

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

February 21, 2001

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the County Commissioners of Sedgwick County, Kansas, was called to order at 9:00 A.M., on Wednesday, February 21, 2001 in the County Commission Meeting Room in the Courthouse in Wichita, Kansas, by Chair Carolyn McGinn; with the following present: Chairman Pro Tem Ben Sciortino; Commissioner Betsy Gwin; Commissioner Tim R. Norton; Commissioner Thomas G. Winters; Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager; Mr. Rich Euson, County Counselor; Ms. Lucretia Taylor, Director of Diversity and Employment Opportunities Division of Human Resources; Mr. Don Brace, County Clerk; Mr. Tim Kaufman, Director of Operations, Division of Human Services; Mr. Jim Weber, Deputy Director, Bureau of Public Works; Mr. Andy Schlapp, Project Manager, Division of Community Development; Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Division of Community Development; Mr. Brad Snapp, Director of Housing Office, Division of Community Development; Mr. Chris Chronis, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance; Mr. Peter Giroux, Senior Management Analyst, Budget Department; Ms. Dorsha Kirksey, Director of Community Housing, Department of Aging; Ms. Valerhy Harmon, Director of Transportation, Department on Aging; Mr. Marvin Krout, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department (MAPD); Mr. David Spears, Director, Bureau of Public Works; Ms. Iris Baker, Director, Purchasing Department; Ms. Kristi Zukovich, Director, Communications; and, Ms. Lisa Davis, Deputy County Clerk.

GUESTS

Ms. Billie Lively, Volunteer.

Ms. Erma Markham, Chairperson, Neighborhood University Committee.

INVOCATION

The Invocation was led by Reverend Burr Crickard of Zion United Methodist.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

The Clerk reported, after calling roll, that all Commissioners were present.

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

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Chair McGinn said, "Commissioners, you've had a chance to review the Minutes of January 24th. What's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Minutes of January 24, 2001.

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Abstain
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Chair McGinn said, "Next item."

PROCLAMATION

A. PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2001 AS "BLACK HISTORY MONTH."

Chair McGinn said, "We have a proclamation today to read and I'll begin:

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, February marks the national observance of Black History Month, which originated from "Negro History Week". This was initiated by Dr. Carter G. Wootson in 1926 to examine the collective ingenuity, creativity, cultural and political experiences of Americans of African descent; and

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WHEREAS, the Association for the study of Afro-American Life and History would succeed in promoting the conversion of “Black History Week” into “Black History Month” in 1976; and

WHEREAS, the month of February is rich in Afro-American history, including the birthdays of prominent African Americans like Frederick Douglass, W.E.B. Du Bois, Langston Hughes and Eubie Bank; and

WHEREAS, we remember significant organizations that came to be in February, such as the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the first Pan African Congress and the oath of office for the first African American senator, Hiram Reels, in 1870; and

WHEREAS, Black History Month should not merely cause us to pause and consider the contributions of African American, but rather it should be a reaffirmation of the enlightened understanding that all Americans have equal value as people and as citizens, African American history is a significant part of American history, and individual historic origins are what bring beauty and character to American culture as a whole;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that I, Carolyn McGinn, Chair of the Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim the month of February, 2001 as

“BLACK HISTORY MONTH”

and encourage all employees and citizens to educate themselves about the valuable contributions of African Americans, because African American history belongs to all of us.

“And we have members from the Diversity Committee accepting this.”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to adopt the Proclamation and authorize the Chair to sign.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin

Aye

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Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Ms. Lucretia Taylor, Diversity and Employee Relations Manager, Division of Human Resources, and **Mr. Brad Snapp**, Housing Director, Division of Community Development, greeted the Commissioners and Ms. Taylor said, “And behalf of the Diversity Committee, Brad is our Chairperson of our committee this year, and on behalf of the committee, we will accept this proclamation. One thing that the proclamation said was that African-American history is really all of our history and so this month we really take the time to learn about significant contributions of African-Americans and the significant contributions that they made for all history. So, we take this time to learn more about all of our history. So, thank you.”

Chair McGinn said, “Well, thank you for being here. You guys are on the Diversity Committee, correct?”

Ms. Taylor said, “Yes, correct.”

Chair McGinn said, “Could you tell us where we’re at with the study circles?”

Ms. Taylor said, “The study circles, which is part of the Mayor’s initiative, the Building Bridges, the Community Process to Ending Racism, and the Diversity Committee supports the community dialogue that is occurring within our community on that process and we’ve also begun, here in Sedgwick County, to begin six week sessions of dialogue with the leadership team and that is the County Manager and also his division directors and we will begin that process tomorrow.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay, great. Thank you very much.”

Ms. Taylor said, “Thank you.”

Chair McGinn said, “Clerk, call the next item please.”

COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT AWARD

B. PRESENTATION OF COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT AWARD.

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Chair McGinn said, "Commissioners, this year we started a new recognition program and it's called the Community Enrichment Award and this is to recognize citizens out there that help us do our job, by giving countless hours to different groups and organizations that help children, help senior citizens and help our County as a whole.

"This is the second Community Enrichment Award to be presented, today. And today it will be going to Billie Lively. Billie, if you want to just come up here and stand and I would like to just read some of the things that Billie has done here in recent years and ask Billie to make some comments, if she would like.

"Billie began volunteering at Cero's and was hired, officially, about a year ago. She was the activities program coordinator at the Northeast Senior Center for two years and serves on the Mental Health Advisory Board, in addition to being a member of the Mental Health Associations Com-Peer Board for Adults. She has helped out with the Mental Health Associations's 'Teddy Bear Affair', which is their annual fund-raiser. She's extremely active with the youth in her neighborhood, which is Ken-Mar. She heads a youth group of about 60 kids and they work in the neighborhood to help out with mowing lawns, raking leaves, shoving snow and other things. She said that they try real hard to get kids into after-school programs, like the Boys and Girls Club, as well as to help with tutoring and other school activities. She is an Elder at the Brotherhood Presbyterian Church and also coordinates a group of senior ticket-takers at the WSU baseball and basketball games. The money there that they earn goes to neighborhood associations.

"So, I think Billie has been a proven leader in our community and we're happy to have you here today and would like to present this award to you, Billie. And thank you very much for all that you do for Sedgwick County. Would you like to say anything?"

Ms. Billie Lively, Volunteer, said, "Thank you. All I can say is thank you and I hope I've touched a few people, seniors and youth, and I hope that all I've done is not in vain, but has helped many people. I know I'm burning the candle at both ends, but sometimes the doers have to do that. Like they say, 20% of the people do and 80% receive and I think the 20% of us that give continue to give so 80% can be followers and help us leaders lead. Thank you."

Chair McGinn said, "And will be seeing you at the game Saturday night?"

Ms. Lively said, "You bet you."

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Chair McGinn said, "Okay. Billie's always there with a smile, no matter how the game's going. But things are going to get better. So, thank you.

"Clerk, call the next item please."

APPOINTMENTS

C. APPOINTING RESOLUTIONS (TWO).

1. RESOLUTION APPOINTING KERRY COULTER, DC (COMMISSIONER NORTON'S APPOINTMENT) TO THE METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING COMMISSION.

Mr. Richard A. Euson, County Counselor, greeted the Commissioners and said, "We have prepared this resolution of appointment to the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission. It is in proper form."

Chair McGinn said, "Do I have a Motion to adopt the Resolution?"

MOTION

Commissioner Norton moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

Chair McGinn said, "Did you want to make some comments now, Commissioner Norton?"

Commissioner Norton said, "Yes, I did, if I could. Dr. Coulter is my appointment to the Planning Commission. He has been very involved in the south side, with the South Wichita Business Association. He's also sat on two or three different task forces for the south side. He currently sits on the task force that's dealing with the renovation of the south side and putting a plan together for the south side and the north side of Haysville and has been very active down there. I think he'll be a great appointment, a great addition to the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission because he does bring some business savvy but

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also some real connection to the overall planning of the south side for many years. So, I would like to welcome him to that appointment.”

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you for those comments. I have a Motion and a Second. Any other discussion? Hearing none, Clerk, call the vote please.”

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Mr. Don Brace, County Clerk, said, “At the end say ‘I do swear’.

“I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and Constitution of the State of Kansas, and faithfully discharge the duties of the office of the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission, so help me God.”

Mr. Kerry Coulter, Member, Metropolitan Area Planning Commission, said, “I do swear.”

Mr. Brace said, “Congratulations.”

Mr. Coulter said, “This is a goal that I’ve been looking forward to for some time. I appreciate Tim for allowing me the honor to participate on this commission. As he said, I have been an active participant in the area down there for the last nine to ten years and look forward to seeing great things happen in the future. I hope that we’ve been an instrumental part of getting some things developed and started. I think . . . every day when I’m in my office, I here people’s concerns about the community and hope that I can follow through on some of their voices and be their voice for them. Thank you.”

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you. Clerk, call the next item please.”

2. RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING GEORGIA PTACEK (CHAIR MCGINN’S

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**APPOINTMENT) TO THE SEDGWICK COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH
ADVISORY BOARD.**

Mr. Euson said, "Commissioners, in this resolution, this is a reappointment for a four year term to this Board, and I recommend it for your approval."

MOTION

Chair McGinn moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin		Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye	
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters		Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino		Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye	

Chair McGinn said, "And I do not see Georgia in the audience today. Okay. All right, we'll be notifying her. Next item please."

DONATION

**D. DONATION OF \$1,000 FROM FOREST SPECIALTY SALES, TO BE USED FOR
THE SEDGWICK COUNTY SUICIDE PREVENTION TASK FORCE.**

Mr. Tim Kaufman, Director of Operations, Division of Human Services, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Earlier last year, the Surgeon General issued a call for action to suicide prevention. In response to that call for action, COMCARE has led a community-wide effort in coordinating a Sedgwick County

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Suicide Prevention Task Force. Forest Pharmaceuticals, through Forest Specialty Sales, has donated \$1,000 to the Task Force to raise community awareness and to help develop intervention strategies to combat this health risk.

“Specifically, this donation can be used towards the cost of a suicide prevention planning initiative being held February 20th and 21st at the Wichita State University Metroplex. We request the approval of this donation and authorization for the Chair to sign a letter of appreciation.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, do I have a Motion to accept this donation?”

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to accept the donation and authorize the Chair to sign a letter of appreciation.

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Chair McGinn said, “And they are on the second day of that conference, correct?”

Mr. Kaufman said, “Yes, they are.”

Chair McGinn said, “I was out there at the beginning of it, yesterday, and it looked like a very good program that they had put together. And I can’t remember the name of the speaker that was out there yesterday morning that they brought in. Do you?”

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Mr. Kaufman said, "I'm sorry, I don't have the name, but I do know that we have two professionals from the Centers for Disease Control here yesterday and today."

Chair McGinn said, "And it looked like a pretty good crowd that was out there as well. And it seems that, in our community, that's a much needed task to take on, so we're glad they're doing that. So, thank you. Clerk, call the next item please."

CITIZEN INQUIRY

E. REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGARDING NEIGHBORHOOD UNIVERSITY DAY: "UNITED...CLEAN & SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS."

Ms. Erma Markham, Chairperson, Neighborhood University Event, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This is in regard to Neighborhood University Day, which will be held on February 24th, 2001, from 9 to 3 p.m. And our theme, as has been said, is 'United for a Clean and Safe Neighborhood'. I am Erma Markham, Chairperson of the Neighborhood University event, which is a co-sponsored event each year by Wichita Independent Neighborhoods, or WIN, and the City of Wichita and Sedgwick County.

