MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 20, 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, June 20, 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. Jarold Harrison, Assistant Manager; Ms. Jennifer Magana, Assistant County Counselor; Mr. Marvin Krout, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department; Mr. Chris Chronis, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance; Mr. Bob Lamkey, Director, Division of Public Safety; Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Division of Community Development; Ms. Jackie Wedel, Sales and Marketing Manager, Kansas Coliseum; Ms. Deborah Donaldson, Director, Division of Human Services; Dr. Luella Sanders, Program Director, Comprehensive Community Care Homeless Program; Ms. Annette Graham, Director, Department on Aging; Mr. Pete Giroux, Senior Management Analyst, Budget Department; Mr. Joe Brunk, Director, Noxious Weeds Department; 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.

INVOCATION

The invocation was led by Mr. Howard Pitler.

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

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

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES: Regular Meeting, May 23, 2001

The Clerk reported that all Commissioners were present at the Regular Meeting of May 23, 2001.

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

Commissioner Sciortino moved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 23, 2001.

Commissioner Norton 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, "Next item."

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

A.  METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING DEPARTMENT (MAPD).

1.  CASE NUMBER CUP2000-00021 – REQUEST TO CREATE THE KISER WEST COMMUNITY UNIT PLAN (CUP) (DP-254); AND

   CASE NUMBER 2000-00022 – ZONE CHANGE FROM “LC” LIMITED COMMERCIAL AND “SF-20” SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO “LC” LIMITED COMMERCIAL, LOCATED AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF 13TH STREET NORTH AND GREENWICH ROAD.

Mr. Marvin Krout, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "One zoning item on your agenda and that is this very elongated and long inverted L-shaped parcel of land. It is 13 acres. It is on the southwest corner of 13th Street North and Greenwich. This is, and you’ll see on the aerial photograph, the new runway for Raytheon."
This is the property that is just beginning development with a multi-plex cineplex project that you probably have heard about. There is commercial zoned property from the four corners on this area. So, six acres was originally, actually about eight acres at the corner was originally zoned. The remainder of the property is SF-20, Suburban Residential. Originally, the request came in for a larger area, about like this, and the substantial part of that acreage was for apartment zoning with commercial at the corner. We had concerns that apartments would be incompatible, land use right adjacent to the runway for Raytheon. Raytheon shared those concerns also and so we deferred this case and there was a period of negotiation that occurred between the two property owners and what you see in your agenda report is the result of that.

The area is reduced to just 250 feet of lot depth, which is really not conducive to residential development but there is a proposed C.U.P. on 13 acres, on half of the site that was originally submitted, for nine sites for commercial uses. Residential use would not be permitted at all on this site because of its incompatibility. The access controls have been worked out in coordination with the access controls that are on this side of the street. There are sign controls and others to assure that the developments will be compatible in nature. The planning staff and the applicant worked out all of the issues on the C.U.P. in advance of the Planning Commission meeting. Raytheon wrote a letter of support which is in your agenda. There was no opposition at the Planning Commission and no one who filed written protests afterwards and the Planning Commission was unanimous in recommending approval.

Just very briefly, this is the runway. This is a 1997 photograph, so there are still signs of construction at that area. This is area that is just undergoing construction for that cineplex complex. This is the C.U.P., which is in your agenda report, which shows the parcelization, the uses permitted and so on. This is the tract, we’re looking south from the corner of Greenwich and 13th Street, south and west across that site. This is looking west down Greenwich with the site along this side and right about at the crest is where the runway, if you were take it back south, would be running. This is looking north, up Greenwich at this site, which is also zoned commercial but undeveloped today. Looking north and east of the tract which is zoned commercial and is a possible Dillons grocery. This is looking at the southeast corner that is being developed for the cineplex complex that I talked about. This is looking south down Greenwich Road. Back to the aerial photograph and the zoning map. I’ll stand for any questions.”

Chair McGinn said, "Commissioners, are there any questions for Marvin?"

Commissioner Gwin said, "Just real quickly, then the piece that is still in the beige, between the runway and this one, that is going go be left open?"
Mr. Krout said, “Raytheon has been negotiating for the purchase of that to create a buffer for their runway and I don’t think a sale has closed yet, but that is the intention. When they do, they will probably come in and ask for industrial zoning.”

Commissioner Gwin said, "I just wanted to clarify that. Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair.”

Chair McGinn said, "Commissioner Winters.”

Commissioner Winters said, "Just two quick questions. K-96 is just on to the east of that?"

Mr. Krout said, “Right, running north and south a half mile east of Greenwich Road and with the interchange here.”

Commissioner Winters said, "And then according to the back-up, the Metropolitan Planning Commission voted nine to zero on this?"

Mr. Krout said, “Yes, they were unanimous.”

Commissioner Winters said, "Okay, thank you. That’s all I had, Madam Chair.”

Chair McGinn said, "Thank you. Is there anyone here today who would like to speak to this item? I don’t see anybody. Commissioners, is there aren’t any other questions for Marvin, what's the will of the Board on this item?"

**MOTION**

Commissioner Gwin moved to adopt the findings of fact of the Metropolitan Area Planning Commission and approve the zone change and CUP subject to the condition of platting; adopt a Resolution; and instruct the MAPD to withhold publication until the plat has been recorded with the Register of Deeds.

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

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

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

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

2. MONTHLY REPORT.

Mr. Krout said, "Commissioners, 68 cases were filed in May and that keeps us apace with the record setting year of last year for number of total cases that were filed with the Planning Department. Among those cases are the hearing on this case that you just considered. Stable and riding academy out at West 295th Street West and 45th Street North. A further expansion of a commercial Community Unit Plan that the County Commission originally approved at the 37th Street North and Ridge Road intersection, which is becoming one of our more rapidly developing corridors. Also the County’s proposed household hazardous waste facility was heard by the Planning Commission last month and recommended for approval. That was followed by the City Council’s approval of it just a couple of weeks ago. We took the zoning amendments last month through the process and both of the governing bodies approved them. We’re taking advantage of some of the new flexibilities that we’ve provided in that code. We’ve had a residential remodeling and a church day-care center that wanted to waive one of the rules in its Conditional Use Permit application and we were able to use some new flexibility that is in the code now that wasn’t available before to deal with those kinds of issues.

The Planning Commission has a hearing tomorrow on some leftover items. These are issues that came up at your meeting when you talked about the zoning amendments. There were people concerned about residential storage in front yards and non-conformities and how they would work and we’ve made an attempt to go through and clarify some of the language, as we said we would. We readvertised those items for a hearing tomorrow with the Planning Commission."
In land use research, we’re working on something that we said we would as part of the annual review of the Comprehensive Plan a little bit later this year. It is called an indicators report and we’re trying to identify some key goals and look at how the community is doing in terms of economics and in terms of land development and some other factors. It is intended to be a fairly simple report that can communicate well with citizens at large and hope to have that done in a couple of months and presented first to the Planning Commission as part of their annual review of the Comprehensive Plan.

We’re also in the process of printing two other reports now. One is the annual development trends, which is a more technical report with a lot of indicators of development activity. We’re doing an early report on the 2000 census information. The information keeps dribbling out from the census bureau, but we thought this was a good time where we had enough information that it would probably make sense to summarize some of the local information that hasn’t been summarized in exactly this form before and talk about some of the trends over the past 10 years that the census has been indicating to us.

The planners in land use research also participated in the Earth Day celebration at Camp Hiawatha and they had about 700 kids who went through an exercise of planning their neighborhood. I thought that was very useful, as part of an education and awareness program that we’re trying to expand.

