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9:00 a.m.

The Commission was called to order by the Chair of the Commission, Ricardo A. Solomon, at 9:24 a.m.

The roll of the Commission was requested by the Clerk of the Commission, Joyce D. Williams:

Bankes	- present	Cushingberry - e.d.s.		Sullivan	- present
Blackwell	- present	Hall	- present	Varga	- present
Boike	- present	Hubbard	- e.d.s.	Ware	- present
C. Cavanagh	- present	Palamara	- present	Beard	- present
P. Cavanagh	- excused	Parker	- present	Solomon	- present

12 present, a quorum

e.d.s. = entered during session

INVOCATION

Chairman Solomon introduced Reverend Edgar Vann, Pastor, Second Ebenezer Baptist Church, who delivered the following invocation:

Oh God how we thank You for this day and for all these opportunities; for the fact that You have given us strength and given us life. We thank You for all that You do to us and through us. We thank You for Wayne County and its leadership; this Commission; this August body. We also thank You today for Al Montgomery; for his record of service and friendship to all. We now ask that as we continue in these proceedings that You will bless them, give them Your stamp of approval. Continue to move forward the Agenda and the mission of the Wayne County Commission. Bless us. Keep us. Preserve us and protect us. We shall give You thanks and praise. Amen."

READING, CORRECTING AND APPROVAL OF THE JOURNAL

Vice-Chair Pro Tempore Ware, supported by Commissioner Parker, moved approval of the proposed Journal of the Second Day, Organization Session held January 24, 2002, as presented, with any necessary additions, deletions, or corrections as appropriate, to be submitted to the Clerk of the Commission within the following five days.

The Commissioners voted as follows:

Yea -- Commissioners Bankes, Blackwell, Boike, C. Cavanagh, Hall, Palamara, Parker, Sullivan, Varga, Vice-Chair Pro Tempore Ware, Vice-Chair Beard, Chairman Solomon -- 12

Nay -- None Abstain -- None

Not Voting -- Commissioners Cushingberry, Hubbard -- 2

Excused -- Commissioner P. Cavanagh -- 1

REPORT FROM THE CHAIRMAN

CHAIRMAN SOLOMON: "Today is a very special day. It's a sad day, but yet it's also a day of celebration. One of our very own, or two I should say really, but one of our very own who has relationships that stem back throughout the Commission for many years has decided to retire. Two weeks ago we acknowledged the fact that he will be retiring and we said that we would send him off appropriately at this Commission meeting.

One of the things that is so interesting about Al Montgomery is that his personality is so striking and so unique that it's almost amazing. And today is really a special day for me because as I look out into the audience and I see some of my old friends. I see three people that I worked with over the course of the years. One of course is

the immediate past Chairman of this body, Arthur Blackwell, who is a friend, a mentor, and he is a person that I have great respect for. His son, his family and I are very close.

Then right after that, of course, is someone that I really have a lot to thank for, and that is Arthur Carter. He is my predecessor. He is the former Chairman of the County Commission and he decided to move on to other things. And by him moving on to other things he gave me an opportunity to have this job as Commissioner.

But both of them have been very instrumental in my career. And not long ago we all joined hands in a celebration for an individual that we supported who happens now to be the Mayor of the City of Detroit. That was a very gratifying experience for me. I have a picture in my office with the three of us. I don't know if they have had an opportunity to see it, but I'm going to share it with them.

Certainly, last but not least I see my friend, an old fighter, someone whom we had many battles, but through it all we ended up being friends. He's a guy who I have a lot of respect for. He's from downriver. He decided he would move on and go to the Statehouse. I talked to him today. He and I are going to have lunch. I need to bend his arm on a couple of things, and that is Bill O'Neil.

I'm also glad to see our outgoing County Executive here, Ed McNamara. Obviously he is a man of great integrity; someone who I have enjoyed working with. I affectionately tease him and say, "you know when you don't get things from me that you want you have yourself to blame because I've watched you over the years, and while I don't always agree with you, I certainly took some of the things that you've done and applied them to this office." So, if you got some issues with me, you're in part to blame. But I'm glad to see him here.

I don't know if he is still here, but I also saw our Prosecutor Mike Duggan here earlier. Mike and I started off interestingly enough on opposite sides, but we work pretty good together these days. He's doing some very fine things in the community.

I mentioned all of that because I think it's important for those of us who have worked on the Commission throughout the course of the years to really begin to see the appreciation that people have for Al Montgomery.

And I would be very remised, and I'm going to call some of the folks up to say a few words, but I would also be very remised if I didn't mention another person who is retiring too. And she is a very, very special person to me. When I first became a County Commissioner and I was learning my way around the Commission, my secretary and her husband decided to have a family. She became pregnant and had to take off three months. Being a nail-fighter and fresh new Commissioner, I really didn't know what I was going to do. So I went to then Chairman Blackwell and I said, "Chairman Blackwell, I really need someone who is seasoned that can help me. I said there's a person on the Commission that I like very much. Would you

allow her to spend three months with me, or four months with me." And he thought about it and he said, "Sure I'll do that." And, Kit Spencer took care of me as if I were her child. I would never ever forget her for that. She helped me learn this process. She looked out for me. And since that time I have always had great admiration and trust for her. And I would trust her with anything on this Commission. And for those of you who know me, if you know my relationship with Kit Spencer, you know she is a person that I hold in high esteem. Quite frankly, I did not want her to depart. I said, "Stay with me until the end of the year at least, and then we can leave here together." She said, "No I can't stay until the end of the year I gotta go. " I said, "I certainly hope that I can find something for you and AI to do as I end my career on the Commission." Maybe I'm speaking a little out of turn, but I will be ending my career on the Commission. So, I said to her I really wish that she would stay. She refused to stay. So did AI. They both said it's time to move on to do greater things. And I appreciate that.