"On Saturday, February 24th, the Fourth Annual Neighborhood University will be held at the Sedgwick County Extension Office. Wichita Independent Neighborhood, the City of Wichita, and the County Service Department and the Wichita Eagle are all co-sponsors for the event this year. We would like to invite each of you to attend Neighborhood University. We have topics covered designed to support development of grass-root leadership and to connect civic-minded citizens with the services of the City and the County.

"In addition to helping citizens achieve safe and clean neighborhoods, we are also offering a few advanced courses for citizens that would cover prevention issues, revitalization projects, and neighborhood planning, and issues that effect neighborhood stability around the City.

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“This annual event has become an important collaborative effort for mobilizing our community. Anyone interested in forming a new neighborhood association or active in home ownership association and acquiring services or becoming aware of services from the City and County, this will be a great place to be and since the weatherman, I believe, has said the weather is going to chance, it will be cold, it will be an inside event. You’re learning about your neighborhood. You’re learning about services that are provided by the County and the City. So, we hope to see you there. Anyone wanting to register, please call the WIN office at 685-6300, 685-6300. Luncheon will be served. Thank you.”

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you, Ms. Markham. I have some questions for you. It says that this is co-sponsored by WIN, and City of Wichita and Sedgwick County. What entity at Sedgwick County do you work with? Is this Extension Office or . . . ?”

Ms. Markham said, “The Extension Office is one and then we work through various neighborhood associations. See, the WIN cover all of the neighborhood associations and those that are covered in the County, they are also a part of WIN.”

Chair McGinn said, “Right, okay. And then, I was just looking, in our backup material it says you connect civic-minded citizens with City and County services for neighborhood improvement. I think that’s great. It seems like our never ending job is trying to educate folks about County government and so, I guess that is also a part of your program that day.”

Ms. Markham said, “Yes, it is. We will have programs on initiating new neighborhoods and also we will talk about City codes, County codes, clean-up, this kind of thing. In fact, we have a clean-up day coming soon, so that will be right in there, making that announcement and helping them to plan a procedure for cleaning up their neighborhood.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay. Do you get into like the services that the County provides or anything like that?”

Ms. Markham said, “Yes, the person that is going to be doing that is from the County, I believe. So, they would be up to date on the County codes. We have a person from the County and the City.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay, well thank you. All right, great. Well, thank you for being here today and thank you for answering my questions.”

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Ms. Markham said, "Thank you for having me."

Chair McGinn said, "All right. Commissioners, do I have a Motion to receive and file?"

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to receive and file.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Chair McGinn said, "Thank you very much. Next item."

PUBLIC HEARINGS

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS (TWO) AND RESOLUTIONS (TWO) REGARDING SEWER DISTRICTS.

- 1. PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION REMOVING CERTAIN PROPERTY FROM THE EASTERN SEDGWICK COUNTY SEWAGE DISPOSAL DISTRICT AND THE GUILDER'S GARDENS-GOTT ADDITION LATERAL SEWER DISTRICT.**

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

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Mr. Joe L. Norton, Bond Counsel, Gilmore & Bell, P.C., greeted the Commissioners and said, "The County has received a request from the owner of certain property in the sewage disposal district and the Gilder's Gardens- Gott Addition Lateral Sewer District, requesting that that property be removed from those districts, and allowing them to be hooked up to the City of Wichita's sewer system. Prior to that consideration, the statute does give the County Commission the authority to do that, if there is notification to the property owners and a public hearing conducted. On January 24th, you authorized today's date for a public hearing on this matter and authorized notice to be disseminated by publication and mailed notice to the effected property owners, which has been done."

"The property in question is owned by New Life Christian Church. They own a large tract of land which is proposed to be platted into some duplex additions immediately south of their property. This is an area of the County located south and east of the intersection of Central and Greenwich, just east of the Ratheon facility.

"On the screen before you is a map depicting the area proposed to be removed from the district. At the top, the lot numbered '1' is owned by the Church and occupied as such and the proposed property to be removed is called Ellson Court Addition and outlined in red. For a little perspective, about two years ago, a similar request was made for property to the west of this, known as the Fountains Addition now and a similar request was granted by the Board of County Commissioners at that point in time. This is kind of at the edge of our current sewer district and lines would have to be extended to provide service to this property.

"There are some financial impacts that go with this removal. As you may recall, currently there are impact fees associated both with the Eastern Sedgwick County Sewage Disposal District and the Gott Addition Lateral Sewer District on new construction within those particular areas. And those are three different formulas, as set forth on the screen before you, that add up to about \$12,050.07 for each building permit pulled within these particular districts.

"Currently, there are assessments levied against the property owned by the church which aggregate about \$11,800 in total. The petitioner of the church has requested that the property be removed from the district, be relieved of the impact fees and they would pay the City of Wichita whatever associated fees would be necessary to hook on to their system and that the existing assessments of the approximate \$11,000 be transferred to the property to be retained by the church. So, the financial impact to the Sewer District is neutral, with respect to existing assessments, but the District would give up the impact fees that would be occurring if new development were to occur on these duplex lots.

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“And so that’s the request that was made by the church. There may or may not be people here who want to address you on this matter now. In order for this to happen, like I said, the public hearing has been called. The Bureau of Public Works has to determine that sewage could flow in either direction, this is engineeringly sound, and they have done so and have recommended your consideration and approval of this request. Jim Weber is here, who can answer any questions of a technical nature about how the sewage flows in this area, which is beyond my scope of comprehension.”

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you, Joe. Commissioners, are there any questions for Joe at this time? If not, I’ll open the public hearing. Is there anyone here today that would like to speak to this item? Is there anyone here today that would like to speak to this item? Seeing none, I’ll close the public hearing and leave questions to the Bench and Commissioner Gwin.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Thank you. Jim Weber, could you come to the podium? Good morning. One of the reasons this item is before us today is because of the closeness of existing City sewer lines. Is that not the case?”

Mr. Jim Weber, Deputy Director, Bureau of Public Works, greeted the Commissioners and said, “Yes. In fact, the plat hasn’t been filed yet, so they’re not depicted here but all four of the lots that would be created in this plat already have access to a City sewer line that was put in with the Fountains, next door.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Right. And so it wouldn’t make much sense, then, for us to go to the cost or the trouble or whatever to lay a sewer line right beside that, would it?”

Mr. Weber said, “That’s our opinion, yes.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Okay. Well, and I’ll wait for any more questions, but based upon the recommendation of the Bureau of Public Works, I could support this request.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay, I have a Motion and a question. Do I have a second?”

Commissioner Winters said, “I don’t think she made a Motion.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “I said I will but I want to hear what my colleagues have to say.”

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Chair McGinn said, "I'm sorry. All right. Sorry about that. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you, Madam Chair. Jim or Joe, whoever, I assume, given the action that we took last week where we're starting to have steps to sell our sewer district to the City, that whenever we're doing anything directly or indirectly about the sewer district they're informed of it, and they understand what we're doing and are comfortable with it."

Mr. Weber said, "Yes, we are working together with them. In fact, this item and the next item that Joe will have for you are things that were specifically discussed with both the Water Department and the City Engineering Department, concerning which way various projects and things that we're working on should go."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay, thank you. That's all I have, Madam Chair. Thank you."

Chair McGinn said, "Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you. Jim, so it is your recommendation, from our Sewer Department, that we follow through and that we take this recommended action, is that correct?"

Mr. Weber said, "We do recommend that you take this action and go ahead and let these properties be served by the City Sewer that already exists right next to them."

Commissioner Winters said, "All right, fine. Well, based on Commissioner Gwin's comments and Jim's, I'm going to be supportive of this also. Thank you."

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin

Aye

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Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Chair McGinn said, "Next item."

2. PUBLIC HEARING AND RESOLUTION CREATING A LATERAL SEWER DISTRICT WITHIN SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS AND AUTHORIZING THE MAKING OF CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS THEREIN (METRO EAST BAPTIST CHURCH). DISTRICT #1.

POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Mr. Norton said, "Again, the County has received a petition, signed by 100% of the owners of property within a proposed lateral sewer district that encompasses two additions within the eastern portion of the County. On the map before you is a depiction of the general area of this, which is located immediately south and east of the Kansas Turnpike, as it goes across 143rd Street East, so between south of Central and north of Kellogg.

"On the screen before you are the two properties to be served by this . . . even though it's called a lateral district, I think of it more as a main, in other words they're bringing the big large line of sewer down to this particular area. The area outlined in blue is owned by the Metro East Baptist Church and it bears that addition and the areas depicted in green will be known as the Shoal Creek Addition. We're not talking about doing the internal laterals in Shoal Creek Addition at this point in time. That may be handled later

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by another governmental jurisdiction.

“The petition that requests these improvements has an estimated cost of roughly \$101,000 to be divided 24% to the Metro East Baptist Church property, with the remaining 76%, or roughly \$77,000, to be spread equally among the 126 residential lots located within Shoal Creek Addition, which would result in a \$609 principle component of assessment. If spread over 15 years at 6% it would be about \$63 per year for each residential lots and about \$2,500 per year for the church addition. Again, Mr. Weber is here to answer any technical questions you may have. Their department recommends adoption of the resolution creating these districts.”

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you, Joe. Commissioners, do you have any questions? Hearing none, I’ll open the public hearing. Is there anyone here to speak to this item today? Is there anyone who would like to speak to this item? I don’t see any, so I will close the public hearing.”

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

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Chair McGinn said, "Thank you, Joe. Next item."

NEW BUSINESS

G. DIVISION OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT.

1. PRESENTATION REGARDING RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING IN SEDGWICK COUNTY.

Mr. Andy Schlapp, Project Manager, Division of Community Development, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Before I get started, I was very excited to come over here today and came over here on time and realized I forgot my notes, so I just ran back across the street and back over here and for me that's like a five mile run, so I'm still a little bit out of breath."

Chair McGinn said, "You got your exercise in for the day."

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Mr. Schlapp said, "I'm done for the week. Today I'm here to talk to you about residential recycling in the incorporated areas of Sedgwick County. As you guys are aware, back on September 13th of 2000 you passed a resolution that stated that on December 1st of 2002, only if less than 50% of residential customers residing in the incorporated areas of Sedgwick County are voluntarily participating in a new recycling program. What you were saying is that we were going to allow the citizens of Sedgwick County to voluntarily get to 50% recycling before we issued any kind of a mandate or a new program that would effect the incorporated areas. So, in this presentation I want to explain the methods of measurement and define the quantities of recyclables needed to reach that 50% goal.

"During this process, we learned quite a bit. Number one, we learned about the community values. Those aren't always the cheapest things that are out there, but people look at the values, what best fits their needs and look for the best price in that area. That was a very important finding.

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“Second, groundwater contamination as a concern. There are quite a few groundwater contamination sites in Sedgwick County and with the groundwater being so close to the surface, further land fills and dumps could worsen that situation, so we again made that an important part of our decision-making process. And also, economic development was of major importance. Again, Sedgwick County has a lot of manufacturing companies and they tend to locate on the outskirts of town and we didn’t want to impede any further economic development in this County.

“And lastly, if the private industry can provide a service, it should and I think that’s the most important thing. There are private markets that already exist in solid waste and we need to use them. In fact, since we’ve gone to a private system, we have a lot of companies from outside the State wanting to come here, because we’re one of the few communities left that leave that up to the private sector and let the private markets take care of the market factors.

