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THE MINNEHAHA COUNTY BUILDING COMMITTEE CONVENED AT 7:30 A.M. March 2, 2021, pursuant to adjournment on February 23, 2021. Committee Members present were: Barth, Bender, Heiberger, Karsky, Kriens, Kyte, and Muller. Committee Member Beninga was absent.

MOTION by Bender, seconded by Barth, to approve the February 23, 2021, Building Committee Meeting Minutes. 7 ayes.

BOND COUNSEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Ben Kyte, Auditor, reported on meeting with Minnehaha County's Bond Counsel. The four primary recommendations made by the Auditor's Office as a result of the meeting were: 1) adopt the revised remodeling plan for the Administration Building, 2) utilize excess cash proceeds to fund the Administration Building remodeling project, 3) utilize current 2020A bond proceeds for the new Highway Facility construction and the Extension Building, and 4) adopt an amendment to the supplement that identifies encumbrances related to bond issuance 2020A be limited to the new Highway Facility and the Extension Building.

COURTROOM REMODEL

Jamie Gravett, Juvenile Detention Center Director, reported, via Zoom Videoconference, on the Juvenile Detention Center Courtroom remodel to begin the morning of March 2, 2021. The remodel is expected to take no more than two weeks. However, May 3, 2021, was set as a target use date. Mark Kriens, Facility Director, indicated the cost of the project should remain under \$5,000.

ENERGY PLANT CHILLER

Mark Kriens, Facilities Director, provided an update on the Energy Plant Chiller Replacement project. The existing chillers were removed, the new chillers were set in place, the cooling towers were replaced, new chilled water piping has been installed, new pumps have been installed, and electrical work and controls continue to move forward.

OFFICE STANDARDS

Craig Dewey, Assistant Commission Administrative Officer, and Dick Strassburg, Tegra Group, presented proposed office standards drafted by Tegra Group with input from the Commission Office. The following items were presented: the definition of office standards, benefits of having office standards, diagrams for potential room layouts, user guidelines for workspace and common space, and approximations of square footage of rooms to allow for flexibility. Mr. Strassburg was present via Zoom Videoconference. Committee Members discussed the use of removable walls, electrical capacity, utilizing a dependable manufacture for office equipment and furniture, and a variety of items within the proposed user guidelines such as space heaters. Committee Members expressed the desire for input from the departments.

PROJECT UPDATES

Craig Dewey, Assistant Commission Administrative Officer, explained the next steps for the Administration Building and Extension renovation projects included working with the architects to develop new department layouts and floor plans.

Shannon Schultz, Assistant Highway Superintendent, via Zoom Videoconference, presented on possible options for the Highway Department's Building 7 that is occupying space where the new Highway Facility will be located. The trucks currently in Building 7 would be stored in the new Highway Facility upon completion. Therefore, the County will need to determine whether to keep and relocate the building or to sell the building and identify other temporary warm storage options.

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NEW BUSINESS

Committee Member Heiberger suggested discussing the remodel of the Public Defender's Office basement at the next Building Committee Meeting.

MOTION by Heiberger, seconded by Bender, to adjourn. 7 ayes.

APPROVED BY THE BUILDING COMMITTEE:

Dean Karsky

Building Committee Chair

ATTEST:

Olivia Larson

Deputy Auditor