I also see in the door my buddy from Redford and Northwest Detroit who served on this Commission with me, and that's Kevin Kelley. It's really kind of an old homecoming. I'm glad to see Kevin. When I first became a County Commissioner, he had a portion of Detroit believe it or not, and I took that portion over. He moved on. Now, he is the Township Supervisor of Redford. So, we're very proud of his accomplishments.

I know a lot of you are here to celebrate Al's departure. I would first want to bring up the two previous Chairpersons of this Commission, Chairman Art Blackwell and Chairman Arthur Carter. If they would come and give some remarks regarding Al Montgomery." [Everyone responded with a round of applause.]

ARTHUR CARTER: "It's been a long time since I've had a chance to stand at this podium; some 12 or 13 years. But to Chairman Solomon and to all of my good friends, and especially members of the County Commission, I bring you greetings and good morning. This is a special celebration, and certainly Al and Kit have been very, very instrumental in building this Commission and building the history of this Commission.

Certainly AI, I would like to say this, you are very similar to another person who served as the Chief Clerk for the old Board of Supervisor, and his name was Ben Pellam. His picture hangs on this wall. He also came from a political family and certainly there are some similarities. Certainly, I wish you well in your new endeavors. And it certainly has been a pleasure working with you. And to your family, you can now go home and work on those golf clubs.

And certainly to Kit and to her family we certainly offer our congratulations. Thank you very much."

ARTHUR BLACKWELL: "Just like the old days, I followed Art Carter. First of all, to Mr. Chairman, Madame Vice-Chairman, Madame Vice-Chairman Pro Tem, to former colleagues, standing Commissioners, and dad, my father and I have been getting a lot of good publicity lately. I know it's a special day because the only time you see

Ed McNamara come in here is to raise hell, and today he's here to say hello and thanks to Al Montgomery and to Kit. And I think that's very special.

Al has served, I don't know, Al I don't know when you started. You've been here a long time. I mean I know that this is a historic building, but it's something about Al that proceeds that. But, Al Montgomery for all of us who started, I think we came to the building in 1986 or 1987, and Al Montgomery really helped me as a Commissioner. Al Montgomery was actually, I think it was only three of us here who were actually on the old Board of Commissioners when there were 27, and Al Montgomery was there. And Al Montgomery was a friend, and he was a student and a teacher. He learned and he also taught. He showed you things that you needed to know about government. And he also would help us along the way. I just want to congratulate him. He's an avid golfer. He's not very good Mr. McNamara, so you don't need to give him any strokes or anything, just play him straight up. But he loves the game.

I think it's also a testament to the fact that Wayne County, and I've said this over and over again, is the most diverse County in the United States. When you can have somebody of his caliber move on and prepare this young, dynamite woman who's going to take his place, Joyce Williams, I think it's a testament to the fact that hard work and tenure do pay off. Now Joyce is the Clerk of the Commission. She'll do a fine job and we'll be well served. There's no break in the continuation of service.

So, I would like to thank AI for all he did for me. I would like to thank AI for the many years of service. And AI all I can tell you is that you know when I retired from the County Commission I thought that was a terrible day, but the next day I found out that was the best thing that ever happened to me. So, you are going to enjoy your life.

And to Kit Spencer you've done some wonderful things. I don't know, is the Retirement Plan still real good like it was in years back. You know people don't give us credit, Mr. McNamara, but the pay raises that everybody's been getting, Mr. McNamara had a lot to do with that. We tied all of that to the State. We don't get credit for that. And a lot of my colleagues here, let me see where is Bill O'Neil, he would attack me in the paper, but he would never give back his increase. Bill, I know you never thanked me, but your wife did.

So, to all of you thank you for having me here today. And Al and Kit best of luck."

CHAIRMAN SOLOMON: "This is the way I'm going to do this. The next speaker is going to be our County Executive, and then I'm going to go to my two former colleagues, Bill O'Neil and Kevin Kelley.

I'm really glad to see Ed McNamara in our Chamber. He rarely comes here. So, it's good to see him today. You know Ed McNamara has a history of stealing good people from the Commission. He didn't get you Al, and he didn't get Kit. So, you know what it's all right that he's coming up here to speak at this podium, because he

sure tried to get a lot of our good folks, but he didn't get you. He didn't get you either Brendan. Come on up."

COUNTY EXECUTIVE ED MCNAMARA: "Kay and I agree, no permanent friends, no permanent enemies, very profound statement. Distinguished members of the Commission, I feel that way about you today, and also Lyn Bankes. When people invite me to some of these things they want me to say something funny. Then when I know I'm coming, I stay up all night trying to think of something funny. I stayed up for two nights trying to think of something funny about AI, but I couldn't. AI is not a funny guy. He's a very, very serious guy. My most recent memory of him in our golf tournaments where he takes on AI's angels, these are all the girls that are probably the world's worst golfers, and AI actually takes them and with all the patience in the world plays the 18 holes and is still smiling when he's done. I think that's remarkable. I think it is one of the great memories I have.