“Why is recycling important? One, it reduces the waste stream. And again, as it gets harder and harder to locate land fills throughout the country, that’s going to become more and more of an issue. There are different ways you can do that and as far as looking at recycling, you can have mandatory recycling and that’s what they’re doing in Newton, Kansas right now. Basically, they give you a list of things you need to recycle and you need to recycle it. If you don’t, you get a fine for not recycling. Mandatory subscription/ voluntary participation is where you pay for the service but then you get to choose whether you participate or not. And the third one we put down there is the approach we’re going to try to undertake for the next year, which is voluntary recycling with a stated goal and using education to get us there. And if we don’t hit that, then we’ll go back up to the mandatory subscription/ voluntary participation.

“We’ve heard a lot from the citizens and people who are concerned about recycling in Sedgwick County and we felt that it was important to define what recycling is. It’s old newspaper, glass, steel and aluminum cans and plastic bottles, milk and soda pop containers.

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“Now, that we know what recycling is, we need to figure out what’s available to be recycled and again, that’s a difficult task. So, we went to the experts, Franklin and Associates and this is the book they produce for EPA (Environmental Protection Agency). They go around to the different municipalities and communities throughout the country and determine what is actually being produced and generated in those communities. Now, that they’re going to be the people figuring out what’s being produced, how are we going to measure it. We’re going to use curbside recycling and recycling bins to determine what is being recycled. Who are we going to count? Basically, it’s going to be single-family households in incorporated areas of Sedgwick County. An easy definition is if you have a trash cart, you’re a single-family household. If you drop it in a big bin, you’re not. And our goal is to reach 50% recycling by December 1st, 2002.

“We wanted to, when we started this out, to make this really simple where we could get a calculator, punch in some numbers and ‘bang’ here was an easy number that was easy to understand. And as we went through this process, we realized that that wasn’t going to happen. There were a lot of variables that come into play. But if you have a calculator, this is where you can use it. There are 122,280 single-family households in Sedgwick County. According to Franklin and Associates, the average single-family household produces 559 pounds of recyclables each year. You have to divide that by 2000 to get tons, if my math is right. I’m not a math expert. What does this mean? The single-family households in the incorporated areas of Sedgwick County produce 34,178 tons of recyclables each year.

“Now, that we know that, it’s not realistic to assume we’re going to capture all of that. There are factors and reasons that that becomes an unattainable number. Number one, aluminum cans, many people take those to Kamen or other places and sell their cans, so those don’t hit the recycling waste stream. Here in Sedgwick County, we collect our cans and they go to Habitat for Humanity. I know in our home we give them to our school and the Boy Scouts use them for fund raisers. So, those things go different places.

“If we look at newspapers, if you’re like me you get up five minutes before you’re supposed to be at work and you grab the newspaper and you bring it to work and you throw it away in the business waste stream. So, that doesn’t count again in the residential stream. So, the newspaper may be getting recycled but it’s not in the residential stream. So, there’s certain factors that are going to make this number lower. And again, Franklin’s years of experience in going through this, they’ve created a matrix and have percentages of what’s going to be potential for recycling and then there’s set-outs and some people miss set-outs and so their recycling bin becomes too full and so they throw things away. So, understanding all of those

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things, we now know that 27,615 tons per year is a reasonable number to assume that we can recycle in Sedgwick County. And once we get to this point, it becomes very easy to define what 50% recycling is going to be, and that's 13,808 tons per year. And where are we currently and that's 5,080 tons per year being currently recycled.

"Now, how are we going to get the citizens from 5,000 to 13,800? Again, I spoke too fast, now we've put real numbers to our goal. So, we have real numbers, tangible numbers in our goals. And what are we going to do to get there? We're going to increase television and radio advertising to get our message out to the people, newspapers and brochures. And I think the most important thing that we're going to do is really increase public speaking and our attendance at public events and try to touch as many citizens as we possibly can, to let them understand the importance of recycling and why it's important and how we're going to move forward.

"And also, the last thing, with the Internet, we're going to put all the information on the Internet so if people have that interest, they have a place to go to get the information that we've disseminated through our speaking events. And I'll be glad to answer any questions at this time."

Chair McGinn said, "Thank you, Andy. You know, I receive calls and hear comments about people that want to recycle more. They're a little bit ashamed of the low percent that we have and they would like to do more and that type of thing. And it sounds like they're not happy with the current system. And the current system is not Sedgwick County. We don't start until October. And just trying to clarify that, we begin then. But we've been planning, for some time, to prepare for when we take over solid waste and to improve recycling in our community, because I know that's an important value to our community, as well as here at Sedgwick County.

"You said one of the things we were going to do is the radio, TV, brochures, public events to help increase the educational side of it. I thought there was another thing we were going to do as well, and that's provide more places to drop things off, when we take over."

Mr. Schlapp said, "I think, absolutely, that's something we're still currently looking at. That plan has not been finalized, but yes, that is one of the things we . . ."

Chair McGinn said, "I just wanted to add that because one of the concerns is the drop-off places right now are kind of high-traffic corners and I think if we could get them off of that . . . I mean, we need to have them there as well, but we also need to perhaps have them closer to our neighborhood places as well."

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Mr. Schlapp said, "And I think, along with that, we also need to let people know about curbside recycling that is available through a lot of their carriers and do a better job of letting people know what's out there right now and also improving where we are now."

Chair McGinn said, "Absolutely, because we did find out that a lot of haulers offer that but people just didn't know that. So, thank you, Andy. Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you. Thanks for your presentation, Andy. I think we've got a pretty tough hill to climb here. I don't think this is going to be simple. I'm supportive of giving it a shot. I think we're really going only see significant numbers when we get into the really the mandatory subscription/ voluntary participation but I think this is going to give people an opportunity to step up, if they really mean what they've said over the past couple of years."

"A couple of questions about the numbers. Where do you actually calculate, where do you find the number? 5,000 tons I believe was the number you were talking about currently. Where does that number come from?"

Mr. Schlapp said, "That's coming from Weyerhaeuser. What that's going to be is the weight of the curbside recycling that's being taken to Weyerhaeuser and then also the recycling bins that are at the Dillons and the weight of those, combined."

Commissioner Winters said, "In talking about the items that are recycled, the newspapers are clearly the biggest volume. Is that correct? Am I right on that?"

Mr. Schlapp said, "That's correct. Actually, in Sedgwick County it's more than it is in the other communities in the country."

Commissioner Winters said, "We have more people subscribing to newspapers and reading newspapers here than in other places. Maybe the computer age hasn't gotten here yet. I guess I wanted to really get some degree of confidence that we're working with good numbers and numbers that people just haven't dreamed up and so, can you speak a little more to that or maybe even to this Franklin group?"

Mr. Schlapp said, "Right, what Franklin and Associates do, I'm sorry to interrupt you, what they do is they go around and they don't look at what's being thrown away. They actually go out and talk to the producers. They talk to Coca-cola, Pepsi, Budweiser, they call the ABC in the State of Kansas and get an idea of what's being produced and then they compare that to their national averages to see where we

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are. So, that number that they're doing is actually is looking at the buying patterns of the citizens of Sedgwick County and not what they're throwing away. So, they're actually looking at the front end of that. I don't know if that's answering your question well enough or not, but that's how they approach that."

Commissioner Winters said, "No, I think that's good. That's probably a more in-detail look than perhaps looking at the other end."

Mr. Schlapp said, "Yeah, I was impressed when I saw that. I thought that was an interesting way to do that and probably a much better way to do that, than I would have thought of anyway."

Commissioner Winters said, "All right. One other thing that I want to mention, even though it's not directly related to residential, it's more to business and industry, one of the things that we will be seeing a change in is how we handle construction and demolition debris beginning in October and there are those out there that are putting together sites for construction and demolition debris and I think that's going to have a significant effect. We're also planning on having some kind of an educational seminar later this spring, particularly for business and industry, in helping them determine how they can reduce their waste stream and I don't know if you're ready to say anything about that now, but I think here as soon as we could talk about some details of that, I think that might be worthy of being an agenda item so we could begin to let business folks know what kind of assistance we could be to them, as they analyze their waste management system and how they can best do that. We intend to be a plus player in that."

Mr. Schlapp said, "I know that that meeting is set for May 10th, tentatively right now, and we're working on getting speakers and so forth at that event. So, we will bring that back to you, as we get closer to that time."

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay, well I'm, I guess, just going to say I certainly am going to be supportive and if there's anything that I can do to assist in this period here, as we work with residential, I want to do that. I think we've got an extremely uphill battle here, uphill climb. Thank you."

Chair McGinn said, "Thank you. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you, Madam Chair. Andy, first of all I applaud the efforts that we've done so far, but I want to pick up from a little bit of what our Chairman said. I remember the report that we had and I think the number was like 80% or something said that they'd recycle. It was a real high

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number that said they'd recycle if it was easy and convenient. Well, as far as easy and convenient is concerned, the haulers presently will come by your house and pick up your recycled materials twice a month and charge you three or four dollars a month for that service, which, in my opinion I can't think of a better bargain in the State that somebody will come with their truck to your house, pick up your recyclable, drive it away, dispose of it. Try to call any service person to come to your house once, let alone twice for three or four dollars. So, it is easy and it is convenient, but I think they don't know it or at least it was proven to us, when we met with some people. So, we had talked about maybe calling the haulers and asking them to join in this effort with us and I hope we do that, so at least they can put on their bill, saying recycling is available for 'x' so they could call.

"But I would also encourage you, because the business community has a stake in this too, because they're a corporate citizen, I could argue that a lot of the stuff that goes into a land fill or to be hauled out to a transfer station comes from the business community and not the residential. But perhaps maybe they would allow us to put information in their pay envelopes every two weeks or other methods they have of communicating. Maybe we can get the unions involved to get behind us. All of this is ways to effectively get the message out, without it costing us a lot of dollars in a radio ad or . . . I'm not saying we don't use that, but the main item of any advertising is to get a message in front of an individual that could take advantage of it and would encourage you to just think out of the box and get as creative as heck as to how we could get this message across, because I'm going to take the optimistic point of view. I want to know that we haven't left one stone unturned in our attempt to get to 50% and now we're going to give the community an opportunity to walk the walk and not just talk the talk. Thanks."

Mr. Schlapp said, "I think that's an excellent idea and we'll definitely pursue that."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Which one of those excellent ideas?"

Chair McGinn said, "Thank you, Commissioner Sciortino. Commissioner Norton."

Commissioner Norton said, "Yes, thank you. I want to dove-tail on what Commissioner Winters was talking about. There are some wonderful models out there for waste minimization and I know he has gotten some information on that. Coming from the corporate side, I know that Target Stores did some wonderful things, corporate-wise, that helped mitigate trash locally with vendors and everything and I think there are some great models out there in the corporate world that we need to make sure that our local community sees, because waste stream doesn't always start at the local level. It can start by being minimized from vendors and other corporate entities that deal outside but ship here, when it comes to packaging and other things. So, I would urge Andy to look at those other corporate models that can be

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brought here and used here locally. Thanks.”

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you. Commissioner Gwin.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Thank you, Madam Chair. I don’t think you have to be a Rhodes scholar to understand that this community is woefully behind other successful communities in its recycling efforts. I think the truth of it is we haven’t been encouraged to recycle. And with the exception of a small group of rather vocal and very heartfelt folks out there, we really haven’t gotten the message, most of us. And on that side, one of those folks is Margaret Miller and I got a note from Margaret. She’s at home recuperating from an accident and I just want to tell her ‘hi’. I know she’s watching this debate with a lot of interest. She has been the conscience, I would say, trying to get us to do the right thing all these years and, slowly but surely, we may be getting to Margaret’s line of thinking.