In transportation, we continue working on access management guidelines. Last week we had a meeting with the CCIM, the commercial Realtors group, at a luncheon they had. We’ll be meeting in the next couple of weeks with representatives from that group and some other groups. We’re going to go through the guidelines that were recommended in draft form by the consultant in more detail because it is very technical.

We are receiving comments on the redesignation of U.S. 54 that was proposed and I think we sent you a note about that. Proposed by KDOT that, this wouldn’t happen immediately, but ten years or more from now, when the northwest by-pass we hope will be funded and constructed, KDOT is suggesting that it would be an easier to understand system of highways if we designated that northwest by-pass 54 and the section of K-96 from that by-pass to 135 as 54 and redesignated 254 east of 135 and out to El Dorado, also from 254 to 54. So, 54 would sort of by-pass the central area now, that is Kellogg, basically, through central Wichita. Then what would be left on Kellogg, from Goddard out to Augusta, is U.S. 400. We’ve sent notices to various chambers of commerce. So, KDOT came and asked us, as the M.P.O. (Metropolitan Planning Organization), to try to solicit community input on whether or not they thought that was a good idea or not. The Eagle did a story about it. We’re getting e-mails about it. Andover thinks it is a bad idea. Kechi
thinks it is a great idea. We’ve got citizens who say it will result in less confusion. We have other citizens who say it will result in more confusion. It is hard to say what will happen, but the Planning Commission, on July 19th, is going to take public comments in addition to what we’ve received in writing and the Planning Commission will take all of that. I’m not sure that they’ll make a recommendation or not, but we are asking anyone who is interested to make recommendations and we’ll probably just pass on all this information to KDOT unless there seems to be a strong consensus about which direction to move in. We can see the logic in this from a strict signing standpoint but if someone is associated with U.S. 54, if they’re a business, they’re going to have trouble, like any address change in making the changes and accommodation to it. We’re all so used to thinking about U.S. 54 as running where it does today that old habits may not die very easily. So that is something that you’ll be hearing more about and if you’d like to talk about it in more detail, I think we sent you a map that would show the proposed resigning system and we’ll share the comments with you as they start coming in.”

Chair McGinn said, "Marvin, in watching the tremendous growth that is occurring on the west side and the increases in traffic and I know we’re doing some different things than we did on Rock Road as far as the driveways and not as many and that type of thing, but it is still getting pretty heavily traveled and difficult to make left turns and that type of thing. I was just curious, the Intelligent Transportation System, I believe it was called I.T.S., that program was cut, was that by the Governor or the federal government?"

Mr. Krout said, “Actually what they told us was that because the City and the County have not come together to sign a memorandum of agreement with KDOT, KDOT had laid out a proposed five year, $5,000,000 program of which they would fund 60%, and it was subject to further planning and refinement and so on. But basically they wanted the City and the County to partner in the City’s and County’s share, we had talked about, would be 20% spread out over that five year period. Because we haven’t gotten to that point where we can sign that memorandum of understanding, the first year of their proposed program, which was, I think, only $75,000 or something like that, they said that they have reprogrammed it. I think that there is still money available. Dave, you may want to elaborate, but I think there is still money available if we can reach a common understanding about where we are headed in this. We would like to present more of this information to you at a work shop, but I think that first we need to convince some people, at the staff level, that this is something that is important and that everyone needs to cooperate on it.”

Chair McGinn said, "I would like to hear from you, David, if you don’t mind. I didn’t know there was a problem at the local level.”

Mr. David Spears, Director, Public Works, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I don’t think there is a real problem at the local level. On our staff, we support it. I think Mr. Lackey and his staff supports it. I think one of the things, and we have put dollars in the Capital Improvement Program, which has not been
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approved yet, which would be approved with your budget in August. So we don’t have anything in right now, but in the future C.I.P., it will be in there.

One of the problems connected with it is that many other departments would have benefit to this, such as 911, and it is a budgetary problem where if it is of benefit to them, the money should probably come out of their budget to help for that and not out of the highway budget, there are little things like that. I think we can get that worked out, but it has to be worked out, a coordinated effort between the budget and the C.I.P.”

Chair McGinn said, "Okay, thank you. Marvin, this system though, it does help us, I’m guessing, place traffic lights or how we plan in the future as far as traffic flows.”

Mr. Krout said, “It is a variety of things. One aspect is incident management, which is probably our single biggest traffic problem is when an accident occurs, especially on the freeways, is making an efficient and rapid response at getting things out and rerouting the traffic and I.T.S. can help with the dispatch of the emergency vehicles. It can help communicate to the traveling public through changing signs and other kinds of technology how to reroute and what are the best ways to reroute. It also has to do with the timing of signals. The timing of signals of which the city has started to computerize and try to improve the timing of signals so there is more green time as you’re going through. It would extend that system further. It would also provide the possibility of preemption of signals so the signals could automatically turn green for emergency vehicles. There are a whole host of things that are part of intelligent transportation. There was a study done with federal money that was sponsored by the City Public Works Department a couple of years ago, a very thick study. It has recommendations on what had the most bang for the buck for this area in terms of improvements. Basically, KDOT took what they called their early deployment program and they developed this proposed five year program out of it.

I think there are issues of whether or not this is the most effective use of funding. There are questions at the staff level in some departments, there are questions of how do we protect the integrity? A lot of this is collecting data base and then sharing it. There are some concerns about how to share that and yet protect the security and integrity of information from individual departments. All of these are technical issues that we are trying to work through. I think we’re first going to try to convince the City and County departments that this is important and worth pursuing and then we’ll have the workshop that we said earlier that we would have with the elected officials.”

Chair McGinn said, "I think that is something worth looking at. Thank you, Marvin. Commissioner Gwin.”
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**Commissioner Gwin** said, "Thank you. Marvin, I’ve started to get some calls and correspondence on the access management issue. I don’t know enough about it and I know it is complex, but if you could give me or my colleagues if they needed it too, kind of the who, what, when and where, I kind of need to know who or what initiated the review or change. Is it a City of Wichita issue only or will it be a County wide? The consultant is paid from what budget? What problems are we currently having? What kinds of possible solutions were identified or will be identified? I’m assuming the consultant will do that. Then the solutions suggested, timeline for the study and that kind of information, if you could do that for me? When I got the correspondence I really couldn’t respond very well and I know it takes much longer than what we have here. If you could just get back with me? I’ll send you an e-mail after the meeting outlining the questions that I think I need to have answered.”

**Mr. Krout** said, “Jamsheed was going to be over yesterday morning to talk about this as a workshop item and then that was cancelled. Would you like us to respond in writing or work on a workshop?”

**Commissioner Gwin** said, "I think just a recap on e-mail or something because of evaluation hearings and budget reviews we’ve had to cut back on our staff meetings until after the first part of July. If I’m continuing to get calls between now and then I kind of need at least a thumbnail sketch of what is going on."

**Mr. Krout** said, “Has Rod Stewart been calling repeatedly?”

**Commissioner Gwin** said, "No, it is not Rod surprisingly enough. I expect to hear from him but I haven’t yet. If you could do that for me and then maybe at a later date, after our schedule opens up a little bit, some more information from Jamsheed would be helpful. Thank you. If you e-mail it to me I’ll forward it to everybody else."

**Mr. Krout** said, “Okay.”

**Chair McGinn** said, ”Thank you. Commissioner Sciortino.”

**Commissioner Sciortino** said, "Marvin, I know you told us that Kechi was for the resigning of 54 and Andover was against. What was Wichita’s position on it?"

**Mr. Krout** said, “Hasn’t taken a position yet. They asked us to try to put together the pros and cons and there are both, so that they can maybe talk about it at a workshop session.”

**Commissioner Sciortino** said, "You’re going to share with us all those pros and cons? Okay, thank you."
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That’s all I had.”

