Fire Department for the Weapons of Mass Destruction Tactical Response Team, effective 05/20/2025

2.B. [25-0210](#)

Amds 2 to Agmts PR00005672 with Wright County and PR00006216 with Scott County to temporarily board Hennepin County detainees at their county jail or county correctional facility, no change to end dates, incr NTEs by \$1,800,000 for a total combined NTE for annexing in Wright and Scott counties of \$4,979,000; total allocated annexing costs will now be \$5,933,000

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Board Action Request

TMP-25-0358

Item Description:

April 29, 2025 Meeting Minutes

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COMMITTEE MINUTES

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Commissioner Jeff Lunde, Chair, called the meeting of the Law, Safety and Justice Committee for Tuesday, April 29, 2025 to order at 2:27 p.m.

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

Absent: Commissioner Debbie Goettel

1. Minutes from Previous Meeting

1.A. March 18, 2025 Meeting Minutes

APPROVE

Commissioner Angela Conley moved, seconded by Commissioner Heather Edelson, to approve the Minutes.

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

Absent: Commissioner Goettel

2. New Business

Routine Items

2.A. [25-0157](#)

Amd 1 to Agmt PR00005300 with Faul Psychological to provide licensed psychological assessments and wellness services, ext end date to 05/31/26, incr NTE by \$150,000 for a new total NTE of \$250,000

CONSENT

Commissioner Heather Edelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Marion Greene, to approve the Resolution.

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

Absent: Commissioner Goettel

2.B. [25-0158](#)

Agmt PR00006752 with Tyler Technologies, Inc. to provide electronic citation software as a service, 01/01/25-12/31/27, NTE \$150,000

CONSENT

Commissioner Heather Edelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Marion Greene, to approve the Resolution.

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

Absent: Commissioner Goettel

2.C. [25-0159](#)

Amd 1 to Agmt PR00005715 with Barbara Schneider Foundation to provide crisis intervention team training services, ext end date to 12/31/26, incr NTE by \$135,00 for a new total NTE of \$225,000

CONSENT

Commissioner Heather Edelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Marion Greene, to approve the Resolution.

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

Absent: Commissioner Goettel

2.D. [25-0160](#)

JPA A2512844 between Hennepin County and the police depts of Minneapolis-Saint Paul International Airport, Brooklyn Park, Champlin, Eden Prairie, Golden Valley, Saint Louis Park and Shakopee Fire Department for the Weapons of Mass Destruction Tactical Response Team, 01/01/25-12/31/27

RETURN TO AUTHOR

Commissioner Irene Fernando moved, seconded by Commissioner Marion Greene, to return the Resolution to staff.

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

Absent: Commissioner Goettel

2.E. [25-0161](#)

Agmt A2512800 between Hennepin County, the cities of Eden Prairie, Edina, Hopkins, Medina, Minnetonka, Minnetrista, Orono, Saint Louis Park, and West Metro Department of Public Safety for the West Metro Drug Task Force, period 01/30/25-01/29/26

CONSENT

Commissioner Heather Edelson moved, seconded by Commissioner

Marion Greene, to approve the Resolution.

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

Absent: Commissioner Goettel

2.F. [25-0162](#)

JPA A2512843 between Hennepin County and the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension for the MN Human Trafficking Investigators Task Force, 05/12/25-05/11/30

CONSENT**Commissioner Heather Edelson moved, seconded by Commissioner Marion Greene, to approve the Resolution.**

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

Absent: Commissioner Goettel

Items for Discussion and Action2.G. [25-0163](#)

Amd 1 to Agmt A2311814 changing the administering State department per Executive Order 25-01 to the MN Dept of Public Safety, Bureau of Criminal Apprehension

CONSENT**Commissioner Angela Conley moved, seconded by Commissioner Irene Fernando, to approve the Resolution.**

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

Absent: Commissioner Goettel

Addendum2.H. [25-0181](#)

Amd 2 to Agmt PR00003719 with Independent School District (ISD) 281 for GED testing services, ext end date to 12/31/26, incr NTE by \$49,000 for a new total NTE of \$125,000

CONSENT**Commissioner Kevin Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner Irene Fernando, to approve the Resolution.**

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

Absent: Commissioner Goettel

There being no further business, the Law, Safety and Justice Committee for Tuesday, April 29, 2025 was declared adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

Sheri Selton
Deputy Clerk to the County Board

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Board Action Request

25-0209

Item Description:

JPA A2512844 between Hennepin County and the police depts of Minneapolis-Saint Paul International Airport, Brooklyn Park, Champlin, Eden Prairie, Golden Valley, and Saint Louis Park Fire Department for the Weapons of Mass Destruction Tactical Response Team, effective 05/20/2025

Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Joint Powers Agreement A2512844 between Hennepin County and the police departments of Minneapolis-Saint Paul International Airport, Brooklyn Park, Champlin, Eden Prairie, Golden Valley, and Saint Louis Park Fire Department, for the Weapons of Mass Destruction Tactical Response Team, effective May 20, 2025, be approved; and that the Chair of the Board be authorized to sign the Joint Powers Agreement on behalf of the County; and that the Controller be authorized to disburse funds as directed.