“I do agree with Commissioner Winters that I believe this will be a difficult task to attain this and I think, if we look at the communities who are held as the standard of recycling, those communities have probably gone through this process. They’ve tried the education side of it. That’s helped a little, not a lot. Maybe they’ve gone to mandatory subscription and then some even have just said, ‘never mind’, we’re going to make sure that recycling is mandatory. Not to be heavy-handed and not to be in any sense of being what you know is better than others, but I think those communities who have gotten to those levels have finally understood that recycling is, in fact, the right thing to do. And there are any number of reasons why we will say that, but in the end, it’s the right thing to do. And so, I will join my colleagues, Andy or anyone else, in trying to get the word out, and I hope that folks will come with us and understand how important a process this is. But I am certainly prepared to take the next step to assure that this community, that this County respond to recycling in the best way it can and, again, because I believe it’s the right thing to do. So, I’ll join you in this process, but I’m ready to move on to the next one, knowing that we really do need to make a difference in the way we do things here.”

Mr. Schlapp said, “And I appreciate that and definitely, we’ll need to use all of you, as we move forward.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “Well, thank you for help this far. We appreciate it. Thank you, Madam Chair.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Winters.”

Commissioner Winters said, “Well, I just want to take a brief moment for a personal point of privilege

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to say to Margaret Miller, we just hope your recovery is speedy and well placed. We certainly know that you are the heart and soul of the recyclers of this community and we all respect you and we wish you the best. Hope you get better real soon. So, thank you, Madam Chair.”

Chair McGinn said, “Andy, had a question at a staff meeting on this, and that had to do with two communities that also lie in other counties. How are we going to deal with those communities?”

Mr. Schlapp said, “As we move forward, obviously, and I think those are Sedgwick and Mulvane, we will definitely check into it. Obviously, if they have contracted with other counties for their trash hauling, they will not be included in any type of a mandate or program as it moves forward. But we’ll definitely be checking into that and make sure that they are treated fair and equitably, as we move forward and they’re not grouped into a group they shouldn’t be grouped into.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay, thank you. I agree with others that this is a difficult task, but what I’m also hearing from citizens is that this is the right thing to do. And some citizens prefer to sort and package it up and take it to a drop-off bin and some citizens prefer the curbside and don’t mind paying the minimum fee for that. And what I like about this is that we’re giving our citizens the opportunity to succeed first and we’re going to work very diligently to increase those numbers and see if we can achieve it, by giving them that opportunity first.

“Andy, I want to thank you for the work that you’ve done and the staff and others and I would think that the Solid Waste Committee probably has been somewhat involved in this as well, and informed. And so, that helps give us that community input that we need from that diverse group. So, thank you.

“Commissioners, are there any other questions for Andy?”

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to receive and file.

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

Chair McGinn said, “Yes, go ahead, Commissioner Winters.”

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Commissioner Winters said, "Just more of a comment, Andy. I would assume that we will be having some more regular updates on residential recycling on a periodically regular basic here, either written or some way."

Mr. Schlapp said, "Absolutely. We're getting that information monthly now. So, we'll pass that on to you, as we get it."

Chair McGinn said, "Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you, Madam Chairman. Will we also let the public know, are we going to have a thermometer or a barometer to let the public know how close we're getting to our goal on a regular basis?"

Mr. Schlapp said, "Yes."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Great."

Chair McGinn said, "So, the education kicks off in May, but we don't start until October."

Mr. Schlapp said, "Right and then really, what we need to do is get down and determine when the message gets . . . since this will really take . . . we'll measure it again December 1st of 2002, we need to really look at where those point are, that when we hit that advertising, we don't want to start so early before we start measuring that people are burned out on the message. So, that's going to be really important that we find out where those points are along that time frame that we do hit the recycling to get the best bang and get the biggest increase and that's, as we move forward, we're going to approach."

Chair McGinn said, "Very good. Thank you, Andy. I have a Motion and a second. Is there any other discussion? Hearing none, Clerk, call the vote please."

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

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Chair McGinn said, "Thank you. Next item."

2. AGREEMENT WITH UNITED WAREHOUSE CO. PROVIDING REIMBURSEMENT TO SEDGWICK COUNTY FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES EXPENSE INCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH PREPARATION OF AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPLICATION.

Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Division of Community Development, greeted the Commissioners and said, "One of the ways in which we help our local businesses thrive and grow is to enable them to access sources of capital. We have a relationship with the State of Kansas that allows us to apply for the for the Community Development Block Grant Economic Development Grants. But in order to do so, the unit of local government itself needs to be the applicant.

"Since we were the applicant for a local business, and incurred some costs, some engineering costs in developing the grant application, we have before you today an agreement with that company to reimburse us for those engineering expenses. The grant application should hopefully go in in June and I'm sure it will be the result of this excellent engineering that will have been done by them. So, I'd be happy to answer any questions you might have."

Chair McGinn said, "Thank you, Irene. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Irene, just for my own edification, we incurred some expenses, the companies going to pay us back for our expenses, but we have to enter into a contract with them so they can pay us back our expenses?"

Ms. Hart said, "Yes, sir."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay. Thank you."

Chair McGinn said, "Is there any other questions? Yes there is. Commissioner Norton."

Commissioner Norton said, "Thanks. Irene, how big is the grant, the CDBGE grant?"

Ms. Hart said, "Oh, you would ask me that question. It has to do with a railroad spur and I just don't know how much that costs."

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Commissioner Norton said, "Okay. So, there is a plan in place, but we don't know the cost on it yet."

Ms. Hart said, "No, the engineering hasn't been completed."

Commissioner Norton said, "Okay, thanks."

Chair McGinn said, "Okay, so we're all clear?"

Commissioner Norton said, "Well, I don't know if we are."

Chair McGinn said, "All right. I don't see any other questions. Commissioners, what's the will of the Board?"

Commissioner Sciortino said, "I'd like to move we just ask them for the money."

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve the Agreement and authorize the Chair to sign.

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Chair McGinn said, "Thank you, Irene. Next item please."

3. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUALIFIED MORTGAGE CREDIT CERTIFICATE PROGRAM.

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OVERHEAD PRESENTATION

Mr. Brad Snapp, Director of Housing Office, Division of Community Development, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This morning you have a resolution before you to establish a qualified mortgage credit certificate program. This is not a new program to the County. We call it the Kansas Mortgage Savers Program. Sedgwick County issues this state-wide program for first-time home buyers using private activity bond allocation from the Kansas Department of Commerce and Housing. Qualified buyers receive a 15 to 20% federal income tax credit for the annual interest paid on their mortgage loans and the amount of the credit hinges on their family size and annual income. This chart gives you just a detail of the 15 and 20% and these figures are pretty close to the mortgage revenue bond program but they're a little bit less and the targeted areas for our MSA, or Sedgwick, Butler and Harvey County is really the core area of the City of Wichita. This program will last about 18 months and we expect to serve 100 to 150 home buyers, who will receive a mortgage credit certificate.

"A little history, since 1992, 4,100 buyers have participated, with a combined mortgage loan total of over \$273,000,000. And that is across the State and a 66 county area. By adopting the resolution, the Chair is authorized to sign the compliance agreement with Ranson Housing Compliance, LLC. Ranson Housing has acted as Sedgwick County's compliance agent since the early '90s. Their job is to review and examine documents submitted by borrowers, lenders and realtors. They prepare and submit reports required by the State of Kansas and the Internal Revenue Service. The MCC program should begin later this spring and interested persons may call the Sedgwick County Housing Office or Ranson Housing Compliance. Ranson's number is 263-4991. If you have any questions, I'll try to answer them at this time."

Chair McGinn said, "I don't see any questions, Brad, but why don't you go ahead and announce that telephone number again."

Mr. Snapp said, "Okay, Ranson's number is 263-4991 and they can call and ask for an application. Their name will be put on a list and get one out to them as soon as they're ready."

Chair McGinn said, "Thank you, Brad. We do have a question. Commissioner Winters."

Commissioner Winters said, "Again, Brad, this is updating information on a program that's been ongoing for a number of years and this just makes all of the information about borrower's income and all of that then current to today's market."

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Mr. Snapp said, "Yes."

Commissioner Winters said, "So, this is not a new deal."

Mr. Snapp said, "No."

Commissioner Winters said, "Thank you."

Chair McGinn said, "Thank you. Commissioner Gwin."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Also on clarification, the program is funded through whom?"

Mr. Snapp said, "The Kansas Department of Commerce and Housing. They allocated a private activity bond. We have \$5,000,000 for this program."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Okay. Well, I know in the past it's been a very successful program and a very nice option to the mortgage revenue bond program for some folks to use. For some, the MCC program is more advantageous and others, the Mortgage Revenue Bond program seems to work better for them. So, I'm certainly going to be supportive of this."

Chair McGinn said, "Okay, thank you, Brad. Commissioners, you've heard the information. What's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

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Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Chair McGinn said, "Thank you, Brad. Next item."

H. DIVISION OF FINANCE.

- 1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REIMBURSEMENT OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURES INCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE MAKING OF CERTAIN IMPROVEMENTS IN SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS FOR WHICH IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF THE COUNTY WILL BE ISSUED AT A FUTURE DATE.**

Mr. Chris Chronis, Chief Financial Officer, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Our capital program this year contemplates the issuance of bonds to finance a variety of capital improvements. In particular, we have expected that we would be issuing bonds to fund the Household Hazardous Waste Facility, a storm water drainage diversion channel in south Sedgwick County, enhancements or expansion of the Emergency Operations and Communications Center and a variety of road and bridge projects, all of which, together, are expected to cost somewhere in the order of 18 to 19 million dollars.

"These projects are being completed on different time frames, on different schedules and so our choices are either to issue bonds on a series of dates in very small amounts, which would have the effect of increasing our issuance costs, or to adopt a resolution, such as that which is before you today, which allows us to go ahead and spend County cash on some of those projects that are on a relatively fast track and then reimburse those cash accounts from the bond proceeds, when we do a consolidated bond issue later in the year for all of the projects together.

"Federal tax law provides that you can do such a reimbursement, as long as you satisfy certain criteria,

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one of which is the adoption of this resolution of intent. The resolution that's before you declares your intent to reimburse certain expenditures of the County for specific named projects from bonds that you anticipate selling later for those projects. You have 18 months from the date of adoption to sell those bonds under federal tax law. Our expectation is that the bonds will actually be sold much sooner than that 18 month horizon. With that, I'll be glad to answer any questions. I recommend your approval of the resolution that's before you."

Chair McGinn said, "Chris, part of why we're doing this is the decrease in sales tax. Does this have to do with the discrepancy . . . this is a whole different thing?"

Mr. Chronis said, "No, ma'am. That's the next item that's on your agenda."

Chair McGinn said, "Oh, okay. I'm jumping ahead. All right, I'll wait til we get there. We do have a question on this. Commissioner Gwin."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Thank you, Madam Chair. Chris, you said specific items, and are those the items that are specified in our backup?"

Mr. Chronis said, "Yes. The projects that are specified."

Commissioner Gwin said, "The projects that are specified."

Mr. Chronis said, "The Household Hazardous Waste Facility, the storm water drainage diversion channel, the Emergency Operations and Communications Center, and a total of seven enumerated road and bridge projects."