Chair McGinn said, "Commissioners, are there any other questions for Marvin?"

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to receive and file.

Commissioner Norton 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, "Thank you. Next item."

NEW BUSINESS

B. RESOLUTION IMPLEMENTING AND ESTABLISHING A SOLID WASTE FEE SCHEDULE.

Mr. Chris Chronis, Chief Financial Officer, Division of Finance, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The County has imposed a solid waste fee for two years now and State law requires that it be readopted by you annually, prior to July 1st, for the following year.

“The Resolution that is before you imposes or adopts a solid waste fee for the 2002 budget year beginning January the 1st. Those fees, if you approve them, would be levied on the property tax bill and collected through the property tax system just as we’ve done for the past two years. The fees that are proposed for
2002 will pay for a variety of services. The solid waste budget that will be recommended to you by the County Manager totals $1,575,000. Of that, $1,076,000 is expected to be funded with the proceeds of the solid waste fees. The balance of funding will come from cash on hand carried over from prior years and from regulatory fees that will be collected on C & D landfills and the transfer stations.

The fees will be used in 2002 in the proposed budget for a variety of services. As you know, we are moving toward the end of this year from a program that, basically, has been in the planning mode for the past several years to one that is in service delivery mode. So for 2002, the fees will be used to operate the new household hazardous waste facility and pay the debt service on that facility. They will be used to continue and enhance the public education program and you received a briefing on that yesterday. They’ll be used to provide funding for a storm debris removal program that we will be discussing with you later this year to provide funding support for cities in the event of major storms and for a variety of other purposes that are outlined for you in the agenda summary.

The fees that are proposed for 2002 that will provide that $1,076,000 are $5.42 for each residential dwelling unit and for commercial properties or developed non-residential properties a variety of fees based on their waste generation characteristics, ranging from $4.72 per property to $9.45 per property with the final tier, the large malls, paying a rate of $6.30 times the number of tenants that they have. Those fees have been developed in the same manner as the fees in the past two years, based on the waste generation characteristics of non-residential properties and based on the estimated benefit of the programs to commercial versus non-commercial property. I’ll be glad to answer any questions that you might have about the Resolution that is before you or the program. If you have no questions, I recommend your approval of that Resolution.”

Chair McGinn said, “We have a question or a comment. Commissioner Gwin.”

Commissioner Gwin said, ”Not a question, but I do want to thank you, Chris for outlining some of the programs. I do want to point out that two of the most popular programs that we’ll take up the lion’s share of supporting are the recycling drop boxes, which have been very popular and an important part of this integrated system, and certainly ongoing support of a Christmas tree recycling program, too. Those are important. They’ve been popular. They’ve been utilized and just wanted to point out that those will continue.”

Mr. Chronis said, “They will continue and they are in the proposed budget. The reason I didn’t mention them as being funded from the fees is because State law prohibits the use of solid waste fees to pay for recycling programs. So, those will be paid from other revenues of funding the budget next year.”
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**Commissioner Gwin** said, "Right, but through those other revenues we will be able to continue those programs. Thank you. Thank you, Madam Chair."

**Chair McGinn** said, "I don’t know if this question is for Chris or Andy or Susan, but on the recycling drop-off boxes, the budget for 2002 will have a full year there. One of the things I heard loud and clear was that people wanted recycling more convenient, especially as we are going through this voluntary system first, to get to 50%, we need to help them reach that goal. I’m wondering, does this dollar amount just represent what is currently out there today or is there an increase in drop-off boxes projected for next year?"

**Mr. Chronis** said, “My understanding is that it represents what is out there today. It funds the program that is in place right now.”

**Chair McGinn** said, "So we have not budgeted for more drop-off boxes in 2002.”

**Mr. Chronis** said, “I’m told that is correct. It does not fund any enhancements.”

**Chair McGinn** said, "We may have to visit about that later. Okay, thank you. Are there any other questions for Mr. Chronis? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

**MOTION**

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

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

C. PROPOSED SEDGWICK COUNTY-CITY OF WICHITA JOINT STUDY OF THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES SYSTEM.

Mr. Bob Lamkey, Director, Division of Public Safety, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Before we begin, I’d like to acknowledge the presence of Ray Trail, the Chief Financial Officer for the City of Wichita, who is their lead for this project. I appreciate him being here this morning in support of this process. As a matter of background, as full partners, the City of Wichita and Sedgwick County managers and staff propose we engage in a study of the Emergency Medical Services System serving our community. As Kristi mentioned, the EMSS includes 911, Wichita and Sedgwick County Fire Departments, the Sedgwick County EMS, and in this study the Board of Health and Medical Society will be intimately involved, as will other members of the City and County staff.

In a nutshell, the study is to recommend measurable performance standards for urban, suburban, and rural delivery areas to address the current national trends in emergency medical service delivery, to evaluate the existing delivery system and model and recommend improvement where necessary, and to explore and evaluate alternative methods of service delivery for the City of Wichita and areas outside the City of Wichita in meeting those performance standards. The basic criteria is delivery of quality, timely, appropriate, and affordable patient care is the overarching objective.

As a result of a large and diverse stakeholders meeting last month and the work of a design team consisting of City and County staff with members of the Board of Health and Medical Society and the Medical Advisory Team, an expanded scope of work was developed. Health Analytics, previously selected by the City for a different scope of work, will conduct the study. They are a very credible firm and well able to do the expanded scope of work. At the completion of the study, the consultant will present findings and recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners, the City Council, the Board of Health, the Medical Society, and other interested parties.

You have a copy of the revised scope of work in your packet. It will be the basis of a formal agreement. The cost will not exceed $106,000. Sedgwick County’s share is 50% or $53,000. Funds have been earmarked for this purpose. At this time, I would ask you to approve the joint study and authorize the
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Chair to subsequently sign a joint City/County Agreement with Health Analytics, subject to a satisfactory legal review and I will note the City Council approved a similar action yesterday. I stand ready to answer any questions.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioner Sciortino.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you, Madam Chair. Bob, first an overall comment. I’m real pleased that we’re going to have this study done. I think it is very healthy. I think that any entity should, on a regular basis, have an impartial review of how they’re delivering services and all I can see that can come out of that is perhaps ways that we can even improve the manner of delivery. I did notice in the back-up though there was kind of a question mark after when would this study be available. Are we still kind of unsure of that?”

Mr. Lamkey said, “I think within the next few weeks we’ll be meeting with the consultant. Is that not correct, Ray? And we will be establishing a timetable. It is basically both our consensus. We will work with the consultant to establish a timetable that allows a thorough and complete review of the entire system, so that will be forthcoming.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Well, again, I think that this study is something that can become very positive for the entire community and all I can see is that a review, at any time, of a service that is being delivered to the public just to see if we’re doing a good job, how can we do it better, can do nothing but improve the overall delivery of it. I’m happy that we’re going to have this study. Thank you.”

Chair McGinn said, "I agree with Commissioner Sciortino. We’ve had a system for 25 years now and I think it has been a very good system. It never hurts to take a look at yourself and see if you can make improvements over time. I’m glad we’re joining with the City of Wichita on this. I understand we have all the stakeholders at the table and we’ll do a very thorough study on this. Commissioner Gwin.”

Commissioner Gwin said, "Thank you. Bob, if solutions are recommended by the consultant that demand or have a fiscal impact, have you thought about how quickly the County could respond to those fiscal, if there are some that have that? Have you talked about that or tried to project what might happen if some of those requests demand money?”