By far the greatest memory I have is in 1969 when I had decided to run for Mayor of the City of Livonia. I ran against an incumbent who had been there for eight years. I wasn't sure where to start. I heard of a guy by the name of Marv Diamond. I went to see him and he said, "Yeah I'll handle your PR and your campaign for \$3,000." Now, that was about half of what I made a year. And I wasn't sure I wanted to get that deeply involved, but I decided he was good. And he said, "We also have to have a poll. We have to find out what the issues are." He said, "What I would like to do is conduct a poll." I said, "How much is that?" And he said, "\$3,000." I said, "Forget the poll." He said, "But I got this guy that works cheap that really knows how to makeup polls. And his name is Al Montgomery." So, Al came in and he said, "You know you have to get your friends and neighbors to come in and actually do the work, but I'll show them how to do it." That poll was so accurate and it was what we campaigned on in 1969 and 1970. And I ended up becoming Mayor. And once in a while I think about the fact that AI was very, very instrumental in the fact that I did become Mayor and I'm here today. So, if any of you feel bad about that, blame AI.

But it's been a wonderful relationship. I knew Al's father. Again, back in 1948, if you don't mind me reminiscing, I can remember he became Chairman of the County Democratic Party. I remember your brother who was a very distinguished State Representative, as was your father, both of them, outstanding State Representatives who served this area very well and with great pride. They're just a very bright and intelligent family that have always dedicated themselves with public service. And Al is going to be dearly missed. In fact I expect the Commission to crumble in about a week in his absence.

So, what I would like to do if I might, AI, is I have two presentations. One is a proclamation. Now we've done something unique in this proclamation. I'm not going to read it. It has a couple of misspellings. This is your final test for your job to see if you can find them. They're very well hidden. But they were put in there on purpose. Also, Kit we have one recognizing your great effort with the Commission all of these years. The other thing I have because I consider AI such a personal

friend is a golf club. This used to be an illegal club. Some how now they have made it legal. I know that if it was illegal Al will absolutely never use it. It's a wonderful club. And here is your proclamation. You haven't found it yet, have you?"

AL MONTGOMERY: "I will turn it over to Kay Beard, who's our expert."

- CHAIRMAN SOLOMON: "I see three of my former colleagues. I guess it shows you how long I've been around here now. I actually served with all of the Commissioners that are in the audience. So, what I would like to do is that I know Bill O'Neil has a special presentation, so I would like to introduce now State Representative Bill O'Neil. Then Judge Milton Mack, and Redford Township Supervisor Kevin Kelley. Would you guys please come up?"
- COUNTY EXECUTIVE MCNAMARA: [Interposing.] "I would just like to say I am not leaving because Bill O'Neil is about to speak. I just want to tell you that Rodney Slater is waiting for me downstairs. He was the Secretary of Transportation, and maybe again some day. So, again thank you very much for giving me the time. And Bill I know that what you are going to say is so profound that we have people taking notes."
- BILL O'NEIL: "It is good to be back here. I'm speaking out of a mike that I wanted to speak out of for twelve years. And now I got the chance. There's a lot of love in this room. And I really, really enjoyed being a part of this board for twelve years. It was great. Seeing old friends like George Cushingberry and friends that you've had for a long time that are not old like Kay Beard and others, bring back a lot of great memories. Memories that sometimes you forget when you walk out the door, and then when you come back you remember just how great it was.

I'm really happy to hear that Joyce is going to be the new Commission Clerk. Joyce, working with you all of those years, the efficiency that you bring to the office, I know that you'll do a fabulous job. You've got a great crew. That helps.

I want to just say a few words in regards to Al and Kit. It's their day. It's not any of our day. It's their day. But before I do, one of the persons that I always forget to thank about something that they did and something that you leave behind that somebody just does in your place in a sense. Bernard Parker about six years ago gave me a plague because he thought it was the greatest thing in the world that I had a heart attack and I ran a marathon. And he just thought that was just incredible. But I think what was really incredible also was that now he has run a marathon. In fact I saw him at the last Detroit Marathon. And I thought that was great. I want to thank you for that Bernard. [Applause.]

Al we had many of battles. I don't know how many times I was in your office seeking information, always seeking information trying to know as much as I could. And Al was always there with the information. I will always thank you for that. You did your job and you did it 100%. So, I know along with some of my colleagues that they feel the same way. And I would love for both of you, if you will, come up. We

have a special presentation. The only thing that I can say that is good about this presentation is that at least the Democrat is presenting it, because it's signed by all of my colleagues who could not be here today. Senator McCotter is in session. He starts his session at 10:00 in the morning. It's signed by Representative Bruce Patterson and Representative Andrew Richner. It is also signed by the Governor of the State of Michigan.