Commissioner Gwin said, "And so, these are the only projects that would qualify for this reimbursement, because you've stated them under this resolution. If we need to do more, then we have a separate resolution?"

Mr. Chronis said, "If we should decide to do other projects with bonds this year and want to spend money on those projects before the bond issue, I'll be coming back to you with addition resolutions for those specific projects."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Okay, all right, thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair."

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Chair McGinn said, “All right, I don’t see any other questions. Commissioners, what’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to adopt the Resolution.

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Chair McGinn said, “Next item.”

2. AMENDMENT TO THE 2001 SEDGWICK COUNTY CIP.

Mr. Peter Giroux, Senior Management Analyst, Budget Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, “The reduction in the amount of sales tax received versus what was forecast, and the increasing cost of infrastructure, as you’re well aware has put some pressure on the sales tax funded County roads and bridges fund. To adjust to that reality and fit the projects within the available sales tax revenue in the 2001 budget, Public Works has first proposed to delay some projects. We expect that those projects would be moved into the 2002 Capital Improvement Program that’s currently under development.

“Second, Public Works proposes to use General Obligation Bond financing to make up this shortfall, cover some increased costs and fund other needed projects. Those changes are listed in your materials. That proposed funding change would increase the General Obligation Bonds by a total of 4.3 million dollars from the adopted 2001 CIP. We think this is a realistic compromise between the short-term decline in sales tax revenue, the increased costs of building these roads and bridges and some needed additional projects. We recommend you approve the amendment to the Capital Improvement Program.

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Do you have any questions?"

Chair McGinn said, "I'll go back to my question. I guess I kind of wanted to find out where we're at on this. Last I heard, our sales tax rate is 'x' and I don't know that we agree with that yet and are we continuing to discuss that, or not?"

Mr. Chronis said, "Our sales tax revenues for the year 2000 declined approximately 3% from the prior year. The 1999, the prior year, sales tax, you'll recall, also declined a little bit more than 3% from the year before that, 1998. So, we are just completing two successive years of sales tax decline in an economy which, by all accounts, is growing and in a County in which the State sales tax increased in each year. That deviation of the State's increase in their sales tax and the County's decline in its sales tax, both of which are collected on essentially the same transactions is inexplicable. We are continuing to talk with the State about that legislative post-audit in response to complaints by Sedgwick County and a variety of other jurisdictions is conducting a review of the State's sales tax distribution processes and is expected to issue their report to the legislature I believe the end of this week. And so, that work is continuing but I don't yet have answers for you and I don't have answers that satisfy myself, that explain that decline in sales tax that Sedgwick County has experienced. All we know is that we have experienced it."

Chair McGinn said, "Okay. Well, being in a county that the economy's booming and having the largest city in this county, it doesn't make sense to me, so keep us posted as that process moves forward. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you, Madam Chairman. Chris, just stand there. I don't know if it's going to be for you or whoever. But if I understand this item that's before us, this is just showing us that 4.2 million of the item that we just passed on is because of the decline in sales tax. If I read this item right, we had planned on originally bonding about 2 million dollars of the projects and the remainder of the projects would be funded through sales tax. But because of that, we had to add additional monies into the bond and this is showing us that 4.2 million of the bonding that we just passed, of roughly 6.2 or 3 million is because of that. Is that correct?"

Mr. Chronis said, "Largely because of the decline in sales tax. The secondary factor, or the second factor that's driving this amendment is an increase in the price of oils, that affects many of our road projects. So, we've had some costs for projects come in substantially higher than we had originally anticipated, and that also is effecting the CIP amendment."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay, and one mill increase in Ad Valorem is approximately 2.2, 2.3

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million?”

Mr. Chronis said, “No, sir. In the current year, one mill is approximately 2.7 million.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “2.7 million. Okay, so by bonding we haven’t committed into stone how we’re going to pay for it, either out of sales tax or out of Ad Valorem tax or what yet.”

Mr. Chronis said, “These bonds would be General Obligation Bonds of the County, secured by a pledge of the full faith and credit of the County, which effectively means bond-holders have access to any revenue stream that we have and they can compel us to levy property taxes. How we actually repay those bonds, however, is a decision that you will make in the budget process.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Of 2002.”

Mr. Chronis said, “Yes, and subsequent years.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Yeah, okay. That’s all I have. Thank you.”

Chair McGinn said, “All right. Are there any other questions? If not, what’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Chair McGinn moved to approve the CIP amendment.

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

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Chair McGinn said, "Next item. Thank you."

I. DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES.

1. CONTRACT WITH EAP PLUS TO PROVIDE EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE SERVICES FOR SEDGWICK COUNTY EMPLOYEES.

Mr. Kaufman said, "Before you we have a renewal of a contract that sets the terms and conditions for the purchase of employee assistance services from EAP Plus. The contract covers full-time, part-time and retired employees and their immediate families. The services can include assessment, counseling, consultation, referral, supervisory training and employee education. The rate of the contract remains the same, at 80 cents per employee per month. The cost of the current contract is \$24,000, utilizing County funds. We recommend the approval of the contract and authorization for the Chair to sign. Be happy to answer any questions."

Chair McGinn said, "I don't see any questions. Commissioners, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Contract and authorize the Chair to sign.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

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Chair McGinn said, "Next item."

2. AGREEMENT WITH SOUTH CENTRAL MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING CENTER, INC. FOR COMPREHENSIVE COMMUNITY CARE (COMCARE) TO PROVIDE AFTER HOURS MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES.

Mr. Kaufman said, "This a renewal of a contract to provide after-hours crisis services to citizens in neighboring areas. If I may make some corrections to your backup documentation, the rate is \$100 per month and \$60 per hour, or one dollar per minute, rather than the one dollar per hour indicated. It's billed in one minute increments. This contract allows for 24 hour coverage for counseling center clients and it allows COMCARE staff to maximize their productivity. We request the approval of the contract and authorization for the Chair to sign."

Chair McGinn said, "Okay. Commissioners, do you have any questions? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the Agreement and authorize the Chair to sign.

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye

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Chair Carolyn McGinn

Aye

Chair McGinn said, "Next item."

3. AGREEMENT WITH DIANE OVERSTREET, MOT, OTR TO PROVIDE OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SERVICES.

Mr. Kaufman said, "This contract is a renewal of last year's agreement to provide occupational therapy services to consumers at Community Support Services and Family and Children Community Services. The occupational therapy provides consumers with community living and employment skills. The contract is based on an average of 25 hours per week. A total of \$32,500, divided between Family and Children Services and Community Support Services is State funds. We request approval of the contract and authorization for the Chair to sign."

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Agreement and authorize the Chair to sign.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

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Chair McGinn said, "Next item."

4. AMENDMENTS TO CONTRACT (TWO).

! MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CENTRAL KANSAS:
CHILD RESPITE CARE/PSYCHOSOCIAL SERVICES

! SUMNER MENTAL HEALTH CENTER: ATTENDANT CARE
PROGRAM

Mr. Kaufman said, "The Mental Health Association is the sole provider of children's respite care in the community. It delivers a service that's extremely valuable to both children and parents. During State fiscal year 2000, early contract monitoring indicated that there was an underutilization of available respite dollars on that contract. We discussed this utilization with MHA, agreed on a plan to make additional services available to children and to provide respite care for siblings of mentally ill children as well. It's a service that was requested routinely by families. MHA responded. They ultimately provided a significant amount of respite and psychosocial services. This amendment would allow us to make final payment for those services provided.

"COMCARE also has a contract with another community partner, the Sumner Mental Health Center, to provide attendant care for children through February 28th of 2001. At this point, the contract appears that there will be underutilized funds. We would like to extend that contract through June 30th, to allow maximization of those funds. The cost associated with these two contracts are \$32,000 in State grant funds for the MHA contract and no additional dollars for the Sumner County contract. We request approval of the amendments and authorization for the Chair to sign."

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Chair McGinn said, "Commissioner Gwin."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Thank you. Just real quickly, Tim, the respite care I think has been cited by family members as something they desperately need. This adds a little bit more money to that program, so they can provide more of that?"

Mr. Kaufman said, "Supports additional hours of respite care that were provided, not only to the children, but also sibling respite care."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Well, I know it's one that the families really utilize and find to be very valuable, so I'll certainly be supportive of it. Thank you, Madam Chair."

Chair McGinn said, "Is there any other questions for Tim? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the Amendments to Contract and authorize the Chair to sign.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Chair McGinn said, "Next item."

5. NOTIFICATION OF TERMINATION OF LEASE AGREEMENT WITH UNITED METHODIST URBAN MINISTRIES FOR OFFICE SPACE HOUSING COMCARE'S HOMELESS PROGRAM CENTER CITY.

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Mr. Kaufman said, "Center City, COMCARE's homeless program, has until recently been co-located with United Methodist's Urban Ministries Drop-in Center, sub-leasing space from them at 310 E. 2nd Street. The space no longer meets the needs of the program and this notice meets the termination requirements that are in the lease. We are working right now with Facilities Management to secure adequate and appropriate space for this program and we would request approval of termination and authorization for the Chair to sign. Be happy to answer any questions."

Chair McGinn said, "I don't see any questions. Commissioners, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to Approve the termination and authorize the Chair to sign a letter of notification.

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Chair McGinn said, "Next item. Thank you, Tim."

6. CONTRACTS (21) TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO INCOME ELIGIBLE SENIOR CITIZENS.

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! **ADVANTAGE HOME CARE**
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! **CARE 2000**
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! **CARING HEARTS**
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! **CATHOLIC CHARITIES ADULT DAY SERVICES**
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! **CRAIG HOMECARE**
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! **DEPENDABLE ASSISTED LIVING, INC.**
!
! **HEAVENLY HELPERS, INC.**
!
! **HOME HEALTHCARE CONNECTION**
!
! **HOME INSTEAD SENIOR CARE**
!
! **INTERIM HEALTHCARE**
!
! **KELLY ASSISTED LIVING**
!
! **MEDICALODGE**
!
! **MT. HOPE HOME HEALTH**
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! **PROACTIVE HOME CARE, INC.**
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! **PROGRESSIVE HOME HEALTH CARE**
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! **RESOURCE CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING, INC.**
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! **RIVERSIDE HOME CARE**
!
! **SAINT RAPHAEL HOME CARE**
!
! **SENIOR SERVICES, INC.**
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! **TOPEKA INDEPENDENT LIVING RESOURCE CENTER**
!
! **WICHITA LIFELINE**

Ms. Dorsha Kirksey, Director of Community Housing, Department on Aging, greeted the Commissioners and said, “These 21 contracts are to provide income-eligible and Senior Care Act services to adults 60 years of age and older. The services that are provided help those individuals remain independent and in their homes for as long as possible.

“The Income-eligible Program budget for 2001 is \$566,522 and is funded totally through the State. The Senior Care Act budget totals \$334,971 and is funded through State Legislative monies. There is a match required for Senior Care Act and that match is included in the Sedgwick County mill levy funds and also we get some of that from consumer contributions.

“The mill levy funds that we’re requesting are included in the budget totals and there’s no additional monies being requested. So, at this time I would request that the Board approve the agreement and I’d be glad to answer any questions at this time.”

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Chair McGinn said, “Dorsha, why don’t you, if you don’t mind, read the different entities that we provide services to, for the public to hear.”

Ms. Kirksey said, “The different types of services that we provide?”

Chair McGinn said, “The contracts that we’re giving.”