Mr. Lamkey said, “I guess I would defer to Mr. Chronis who may or may not be here. Certainly, as we look to those recommendations it is our expectation that before the end of the year we will have the consultants recommendations. It will again come before the governing bodies for review. If there are fiscal issues involved in that process, again, we will work with you and the finance office. At this time, as you
know, as part of our budgeting process for 2002, we have worked to project at least absent any recommendations, what we believe the service level increase should be. That will be coming before you from the Manager and your opportunity to adjudicate that in August. Other changes in that process certainly we will look at what we can do in the short term and then the long term to make those appropriate enhancements. Part of the most essential thing the consultant is going to do for us, at the beginning, is to look at our service delivery areas, look at national standards, consult with the local medical community and local providers to establish standards of service delivery that this community, both in the urban, suburban, and rural areas, should have in balancing out economics and the medical need of those entities. So we should have some pretty good standards and we would hope that those would provide benchmarks for us for now and for the next ten or fifteen years in order to make those kinds of decisions in how we allocate resources.”

Commissioner Gwin said, "Thank you. I’ll look forward to the report. I can only echo what Commissioner Sciortino and Commissioner McGinn said and I’m assuming my other colleagues, that a partnership to do this kind of study is really important. I am pleased that, because we do have an integrated system, that we will have all the stakeholders available and hopefully we’ll be able to come up with some interesting information and hopefully things that will serve all of us better. I’m certainly going to approve it.”

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you. I see that Ray Trail, the Finance Director for the City of Wichita is here today and I know he was a partner in this in writing R.F.P and that type of thing and your Council passed this yesterday. Ray, would you like to make any comments this morning? I don’t want to put you on the spot but I just thought if you had any comments you’d like to make. Well, we thank you for being here today. Commissioners, are there any other questions for Bob?”

MOTION

Commissioner Sciortino moved to Approve the joint study and authorize the Chair to subsequently sign a joint City-County Agreement with Health Analytics, Inc. subject to a satisfactory legal
Commissioner Gwin 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, "Thank you, Bob. Thank you, Ray. Next item please."

D. ADDENDUM TO AGREEMENT WITH SOUTH CENTRAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, INC. PROVIDING ADMINISTRATION OF AN ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT MICRO-LOAN AWARD.

Ms. Irene Hart, Director, Division of Community Development, greeted the Commissioners and said, "What I would like to do today is to tell you a little bit about the micro-loan program and how well it is operating. The micro-loan program is a partnership among the Kansas Department of Commerce and Housing, Sedgwick County, and S.C.K.E.D.D. Now S.C.K.E.D.D. is short for South Central Kansas Economic Development District, so I'll just call them S.C.K.E.D.D. What we do is use State administered C.D.B.G., Community Development Block Grant funds, to provide micro-loans to Sedgwick County residents who live outside the City of Wichita.

Now let me explain why we’re only serving outside the City of Wichita. The City of Wichita itself receives Community Development Block Grant funds directly from the federal government. We applied to the Kansas Department of Commerce and Housing and compete with other counties to get the same funds.
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So, we’ve not had a micro-loan program available in Sedgwick County outside the City of Wichita until recently when KDOCH first designed the program.

Micro-loans or micro-loan borrowers are people who most likely would not be able to qualify for a bank loan, due to either lack of full collateral or needing such a small amount of funds that a bank couldn’t profitably make the loan. Two years ago, Sedgwick County, in partnership with S.C.K.E.D.D., and we partnered with S.C.K.E.D.D. because they are a certified development corporation who is also in the business of loaning economic development administration, U.S.D.A., and Small Business Administration funds to the same type of businesses. So they have experience in dealing with small start-up businesses. So we partnered with them and applied to KDOCH for their new micro-loan program and we were awarded $50,000. Of that $50,000, $5,000 was designated to S.C.K.E.D.D. as administration, but let me describe what administration is in a little more detail.

First of all, a micro-loan under this program, the total amount that can be lent is $15,000. So, it is very small, indeed a micro-loan program. In our partnership with S.C.K.E.D.D., each of us does what we do best. Sedgwick County has overall grant responsibility and that is performed by our C.D.B.G. certified administrator, Marty Hughes and our Economic Development people are responsible for marketing and promoting the program. We do that through brochures and public speaking and talking to Chambers of Commerce and working with banks and anyone we can talk to we do. S.C.K.E.D.D. does all the work with the individual businesses. That includes screening and accessing applicants, referring them to business management training if it is necessary, they assist with the loan application forms, they do all the loan closing documentations, they coordinate with other lenders, they maintain required loan files, do the routine loan servicing. They ensure compliance with all the federal and state rules and regulations, and they provide on site technical assistance to the business. So in summary, we handle the grant itself and promote the program and S.C.K.E.D.D. does all the work with the individual businesses, including the lending and technical assistance. So, to offset their cost of doing that on the $50,000 grant that we received, they received the $5,000 in what is called administrative money.

We were doing so well that we received an additional $50,000. So today, we’re asking for your approval to amend the agreement to allow another $5,000 for, quote, administration on the second $50,000 micro-loan award from KDOCH.

Now what are some of the outputs of this program? Well, we’re doing well enough that KDOCH awarded us another $50,000 so there was a total of $100,000. There have been five loans made, totaling $75,000. When a business has needed more than that $15,000, S.C.K.E.D.D. has been able to go into their other loan funds to the extent of nearly $57,000. So far, we’ve leveraged another $57,000 to these
programs. Examples of the technical assistance that they provide or administration services that they have provided, they’ve advised companies on collecting accounts receivable. They’ve advised on personal loan consolidation and they do monthly review of financial statements, they’ve provided tax assistance, they provided advise on dealing with competition, long range planning and marketing strategy. In addition, we’ve had excellent program reviews by KDOCH.

So, the outcomes are what difference did that program make. We have five businesses who likely wouldn’t have been able to get financing through the banks. Some of those businesses are a small jewelry store, a home inspection company, a company that installs ATM machines, an insurance company, and a small machine shop. To date, we’ve had 100% performance. We’ve had no delinquencies or foreclosed loans. So, everyone is on time and making a profit. So, our partnership is working well. The funds from administration come from the grant itself and are not County funds and I’d ask your approval of the contract amendment. I’d be happy to answer any questions that you might have.”

Chair McGinn said, "Thank you, Irene. It looks like an excellent program and it looks like you’re doing very well by partnering with all these groups together, of leveraging and bringing more money into our community to help our businesses. What are some of the ways that you are getting the information out to smaller communities and that type of thing?"

Ms. Hart said, “We’ve been to every city hall and chamber of commerce that would have us. We’ve been to fairs. We’ve distributed brochures. We’ve done presentations at luncheon meetings. We’ve put articles in the weekly newspapers. If there is more to be done . . . I believe we have information on our web site but if there is more to be done, we’re willing to go and do it.”

Chair McGinn said, "I think the information is getting out there. I visited with a chamber and some mayors and when I throw S.C.K.E.D.D. around or micro-loan they’re familiar with the term now. So, I think you are doing a pretty good job of getting that information out. Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Thank you. Just a comment. I sat on a panel that reviewed some of these micro-loans and I’ve got to tell you, it is a wonderful program. These are folks that probably wouldn’t get incubator money to start their business without a program like this. Some of them were pretty hard cases, people willing to work hard, maybe trying to start a business after a divorce and couldn’t get a loan any other way and now they’re running a pretty healthy business. They are small business and not big loans but
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a really good way to connect with people who are pretty entrepreneurial but aren’t going to get the money any other way. It is a great program.”