Background:

The Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Homeland Security Grant program includes a suite of risk-based grants to assist state, local, tribal and territorial efforts in preventing, protecting against, mitigating, responding to and recovering from acts of terrorism and other threats. Grant funds provide grantees with the resources required for implementation of the National Preparedness System and work toward the National Preparedness Goal of a secure and resilient nation.

Funds available under the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) and Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), which were created in the immediate aftermath of 9/11/2001, are statutorily required to support jurisdictions' capabilities to prevent, protect against, mitigate, and respond to acts of terrorism.

FEMA and the Minnesota Division of Homeland Security & Emergency Management designated Hennepin County as part of a major urban area eligible for receipt of UASI grant funding. To qualify for funding, communities within an urban area are required to conduct an assessment of vulnerabilities of critical infrastructure and locations which, if damaged or destroyed, would cause significant disruption to government and community operations. These vulnerability assessments also encompassed the assessment of corporate and community venues which are vital to the health of the community through high levels of employment and frequency of visits by residents. All projects and approval of such projects require concurrence from all members of the UASI work group.

Grant funds are accepted via county board action. Since 2004 Hennepin County has received \$23M in grant funds. Major projects funded by UASI allocations include weapons screening at the Hennepin County Government Center, an FTE to administer the grant, target hardening at Hennepin County Medical Center, equipping a regional Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD) Tactical Response Team, a 700 MHz high speed data system, and funding for the design and equipping of the Emergency Operations Center.

Utilizing UASI grant funds, the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) has procured tactical equipment conforming to industry standards to support the operational readiness of the Team. The equipment is the exclusive property of Hennepin County and is assigned to individual team members for official use only.

After extensive review, no county board resolutions or agreements have been located that would have formally created the WMD Tactical Response Team.

The original members of the team were identified by the Sheriff's Office in partnership with the Hennepin County chiefs of police. Since the team's inception, they have formed strong partnerships with the State of Minnesota Fire Chemical Assessment Team, the Federal Bureau of Investigation Weapons of Mass Destruction Evidence Collection Team, the Minnesota National Guard 55th Civil Support Team, and the Minnesota National Guard Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and high-yield Explosives (CBRNE) Enhanced Response Force - Package (CERF-P).

The WMD Tactical Response Team is deployed for a variety of missions, including Presidential and dignitary visit details. In addition, they were involved in two search warrants in the past two years related to a suspected methamphetamine laboratory and a biological production of Ricin.

Minnesota Statutes §471.59 authorizes intergovernmental agreements for the exercise of governmental powers. The WMD Tactical Response Team Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) is a cooperative agreement between Hennepin County and local law enforcement agencies to provide specialized tactical responses to acts of terrorism involving chemical, biological, or radiological agents.

In accordance with Minnesota Statutes §471.59, each party to this Agreement acknowledges and agrees that it shall be solely responsible for the payment of all wages, salaries, benefits, and associated employment costs for its own personnel assigned to the WMD Tactical Response Team, including but not limited to regular compensation, overtime, on-duty injury benefits, and any workers' compensation claims arising therefrom.

The HCSO has supervisory authority over the WMD Tactical Response Team and shall administer its operations through a defined chain of command to ensure the effective planning, training, and deployment of resources. This JPA formally creates the Team and defines responsibilities among members.

Current request: This request seeks authorization to enter into a Joint Powers Agreement with the police depts of Minneapolis-Saint Paul International Airport, Brooklyn Park, Champlin, Eden Prairie, Golden Valley, and Saint Louis Park Fire Department to participate in the Weapons of Mass Destruction Tactical Response Team, effective May 20, 2025.

