



**CARVER  
COUNTY**

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Carver County Board of Commissioners  
February 25, 2020  
Work Session  
County Board Room  
Carver County Government Center  
Human Services Building  
Chaska, Minnesota

9:00 a.m.    **A.    COMMUNITIES: Create and maintain safe, healthy and livable communities**

- 1. Metropolitan Agricultural Preserves ..... 1
- 2. Prairie Pointe - Supportive Family Housing Development by Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative ..... 2
- 3. County Ditch Update ..... 3
- 4. Pedestrian Crossing Policy..... 4

11:15 a.m.    **B.    GROWTH: Manage the challenges and opportunities resulting from growth and development**

- 1. Transportation Grant Applications ..... 5

11:45 a.m.    **ADJOURN**

11:45 a.m.    **BOARD REPORTS**

- 1.     Chair
- 2.     Board Members
- 3.     Administrator
- 4.     Adjourn

David Hemze  
County Administrator

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

March 3, 2020	9:00 a.m. Board Meeting
March 10, 2020	No Meeting
March 10, 2020	Annual Township Meetings
March 17, 2020	9:00 a.m. Board Meeting
March 24, 2020	No Meeting
March 31, 2020	9:00 a.m. Work Session Canceled
April 7, 2020	9:00 a.m. Board Meeting

# Carver County Board of Commissioners Request for Board Action



**Agenda Item:**

**Metropolitan Agricultural Preserves**

Primary Originating Division/Dept:

Meeting Date:

Contact:  Title:

Item Type:

Amount of Time Requested:  minutes

Attachments:  Yes  No

Presenter:  Title:

**Strategic Initiative:**

**BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:**

The Metropolitan Agricultural Preserve Act passed in 1980 to protect farmland from premature conversion to non-agricultural uses within the seven-county metropolitan area. Parcels enrolled in the program by the property owner receive a special assessment rate that excludes the additional value associated with non-agricultural uses, lowering the total amount of property taxes owed for the parcel.

Carver County is the "Authority" to administer the Metropolitan Agricultural Preserves policy pursuant to Minnesota Statute. The unincorporated area of Carver County covers approximately 195,581 acres and includes approximately 98,000 acres (deeded) currently in the ag preserve program.

There was a recent state statute change on how property owners can potentially exit the ag preserve program. At this work session, County staff would like to discuss options for administering the program with this change.

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Conversation with the Board regarding direction pertaining to changes in the ag preserve program.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

*If "Other", specify:*

**FUNDING**

County Dollars =

**FTE IMPACT:**

**Total**

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Related Financial/FTE Comments:

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RBA 2020 - 6734

# Carver County Board of Commissioners Request for Board Action



**Agenda Item:**

**Prairie Pointe - Supportive Family Housing Development by Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative**

Primary Originating Division/Dept: <input type="text" value="Health &amp; Human Services"/>	Meeting Date: <input type="text" value="2/25/2020"/>
Contact: <input type="text" value="Jennifer Romero"/> Title: <input type="text" value="Housing Unit Supervisor"/>	Item Type: <input type="text" value="Work Session"/>
Amount of Time Requested: <input type="text" value="45"/> minutes Presenter: <input type="text" value="Kevin Walker"/> Title: <input type="text" value="Vice President, Housing and Shel"/>	Attachments: <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No
Strategic Initiative: <input type="text" value="Connections: Develop strong public partnerships and connect people to services and information"/>	

**BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:**

Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative will present information on Prairie Pointe, a 40-50 unit family supportive housing development in Scott County, which was borne out of a need house families from their Families Moving Forward Southwest site in Chaska, serving Scott and Carver County Families. The presentation will include an overview of their supportive housing model, their plans, and an outline of their anticipated request of \$1.5 million in local public sources to leverage and attract regional and state affordable housing resources to the development.

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

None at this time. Presentation of information only.

<b>FISCAL IMPACT:</b> <input type="text" value="None"/> <p><i>If "Other", specify:</i> <input type="text"/></p>	<b>FUNDING</b> County Dollars = <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
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Related Financial/FTE Comments:

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RBA 2020 - 6690

# Carver County Board of Commissioners Request for Board Action



**Agenda Item:**  
**County Ditch Update**

Primary Originating Division/Dept:

Meeting Date:

Contact:  Title:

Item Type:

Amount of Time Requested:  minutes

Attachments:  Yes  No

Presenter:  Title:

Strategic Initiative:

**BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:**

A Joint County Drainage Systems Committee was formed in the past with Meeker, McLeod, Renville, Sibley and Wright Counties which worked together to create a Policy and Guidelines for Repairs agreement as a supplemental to Minnesota Statutes Chapter 103E in the Maintenance and Operation of Joint Drainage Systems agreement. The Joint County Drainage Systems Committee meets once per year (usually in March) to review expenses and cross-county billings from the previous year, and to discuss potential joint ditch repair projects for the upcoming year. Carver County has informally attended these meetings in the past but has declined to become a formal member of the Committee. Mike Wannous, SWCD Director and County staff would like to discuss if Carver County should become a formal member of the Joint County Drainage Systems Committee as well as have an initial discussion on a Rederemination for Joint Ditch 1.

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

None - Seeking Board discussion and direction.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**    
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**FUNDING**

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Related Financial/FTE Comments:

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# Carver County Board of Commissioners Request for Board Action



**Agenda Item:**  
**Pedestrian Crossing Policy**

Primary Originating Division/Dept:  ▼

Meeting Date:

Contact:  Title:

Item Type:  
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Amount of Time Requested:  minutes

Attachments:  Yes  No

Presenter:  Title:

Strategic Initiative:  
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**BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:**

A presentation will be given outlining the details in the draft Pedestrian Crossing Policy. The policy is intended to establish consistency for Carver County in the consideration and application of crosswalks and pedestrian crossing treatments to ensure they conform to the Minnesota Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MN MUTCD) and other related guidelines. This policy applies to uncontrolled crossings, which occur at intersections and mid-block locations where there is no mainline stop control or mainline traffic signal.

Part of the draft policy is to review and clarify the cost participation policy as it relates to pedestrian crossing projects and related specialty electronic pedestrian warning signs, flashers and pedestrian hybrid beacons (HAWKs).

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Presentation and discussion on content and direction to finalize the Draft Pedestrian Crossing Policy.

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RBA 2020 - 6630

# Carver County Board of Commissioners Request for Board Action



**Agenda Item:**

**Transportation Grant Applications**

Primary Originating Division/Dept:

Meeting Date:

Contact:  Title:

Item Type:

Amount of Time Requested:  minutes

Attachments:  Yes  No

Presenter:  Title:

**Strategic Initiative:**

**BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:**

Public Works has assembled potential grant application candidates for the 2020 Regional Solicitation through the Metropolitan Council as well as the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) through MnDOT. Staff will present recommendations under several categories and update the board on other grant programs.

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Direction on grant applications

**FISCAL IMPACT:**   
*If "Other", specify:*

**FUNDING**

County Dollars =

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