Chair McGinn said, "I agree, we are getting a lot of small businesses. What I am excited about is hearing the success rate you’re having. People are paying them. These are very hard working people, I would think. Commissioners, are there any other questions for Irene? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

**MOTION**

Commissioner Norton moved to approve the Addendum to 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 Norton Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn Aye

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

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**E. AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF PARK CITY, KANSAS FOR ADVERTISING RIGHTS AT KANSAS COLISEUM.**

Ms. Jackie Wedel, Sales & Marketing Manager, Kansas Coliseum, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Standing in for John Nath, who is vacationing this week. We are pleased to present a renewal of a
Chair McGinn said, "Commissioners, are there any questions for Jackie?"

**MOTION**

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

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

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**F. DIVISION OF HUMAN SERVICES.**

1. **AMENDMENTS TO CONTRACT (THREE) WITH MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH CENTRAL KANSAS PROVIDING CHILDREN'S ATTENDANT CARE.**
Ms. Deborah Donaldson, Director, Division of Human Services, greeted the Commissioners and said, "These three amendments are ones that we have been working on for probably the last six months due to Mental Health Initiative 2000. These amendments adjust rates, method of payments and budgets as appropriate to accommodate the changes in the system and those rates. This covers contracts on child and adult attendant care, respite care, and psychosocial groups. I’d be glad to answer any questions and would recommend your approval."

Chair McGinn said, "Commissioners, any questions for Debbie?"

**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 Norton Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn Aye

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

2. **UPDATE REGARDING COMCARE HOMELESS PROGRAM’S MOVE TO A NEW FACILITY AND UPCOMING OPEN HOUSE.**

Dr. Luella Sanders, Program Director, Comprehensive Community Care Homeless Program, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Thank you for your request for additional information about the homeless
program and for the opportunity to provide an update on our move. You may recall that on May 2\textsuperscript{nd} you approved a lease for us to move into the new building, which as 154 North Topeka. Our phone number remains the same, at 264-1770. That move was completed and we opened for business there on May 21\textsuperscript{st}. The good news is that throughout our move we continued to meet consumer needs without a break in services. We assist people in Sedgwick County who are homeless and have a serious mental illness meet their desire to be healthy and live in the community. We also stayed responsive to community needs throughout the move, taking referrals from service providers, from anyone in the community and maintaining our street outreach.

In accordance with our mission, we tend to serve adults whose situations are best described on the right-hand side of the continuum of the definition of homelessness, basically people who are staying in emergency shelters or on the streets. We also, typically, serve persons whose diagnosis are best described again on the right-hand side of that continuum. Typically, working mostly with individuals who have bipolar disorder or schizophrenia. This means we serve people who have the most chronic history of homelessness and the most serious mental illnesses. There is a catch-22 in doing that. That is that they are also the least likely to seek help. They also may typically be, initially at least, responsive\textsuperscript{sic} to mental health services. So, the key to being able to do this is build relationships in order to engage a person into needed services.

Another key is collaborating with the other homeless service providers and other providers in the community. Just a couple of those that I’ve noticed noted are United Methodist Urban Ministries drop-in center and, through the winter, overflow shelter that is operated by Interfaith Ministries on behalf of the Wichita Homeless Services Coalition. We work with all of the nighttime shelters though, as well as the drop-in center. We conduct outreach on the streets, which means that our outreach case managers go under bridges, they go near abandoned buildings, they go into parks, looking for persons who are homeless and on the streets and not enrolled in services or engaged in services of any kind. They do this, also, not only between eight and five but also in the evenings and early morning hours. Again, we work, not only with the two I mentioned before, but with all the nighttime shelters in the community and that is very important.

Not only do we work on an agency to agency basis, but also systemically, by working with the Wichita Homeless Services Coalition and the Community Council on Homeless Advocacy, which was formally the Homeless Task Force. We work with using a ‘no wrong door’ approach because we contact approximately 1,000 people each year that need assistance but not everyone of those individuals, only about a third, have a mental illness and would be eligible for our services. But what we can do is make
referrals to the most appropriate resource for those individuals. Whether we go out, locate, and offer services to them or whether it is a response to the community, those referrals for our program services come through our outreach team. Anyone in the community can call the outreach team at 264-1770 to make that referral.

In addition to the assertive outreach that I’ve described, we offer psychiatric services, individual and group psychotherapy, including therapy for individuals who have a dual diagnosis of mental illness and substance abuse. Then we also offer intensive case management services.

The demographics of the persons we work with, typically the average age is 36 years of age. There is an almost even split between males and females with slightly more males than females. The majority of the people we work with are parents. About 44% of the women that we work with still have custody of their children as well. Typically the persons that we work with have had 11 incidences of homelessness for a total of 3 ½ years of their lives that they’ve spent homeless. They also have spent about 18 months hospitalized in either state or local hospitals.

Currently, there’s 200 people, or actually 192 people enrolled in our program services. We typically work with a person for about a year but that again depends upon the individual needs. After they are enrolled in services and while we work with them we help them stabilize the symptoms of their mental illness, as well as their daily living needs. As they meet their goals, some of the outcomes that are most notable have been that consistently about 80% have been able to maintain housing in the community. About 20% are able to consistently maintain competitive employment and that self reports, there has been about a 45% reduction in the symptoms of their illness, which all goes together to mean that they are able to meet their goals to be healthier and to live independently in the community.

All our services at the homeless program are graduation directed which means that, from the time we start working with them, our goal is to help them stabilize the symptoms of their illness and their living situation in order to then graduate from our services and on to whatever services are most appropriate and sometimes what is the least needed, so that they are receiving the services at the level of support they need but that they also have the most independence and the most personal directed decisions in those. So, that is very important.

Those outcomes are possible because of two things. One is the dedicated and expert staff at the homeless program that understand homelessness, understand mental illness and understand what it needs to reach individuals who have both those experiences. But also because of the courage and the persistence of the consumers that we work with and that persons are able to find hope and maintain that hope and recover their lives.
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So in conclusion, I wanted to invite everyone to an open house that we’re having tomorrow where you would have an opportunity to meet those staff of the homeless program which is also called Center City, to tour our facility, which is typically . . . many individuals come and we have meetings both with the coalition and the Community Council on Homeless Advocacy and others meet in our facility or will now that we have this nice facility and had in the previous facility but they typically are only in the community areas, the conference rooms and those areas. The tour of the open house, you would be able to see throughout the facility, gather information about homelessness, mental illness, and about our program and talking with staff and meeting consumers. Also join us in refreshments and that Ceros is doing a candy buffet and that in itself would be worth coming to the open house. It is free and open to the public and the parking is going to be accessible. Parking Inc., who has the parking lots just north of the Western Typewriter building is making those parking spots available to people who are coming to our open house for tomorrow. We really appreciate them doing that so that there is free and accessible parking available for anyone who would like to come. We hope to see you there and I would be happy to answer any questions that you might have about our program or the open house.”

Chair McGinn said, "Thank you for that follow up report. I know we did have a lot of questions. It is a little bit scary that 54% of the folks you serve are parents. We were just wondering if that means there’s children there as well or perhaps they don’t have the children?"

Dr. Sanders said, “About 44% of the women we serve still have custody of their children and that women, and especially women with children, are the largest growing segment of the homeless population. There are, I believe it was 40% of the people who are receiving shelter services do have children and that 40% of those shelter residents are children and the majority of those are children under ten years of age. The public school system has a homeless liaison person and she reports that she served almost 900 people during this last year, children that are in the school system that have been identified as being homeless. So there are a number of children. We provide mental health services of course to the parents but by providing services to the parents it benefits the children and the whole family.”

Chair McGinn said, "Absolutely. Commissioners, are there any other questions?"

MOTION

Commissioner Winters moved to receive and file.

Commissioner Sciortino 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, "Thank you."

