



Carver County Board of Commissioners  
March 25, 2014  
Work Session  
County Board Room  
Carver County Government Center  
Human Services Building  
Chaska, Minnesota

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### WORK SESSION

- 9:00 a.m.    **A. CONNECTIONS: Develop strong public partnerships and connect people to services and information**
- 1.    Medical Examiner Annual Report ..... 1
- 9:20 a.m.    **B. GROWTH: Manage the challenge and opportunities resulting from growth and development**
- 1.    Revised Metropolitan Council 2040 Forecasts ..... 2-4
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- 10:00 a.m.    **BOARD REPORTS**
- 1.    Chair
  - 2.    Board Members
  - 3.    Administrator
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David Hemze  
County Administrator

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

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| April 1, 2014  | 9:00 a.m. Board Meeting                  |
| April 8, 2014  | No Meeting                               |
| April 15, 2014 | 2:30 p.m. Committee of the Whole Meeting |
| April 15, 2014 | 4:00 p.m. Board Meeting                  |
| April 22, 2014 | 7:30 a.m. Carver County Leaders Meeting  |
| April 22, 2014 | 9:00 a.m. Board Work Session             |
| April 29, 2014 | No Meeting                               |

# Carver County Board of Commissioners Request for Board Action



**Agenda Item:**

**Medical Examiner Annual Report**

Primary Originating Division/Dept: Administration (County)

Meeting

Date: 3/25/2014

Contact: Dave Hemze

Title: County Administrator

Item Type:

Work Session

Amount of Time Requested: 15 minutes

Presenter: Dr. Stobl/Gary Alberts

Title:

Attachments:  Yes  No

**Strategic Initiative:**

Connections: Develop strong public partnerships and connect people to services and information

**BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:**

On August 7, 2012, the Board approved an agreement for Medical Examiner Services with Anoka County for 2013, with automatic renewal for 2014 and 2015. Also at that time, Dr. Quinn Strobl was appointed as the County's Medical Examiner for 2013-2015.

Dr. Quinn Strobl, Chief Medical Examiner, and Gary Alberts, Administrator, Midwest Medical Examiner's Office, will be presenting an annual update and reviewing statistical reports.

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Information only.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None

If "Other", specify:

**FUNDING**

County Dollars =

**FTE IMPACT:** None

**Total** \$0.00

Related Financial/FTE Comments:

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# Carver County Board of Commissioners Request for Board Action



**Agenda Item:**

**Revised Metropolitan Council 2040 Forecasts**

Primary Originating Division/Dept:

**Meeting**

Date:

**Item Type:**

Contact:

Title:

Amount of Time Requested:  minutes

Presenter:

Title:

Attachments:  Yes  No

**Strategic Initiative:**

**BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:**

In November, the County Board submitted comments on the Metropolitan Council's preliminary 2040 forecasts for the 7-County Area. The Council has since revised these numbers, which include population, household, and employment forecasts for Carver County and all its Cities and Townships (see attached table of previous and current 2040 forecasts). A draft comment letter is also attached, and staff is proposing to reference and include any city comments received when submitting this letter to the Council.

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Direction and input on the content of comments submitted to the Metropolitan Council regarding the revised 2040 forecasts.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

*If "Other", specify:*

**FUNDING**

County Dollars =

**FTE IMPACT:**

**Total**

**Related Financial/FTE Comments:**

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# 2040 Draft Forecasts

Released for Public Comment, February 19, 2014



Note: These are preliminary and have not been adopted by the Council. ◇ = Rogers annexed Hassan Township in 2012; forecasts have been combined.

(pt) denotes part of a city; remainder of city is in neighboring county. † = Laketown Township will be fully annexed before 2030; forecast has been reassigned to neighboring cities.

CARVER COUNTY	POPULATION				HOUSEHOLDS				EMPLOYMENT			
	2000	2010	2040- Original	2040- Revised	2000	2010	2040- Original	2040- Revised	2000	2010	2040- Original	2040- Revised
Benton Township	939	786	640	740	307	297	300	300	282	274	370	350
Camden Township	955	922	720	830	316	329	340	330	15	56	110	60
Carver	1,266	3,724	6,900	14,200	458	1,182	3,000	5,300	176	187	340	700
Chanhassen (pt)	20,321	22,952	31,600	36,200	6,914	8,352	13,300	14,000	8,366	9,746	16,100	16,240
Chaska	17,603	23,770	30,500	34,900	6,169	8,816	13,400	14,200	10,955	11,123	15,200	16,300
Cologne	1,012	1,519	3,300	4,600	385	539	1,540	1,900	294	270	510	470
Dahlgren Township	1,453	1,331	1,150	720	479	494	530	300	203	202	310	200
Hamburg	538	513	590	600	206	201	280	250	117	109	130	150
Hancock Township	367	345	450	410	121	127	210	170	35	10	20	10
Hollywood Township	1,102	1,041	1,160	1,200	371	387	560	500	100	90	200	150
Laketown Township †	2,331	2,243	-	-	637	660	-	-	355	116	-	-
Mayer	554	1,749	7,000	3,000	199	589	3,300	1,200	92	151	230	200
New Germany	346	372	1,180	1,400	143	146	560	600	50	46	120	90
Norwood Young America	3,108	3,549	8,000	8,800	1,171	1,389	3,800	3,900	1,559	1,165	2,040	2,300
San Francisco Township	888	832	900	960	293	307	420	400	61	46	120	100
Victoria	4,025	7,345	11,700	15,000	1,367	2,435	5,000	5,700	932	1,502	1,760	2,270
Waconia	6,814	10,697	16,100	20,900	2,568	3,909	6,900	8,400	4,082	5,578	8,200	9,000
Waconia Township	1,284	1,228	1,300	1,500	429	434	580	600	72	98	390	400
Watertown	3,029	4,205	5,900	3,900	1,078	1,564	2,800	1,700	682	556	1,510	1,220
Watertown Township	1,432	1,204	1,390	1,100	478	468	660	500	207	392	370	400
Young America Township	838	715	650	760	267	266	310	300	105	119	110	120
<b>Carver County Total</b>	<b>70,205</b>	<b>91,042</b>	<b>131,130</b>	<b>151,720</b>	<b>24,356</b>	<b>32,891</b>	<b>57,790</b>	<b>60,550</b>	<b>28,740</b>	<b>31,836</b>	<b>48,140</b>	<b>50,730</b>
<b>Suggested Range; Nov., 2013 Board Letter:</b>			<b>173,000 - 186,000</b>		<b>70,000 - 79,000</b>				<b>51,000 - 53,000</b>			