Kit when I came down here it was really an incredible situation. I was on the City Council in little old Allen Park. You heard about the County and the Drain Commission and the Road Commission and everything else. You wanted to try and see if you couldn't be the next person to provide public service at this different level. Not knowing that this different level was a whole lot different than little old Allen Park. And it was Kit Spencer, and I certainly have to thank also my good friend Milton Mack who's here who really introduced me and gave me all of the early lessons that I needed at that time. It was incredible to go from a small town like that that started the meetings on time, and did a lot of other things a whole lot different than they did here at the County Commission, to try and understand it and work your way through it at all times. And Kit Spencer was there to help me. Back then Milton Mack and I shared secretaries. I was lucky enough to have Milton Mack be willing to give me Kit Spencer half the time. Sometimes, by the way Milton, I think you took her more than half the time. But that's another argument. But Kit was there right from the very beginning. And, then she went on to Central Staff and made the County Commission just that much more of a great place and great institution because of her hard work, keeping us all efficient and effective in our positions.

So with that I do have this special proclamation which I'm not going to read either. I'm just glad to be here and I'm glad I was here for your retirement."

KEVIN KELLEY: "Good morning. It's real great to be back and to see everybody; former colleagues and staff. I'm going to tell one quick story. I want to congratulate Kit and AI on their retirement. They, too, helped me very much when I was down here on my four years on the Commission.

One year we were up at the Michigan Association of Counties. Al and I were traveling from our hotel to the main hotel, and unfortunately we were on a two-lane highway, and a beautiful Dalmatian dog ran into the road and we struck the dog and killed it. And of course you know Al and how upset he was. He was right on the verge of tears because we killed this beautiful animal. So, I called the police department and told them what happened. They said they would take care of it. So, we pulled in by the main hotel and we looked over at the movie theater and the movie that was playing was 101 Dalmatians. So, I said, "Al I took care of the police, now I have to call and movie theater and get the title changed to 100 Dalmatians." Needless to say he was less upset about the dog than he was about me. After he got done cussing me out, we moved on.

I just would like to wish them both well in their retirement. They're great folks. It's really great to be back and to see everybody. It's a great institution. I miss it and I

miss everybody. And I'm sure Al will too, but he'll come back and visit like I do. Congratulations Al and Kit."

JUDGE MILTON MACK: "I always give due deference to Kay. She's been lecturing me since 1982.

Listening to Bill talk about coming from Allen Park to Wayne County and what a transition that was. Well, I grew up in the City of Wayne. I thought Allen Park was a big town. But my time on the County Commission wasn't quite as long as Bill. I had eight years here. I really enjoyed them. There are a lot of great memories. All of those memories were made possible because I had two people I could work with, of course Kit Spencer, my secretary and Al Montgomery. And Al, of course, whenever I embarked on some new projects he would come up to me and say, "Commissioner are you sure about this." That was his way of saying do you know what you're doing. So, he would give me considerable guidance. And doing some of the more difficult campaigns, Kit would always try to provide some calm for me which I did need from time to time, whether I was Chairman of the Public Services Committee or Chairman of the Out House Caucus. That was the title Bernard Kilpatrick gave to me and I thank Bernard for that.

On a more serious note we are all lucky because we get to participate in the people's business. It really is an honor to be able to do that. Whether you're a Commissioner, a staff member, or you work with the County Executive or wherever it is you work, you get the opportunity to do the people's business. It really is an important thing. And two of the really outstanding public servants I worked for are Kit Spencer and Al Montgomery. So, I would like for them to come and I would like to thank them one more time for the great service they provided to the people of Wayne County. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN SOLOMON: "I noticed that our Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer are here. I would like for them to stand. There they are. [Applause.] Mr. Treasurer, do you wish to come up for a moment, please?

I tell you I'm getting older. When I was looking at Kevin Kelley I was reminded of something that He and I and Susan Hubbard did many years ago on the Chuck Stokes Show. He and I and Susan Hubbard did this great interview one time. My, how time does fly. The other thing that I would like to say is that I see a lot of Al's family and I know he will acknowledge them. I met his wife over the course of the years, but he's always telling me about his sons and I never really had an opportunity to chit-chat with them. And his sons are here and maybe one of his daughter-in-laws is here. I would ask if they would please stand. To see you guys and to know Al is a real treat. So, if you guys would just stand. [Applause.]

I also believe that Kit Spencer daughter is here. Your mother, I'll just say this publicly and I said it a few minutes ago, your mother has been a wonderful, wonderful person to me. I don't know if Bill O'Neil and Judge Milton Mack knew how close I am to Kit Spencer. She has been a true confidant and a true friend, and I will

miss her greatly. Could you please stand?" [Applause.]

COUNTY TREASURER RAYMOND WOJTOWICZ: "Thank you Mr. Chairman. I never thought in my life that I would have an opportunity to stand in front of this Honorable body in these hallowed halls, but it that took Al Montgomery to make a decision.

Al, I want to tell you one thing, in the name of all Wayne County taxpayers I thank you for paying your taxes on time. Al, a respected person, family man, and a person that I've had the opportunity of working with over a number of years. Al, to you and your family, I know it will be a new career in continuing your life story. In the most humble way I salute you. I pledge to you that you will never be forgotten for all of the exemplary favors that you've done. And many of the Commissioners don't know. He overextended himself to many, many people outside of the services that you required of the County. So Al, God's speed. Bless you and your family. Congratulations and from the Wayne County Treasurer's family and staff, and Wayne County taxpayers, thank you."