3. **FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2001 AREA PLAN REVISION, TO BE SUBMITTED TO KANSAS DEPARTMENT ON AGING.**

Ms. Annette Graham, Director, Department on Aging, greeted the Commissioners and said, "Each year the Area Agency on Aging submits an area plan to the Kansas Department on Aging which details how the area agency plans to spends federal dollars in the fiscal year, which is October 1, 2000 through September 30, 2001. An area plan revision is submitted to change the plan for such reason as decreasing funds, reallocation of statewide funds or to the change in that way a program is funded. This revision must be submitted to KDOA and this is the final revision for the 2001 fiscal year. This plan has been approved by the Central Plains Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council and by both the Harvey and Butler County Commissioners. We request that you approve and authorize the Chairperson to sign."

Chair McGinn said, "Commissioners, are there any questions for Annette?"

**MOTION**

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the FY 2001 Area Plan Revision and authorize the Chair to sign.

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 Norton  Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino  Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn  Aye

Chair McGinn said, "Next item."

4. AGREEMENTS (TWO) WITH KANSAS DEPARTMENT ON AGING AND KANSAS DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND REHABILITATION SERVICES FOR CENTRAL PLAINS AREA AGENCY ON AGING TO PROVIDE CLIENT ASSESSMENT REFERRAL EVALUATION SERVICES.

Ms. Graham said, “Central Plains Area Agency on Aging has operated the CARE program, which is the Client Assessment Referral Evaluation program, since January 1 of 1985. Under this program we are responsible for performing all nursing home pre-assessments in Sedgwick, Harvey and Butler Counties in accordance with the Kansas Department on Aging Agreement and State and federal laws. This agreement establishes the rate that this Area Agency on Aging will be reimbursed on each assessment which covers the program expenses for three full time employees and several contractors that provide some of those assessments. The program is fully funded through reimbursement from the State at a unit cost per assessment. There are no financial obligations for the County. This has been reviewed by the Legal Department and we would request that you authorize the Chairperson to sign.”

Chair McGinn said, "Commissioners, any questions on this item? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

MOTION

Commissioner Norton moved to approve the Agreements and authorize the Chair to sign.

Commissioner Sciortino seconded the Motion.

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

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

Chair McGinn said, "Next item."

5. GRANT APPLICATION TO KANSAS DEPARTMENT ON AGING FOR STATE GENERAL FUND CASE MANAGEMENT FUNDS.

Ms. Graham said, “State General Fund Case Management is a State funded case management program which provides valuable assistance to consumers and families seeking understanding of available community resources and service options. Case managers assess individuals’ age 60 years of age and over for a variety of long and short term services offered to help them to remain in the community. Case management addresses the consumer’s needs, conserving resources, and avoiding duplication of community based services. The fiscal 2002 funding for State General Fund Case Management administration and services is budgeted at $94,692. Case management services are fully reimbursed through State funding as outlined within this application. No additional funding is requested. This application has been reviewed by the County’s Legal Department and we would request that you authorize and approve this State General Fund application for 2002 and authorize the Chair to sign.”

Chair McGinn said, "Commissioners, are there any questions?"

MOTION

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

Commissioner Norton seconded the Motion.

There was no discussion on the Motion, the vote was called.
Chair McGinn said, "Next item."

6. CONTRACT WITH RIVERSIDE HEALTH SYSTEM SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM FOR SEDGWICK COUNTY TO ADMINISTER THE RESIDENT OPPORTUNITY AND SELF-SUFFICIENCY/RESIDENT SERVICE DELIVERY GRANT MODEL PROGRAM.

Ms. Graham said, “The Wichita Housing Authority received a $200,000 grant from H.U.D. to establish a program of services to support elderly and disabled public housing residents for a three year period. The Department on Aging is authorized to administer the funds and the program for the Wichita Housing Authority. This agreement will allow the provision of friendly visiting and companionship services through the Senior Companion Program, which is at the Riverside Health Services Senior Companion Program. This agreement allows for three senior companions per year for the sum of $6,150 and a three year total of $18,450. This contract will allow the Sedgwick County Department on Aging to administer $104,450 in direct service dollars for this R.O.S.S., R.S.D.M. funds over a three year period. There are no financial obligations for the County. This program will utilize senior companions, which are volunteers who receive a stipend through that program and these funds will pay for one half of the cost of that and Riverside will pay for the other half. It is for 20 hours a week of service per week for all three of the senior companions. We would request that you approve the Contract and authorize the Chair to sign.”

Chair McGinn said, "Commissioner Gwin.”

Commissioner Gwin said, "Just real quickly, the Senior Companion Program has been one of the best received ones or one that I have gotten more comments about than a lot of others. When individuals are trying to maintain their life in the place that they chose, sometimes one of the things they battle most is the loneliness and the desire to just talk to someone else. The senior companions that I have met who made that connection, make that link, are energetic and excited and pleased to be able to help some of their
senior friends. It is a terrific program and I’m certainly going to support it. Thank you.”

Chair McGinn said, "Thank you. Commissioners, are there any other questions for Annette on this item?"

**MOTION**

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Contract 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 Norton Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn Aye

Chair McGinn said, "Next item please."

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7. **CONTRACTS (20) PROVIDING INCOME ELIGIBLE/SENIOR CARE ACT SERVICES.**

- ADVANTAGE HOME CARE
- ASSOCIATED HOMECARE
- CARE 2000
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- CATHOLIC CHARITIES
- DEPENDABLE ASSISTED LIVING, INC.
- HEAVENLY HELPERS, INC.
- HOME HEALTHCARE CONNECTION
- KELLY ASSISTED LIVING
- MEDICALODGE
- LINK TO LIFE
- MT. HOPE HOME HEALTH
- PROACTIVE
- RESOURCE CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT LIVING, INC.
- THERE’S NO PLACE LIKE HOME, INC.
- RIVERSIDE HOME CARE
- SAINT RAPHAEL HOME CARE
- SENIOR SERVICES, INC.
- TRILC
- WICHITA LIFE LINE

Ms. Graham said, “The Income Eligible Senior Care Act program provides needed care to persons age 60 and over and to their family members seeking options to help them remain in the community and in their housing of their choice. Consumers can access additional care through case management, care programs such as personal care, homemaker services, respite care, personal emergency response management and installation, and specific purchases that will assist the client in maintaining their independence. Income eligible senior care act services are provided in Butler, Harvey, and Sedgwick County via a network of providers who offer a variety of services. Vendor contracts allow the funding to follow the client based on the provider of their choice. Income eligible administration and program budget for fiscal year 2002 is budgeted at $566,522, which is funded totally through the State. The senior care act budget total is $334,971 and is funded through State legislative monies and requires a two to one match to the allocated state dollars. Senior care act match in Sedgwick County is the Sedgwick County mill levy funds and consumer contributions. In Butler and Harvey County, services have mill levy dollars that match theirs two to one also.

The Sedgwick County mill levy funds are included in the budget totals and there are no additional funds requested. This agreement has been reviewed by Legal and by Butler and Harvey County Commissioners and we would request that you would approve the Contract and authorize the Chair to sign.”

Chair McGinn said, "Commissioners, are there any questions for Annette? 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 Norton Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn Aye

Chair McGinn said, "Thank you, Annette. You’re going to be busy serving the senior citizens of our community. Next item."

G. REORGANIZATION OF SEDGWICK COUNTY PARK AND LAKE AFTON PARK STAFFING.

Mr. Jarold Harrison, Assistant County Manager, greeted the Commissioners and said, "In December of last year, Warren Duscher, your Park Superintendent of the Sedgwick County Park retired after 30 years in the park and left a fairly extensive legacy, I think, for the taxpayers of this community both in facilities and
programs. In anticipation of his retirement, in the fall of last year, I convened a staff committee and we looked at a couple of proposals, one from Lake Afton Park Superintendent and one from the Sedgwick County Zoo about how to operate the park once Warren departed. The committee and I came up with a consensus recommendation that the superintendent of Lake Afton Park would operate both parks. We’ve kind of been in the testing and trial mode here for a period of time since the first of the year. During that time, I’ve challenged Mark to do several things and we’ve examined work plans, both for on-season and off-season for the park.