Recommendation from County Administrator: Recommend Approval

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Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Amendments 2 to Agreements PR00005672 with Wright County, increasing the not to exceed amount from \$2,611,000 to \$3,911,000; and PR00006216 with Scott County increasing the not to exceed amount from \$568,000 to \$1,068,000 to temporarily board Hennepin County detainees at their county jail or county correctional facility, no change to the contract dates of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026, for a new total combined not to exceed amount of \$4,979,000; that the Chair of the Board be authorized to sign the agreements on behalf of the county; and the Controller be authorized to disburse funds as directed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office will provide an update twice per week to the County Board on the number of detainees being annexed and the location of annexing until the termination of the Department of Correction's Conditional License Order; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that decisions regarding annexing detainees should prioritize:

- Utilization of the Hennepin County Adult Correctional Facility,
- Proximity to Hennepin County,
- Court process (e.g. awaiting substance use court assessment, pre-sentence investigation, mental health evaluation, access to counsel),
- Continuity of services offered to detainees (e.g. mental health treatment, health services, family access and stability, language supports), and
- Total costs related to transportation and/or staffing

Background:

Pursuant to Minn. Stat. §387.11, it is the responsibility of the Hennepin County Sheriff to ensure that detainees in custody are kept safe and secure. Contingency plans have been developed to meet responsibilities to detainees in custody. These Agreements may be activated when portions of the Hennepin County Jail are closed for maintenance and repairs, or when jail population counts exceed approved capacity.

Beginning in 2016, Hennepin County Sheriff's Office established and has since maintained annexation agreements with the counties of Carver, Chisago, Scott, Washington and Wright. These agreements have been vital in supporting the Sheriff's office annexations including population management, ongoing facility projects and unforeseen emergency circumstances.

On October 31, 2024, the Minnesota Department of Corrections sent a conditional license order to the Hennepin County Sheriff's Office, directing the Sheriff's Office to reduce its detainee population at the Adult

Detention Center (ADC) to 600 detainees by November 14, 2024.

On December 3, 2024, Resolution 24-0520 authorized the negotiation of amendments to annexing agreements with seven Minnesota counties to address the required reduction of the ADC's detainee population, with a total approved combined not to exceed amount of \$5,831,000.

On May 2, 2025, the Minnesota Department of Corrections issued an amendment to the conditional license order that increased the Sheriff's Office detainee population at the ADC to 700 detainees with an additional weekend occupancy of up to 735 detainees.

The available capacity at the Hennepin County Adult Corrections Facility will be the first priority when considering placement of Hennepin County detainees. The Department of Community Corrections and Rehabilitation is absorbing all costs related to the annexing of these detainees (operational and medical).

The other counties will provide secure custody, care, and safekeeping of Hennepin County detainees in their county jail or county correctional facility. This includes providing the same level of medical care and services provided to their detainees.

To date, annexing expenses, including those in the year 2024 prior to Resolution 24-0520, have totaled approximately \$3,500,000. It is anticipated that expenditures will total approximately \$3,900,000 through May 31, 2025.

The Sheriff's Office is seeking approval to utilize unspent dollars from the previously approved funds from Resolution 24-0520, totaling approximately \$1,900,000 and seeking approval of an additional \$102,000. With these adjustments, the new total not to exceed amount is \$5,933,000.

This request to amend the existing agreements with Wright and Scott Counties will provide necessary flexibility to support the ongoing facility projects and respond to short-term population increases typically observed during the summer months at the ADC.

Pursuant to this proposed board action, Hennepin County will amend current Agreements with the following Minnesota counties:

- PR00005672 Wright County expiring December 31, 2026, Amendment 2 increasing the not to exceed amount from \$2,611,000 to a new not to exceed amount of \$3,911,000
- PR00006216 Scott County expiring December 31, 2026, Amendment 2 increasing the not to exceed amount from \$568,000 to a new not to exceed amount of \$1,068,000

It is the Sheriff's Office intent to allow the following annexing Agreements to sunset:

- PR00006803 Anoka County, November 25, 2024 to May 31, 2025, with a not to exceed amount of \$344,000. Actual expenditures for this agreement are \$159,969 through March, 2025. It is anticipated there will be approximately \$40,000 dollars of additional invoices before the agreement expires.
- PR00006881 Goodhue County, November 25, 2024 to May 31, 2025, with a not to exceed amount of \$192,000. Actual expenditures for this agreement are \$85,746 through March, 2025. It is anticipated there will be approximately \$40,000 dollars of additional invoices before the agreement expires.
- PR00006880 Ramsey County November 25, 2024 to May 31, 2025, with a not to exceed amount of \$413,000. Actual expenditures for this agreement are \$228,246 through April, 2025. The Sheriff's Office does not anticipate any additional invoices.
- PR00006675 Sherburne County November 25, 2024 to May 31, 2025, with a not to exceed amount of \$749,000. Actual expenditures for this agreement are \$31,048 through April, 2025. The Sheriff's Office does not anticipate any additional invoices.

The County has other existing Agreements with sufficient NTE's not being amended:

- PR00003848 Washington County, October 12, 2021 to October 11, 2026, with a not to exceed amount of \$231,000
- PR00004798 Carver County, October 1, 2022 to December 31, 2026, with a not to exceed amount of \$180,000
- PR00004799 Chisago County, October 1, 2022 December 31, 2026, with a not to exceed amount of \$543,000

Recommendation from County Administrator: No Recommendation