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April 1, 2014

DRAFT

Angela Torres, Sector Representative  
Metropolitan Council  
300 Robert Street North  
St. Paul, MN 55101

**RE: Revised Preliminary Metropolitan Council 2040 Forecasts**

Dear Ms. Torres,

Carver County appreciates the opportunity to comment on the revised preliminary 2040 local forecasts released by the Metropolitan Council on February 19, 2014 and the Draft Thrive 2040 regional plan released February 26, 2014.

Although the revised forecasts have been adjusted higher for Carver County, the population and household forecasts remain lower than anticipated based on the factors previously emphasized (historical growth trends, person per household estimates, and planned infrastructure improvements). Carver County believes the suggested population (173,000–186,000) and household (70,000–79,000) ranges outlined in the County Board's comments to Chairwoman Haigh on November 26, 2013, are reasonable and reflect local expectations. Accordingly, the County Board continues to support 2040 household and population forecasts that reflect the numbers provided in its previous letter.

Carver County recognizes that local forecasts will continue to be revised as policy plans and systems statements are developed. The Board and County Staff look forward to continuing discussions related to 2040 forecasts as the numbers are refined based on future planning efforts.

Sincerely,

Gayle Degler, Carver County Board Chair

cc. Gary Van Eyll, District 4 Council Member  
Jennifer Munt, District 3 Council Member

# Carver County Board of Commissioners Request for Board Action



**Agenda Item:**

**Metropolitan Council Draft Regional ThriveMSP Plan**

Primary Originating Division/Dept: Public Health & Environment - Planning & Water Mgm

**Meeting**

Date: 3/25/2014

Contact: Paul Moline

Title: PWM Manager

**Item Type:**

Work Session

Amount of Time Requested: 15 minutes

Presenter: Paul Moline

Title: PWM manager

Attachments:  Yes  No

**Strategic Initiative:**

Growth: Manage the challenges and opportunities resulting from growth and development

**BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:**

The Metropolitan Council recently released a Draft of the next regional plan titled "Thrive MSP 2040". This document will guide Council policy and system plans for Parks, Trails, Transportation, Housing, Water Resources and Land Use, and ultimately the requirements for the revised 2040 Carver County comprehensive Plan. Comments on this draft plan are due by April 28, 2014. Staff will highlight the main themes in the plan, the potential impacts to the County, the planning schedule over the next 3 years and recommended comments to be sent to the Council. A summary memo is attached with more information and will be used as a basis for comments.

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

Direction and input on comments to be sent to the Metropolitan Council regarding the Draft Regional ThriveMSP Plan

**FISCAL IMPACT:** None

If "Other", specify:

**FUNDING**

County Dollars =

**FTE IMPACT:** None

**Total**

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Related Financial/FTE Comments:

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## Memo

**To: County Commissioners, David Hemze**  
**From: Paul Moline, PWM Manager**  
**Date: March 17, 2014**  
**Re: Metropolitan Council's DRAFT Regional ThriveMSP Plan**  
**cc. Randy Wolf, PHE Director**

Enclosures: none

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The Metropolitan Council has released a DRAFT of the next regional plan – “Thrive MSP 2040”. Thrive MSP 2040 takes into account projections for population, jobs, and anticipated needs for transportation, wastewater infrastructure, and community development. It will provide the policy direction for the Council’s transportation, water resources, and regional parks plans, as well as the housing policy plan and water supply plan. The Plan is a vision for the region’s development, and serves as a foundation for local planning guidance and requirements for the next update to Carver County’s comprehensive plan which is due by the end of 2018.

Some of the main policy themes addressed by the DRAFT Thrive MSP plan and the corresponding impact, concern to Carver County are as follows:

- Policy Theme: Transportation – Targeted projects to enhance existing roadways, with emphasis on transit and pedestrian infrastructure.
  - Potential Impact to Carver County: Decreased investment in new or expanded roadways, and transit service outside of the 494/694 beltway
- Policy Theme: Water Resources – Increase surface water use for drinking water.
  - Potential Impact to Carver County: Requirements to use surface water as drinking water source without recognizing local groundwater characteristics and surface water availability.
- Policy Theme: Land Use – Increase density requirements, invest in transit oriented development, invest in housing choices.
  - Potential Impact to Carver County: Decreased investment in Carver County due to fewer transit corridors and emphasis on “in the beltway” needs and growth; reduced support for “amenity 4/40” options in rural area.
- Policy Theme: Economic Growth – Invest in quality of life parks and trails, target infrastructure improvements to business attraction and transit oriented development.
  - Potential Impact to Carver County: Decreased investment in economic development, transit development, parks and trails development outside of the 494/694 beltway.

The full DRAFT plan (130 pages) is available from staff for review or on the Council’s website at:  
<http://www.metrocouncil.org/Planning/Publications-And-Resources/Thrive-for-Public-Review-and-Comment.aspx>