Ms. Kirksey said, “Okay. They are for Advantage Home Care, CARE 2000, Caring Hearts, Catholic Charities Adult Day Services, Craig Resources Incorporated, Dependable Assisted Living Incorporated, Heavenly Helpers Incorporated, Home Healthcare Connection, Home Instead Senior Care, Interim Healthcare, Kelly Assisted Living, Medicalodge, Mt. Hope Home Health, Nurse Funders, Proactive Home Care Incorporated, Progressive Home Health Care, Resource Center for Independent Living Incorporated, Riverside Home Care, Saint Raphael Home Care and Senior Services Incorporated.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay, thank you. I just . . . I know the public doesn’t always get to hear the different groups out there that we provide services to. Commissioners, are there any questions? If not, what’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Contracts and authorize the Chair to sign.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Chair McGinn said, “Next item.”

7. CONTRACTS (12) TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO PHYSICALLY DISABLED

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CITIZENS.

- ! **CATHOLIC CHARITIES, INC. - ADULT DAY CARE PROGRAM: \$56,000**
- ! **CATHOLIC CHARITIES, INC. - FOSTER GRANDPARENT PROGRAM: \$5,000**
- ! **CEREBRAL PALSY RESEARCH FOUNDATION OF KANSAS, INC. - EMPLOYMENT SERVICES: \$36,400**
- ! **CEREBRAL PALSY RESEARCH FOUNDATION OF KANSAS, INC. - PERSONAL EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT PROGRAM: \$142,984**
- ! **CEREBRAL PALSY RESEARCH FOUNDATION OF KANSAS, INC. - THERAPY PROGRAM: \$49,703**
- ! **DEAF AND HEARD OF HEARING SERVICES, INC. -HEARING COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM: \$18,500**
- ! **GOODWILL INDUSTRIES EASTER SEAL SOCIETY OF KANSAS - EMPLOYMENT SERVICES: \$36,400**
- ! **INDEPENDENT LIVING RESOURCE CENTER, INC. - DISABILITIES INFORMATION AND REFERRAL PROGRAM: \$28,391**
- ! **INDEPENDENT LIVING RESOURCE CENTER, INC. - FLEX AND HOME MODIFICATIONS: \$62,059**
- ! **RAINBOWS UNITED, INC. - VISION SERVICES PROGRAM: \$57,691**
- ! **SENIOR SERVICES, INC. - NUTRITION PROGRAM: \$65,000**
- ! **AMERICAN RED CROSS MIDWAY-KANSAS CHAPTER -MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM: \$24,169**

Ms. Kirksey said, “Again, these twelve contracts are for services provided to Sedgwick County citizens who are physically disabled. These services include adult daycare, employment counseling and job placement, wheelchair modifications, therapy, home-delivered meals, vision services, interpretive services, crisis services, home modifications, education and a disability information and referral program. Also, there are contracted mill-levy medical transportation for the elderly and persons with disabilities is provided by American Red Cross.

“These contracts, for all the contracts excluding the Transportation, total \$558,128. And the transportation contract is for \$24,169. Would you like for me to read the . . .”

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Chair McGinn said, “Yes, let’s go ahead and share who those partners are.”

Ms. Kirksey said, “The names of the contractors? Those are: Catholic Charities Adult Day Care, Catholic Charities Foster Grandparent Program, Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation Employment Services, Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation Personal Emergency Equipment and Wheelchair Modification, Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation Therapy, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Interpretive Services, Good Will Industries Employment Services, Independent Living Resource Center- Disabilities Information and Referral, Independent Resource Center- Flex and Home Modification, Rainbow United Vision Services and Senior Services Nutrition. The transportation is provided by the American Red Cross Medical Transportation Program.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay, thank you, Dorsha. I do have a questions on . . . this is Physical Disabilities and I know our foster grandparent program has helped us in other ways. What do they do in this capacity? Do you know?”

Ms. Kirksey said, “I have Val Harmon here and she may be able to help with that.”

Ms. Valerhy Harmon, Director of Transportation, Department on Aging, greeted the Commissioners and said, “They go into different schools and provide education for the disabled children.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay, all right, very good. Thank you. I didn’t realize they did that as well.”

Ms. Harmon said, “So they’re actually serving disabled children through this grant.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay, thank you very much. Commissioners, are there any other questions? If not, what’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve the Contracts and authorize the Chair to sign.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

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Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Chair McGinn said, "Next item."

8. CONTRACTS (21) TO PROVIDE TARGETED CASE MANAGEMENT.

! LINDA ADKINS
! SANDRA ALLALA
! KATHRYN COIT
! FAE COLE
! CINDY CRANGLE
! NANCY DORSEY
! GLADYS DOWNING
! MILDRED EDWARDS
! MAE FIELDS
! MELISSA HOGAN
! VALORIE HOWARD-WINDHOLZ
! LISA JOLLIFF
! KYLE JONES
! WILMA LOGANBILL
! JODY LUJAN
! BARBARA MARTIN
! JULIE OLIVAS
! LISA PARKER
! DEBBIE MCCLELLAN
! CYNTHIA ROWLETTE
! MICHELLE SHAHEEN

Ms. Kirksey said, "These 21 contracts are with individuals to provide targeted case management. Case management is a really vital service that we provide because it provides to link between older adults and the services that they need to remain independent and in the housing option of their choice. These services are available under Medicaid and they're available throughout Sedgwick, Harvey and Butler Counties,

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the Central Plains Area Agency on Aging area. We would request that you approve these contracts and authorize the Chair to sign. Be glad to answer any questions.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, what’s the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Contracts and authorize the Chair to sign.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin		Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye	
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters		Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino		Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye	

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you, Dorsha. Next item.”

J. METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING DEPARTMENT (MAPD) MONTHLY REPORT.

Mr. Marvin Krout, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department (MAPD), greeted the Commissioners and said, “If the number of cases filed in the early part of this year with the Planning Department is a good measure of the local economy, we can let Alan Greenspan know that we’re doing okay. We’ve had 57 cases filed in January and that’s on par with the highest number of cases that we’ve had in previous years for this time of year.

“The Zoning Committee of the Planning Commission has basically completed their work and the Planning Commission has set a public hearing for March 8th to consider a number of zoning amendments. We’ve talked about those before. I’ll let you know that at the very last minute, before we advertised, an issue flared up in the Twin Lakes area that you may have read about in the newspaper. It has to do with day

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reporting centers for parolees. That led to the City Council asking us to include an investigation of that issue as part of the zoning amendments. And this may include juvenile facilities, which are not residential facilities, which are not considered in the same classification today as adult residential correctional facilities and also day reporting type facilities, which are also not residential facilities, and so they're treated like office uses in the code today and are permitted in any district where office or commercial uses are permitted. So, we'll be looking at that issue. Planning Commission may decide that there are some issues they can deliberate on and vote on early and send on and that that's going to take a little more discussion in the community. But that will be one additional item that they will be talking about.

"The Planning Staff also prepared the preservation plan and the Midtown North plan last month and the Planning Commission authorized hearings from those, so we'll be hearing zoning amendments, the Preservation Plan and Midtown North Plan all on March 8th at the Planning Commissions hearing, plus the normal number of zoning cases.

"The Land Use Research division continued to help the Comprehensive Plan Advisory Committee in their mission. We've had some lively discussions. I think that some of the Commissioners can attest to that, who've attended and I think that we are winding down and hopefully in one or two more meetings the hope is to try to focus on some recommendations that can be delivered to the Planning Commission and the governing bodies.

"We also, in January, brought the Planning Commission an update of a three year old study on the demand and supply of land for manufactured home parks in the community, an issue that raises its head every once in a while. We have a pending case in the south area at 47th and Seneca that will be coming in March that that Plan Advisory Committee has been discussing. So, we updated that information and also provided some comments to the Planning Commission and then we opened the meeting to a representative from Manufactured Housing Institute, who referred to a couple of studies, and we've been doing some research on those studies and did a supplemental report that we provided to the Planning Commission just this week on the issue of manufactured housing parks, their impact on surrounding property values and whether they appreciate or depreciate, in terms of taxes. We'll be glad to share that information with you if you're interested.

"The Planning Commission also held a public hearing on Delano, the neighborhood just west of downtown,

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and voted unanimously to send it on to the governing bodies with a recommendation to adopt the Delano Neighborhood Plan as an element of the Comprehensive Plan. And that should be coming to you in early March.

“The Transportation Planning Division worked to develop a contract and we’ve signed a contract with a consultant team to assist with the access management guidelines program and we’ve reactivated the committee that was assembled to look at that issue and they had an initial meeting a couple of weeks ago and expect to have two or three more meetings, along with meeting with the Planning Commission. We’re also hoping for an Un Banc briefing with of the governing bodies to have the consultants bring those issues to you, so you could look at them.

“The Transportation Planning staff also completed an application and sent it to the federal government. It’s an application for federal grant funds for constructing the pedestrian bridges that will link across the Little Ark River and the Big Ark River, in the vicinity or the Keeper of the Plains and link all the activities and the river paths in that area. It’s a million dollar grant and we’re confident that that’s going to be . . . in fact, it was awarded. It’s in the federal budget, but we had to submit some application materials in order to assure that we were crossing our ‘ts’.

“We also hosted a meeting of City and County departments on ITS, Intelligent Transportation Systems, and are trying to work out the details of a program and a scope and a budget for a five year cooperative program that the Kansas Department of Transportation would like to work out with us and we hope to bring that to the governing bodies in an Un Banc meeting, maybe at that same time.

“I’ll stop there and see if you have any questions about January or other months.”

Chair McGinn said, “Marvin, what would be the next steps on Midtown North. You said you’re going to have the hearing March 8th. If everything goes well, where are we.”

Mr. Krout said, “It goes to the District Advisory Board earlier that week and if everything goes well, the anticipation is that we would schedule it in early April for the governing bodies to consider.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay. The improvements are not in the CIP or anything?”

Mr. Krout said, “The improvements for 21st Street have been a moving target in the City’s CIP for a number of years and there’s a lot of people in the community that would like to see that get fixed. That’s

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one of the things we're trying to do, through that plan. So, there is money. It's out about four years in the City's CIP program right now, but there is some money that is identified in the City's CIP for that improvement. In fact, the City is going ahead and working on land acquisition for improvement at 21st and Arkansas. That should happen in the shorter term."

Chair McGinn said, "Okay. So it is moving along, we hope. Okay, and then on the mobile home park study, did you say when that was going to be complete?"

Mr. Krout said, "Well, we've sort of done it in pieces. We submitted a study to the Planning Commission in January and then we did an analysis of two university reports that were provided to us. So, we're submitting that in pieces. I think we sent the first piece to the County Commission, but if you'd like, we'll send you the whole package of everything we've sent to them so far."

Chair McGinn said, "Well, and also, is it just related to municipalities and we're not even looking at unincorporated areas as well?"

Mr. Krout said, "Well, the reports are interesting because the reports do talk about impacts of scattered and individuals manufactured homes, but we've really concentrated on manufactured home parks, because the parks are the cases that we have ahead of us and because those do depend on, generally, on public services, public water and sewer, you'll see them in or near the City limits."

Chair McGinn said, "Okay. All right, thank you. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you, Madam Chair. Marvin, I was looking through my paper. Could you explain just a little bit more, because I wasn't listening, I have to admit that, exactly what's this En Banc meeting. I picked up on the tail end of that. What are we having an En Banc meeting for?"