We’ve shifted some staffing around and what we’re recommending today is that we do a permanent adjustment to the staffing table of both parks, whereby we would have instead of two park superintendents we would have one park superintendent over both parks and two assistant park superintendents, one in charge at each of the parks on a daily basis. This would give us a management team of three people. We can do this within the staffing that is already on the books.

If you will recall, in January we came to you and took the other park superintendent’s position and divided it into two groundskeeper positions. That allows us to have a staffing level which will give us a couple of people at each park, a management team with an opportunity to rotate some time off, which was one of the key issues that kind of focused Warren, I think, on the decision to retire. Seventy, eighty hours a week was getting to be a little much after 30 years. This will give us an opportunity to have more reasonable hours for the management team in this process. It will give us a single point of contact for issues relating to the parks. It will also provide a single point of planning and coordination of efforts for both of the parks. Be glad to answer any questions. I would recommend you approve the Staffing Table adjustments for each of the departments. They will be maintained as separate departments for bookkeeping purposes. Be glad, again, to answer any questions.”

Chair McGinn said, "Commissioner Norton."

Commissioner Norton said, "Thank you. I know it is in the details and we’ve discussed this, but just give us the budget impact for this year and next year so it is on the record.”

Mr. Harrison said, “Budget impact for this year is about $7,000 and that will be provided out of park funds this year. Budget impact for next year would be about $12,281. That would be a supplemental to the funding for the parks for next year.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Thanks. That’s all I have.”
Chair McGinn said, "Thank you. Are there any other questions for Jerry? If not, what's the will of the Board?"

**MOTION**

Commissioner Winters moved to approve the reorganization and necessary adjustments to Sedgwick County Park and Lake Afton Park Staffing Tables.

Commissioner Sciortino 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, "Thank you, Jerry. I think this is going to be a good plan as far as coordinating with one person and it will probably make better uses of our resources, knowing what is at both parks and that type of thing. I’m glad you made this effort to take a look at this. Thank you. Next item please."

H. **AMENDMENT TO THE 2001 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (CIP) BUDGET FOR WORK RELATED TO THE FIRST FLOOR PAY STATION (CIP 1999 PB375).**

**POWERPOINT PRESENTATION**
Mr. Pete Giroux, Senior Management Analyst, Budget Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "I’m here to request your approval of an amendment to the 2001 C.I.P. You’ve seen this before, it is the first floor pay station. The project provides us a point where customers can come in and have a single point for essentially all the payments made in the courthouse, a single point that they can make those payments. This project provides both the physical and the technological infrastructure to do that. It also enables cooperation in the offices to accept those payments. It combines Treasurer, District Court payment staff, the Traffic Department, that is already on the first floor, as well as a problem resolution staff member from the Appraiser’s Office. There are efficiencies. By establishing a Treasurer’s call center; they get the most qualified staff to handle that very large number of calls that they receive. As you are aware, there are both physical and technical infrastructure that was needed to bring all these together. We significantly reduced all the printer requirements and enabled multiple users and did a variety of things within that area to make it a whole lot more efficient, as well as to support this joint endeavor.

Costs is $745,000. There is $222,000 remaining in the original project. We used funds from prior year approved projects as well as contributions from operational funds from the Treasurer and District Court. C.I.P. committee recommends approval. We have the project manager and the C.F.O. (Chief Financial Officer) here to answer any questions that I can’t handle."

Chair McGinn said, "Well this is a plan that we’ve been looking at for quite some time and we’ve just had to revise it and get the numbers a little more accurate and unfortunately the price went up a little bit."

Mr. Giroux said, “As the detailed planning took place, they realized that they needed to do a lot more than just construction.”

Chair McGinn said, "I agree with the concept of the one stop payment center. I think that is going to make it a lot easier for the citizens of this County to figure out where they’ve got to go, one place. That may take care of a lot of those types of issues and confusion of where they should be and that type of thing. Commissioner Sciortino."

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you, Madam Chair. As I understand it, to be able to make up for the shortfall in the way it was originally budgeted we have drawn against other C.I.P. projects."

Mr. Giroux said, “Yes sir, previously approved projects.”
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Commissioner Sciortino said, "So, then those projects are no longer approved and we would have to re-approve those budgets since there is now no longer any funds for these other projects since we’ve taken those monies to apply them to this project?"

Mr. Giroux said, “To a certain extent that is true. We left planning funds within the jury room project to continue planning for that. The juvenile detention facility project we expect to be superceded by the bigger discussions we’re having about the entire juvenile complex. The Treasurer’s pay station, that would close that out. That was remaining funds.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, "What about the mechanical upgrade of the roof replacement?"

Mr. Giroux said, “There would be some remaining funds there. If the juvenile complex is approved in the C.I.P. that you are currently considering, we would close that project and return the remaining funds to the general fund after the juvenile complex project is approved.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, "So what we’re approving, basically, is the one element of the pay station and wasn’t there other items in that thing about the other remodeling downstairs but that is not what we’re approving right now?"

Mr. Giroux said, “That is correct. This is just the first floor pay station that would deal with the area currently occupied just by the Treasurer’s Office.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, "Thank you. I have no further questions.”

Chair McGinn said, “Commissioners, are there any other questions for Pete? Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, "I have just a couple, and more statements. I think it’s important to realize that this is just the first phase of a pretty integrated program that is going to, hopefully, move forward the next few years to ensure that the courthouse and the lower level is very guest friendly to constituents. There is a pretty hefty price tag. I am very saddened that it has gone up that much but I think the future of the first floor is upon us right now. When you consider the jury room, the pop out and the security of the front and the pay station, and I don’t think this will be the last debate that we will have on that issue and the
money that is going to be rendered because of it. I think it is going to be pretty expensive to do all three phases. I just want to be sure that the public knows that even though this is a pretty hefty chunk here there are two other phases that we have in mind that will be expensive, too and we’ll have some tough decisions on that in the future. That’s all I have. Thanks.”

Chair McGinn said, "Commissioner Gwin.”

Commissioner Gwin said, "Just a follow up on what Commissioner Norton said. Your warning or your advice is probably well founded. Having been called to jury duty earlier this year, I realized the majority of folks who come through those front doors are coming through, not necessarily of their own desire, but because the courts have requested them to come and do their civic duty and serve as jurors on a panel. So, as we go forward with the process, as Commissioner Norton said, the idea is that this first floor of this courthouse is in fact the window, the front door of what goes on here. For it to be easy to access, for them to get the information as they come in, as to where they need to go and how they need to get there, the convenience, the ease of entering and exiting, all of those things will be accomplished over time. But as Commissioner Norton said, for the interim, there may be some inconvenience as we try to make it better. But once it is all said and done, we’ll have an entrance to the courthouse and a main floor that does make the public feel welcome and makes their time here as short as possible, in some cases, and as comfortable as possible in others. I’m very supportive of this and look forward to phases two, three, four, five, whatever else comes later. Thank you, Madam Chair.”

Chair McGinn said, "I don’t know if we look forward to it but this building is getting close to 50 years old, is that correct? It is older then that. I thought it was built in the fifties.”

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the C.I.P. Amendment.

Commissioner Norton 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, "Thank you, Pete. Next item."

I. PUBLIC WORKS.

1. AGREEMENT WITH KANSAS SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTION TO TREAT NOXIOUS WEED INFESTED AREAS ON STATE HIGHWAY RIGHTS-OF-WAY WITHIN SEDGWICK COUNTY.

