

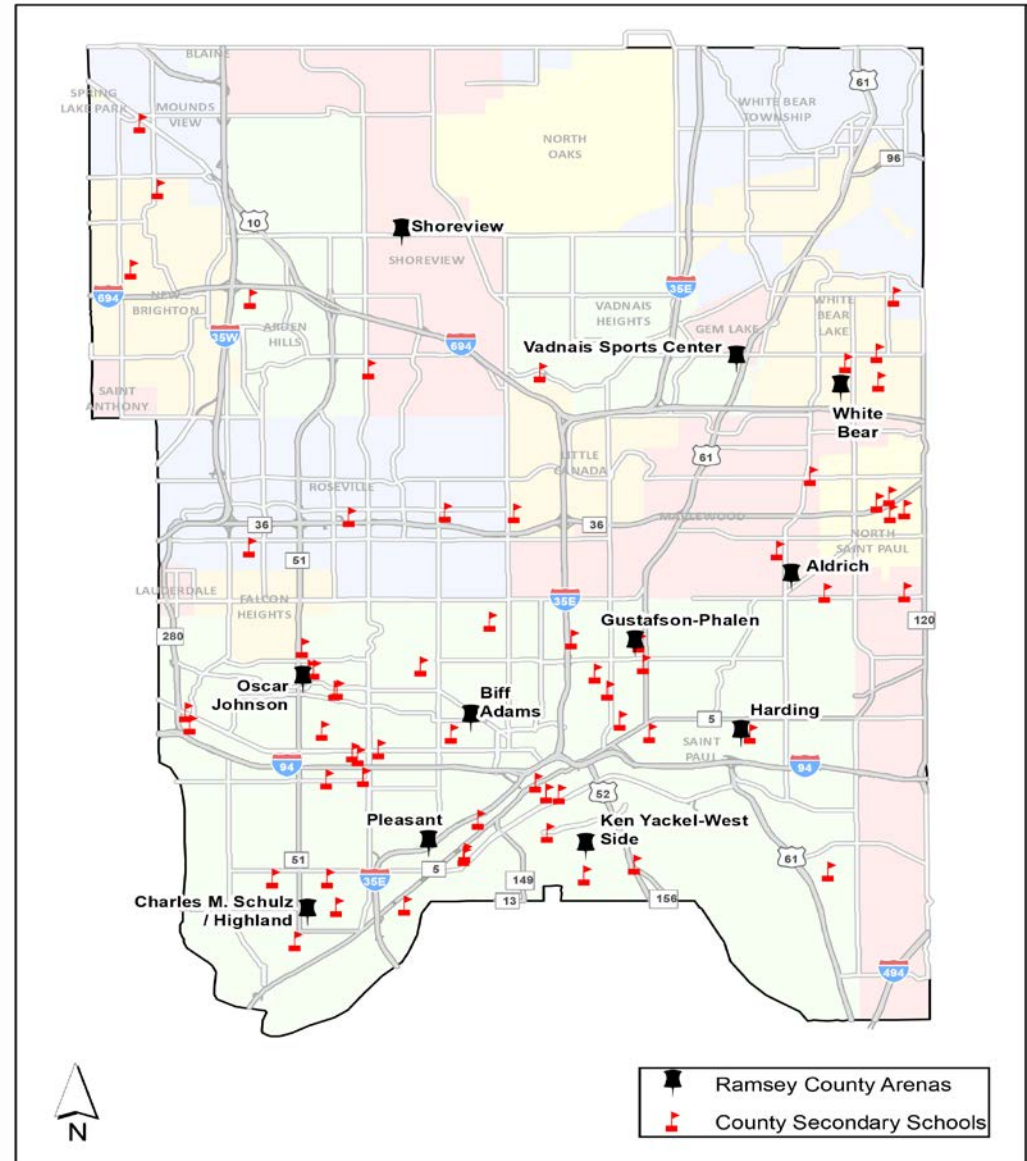
# Arena Task Force

# Rationale...

## Why do we need a task force?

- R22 Issue
- Aging Infrastructure
- Declining Use
- Changing Needs/Demands/Community
- Rising Operating Costs

**Purpose:**  
Analyze priorities and options and recommend the direction for the future of the Ramsey County Arena System



# ARENA TASK FORCE Members

 **RAMSEY COUNTY**  
*Working with you to enhance our quality of life*



# Arena Task Force

District	Appointing Commissioner	First Name	Last Name
District 1	Huffman	Jason	Sprague
District 2	McGuire	Michael	McGraw
District 3	Rettman	Mike	Searles
District 4	Carter	Debbie	Montgomery
District 5	Ortega	Dan	Galles
District 6	McDonough	Steve (Moose)	Younghans
District 7	Reinhardt	Donald	Mullin
Parks and Recreation Commission		Candy	Petersen
Commissioner - District 1		Blake	Huffman
AFSCME Local 1935		Reeves	Steve
Director, Parks and Recreation		Jon	Oyanagi

# How the ATF will Accomplish Their Purpose

- Establish a charter that guides how the group will function  
*[parks.co.ramsey.mn](http://parks.co.ramsey.mn)*
  - Review and refine project scope and timeline
  - Develop public/stakeholder participation
  - Determine the best and highest use of Ramsey County-owned facilities
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- Recommend implementation plan for the long term strategy
  - Recommend capital funding plan
  - Review and analyze data –ongoing
  - Review current contracting practices and make any necessary recommendations
  - Review user fees, cost recovery, cost sharing, partnerships and fund-raising.
  - Review non-county owned facilities and potential impacts on the arena market
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- Provide periodic progress reports engaging public input
  - Make the final presentation and recommendations to the County Board
  - Work within the parameters as set forth by the County Board
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## **ATF Topics Discussed about to date:**

Local Demographic characteristics

Revenue and expense history

User groups

    who what where

Special agreements

Refrigeration technology and trend

Man Made Options vs Natural

Infrastructure – Capital improvement history

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# Timeline

- March – Request Board action to appoint Ice Arena Task Force
- April – Organization, orientation, background
- May – Facility tours, historical background and data gathering
- June – Technical analysis, subject matter expert interviews
- July – Technical analysis, subject matter expert interviews, explore options
- August – Begin prioritization, draft proposals/options/scenarios/concepts
- September – Bounce ideas through community engagement
- October – Community engagement, refine ideas
- November – Develop and finalize recommendations, present draft to Board
- December – Revise draft from Board reaction
- January – Recommendations presented to County Board

**Vision:**

**A vibrant community where all are valued and thrive**

**Mission:**

**A county of excellence working with you to enhance our quality of life**

**Goals:**

1. Strengthen individual, family and community health, safety and well-being through effective safety-net services; innovative programming
  2. Cultivate economic prosperity and invest in neighborhoods
  3. Enhance access to opportunity and mobility for all residents
  4. Model forward-thinking investment, fiscal accountability and transparency
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# Small Group Discussion

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## Facilitated Small Group Conversation

1 hour

10-15 per group

Introductions

8 questions

“Parking lot” – ideas, questions non related issues

Each group asked the same questions

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Information compiled and shared with  
Arena Task Force and posted on our webpage:  
[www.parks.co.Ramsey.mn.us/arenas](http://www.parks.co.Ramsey.mn.us/arenas)

Task Force recommendations will be shared  
before they are presented to the County Board  
for approval

Once group is done with questions you can  
leave.

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Thank you for sharing!

Drive safe.