



# CARVER COUNTY *minnesota*

Carver County Board of Commissioners  
October 27, 2020  
Work Session

**Under Minnesota Statute 13D.021 the County Board has made a determination that opening the Carver County Government Center is not practical or prudent because of a health pandemic and an emergency has been declared under chapter 12.**

**The physical meeting location (Board Room) is closed because it is not feasible to be open due to the health pandemic. Individuals who wish to provide public comments related to the work session can do so by email at: [admin-contact@co.carver.mn.us](mailto:admin-contact@co.carver.mn.us) or by leaving a voicemail at (952) 361-1516.**

**The work session will be webcast live at: <https://www.youtube.com/user/CarverCountyMN/live>**

**All five Commissioners will be attending the work session in person with appropriate social distancing.**

## WORK SESSION

- 9:00 a.m.    **A. FINANCES: Improve the County’s financial health and economic profile**
  - 1. CARES Act Payroll Costs Reimbursement ..... 1-2
- 9:20 a.m.    **B. COMMUNITIES: Create and maintain safe, healthy and livable communities**
  - 1. Arboretum Area Transportation Plan Update..... 3-4

David Hemze  
County Administrator

## UPCOMING MEETINGS

- November 3, 2020    9:00 a.m. Board Meeting
- November 10, 2020    No Board Meeting
- November 17, 2020    9:00 a.m. Board Meeting
- November 24, 2020    9:00 a.m. Work Session
- December 1, 2020    9:00 a.m. Board Meeting
- December 3, 2020    6:00 p.m. 2021 Budget Public Hearing
- December 8, 2020    No Meeting
- December 15, 2020    9:00 a.m. Board Meeting
- December 22, 2020    9:00 a.m. Board Work Session
- December 29, 2020    No Board Meeting

# Carver County Board of Commissioners Request for Board Action



## Agenda Item:

### CARES Act Payroll Costs Reimbursement

Primary Originating Division/Dept: Property & Financial Services

Meeting Date: 10/27/2020

Contact: Daivd Frischmon

Title: Property & Finance Director

Item Type:

Work Session

Amount of Time Requested: 15 minutes

Presenter: David Frischmon

Title:

Attachments:  Yes  No

Strategic Initiative:

Finances: Improve the County's financial health and economic profile

## BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES Act) was signed into law on March 27, 2020 and Carver County received \$12.85M in CARES Act funding that can be utilized for any of the purposes established in the Federal CARES Act. The State of MN requires that any CARES Act funding not incurred by December 1, 2020 be transferred to the State of Mn. The US Treasury Department has provided guidance on the allowable uses for CARES Act funding which includes:

### 1. Public Health and Public Safety "Presumption"

In recognition of the particular importance of public health and public safety workers to government responses to the public health emergency, Treasury has provided, as an administrative accommodation", governments may "**presume**" that payroll costs for public health and public safety employees are payments for services substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency and thus are eligible for CARES Act reimbursement without performing any analysis or providing any substantiation:

a. \$6.5M - Public safety include sheriffs and deputy sheriffs, correctional and detention officers, and those who directly support such employees such as dispatchers and supervisory personnel.

b. \$1.0M - Public health include employees of public health departments directly engaged in matters related to public health and related supervisory personnel as well as employees involved in providing medical and other health services to patients and supervisory personnel, including medical staff assigned to jails and schools, and other support services essential for patient care (e.g., laboratory technicians).

### 2. Employees not Covered by the "Presumption":

Government may also track time spent by employees and be reimbursed by CARES Act funds for payroll costs allocated on an hourly basis to employees' time dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

a. **\$1.2M** - County Administration, Employee Relations, Information Technology, Finance, Facilities, Behavior Health, Child and Family, etc. who separately tracked time spent directly related to the COVID-19 public health emergency.

b. **\$300K** - Library, License Center and Encore staff who were redirected to COVID-19 related tasks due to their buildings being closed and/or operations were limited due to COVID-19.

**3. Federal COVID19 Family and Medical Leave Act**

**\$250K** Employee leave costs eligible for CARES Act reimbursement

**\$9.25M+/- Total payroll costs eligible for CARES Act reimbursement**

As of October 20, 2020, the County Board has approved \$5.6M out of the County's \$12.85M in CARES Funding leaving an available balance of \$7.25M. The \$7.25M available balance will increase if Cities or Townships transfer any unused CARES Act \$ to the County on November 20 or if County approved CARES Act projects are not incurred by December 1st. County staff plans to recommend at the 11/3/20 Board meeting that the Board adopt a resolution to approve up to \$9.25M in payroll costs eligible for CARES Act reimbursement.

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

None - Board input and direction only

**FISCAL IMPACT:** Other

*If "Other", specify:*

see comments below

**FUNDING**

County Dollars =

<b>Total</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>

**FTE IMPACT:** None

**Related Financial/FTE Comments:**

Federal CARES Act funding reimbursing budgeted County payroll costs that mitigated and responded to the COVID-19 public health emergency has been a significant factor in the County Board not needing to consider employee layoffs as a necessary response to the significant COVID-19 related budget concerns for 2020 and 2021.

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# Carver County Board of Commissioners Request for Board Action



**Agenda Item:**

**Arboretum Area Transportation Plan 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:**

The Arboretum Area Transportation Plan is a corridor traffic management, safety, and phasing plan for highway corridors near the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum in Victoria, Chanhassen, and Chaska. The primary roadway corridors for study include: Highway 5 (Arboretum Boulevard) from the City of Victoria's western city limits east past the Highway 41 intersection to Century Boulevard in the City of Chanhassen; Highway 13 (Rolling Acres Road and Bavaria Road) from 82nd Street West to Highway 7; and 82nd Street West from Highway 13 east to Highway 41 (Hazeltine Boulevard).