Mr. Joe Brunk, Director, Noxious Weeds Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "This item today is our annual contract with the Kansas Department of Transportation that allows us to spot-treat the noxious weeds on their right-of-ways here in Sedgwick County. We’ve had this contract for many years. We have a real good working relationship with K.D.O.T. and would like to continue.”

Chair McGinn said, "We were just discussing spraying techniques. A couple of things. One that comes to mind for me is, we are doing spot spraying aren’t we? One thing that has become important to folks I know that are involved more in the environment, it has to do with allowing wild flowers to grow naturally in our ditches. We’re just trying to get rid of the critters we don’t want. Then the other thing we were talking about was as you spray those plants, then it rains, does it wash down into the river? I didn’t get a chance to finish and it all seems like it depends on the rain. If you spray and the plant has an opportunity to absorb that chemical then it stays within the plant and it does not wash down into the river. You asked and so I
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am sharing.”

Mr. Brunk said, “I'm glad you did because I am wiser because of it.”

Chair McGinn said, “Any other questions for Joe? If not, what's the will of the Board?”

MOTION

Commissioner Norton moved to approve the Agreement 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 Norton Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn Aye

Chair McGinn said, “Thank you. Good morning, David. Call the next item please.”

2. RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AND CLASSIFYING “CHERRISH ROAD” TO THE GYPSUM TOWNSHIP SYSTEM. DISTRICT #5.

Mr. Spears said, “It is standard procedure that after a road is constructed within a platted residential subdivision in accordance with County standards, that road is then assigned to the township road system. In this particular case, Cherrish Road, located in Downs Country Estates, will become the responsibility of
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Gypsum Township. The Gypsum Township Board was informed that this Resolution would be on the County Commission agenda, by letter, dated May 9, 2001. I recommend that you adopt the Resolution.”

**MOTION**

Commissioner Sciortino 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 Norton Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters Aye
Commissioner Ben Sciortino Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn Aye

Chair McGinn said, "Next item."

Mr. Spears said, “Item I-3 is a KDOT request for construction project, Form 1302, that initiates our request for construction and federal funding through KDOT to reconstruct the bridge on Broadway over the BNSF railway near 45th Street North. The purpose is to assign a KDOT project number and get this project on KDOT’s five year plan. I recommend that you approve the Form 1302 and authorize the Chair to sign.”

Chair McGinn said, "Dave, I just want to remind my colleagues what bridge this is. This is the bridge that is there on Broadway in front of KFDI. It is very narrow and I was looking in the background material, I don’t see the age, but it is a very old bridge as well."

Mr. Spears said, “I believe it is 67 years old.”

Chair McGinn said, "Very much in need of repair. So I hope this is at least the first step of getting that moved along quickly. Commissioners, what's the will of the Board on this item?"

**MOTION**

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Request for Construction Project 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 Norton Aye
Commissioner Thomas Winters Aye
Commissioner Ben Scortino Aye
Chair Carolyn McGinn Aye

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

Ms. Iris Baker, Director, Purchasing Department, greeted the Commissioners and said, "The Board of Bids and Contracts held a regular meeting on June 14th, 2001. As a result of that meeting, the following items are being presented today.

(1) INTERIOR ELEVATOR UPGRADE – FACILITY PROJECT SERVICES
FUNDING: 2001 CAPITAL PROJECTS

The first item is interior elevator upgrade for Facility Project Services. Recommend the low alternative bid of Kone, Inc. for $13,709.

(2) PAVING OF THE SEDGWICK COUNTY ZOO PARKING LOT – PUBLIC WORKS
FUNDING: SALES TAX FUND

Item two, paving of the Sedgwick County Zoo Parking Lot. At the request of the Legal Department, I recommend deferring this item for further review.

(3) TRANSPORTATION AND DELIVERY SERVICES – FACILITY PROJECT SERVICES
FUNDING: VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS

Item three, transportation and delivery services for Facility Project Services. Recommend the proposal to contract for on-call services with King’s North American.

(4) ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING FOR ARK VALLEY LODGE – FACILITY PROJECT SERVICES
FUNDING: 2001 CAPITAL PROJECTS

Item four, architectural/engineering services for Ark Valley Lodge for Facility Project Services. At the request of the County Manager we recommend this item be deferred for further review. If there are no questions I would recommend approval of these items as presented today by the Board of Bids and Contracts."

Chair McGinn said, "Commissioners, are there any questions for Irene?"

MOTION
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Commissioner Gwin moved to approve Items One and Three as recommended by the Board of Bids and Contracts and that we defer for further review Items Two and Four.

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, "Thank you, Iris. Next item please."

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**K. CONSENT AGENDA.**

1. **Right-of-Way Easements.**

   a. One Easement for Right-of-Way on Sedgwick County Road Project 624-795; left turn lane at 23rd Street South and 199th Street West. CIP #R-263. District #3.

   b. Grant of Easement for Joint Ingress and Egress to the new plat, the Wichita-Valley Center Flood Control project, and the property south of the new plat.

2. **Section 8 Housing Assistance Payment Contracts.**
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.

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4. Ratification of the proceedings and decisions of the County Board of Canvassers’ Meeting held June 8, 2001.

5. Extension of time until March 3, 2002 to complete all platting necessary for DP-238 and SCZ-0780.

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Mr. Harrison said, “You have the Consent Agenda before you and I would recommend its approval as printed.”

MOTION

Commissioner Gwin moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

Commissioner Norton 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

L. OTHER

Chair McGinn said, "Is there any other business to come before this Board? Commissioner Norton.”

Commissioner Norton said, "Just one thing. Commissioner Sciortino and I will be head to head competing this Saturday in a tri-city bowl-a-thon for Big Brothers/Big Sisters. It is kind of the next step in
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our progression of the rubber match and hopefully some of you might come out and see us bowl. This is Ben’s chance to get back at me for the last drubbing that I gave him in bowling.”

Commissioner Gwin said, ”And where will this be?”

Commissioner Norton said, “This is at the Derby Bowl in Derby and it is for Mulvane, Haysville and Derby. I think we have a head-to-head bed for $5 to see who bowls the highest.”

Chair McGinn said, ”Ben has the home court advantage though.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, ”Yeah, but he has the better bowling swing or whatever you call it. I do have, by the way, a pledge thing, if anybody would like to.”

Commissioner Gwin said, ”Don’t you have one, too?”

Commissioner Norton said, “It is an equal opportunity thing, as a Democrat I’ll take half as much as Ben.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, ”Wait a minute, that will be the first time a Democrat would ever request half as much as a Republican.”

Chair McGinn said, ”We need to get this meeting back to order.”

Commissioner Norton said, “Thank you, Madam Chair.”

Commissioner Gwin said, ”Yes, I have other comments. While they’re drubbing each other in Derby, I will be attending the annual Kechi Fair Day in Kechi, which is Saturday. It is a long-term event. It has grown by leaps and bounds up there. Those folks have a great time. It starts off with the mayor’s breakfast at nine o’clock in the morning and a parade and fairs and activities all day and into the night. So, everyone who is in that part of the County ought to stop by and visit Kechi. They’re all geared up for this weekend.”

Commissioner Sciortino said, ”Madam Chair, just to clarify something, too. The $5 bet, whoever wins donates that also to Big Brothers and Big Sisters, but it will be friendly. I have every intention to win.” Chair McGinn said, ”Sounds like an exciting weekend. I’m sorry I’m not going to be around to watch the bowling techniques from you guys. I have seen them once. Is there any other business to come before
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this Board? If not, this meeting is adjourned.”

M. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business to come before the Board, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.
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