CHAIRMAN SOLOMON: "Okay. There are also acknowledgements from Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick, City Clerk and former County Commissioner Jackie Currie, and of all people the Governor of the State of Michigan. And I would like at this time for Hurley Coleman whom I'm real upset with, but that's all right, who is no longer a County employee. He left to be the Director of Parks and Recreation for the City of Detroit. I tried to get him to stay. He said I got to go. I said I understand. Come and give us a reading on behalf of Mayor Kilpatrick."

HURLEY COLEMAN: "I'm certainly happy to be here. It's an unusual opportunity. I never thought I would be able to stand back here. But, certainly it's an honor to stand here with the opportunity. As relates to both sides of this great leadership in Wayne County from my period of time of serving County Executive McNamara as the Director of Parks and Recreation, I had a number of opportunities to work with Al Montgomery to make things happen. Then I had the opportunity to move over and work with the Honorable Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick. It's just an unusual privilege. So, I stand here today not knowing that I would be doing this. It's an honor. Because I think that we have an opportunity to welcome Al into a whole new arena of life. Kit, it's a whole new time for you. All the things that you talked about doing when you weren't working, now you have an opportunity to see it through. Al you always talked about what you would be doing if you weren't here, especially when the people were trying to get you to do what they wanted you to do.

The Mayor has embarked upon a whole effort to try and make sure that there's a strong relationship between the City of Detroit and Wayne County government. He's extended himself and by virtue that has extended himself through all the rest of his department heads. We welcome the opportunity to share. Al I have to recruit you because we have some golf courses that need your critical analysis. We also feel like you can save us on some of our construction costs because every time you're in a golf course there's new ponds, and we welcome you into that arena.

Also, Kit you know that your efforts here with Wayne County will not go unrewarded. There are thousands of bits of paper that have your signature and your name attached. You've changed people lives for the better.

So, on behalf of our Mayor, the Honorable Kwame Kilpatrick, we certainly appreciate the opportunity, Mr. Chair, and all of you who are County Commissioners and leaders, I appreciate this opportunity to share and I look forward to the future. Thank you."

CHAIRMAN SOLOMON: "I would like to say that I want all of my colleagues to take a picture with Kit and Al.

When AI decided to retire I said to him that I believe that Joyce Williams would make a great Clerk. And AI was a great proponent of that. I was proud that he took so much pride in seeing us elevate the first woman to this position and the first African American to this position. I think part of any legacy is what you leave behind. And he unselfishly thought that she would be a great replacement for him. I am pleased that we were able to do that.

Okay, we have one more presentation and then we're going to take our pictures. I see Attorney Melanie Light here from Congressman John Conyers' Office and someone also from City Councilwoman Alberta Tinsley-Talabi's Office is here. So if you guys could come up right quick."

ATTORNEY MELANIE LIGHT: "Good Morning. Greetings from Congressman John Conyers' Office. My name is Melanie Light and I'm here in his stead. Mr. Conyers couldn't be here to give this great honor today to Mr. Al Montgomery. But we have a letter here, Mr. Montgomery, that I would like to read. It's very short.

"Dear Mr. Montgomery:

It has come to my attention that you are retiring after more than 30 years of service to the citizens of Detroit and Wayne County. I am pleased that you are about to enter a new and exciting phase of life.

Over the years you have served the City and the County with great integrity and dedication. Your professionalism and dedication to excellence have allowed you to progress. In every capacity you carried out your duties with skill and distinction. Your department is certain to leave a void that will be difficult to fill.

Please accept my congratulations on your retirement, and thank you for a job well done. May your years ahead be exciting and rewarding.

Very truly yours.

John Conyers, Jr.

Member of Congress"

GEORGE DAVIS: "Good Morning. My name is George Davis and I'm here today on behalf of City Councilwoman Alberta Tinsley-Talabi and the Detroit City Council to also recognize our two honorees. Much has been made of their career here in Wayne County government, but it's also a fact that, at least Al Montgomery started off his work in the Detroit City government.

So, we want to say on behalf of the citizens of the City of Detroit we are honored to have you retire with all of your years of distinctive service. Much has been said from all of the people in the last few minutes. And I don't personally know either one of them, but I can say that in the term both of them have been great public servants. They have made Detroit and all of the other surrounding communities in Wayne County a better place to live. And that fact is a testament to their dedication and their public service.

So, on behalf of Alberta Tinsley-Talabi and the Detroit City Council, I have two Testimonial Resolutions to present to you today. Thank you very much."

CHAIRMAN SOLOMON: "Now for the moment I've been waiting for. I know many of my colleagues wish to send Al and Kit off appropriately. So, therefore rather than me calling on anybody let's just start this thing off. And I'll start to my left with Kay Beard.

Before I do that, though, I see a number of former Commission Clerk's appointees, individuals who worked in the Clerk's Office and have gone on to do great things. I don't want to forget to call anyone. So, I see one, two, three, four, at least and there may be more. So, I would ask all of you to please stand. Don't be shy. It's good to see all of you. They've all gone on to do some very wonderful things. We're very, very proud of them. And I'm glad to see them. [Applause.]

Now, having said that I'm going to sit down and I'll start with the Honorable Vice-Chair Kay Beard, I'll go to the Honorable Jewel Ware, and then anyone who wants to chime in, you are more than welcome to send Al off. We ought to roast him is what we ought to do. But not Kit though, just Al."