The County partnered on this study with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum, and the Cities of Victoria, Chanhassen, and Chaska. The study began in early 2019 and is nearing completion.

The purpose of the project is to engage communities to build consensus on an area-wide transportation vision for project corridors; to develop locally supported transportation improvements that address traffic management, safety, and project phasing along the corridors; and to identify short, mid, and long term transportation improvements along the project corridors. This is a corridor study with a focus on community engagement and consensus building. Public engagement activities are a major piece of the study process with the goal of creating a community-focused transportation vision. The project also incorporates technical analysis of traffic and design needs, access management, safety, connectivity to major highways in the area, bicycle and pedestrian connections, transit needs, stormwater requirements, and environmental sensitivities and screening.

The study team will present information on the recommended roadway concepts and preliminary implementation plan. This will include a summary of public engagement and feedback on the range of concepts. Details on development of the preliminary implementation plan will also be discussed. The presentation will conclude with a information on planning level cost estimates and a description of the remaining study process, which includes a full round of public engagement in November.

**ACTION REQUESTED:**

This is an informational item.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

If "Other", specify:

**FUNDING**

County Dollars =

**FTE IMPACT:**

**Total**

Insert additional funding source

Related Financial/FTE Comments:



# Arboretum Area Transportation Plan

A Community-Focused Transportation Vision for Eastern Carver County

The Arboretum Area Transportation Plan is an effort to create a traffic management, safety and phasing plan for major roads near the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum in Victoria, Chanhassen and Chaska. Study corridors include sections of Highway 5, Highway 41, Rolling Acres Road, Bavaria Road, and 82nd Street West.



## Project Goals

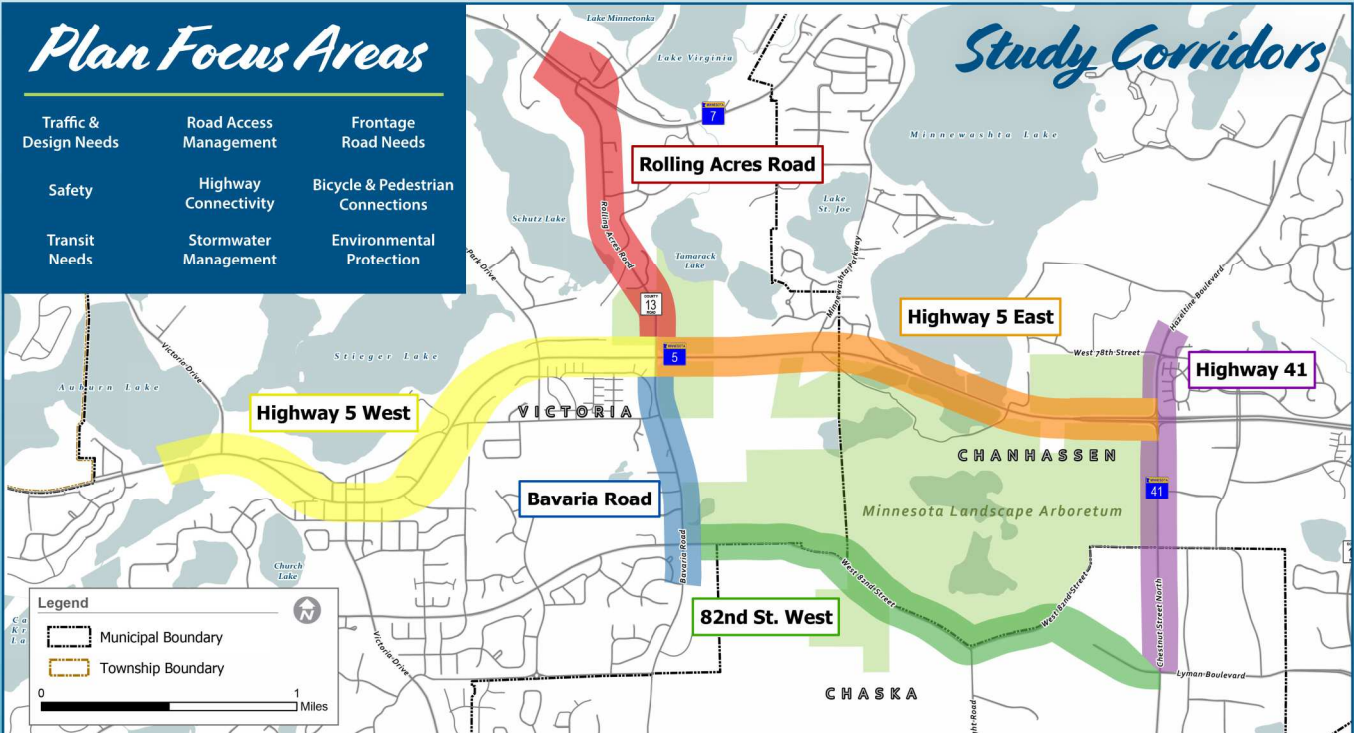
The following goals are consistent with broader goals adopted by project partners.

- Provide efficient and reliable vehicle mobility
- Safely accommodate all system users
- Provide a comprehensive network for pedestrians and bicyclists
- Provide infrastructure improvements that respect the environment
- Develop a financially responsible implementation plan

[co.carver.mn.us/ArboretumAreaTransportationPlan](http://co.carver.mn.us/ArboretumAreaTransportationPlan)

### Plan Objectives

- Understand existing issues and needs
- Engage communities to build consensus on an area-wide transportation vision
- Develop plan for short, mid, and long-term improvements in corridors



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