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Date: October 29, 2020
To: Ryan O'Connor, Ramsey County Manager
From: Victoria A. Reinhardt, Ramsey County Commissioner, District 7
Subject: Revised Schedule for 2021 Budget Addendum/Adjustment

As we know, the purpose of a budget addendum/adjustment is to increase revenue, allocate expenditures or a combination of both. It is always best to have as much pertinent information related to a change in the budget, prior to taking any action.

The 2021 Budget Addendum I proposed will be impacted by the projected revenue for the Ponds of Battle Creek Golf Course and the timing of the Community Engagement Report, which is due by March 1, 2021. I listened to my colleagues and heard concerns about not wanting to bias the recommendations in any way prior to the Community Engagement Process being complete, and about not having updated information on projected revenues or a plan to move forward with the sale/development of the parcels, if action is taken on December 1, 2020. I understand and respect those concerns and, therefore, proposed the following revision to the timeline to Ramsey County Board Chair Toni Carter.

Revised Schedule for 2021 Budget Addendum/Adjustment (Without unanticipated delays to completion of the Community Engagement Process)	
February 2021	Completion of the Community Engagement Process
March 1, 2021	Submission of the Community Engagement Report with the resulting outcomes/recommendations to the City of Maplewood and Ramsey County on development of the south Maplewood parcels.
Early-March 2021	Convene a County Board workshop regarding the Ramsey County properties in south Maplewood, at which the County Board will: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Discuss the recommendations contained in the Community Engagement Report 2) Determine the next steps in marketing the properties for sale 3) Review the updated revenue projections from the golf course 4) Direct the County Manager to bring action items regarding the sale/development of the parcels to the County Board for consideration.
Mid-March 2021	A 2021 Budget Addendum/Adjustment will be submitted to the Ramsey County Board of Commissioners for its consideration.

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The purpose of this memo is to inform you that Ramsey County Board Chair Toni Carter agreed to the revised schedule, lacking unanticipated delays, for consideration of a 2021 Budget Addendum/Adjustment, which should allow time for the Community Engagement Process to be completed, a schedule to be prepared for the sale/development of the parcels, and receipt of updated revenue projections for the golf course.

I believe that with this additional information, we will honor our commitment to the City of Maplewood to consider citizen input through the Community Engagement Process for developing the two parcels in south Maplewood (See attachments to the Addendum memo dated September 14, 2020) and make an informed decision on the impact on Ramsey County's 2021 budget.

Cc: Ramsey County Board of Commissioners