VICE-CHAIR BEARD: "Thank you Mr. Chairman. It certainly is a bitter sweet day for all of us.

I would like to just talk about Kit for a moment. Kit, as has been mentioned, has worked for several of the individual Commissioners. From all that I saw they all were very pleased with everything that she did. She was always very conscientious. Then when she came to work for the Commission on the Commission staff, then I had the opportunity to see just how valuable of an employee she really was.

When we have to travel, which we do occasionally on the Michigan Association of Counties meeting and also the National Association of Counties meetings, we have

to have somebody that's competent to make the arrangements for us. Sometimes that gets difficult because sometimes some of the Commissioners have decided to go, and then for one reason or another something happens where they have to back out and maybe go at a different time. It's a difficult situation to handle. And it was always hard for me because I would make up my mind early and I would want to get an early appointment or registration on the airlines, and also get into the Conference hotels, especially for NACo. And some of the previous members of the staff that would work on travel wanted to wait until everybody's was in and do it all in a bunch. Well, then it meant that I couldn't get into the hotel. So I would have to try to talk to people at NACo and see if I could do it. So, it was a cause for a lot of frustration. But when Kit came in, everything just worked like clock-work on all of the arrangements that had to be made a couple times every year. She was always very quiet and very business like in doing it, and seemingly never got ruffled. I'm sure inside sometimes she was not happy with some of us, but it's tough when you've got fifteen bosses plus a couple of other bosses that are employees. It's not an easy situation to work for a legislative body. I commend Kit for her dedication and her ability to keep calm at all times, no matter what was going on. And we certainly will miss you Kit because you have been very, vry professional in all of the things that you have been responsible for.

And then I want to get to Al. I've known Al since I first came on the Commission almost 24 years ago. And Al and Ben at that time were working for the Detroit Wayne County Corrections Department. I forget the exact name. But that was the first time that I met both of them. And even though they were working there for the Joint Authority, they were actually employees of the City of Detroit. And then later they both became Commission employees, which was certainly a benefit. After Bernard Hanus retired as our Clerk, he retired right after we became a Charter County, then Richard Wolfe who had been Bernie's Assistant, became our Chief Clerk. Then, as most of you know, Richard became extremely ill after a few years, and passed away at a very early age. Al, had been his Deputy. So Al was then promoted to be the Clerk of the Commission.

He had a lot on his plate when that started out because as the Chairman had mentioned, there were a lot of Journals that had not been prepared because of Richard's illness and many other things. Before that time those Journals were published in a hard, bound book. I think that ended somewhere around 1976. So, from that point on we had a lot of Journals that were not published. When Al came he started almost immediately to, and he and I talked a lot about this, to get the Journals at least prepared so that we could have them at our subsequent meetings. Now, it's an on-going thing so that we see them while we still have a memory of what happened. You don't have much memory when it goes back maybe ten or eleven years. So, little by little he worked with a former employee who had also worked for the Commission, Elaine Hillmer, to start bringing all of these old ones up to date. He used to tease me that I was the only one that really cared, because I was the only one that is around for much of those. And if they didn't get done, I was the only one left that people could really go after.

But we really commend AI for the hard work that he's done. We are now totally and completely up to date with all of those Journals of all of those years that had not been prepared. They have all been bound. They have not been bound in the hard covers. Those are very expensive. But they have been bond, with the exception of just a few that are in the process of being bound. Now they are in the public libraries and they are officially the records of the County. So, we are totally up to date for anybody that wants to do any research on what happened at previous meetings. That had been a difficult task. I don't know if everybody realize how tough that has been.

But we've had a lot of fun teasing each other about all of the things that we do. He teased that I should be the one that would look to see if there were any errors that McNamara presented to him, because I am a stickler. I've always told Committee Clerks, in particular, and Commissioners at times, that these documents that we send out are official documents for the County of Wayne. And we need to be as sure as we could be that they are properly done; that the spelling is correct; the grammar is correct; the punctuation is correct; and the sentence structure is legible and readable so that people reading the proceedings of our work and our resolutions and ordinances are something that we can all be proud of. Because it is work that we have done on behalf of the people of Wayne County. So, you can imagine the kind of teasing that has gone on with a lot of people. Well, I take a little bit of pride in that because I like to be sure that we have good recordings of what we've done.

Al has been someone that has had a lot of patience. Again, he has 15 bosses, or did have. Now he only has one at home. And Nancy you're going to have to keep him busy because he knows how to work. Don't let him tell you that he's tired or anything else. Because we know how hard he can work.

So it is with great affection that all of us see you go, Al. And I hope that your health will hold up and you'll spend a lot of time on the golf course. Take care of all the 'honey do' things in a timely manner before you out on the golf course. So, God bless you, Nancy and all your family. Come on back every once in a while so that we can tease you a little more; the same thing for you Kit, you come on back every once in a while, too. And we are very fortunate to have had both of you as good, loyal productive employees. Thanks."

VICE-CHAIR PRO TEMPORE WARE: "Actually, I'm going to yield to Commissioner Susan Hubbard."