Mr. Krout said, "Well, we see two items that we think ought to be brought to the governing bodies in En Banc. One has to do with ITS, Intelligent Transportation Systems. Kansas Department of Transportation has offered a partnership with the City and County governments that they would, basically, set aside about 3.5 million dollars over the next five years, which would represent in their proposal 60% of the total funds for five year program of Intelligent Transportation applications and those are things like video surveillance along highways and arterials, improving the . . . in order to deal with incidents, with traffics incidents that cause massive tie ups on the freeways in a better way. Signal timing, signal preemption, automatic vehicle locators that will help emergency vehicles get to accidents and to emergencies more quickly. All kinds of technological advances that are suppose to provide cost-effective ways to improve public services. That's

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one item. The second item is access management, which is how to be smarter about driveway spacing and where and when you allow turns from properties out to arterial streets in order to minimize accidents and keep the capacity of the roads and try to prevent congestion. And we have consultants who are working on a set of guidelines. In fact, they've already given a notebook with some preliminary ideas to this committee that's been assembled."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Now, is this committee assembled through the MAPD?"

Mr. Krout said, "No, the City Council assembled that committee but we do have County representatives on it and I remember Jim Weber is one of the County people who's on that committee. I think Irene is also."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay. Now, when we have the En Banc, will we be then asked to do something or make a decision, at the time of the En Banc, on it?"

Mr. Krout said, "No. Both of those . . . well, we won't be asking you to make any decisions at an En Banc meeting, I don't think. But as you review the CIP and with the Intelligent Transportation System, KDOT (Kansas Department of Transportation) is saying that they really do need to know, from the City and the County, in the next month or two whether or not we're serious about entering into this partnership with them. So, I think the purpose of the En Banc would be for a briefing and then we'd return to you, individually, on your agendas and ask you to take any actions."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay, because I have to plead ignorance. I didn't know that that committee was even formed and I'm probably the only one here that wasn't aware of that but . . ."

Mr. Krout said, "It was actually formed some time ago and then it was under . . . we had a sort of summer hiatus, while we were trying to find a consultant."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay. And we're paying our portion of the consultant fees to them?"

Mr. Krout said, "Actually, that's federal funds."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "That's federal funds. Okay. Now, is there any way we can use that money to fund studies for the southeast bypass?"

Mr. Krout said, "Some, but it won't provide the large amount of money that that south area transportation

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study is going to require. We did get, as you know, positive response from KDOT and we've got questions from the KTA (Kansas Turnpike Authority) about their participation. We've responded to them and they have a March meeting and we're supposed to hear from them next month as to what kind of participation we can expect from them. I think we can put together a lot of smaller pots in order to make that pot big enough."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you. That's all I have, Madam Chair."

Chair McGinn said, "Commissioner Norton."

Commissioner Norton said, "Yes, thank you, Chair. Marvin, I have three or four questions. Talk about the Delano study, when that's going to hit, a little substance about it, since that's in my district and I think that's an area that needs some revitalization, strong push."

Mr. Krout said, "I think that probably it will be on the first March Wednesday and I don't have my calendar with me, but what ever the first March Wednesday is, I think we'll be going to the City Council that Tuesday and the County Commission that Wednesday. In fact, I know I signed the agenda report which we'll be bringing over to you next Monday, which will have the report attached to it."

"The concept in Delano is to try to recognize that that's an area of very special character, actually historic character. There's a lot of history and the intent is to try to play on that, the history and the architecture of that area and to encourage redevelopment in a manner that is going to be sort of an exciting alternative, compared to some of the alternatives that people have. There's a very large scale mixed use develop that's proposed immediately across the street from Exploration Place. An area that is largely industrial now, you have a steel company with about 15 acres that would be a very suitable site and you have some other industrial land that probably could be redeveloped. There's a proposal for the re-use of the abandoned Union Pacific tracks that run north of Douglas as a sort of a green-way and a corridor."

"The City has already committed to do streetscape improvements to Douglas Street, from Seneca to the river and this is a proposal to extend that for about another half a mile, where the commercial still continues. There are suggestions in the plan that there are some zoning changes that could occur in that neighborhood that would be beneficial. For instance, the West Douglas commercial properties are zoned Industrial, which means that you can't put apartments on top of any of the stores that are along West Douglas because it's prohibited by the zoning code and there are other areas, like around Seneca and Maple where a home was torn down and couldn't be rebuilt because the property was zoned Industrial. So, there is an overall land use plan. There's suggestions for multi-family along Kellogg, that would be

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a buffer to the University area and provide some future housing opportunities for Friends University. It's a big plan. It's a big area. There really is a lot to talk about, but the basic idea is to try to capitalize on the assets that are there and to develop with a sense of quality."

Commissioner Norton said, "Okay. Thank you. I think it's important. That's going to be a huge part of the revitalization. Tell me about the south Wichita study, just briefly, where we're at on that one?"

Mr. Krout said, "Well, that one, unfortunately, is going more slowly than we would like. The committee met, their last meeting I think was in late January and because of this manufactured home park pending zoning case, which was in the middle of their area, and manufactured home parks is an issue that that advisory committee really needs to face. That really dominated the conversation. And so, the next meeting I think is proposed in March and hopefully we'll begin to get some more from the consultants that is broader.

"One of the big issues, I guess, in the general way is the advisory committee is saying that we have some real infrastructure problems. We have roads, drainage problems, and that until we address those problems we should be very careful about permitting uses like manufactured homes parks, which are going to cause additional burdens on that area in terms of infrastructure. So, how to develop that and incorporate that into future Capital Improvement Programs I think will be a key."

Commissioner Norton said, "Okay. As a seg-way, you mentioned manufactured homes. I'm very interested in that study. It has hit my desk. Comment just a little bit on the conclusions you think came from that first part of the study and a little bit about the zoned stock that we have for locations, because there are some numbers in there that indicate that most of the zoned stock is south of Kellogg and in the south part of the County. Would you kind of comment to all of that?"

Mr. Krout said, "Yeah, I'm sorry I don't have the study in front of me to comment on, but three years ago, it appeared that manufactured home parks were the . . . the demand was relatively slow. Something like 12 acres per year were being consumed, were being developed for manufactured home parks over the previous ten years. And at that rate there were plenty of land for the next 15 or 20 years to develop, without having to worry about re-zoning other areas for manufactured homes parks, if you wanted to respond to what the market was at that time. The update of the study shows that we've had a real upsurge in the last five years or so in construction. We have zoned some areas and other areas that have been previously zoned have been previously owned were taken advantage of and so, our absorption rate for

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land is more like 35 acres per year. That still means that there's maybe a 10 to 15 year supply of land that is available out there. However, it's not all marketable. It's not all available, apparently, or available at the price that someone can afford to develop a manufactured home park.

“So, the margins are smaller, I think I would say, than they were three years ago and then the policy issue is, if the governing bodies are interested in responding to the market again, then where do we identify more land for future manufactured home parks. A lot of people in the south area feel like they've had more than their fair share of the parks. There are some very good reasons why they've located there. It's very approximate to jobs. It has high groundwater, which makes it difficult in some cases to do basements. So there are some reasons why that particular land use has gravitated to the south part of the City, but a lot of people in that advisory committee are suggesting that maybe we need a more equitable distribution of where those go.

“On the other hand, you can also take the position that manufactured home parks may not be the most desirable types of land uses for the long-term future of a community or for individuals who are making investments and I can go into all the reasons for that, but the University studies that we looked at, although they didn't emphasize or underline these conclusions, their data demonstrates, even though it was purported to show that they are appreciating, manufactured homes are appreciating at the same rate as other housing types, what we saw on the data and they didn't comment on was that, number one, manufactured homes and manufactured home parks were generally depreciating, whereas other housing types were appreciating and, number two, there's a direct relationship between the average value of housing and how close you are to a manufactured home park. The closer you are, the lower the average value of the housing was. And this was in several counties in two different studies that they did their work.”

Commissioner Norton said, “We already know that there is a large proportion of actual manufactured housing on the south side. Comment just a little bit on the 200 plus acres left that are zoned, how much of that is on the south side. Do you have that number in your head?”

Mr. Krout said, “Most all of it, I mean 80 or 90%.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Okay. I guess my conclusion is that if we look at diversified affordable housing around the County and if you try to diversify it, then maybe we need to put a stake in the ground and it needs to move to other areas of the County, so that there is diversified, affordable housing throughout the County and not just on the south side. Would that be a good conclusion? It certainly is for me.”

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Mr. Krout said, "Well, you might want to ask your associates how they feel about that."

Commissioner Norton said, "Well, I think it something . . . there needs to be a continued dialogue. Either we say 'no more manufactured housing' or we need to really look at it strongly as the idea that it's affordable housing and maybe affordable housing maybe affordable housing should be good for all parts of the County, not just the south side."

Mr. Krout said, "Well, I think that's a policy issue and I think you need to realize, as we went through the Comprehensive Plan, talked about neighborhood revitalization, that basically this is housing that's competing with the stock of thousands of homes that are on the market in the \$50,000 and \$60,000 and under range in older neighborhoods in Wichita and other cities and so, you're affecting the demand by putting more of these new manufactured home parks out. If that is your interest, then that's something you can do. There's also some aspects about manufactured homes for individuals, in terms of the long-term investment potential, when you're talking about buying a unit that doesn't appreciate on land that you're renting, whether or not that's really your best investment choice."

Commissioner Norton said, "Thank you. I just want to continue the dialogue about manufactured home parks on the south side."

Mr. Krout said, "I'm sure it will continue."

Chair McGinn said, "And I do believe that probably you do have the most in municipals, but I think I hold first place in the unincorporated areas."

Commissioner Norton said, "We'll have to continue that debate."

Chair McGinn said, "Yes, we will. All right, I don't see any other questions for Marvin. What's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to receive and file.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

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There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Chair McGinn said, "Next item. Thank you, Marvin."

K. RESOLUTION RELATING TO EXTENSIONS, ADDITIONS OR SUBSTITUTIONS IN STREET LIGHTING EQUIPMENT TO BE FURNISHED BY KGE. DISTRICTS #3 AND #4.

Mr. David C. Spears, P.E., Director/County Engineer, Bureau of Public Works, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Item K is a resolution prepared by KG & E for modifications to street lighting in Sedgwick County. The resolution calls for the installation of one high pressure sodium streetlight at the intersection of 29th Street North and Maize Road and another streetlight at the intersection of 183rd Street West and U.S. 54. This resolution also cleans up the removal and replacement of five streetlights along Zoo Boulevard. There will be a net increase in the yearly compensation of \$15.92. This will make the annual compensation for streetlights paid by the County to KG & E a total of \$96,888.53. I recommend that you adopt the resolution."

Chair McGinn said, "Commissioners, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to adopt the Resolution.

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Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Chair McGinn said, "Thank you, David. Next item."

**L. REPORT OF THE BOARD OF BIDS AND CONTRACTS' FEBRUARY 15, 2001
REGULAR MEETING.**

Chair McGinn said, "Iris, I can't guarantee that you won't have any interesting questions."

Ms. Iris Baker, Director, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Okay, thank you. Thank you for the warning."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "I promise I won't make a stink."

Ms. Baker said, "The Board of Bids and Contracts held a regular meeting on February the 15th. As a result of the meeting, the following items are being presented for approval.

**1) BRIDGE IMPROVEMENTS- PUBLIC WORKS
FUNDING: SALES TAX**

"Item one, bridge improvements for Public Works. Recommending low bid of King Construction Company for \$597,233.

