

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
CEDAR RAPIDS, LINN COUNTY, IOWA
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2024 1:30 P.M.

The Board met in session at the Linn County Jean Oxley Public Service Center. Present: Chairperson Running-Marquardt, Vice Chairperson Rogers and Supervisor Zumbach. Board members voting "AYE" unless otherwise noted. Also present: Dawn Jindrich, Finance Dir.; Sara Bearrows, Budget Dir.; and Luke Fischer, Facilities Dir.

Chairperson Running-Marquardt called the meeting to order to review the proposed fiscal year 2026 budget for Board Buildings.

Board Buildings – Jindrich stated that appropriations are under guidelines by \$28,000, primarily due to the FY26 vacancy of the Fillmore Building. Revenue of \$144,000 has also been eliminated due to the vacancy.

Luke Fischer, Facilities Dir, highlighted his budget. He also discussed the C3 benchmarking software. They will be identifying what areas might have potential savings and that will help the budget.

Chairperson Running-Marquardt asked about the Dow's property and if they can hand it off to the developer. Fischer stated that is a question for Steve Estenson.

Supervisor Rogers asked about the bulk purchasing for natural gas last year and if there have been any savings. Fischer responded that it is a 5-year agreement with a locked in rate for those 5 years for the 8 largest Linn County buildings. They cannot see the savings yet unless the market goes up.

Chairperson Running-Marquardt asked about the recommissioning and a grant for someone to come in and look at county buildings for ideas and suggestions. Fischer responded that has been paused until the building automation software is upgraded. There is no timeline on that grant that must be met.

Motion by Rogers, seconded by Zumbach to approve the Board Buildings preliminary FY26 appropriations in the amount of \$1,527,262 and revenues of \$99,968.

Adjournment at 1:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JOEL D. MILLER, Linn County Auditor
By: Amanda Hoy, Deputy Auditor

APPROVED BY:

KIRSTEN RUNNING-MARQUARDT, Chairperson
Board of Supervisors