COMMISSIONER SUSAN HUBBARD: "Thank you. On a personal note I would like to say to AI as well as to Kit how much I've enjoyed their company over the past 13 years of being here. Not just their company, but their help and assistance, helping me perform my job. They've been excellent public servants. Both have worked long hours. I can remember being here on weekends, and Kit staying long hours. I remember calling and saying Kit can you please look into this airfare. I would just be amazed that she would still be here at 5 or 6 o'clock in the evening. Their departure really marks a milestone in the true turning point in the County and the Commission.

I cannot think of two people who deserves to be honored today more than them. They have just been wonderful public servants. What made me begin to cry here is watching AI interact with my daughter, Jackie. It was just so sweet. It was like watching a grandfather. And Kit, how much I enjoyed hearing your stories about Ireland. I'm going to miss you guys. Thanks." [Applause.]

COMMISSIONER CUSHINGBERRY: "Thank you Mr. Chairman. It's funny because Kit Spencer was Milton Mack's secretary and I had known Milt since Wayne State when he used to do Denny Hertel's homework in Law School. Sometimes he used to make us so mad when I was first coming down here and I didn't realize that he was just the same guy. I would go over and talk to Kit and she would tell me hey, he's really not a bad guy. You guys have to appreciate him. He's really a good guy. She would get that motherly smile going. So, whatever she wanted, more less, we would have to do. Not because of Milton, but because of her. And she was such a kind and generous woman. Some of the things that I saw her do for other employees when people were hurting, go in her own pocket being a lady that was working on her own, and taking a few of her own pennies to share with people who were colleagues, and some that she didn't even know so well. It was a kind of character in goodness that was inherent in her. She always had a good word and a word that would try to soothe and to break down the barriers to let us all know that we were all the same people inside, and that we were all good people, and that what we were all trying to do even though we might have differences of opinion, was in the best interest of the people of this great County.

My 16 years has been enhanced in my life for being here by having the opportunity to interact with Kit and to know that she was there for us. Even during the most difficult times, and we've had a few over the years. But we have those kinds of people who are just good people, and genuinely God-fearing people. You can feel their spirit. And Kit certainly has been a person with that special kind of spirit. I'm sure her daughter can be a testament and a testimony to that too. Some of the times I've had the opportunity to see her with her and to recognize and see and feel that love.

Now Al Montgomery is like my brother. I cut my feet with his dad in Lansing and found my way around. George Montgomery's district in the Legislature was right next door to mine. He was Uncle George to us. He made me a member of the House Taxation Committee in my first term in the Legislature. That's where I learned so much more about tax than any place else, by having the opportunity to work at his feet. He used to mention that he had a couple of sons. And he was very fond of Al. All the people that I would meet would always tell me that out of the Montgomery children, he was the prince. He was the salt of the earth. He was a good guy. The fact that he lived in my district didn't hurt one bit.

I want you to know that AI I was very concerned about you when you got sick, and I told you as you know. Because to me people like you need to be here to share those various experiences that you've been able to develop over the years with all of us. And I would rather have you part-time here and know that you're available, than

not to have you around. And that's why I think it is so important for you to make these kinds of decisions to improve your own health. Because we love you and we need you. These institutional memories are getting shorter and shorter at many different places.

So often today we want to discount people who have information that's valuable to us; some of the stories that he can tell you, and he's told me plenty. You can believe it. We've had a lot of discussions of stories about things that happened; his interest in seeing to it that things were fair; his efforts to improve race relations even from the 60's. Al always exemplified the kind of spirit that I call the 21st century renaissance, the spirit of finding a way for us to work together; finding a way for us to solve the problems; seeing to it that we know the alternatives; and being the best kind of support that a legislative body could have.

So, we're going to miss you. We love you. And if George Montgomery was alive today, he would be smiling to know that he developed a son that made such a great contribution to the people of this great County. Thank you Mr. Chairman."

COMMISSIONER PARKER: "Today I think we are honoring two people that really represent what so many other people here in the County do, and that is to come in and do their job and do a fine job at that. Most of the time we as elected officials get credit for it. We go out there and talk about the things we have done, but we really realize that it's the staff, and in this case Kit and Al that does a lot of that work at making us look good. I want to thank you for making me look good, and for all of your hard work.

For Kit who is someone that I did not know prior to coming here and being here eleven years, and as a secretary to two of the Commissioners I did not really know that much except to say hi to her, but she always had a smile. She always was someone that greeted you with a smile in the morning and was always there to assist you. When she came on Central Staff is when I really begin to know her and really begin to appreciate her dedication. She would go beyond the call of duty. It was not just a situation of her doing her job, but many times she had to call me and say, "Bernard you know the Conference is coming up and I haven't received anything yet. I would like to make sure that the paperwork is in", or whatever it might be. And then the third time she called me, I probably would get it in at that point. But she was persistent and because of that I was able to take advantage of some of the things that I wanted to do because many times I didn't make my decisions until late. But she always made that extra effort to try to accommodate myself and my office and anything that we wanted to do. I really appreciate your hard work and your dedication. We're really going to miss you.

It's already been mentioned about how you really put the whole travel program together and how it has functioned. And I only hope that it will continue to be like you have done. It's not too many staff people that we would trust as Commissioners, and we give her the American Express card. It used to be all messed up. Sometimes we would go somewhere and get a hotel and the card wasn't any good.

The bill hadn't been paid. But when Kit took it over and got her name on that American Express card, business was taken care of. We never had any problems. And I really appreciate her dedication and her commitment in that area.