**2) BIG ROLL TOILET TISSUE & PAPER TOWELS- DIVISION OF INFORMATION/
OPERATIONS
FUNDING: DIVISION OF INFORMATION & OPERATIONS**

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“Item two, big roll toilet tissue and paper towels for the Division of Information and Operations. The recommendation is to accept, for item one, the low alternative bid which meets specifications of Southwest Paper for \$8,120. For item two, the bid which meets specifications of Southwest Paper for \$11,087.50, for a grand total of \$19,207.50.

- 3) **TOILET TISSUE & PAPER TOWELS- SHERIFF/ DIV OF INFORMATION/ OPERATIONS**
FUNDING: SHERIFF & DIVISION OF INFORMATION & OPERATIONS

“Item three, toilet tissue and paper towels for the Sheriff and Division of Information and Operations. The recommendation is the low total bid of Southwest Paper for \$79,127.40.

- 4) **BULLDOZER- FLEET MANAGEMENT**
FUNDING: FLEET MANAGEMENT

“Item four is a bulldozer for Fleet Management. This item was tabled for further review.

- 5) **ANNUAL MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT FOR EQUIPMENT- DIVISION OF INFORMATION & OPERATIONS**
FUNDING: DIVISION OF INFORMATION & OPERATIONS

“And Item five is an annual maintenance agreement for equipment for the Division of Information and Operations. The recommendation is the sole source bid of Xerox Corporation for \$134,022.

“I recommend approval of these items as presented by the Board of Bids and Contracts. And I would accept questions.”

Chair McGinn said, “We do have one, I guess. Commissioner Sciortino.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “Thank you, Madam Chairman and I’m going to be serious. I’m not trying to raise a stink, but I want to talk about Item three. I notice that City Wide . . . because I mean this is dollars and cents, now. The paper towel was less than half of the bid that we accepted. I read it says ‘it didn’t meet specifications’. What were those specifications? Where they so dramatically off the specifications . . . I mean a paper towel is a paper towel and they’re a standard size. What was the specification that they missed.”

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Ms. Baker said, "Yes, one of the issues is the size itself. We'd have trouble maintaining that in the equipment that we have, in the machine. It's small enough that it would readily fall through the holes. Another issue is the tinsel strength and the thickness of this towel. In terms of quality, you'd use three or four of them to get the job done, as opposed to the towel that was accepted. And I do have some samples I can leave for you, if you're interested in looking at those."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Now, I don't want to be Mr. Wipple."

Chair McGinn said, "I do disagree with you, Commissioner Sciortino. A paper towel is not a paper towel. For those of us that do work in the kitchen on occasion."

Commissioner Winters said, "I would agree with that, too. I brought the wrong paper towel home once."

Commissioner Gwin said, "Here's the test, Ben. Empty your glass of ice water out there on the table and then see which one cleans it up."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well, okay. I'm just looking at \$12,000 and that small one is only about two or three inches less than the other one and in thickness it seemed to me it was about the same thickness. Like I said, I'm not going to raise a stink about it."

Ms. Baker said, "Well, in a wet test, there is a significant difference as well, in terms of . . ."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Aren't most of these paper towels used when you exit the restroom and then you wiped your hands? Isn't that where a lot of the usage is?"

Ms. Baker said, "That would be a true statement."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay, well then I don't know about tinsel strength and meeting the wet paper towel test. I'm looking at it, it's \$15,000 more money and I just think, with items like this, we need to take that into consideration. But that's all I have on that. Thank you."

Ms. Baker said, "And I guess a truer test would be, if we go that route, we'll just monitor the inventory to see how quickly we go through it. We're speculating 12 months."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "It's supposed to be a 12 month supply?"

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Ms. Baker said, "Twelve month supply, so if we choose to go that route and we find that we've depleted our inventory . . ."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay, but the point is, I see here on the bid that City Wide was going to give us 4,000 cases . . ."

Ms. Baker said, "Four thousand per case."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay, there's going to be 4,000 per case. I thought it was 4,000 cases."

Ms. Baker said, "As opposed to 1,920 per case."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "So, is it the same amount of rolls? Is it going to be exactly . . ."

Ms. Baker said, "These are individual towels."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "No, I mean there will be 'x' number of rolls from City Wide. That's the same number of rolls that we would get from Southwest Paper. Is that correct?"

Ms. Baker said, "In terms of total cases, correct. The difference in the inventory is that, per case, City Wide has 4,000 pieces."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay, let me ask you again. Will City Wide give us the same amount . . . are we getting the same amount of rolls of paper towels from City Wide as we are from Southwest or is this bid more rolls from City Wide than from Southwest?"

Ms. Baker said, "More."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay, so they've already factored in the difference in the fact that you would use more of them, because they've more an doubled it."

Commissioner Winters said, "No, they're not rolls."

Ms. Baker said, "It's an individual, so you can't control . . . I see what you're saying."

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Commissioner Sciortino said, "Wait a minute, we're going to get 4,000 . . . lift up the one. . . 4,000 of the small one as opposed to 1,920 of the other one. You indicated that we may have to use two of those, which still means we'll save \$15,000, even if we use twice as much of this other."

Ms. Baker said, "We could if we said 'two per person'."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Regardless, if it was two of the other one and you use four of this, it would still mean \$15,000 savings. Why aren't we looking at that?"

Ms. Baker said, "When you look at the overall cost and usage, because you have problems with not only multiple towels in usage, you also have the loss from grabbing a couple of towels and seven or eight fall out. The types of things that we really can't measure. Yes, you could say that we, for 4,000 and the offset of the differential, we ought to try it. The only true test is to go through the inventory and see how long it really last."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Okay, that's fine. I don't want to belabor it at this point. I just would hope that . . . the way you save hundreds of thousands of dollars is in 10,000 here, 10,000 here etcetera and this one, just all the sudden we're spending \$15,000 more and because it holds more water and the amount of water that was poured on that tissue there, I don't know how many hands would have to accumulate that much water, but . . . Okay, that's all. I don't want to belabor it. Thank you."

Chair McGinn said, "Okay. I also have heard the small one doesn't fit in the machine. Is that true?"

Ms. Baker said, "It will fit in the machine, but as you go to grab it . . ."

Chair McGinn said, "They fall out and so, perhaps we'll waste more."

Ms. Baker said, "That was the consideration."

Commissioner Norton said, "Maybe we can put the smaller, cheaper one on the bathroom down on Ben's end of the Commission."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Tim, you can make it as a joke but I'm telling you what, I was elected to watch the tax dollars that we spend. And this is one way of just asking to justify to my constituents and I assume yours, too, why we're spending \$15,000 for paper towels and I have a right to ask that and I

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don't think it should be a joke.”

Ms. Baker said, “May I make a suggestion. One of the things that I would like to do, since we have a set specification, and this is the way this project was bid, I would like to, through the course of the rest of this year, while we're using this inventory, test this particular item that didn't meet the specification. Target an area and actually test it and see what that result is. The test is the usage. The test would be feedback, which is very important to us. Another test would be the actual tracking that inventory to see what the loss is compared to usage and that can be done.”

Commissioner Gwin said, “I think that makes sense. I think that makes a great deal of sense.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “And I would encourage you to look at doing testing on other pieces of equipment and items that this county buys to see if we . . . with an eye toward ‘how can we save the taxpayers some dollars’.”

Ms. Baker said, “I agree.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, “I appreciate that idea.”

Chair McGinn said, “Okay, Commissioners, are there any other questions? Then what's the will of the Board?”

Commissioner Winters said, “Madam Chair, I'm not sure exactly where we are. I'm ready to make a Motion that we approve the contracts that have been presented by the Board of Bids of Contracts. Now, if Iris has said something different than that, I'd think something different but I'm prepared to approve these Minutes. So, can you clarify what you'd like us have us do.”

Chair McGinn said, “Well, it sounds like we have a Motion to approve, but Iris is going to do some type of testing.”

Commissioner Winters said, “If we approve these Minutes, will then you purchase some of this other product and run some kind of a test?”

Ms. Baker said, “And do a test, yes.”

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MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the recommendations of the Board of Bids and Contracts.

Commissioner Gwin seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Chair McGinn said, "Thank you, Iris. Next item."

CONSENT AGENDA

M. CONSENT AGENDA.

1. Right-of-Way Agreements.

- a. Two Easements for Right-of-Way and Two Temporary Construction Easements for Sedgwick County Project No. 616-16-659; Bridge on 13th Street between 151st and 167th Streets West. CIP# B-329. District #3.
- b. One Easement for Right-of-Way and one Temporary Construction Easement for Sedgwick County Project No. 817-B-1236; Bridge on Meridian between 109th and 117th Streets North. CIP# B-424. District #4.

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- c. Three Easements for Right-of-Way for Sedgwick County Project No. 833-AA, BB, CC on Rock Road from Derby to Mulvane. CIP# R-243. Districts #2 and #5.

- d. One Easement for Right-of-Way and one Temporary Construction Easement for Sedgwick County Project No. 819-A-3276; Bridge on Seneca between 117th and 125th Streets North. CIP# B-349. District #4.

2. Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment Contracts.

<u>Contract Number</u>	<u>Rent Subsidy</u>	<u>District Number</u>	<u>Landlord</u>
V200115	\$144.00	4	William E. Tynes
V01023	\$210.00		Sunflower Apartments
V01028	\$277.00		Brookside Cottages
V01029	\$189.00		Steve Sharpsteen
V01030	\$550.00	5	William Favreau
V01031	\$241.00	1	Goerzen Properties

3. The following Section 8 Housing Contracts are being amended to reflect a revised monthly amount due to a change in the income level of the participating client.

<u>Contract Number</u>	<u>Old Amount</u>	<u>New Amount</u>
V2021	\$559.00	\$559.00
V97001	\$225.00	\$217.00
V2066	\$660.00	\$373.00
V99009	\$41.00	\$000.00
V98009	\$500.00	\$385.00
V20138	\$310.00	\$277.00
V96030	\$113.00	\$494.00
V200018	\$331.00	\$325.00
V20137	\$177.00	\$182.00

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V2012	\$95.00	\$89.00
V99002	\$259.00	\$252.00

4. **Addendum to Agreement with Arrowhead West, Inc. providing authorized service modification.**
5. **Order dated February 14, 2001 to correct tax roll for change of assessment.**
6. **General Bills Check Register of February 16, 2001.**
7. **Budget Adjustment Request.**

Mr. William P. Buchanan, County Manager, greeted the Commissioners and said, "You have the Consent Agenda before you and I would recommend that you approve it."

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim R. Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas G. Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Chair McGinn said, "And I do not have a Sewer or a Fire District Meeting. Is there any other business to come before this Board?"

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N. OTHER

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved that the Board of County Commissioners recess into Executive Session for 30 minutes to consider consultation with Legal Counsel on matters privileged in the Attorney Client relationship relating to pending claims, litigation, and legal advice, and that the Board of County Commissioners return from Executive Session no sooner 11:40 a.m.

Commissioner Winters seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.

VOTE

Commissioner Betsy Gwin	Aye
Commissioner Tim Norton	Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters	Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino	Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn	Aye

Chair McGinn said, "We're in Executive Session."

The Board of Sedgwick County Commissioners recessed into Executive Session at 11:10 p.m. and returned at 11:43 a.m.

Chair McGinn said, "I'll call the Meeting back to order. Let the record show that we had no binding action in Executive Session, correct? Is there anything else that needs to come before this Board? Hearing none, we're adjourned."

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O. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 11:44 a.m.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
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Don Brace, County Clerk

APPROVED:

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