Al is someone that I guess everyone had their history of working with. Mine started even before I became Commissioner when I was appointed to a Advisory Group on Juvenile Prevention One Fourth Mill. We came down to a Committee meeting in Room 404 and Al was there. At first I really thought he was a Commissioner. He never told me he wasn't a Commissioner either. I really looked at him that way because he had the type of information that was available readily. He didn't have to say well I have to go and check the book; let me go read something else. It was just there. I was amazed during that time with my tenure on that Committee. Then when I became elected and came down here and realized that he was not an elected person, but a staff person I was still amazed at the knowledge he had and information he had, and how he was able to assist. And he really has assisted in a lot of areas from both the historical side, and also Al has a tendency to want to be into the political aspects also. And when you're recommending something he might come and say well you know if you do this something might happen, they might respond this way, and it was all helpful. Usually, I rejected it and went ahead on and did what I was going to do. But I appreciated his coming forth and trying to protect me in that way and let me know that it's some consequences that he might perceive that is going to happen.

The other thing is that most of you do not know that I recently had started to play golf about six years now. And one of the first time that I ever played with AI on a team going out there at the golf course, and I never had any lessons before so I was just out there learning with some people that I had played with. So, I played with AI, and of course he always had instructions on everything that anybody was doing. So, he gave me a lot of instructions. And it took me about two years to get over those instructions and get back the swing. AI has a unique swing to him that is perfect for him, but for anybody else you can't do that. He keeps the ball straight on the line there, but the way he swung and everything, it took me two years to get over that. But I really appreciate his effort.

I would think we as a Commission would recognize what AI has done and we have all said that we want him to retire from here and play as much golf and enjoy himself and all of that. We all know that golf cost money. You just can't get out there, particularly when you retire and do that. So, I would hope that we would authorize our Wayne County golf courses to give AI Montgomery a free pass anytime he wanted to play. If it takes a resolution or whatever, I'll move that. Thank you Mr. Chairman." [Applause.]

CHAIRMAN SOLOMON: "Now today I just want you guys to hang in there with me a little bit because Al and Kit are very special people to me and to you too. So, we're going to be here a little while today; just bear with me.

I saw three people come in. And if you would allow me this privilege I am going to interrupt the program for a second and call them all up and let them say a few

words, if they would like. I served with two of them, and one is a very good friend. First, I saw the Honorable Judge Freddie Burton, if he would come up. [Applause]

Also, the former County Commissioner Edna Bell is in the hall, if you would ask her if she would come in. And I saved the best for the last. When I first became a County Commissioner there was a person who I had known over the course of the years, and she would always call me her little brother. I used to say to her, "Can I ever graduate from being your little brother." And she would say to me, "No you are my little brother and I'm going to teach you and you're going to do right." And she did. She taught me so many lessons during the course of my career on this Commission. And when I wanted to do some things that I reflect back on that probably would not have been appropriate, if was her that talked me out of it. So, I just cannot begin to tell you how much I admire and love Jackie Currie.

Jackie L. Currie is a very special person. She was the Vice-Chair of this Board. She was the Dean of the Board at one point. We now have a new Dean, her name is Kay Beard. She was also the Chair of our Committee on Roads, Airports and Public Services. Now she is our illustrious City Clerk. So, I would ask if she would also come forth and say a few words." [Applause.]

CITY CLERK JACKIE L. CURRIE: "Giving honor to God, I have to say that, who is the head of my life; to my little brother; to my little sister and big sister; to my sister of color; and to the Judges who I made both of them. When I say I made them I mean we all worked together, and they are the two best judges that we have, other than my sister Judge Blackwell. They are the three best there is in Wayne County. Put your hands together and give them a praise. [Applause.]

To these two honorees, and AI said Jackie please don't tell my age; to AI Montgomery whom I have known for almost 40 years. I knew AI when there was a program called PAT. We were working together. I was about 15 years old. He would always carry his little brown sister with him. And when we came down here with the County, AI was just my boss. I had little enough sense to think that AI knew everything. And you know when I walked in and I heard my other brother say, all these guys are my brothers, when I heard him say that he thought that AI was the Commissioner. Believe me AI thought he was the Commissioner, too.

I had some meetings to make this morning, but I had to be here. And to my other sister of color, Kit Spencer is one of the hardest working little ladies that I have known. They kept the glue together to keep us together. And I just want to thank you Kit for all of your services that you have given to this County and to me. God bless you. And I want you to retire, which you are doing. I want you to put on a bikini, and I want you to go and lay on the beach. God bless you and I love you real good.

Now I know they have read my resolution. I have something and I want the two of you to come down because I'm going to come down and meet you, because I have something very special for you. Can you come down now?"

COMMISSIONER EDNA BELL: "See they had me coming behind Jackie because the Judge couldn't stand coming behind Jackie Currie. They know that women can always handle it.

I won't call you former colleagues, to my colleagues, but especially to Kit and Al, thank you for all you have done for all of us. I have to tell a special story about Al. For about eight years of my ten years as County Commissioner, I held a Charity Golf Outing. And at the first one and at the last one, Al was always the helper with organizing, but he was the official scorekeeper. So, all of you who didn't win, it was because Al didn't let you win. But Al made sure that everything always went well, and I thank you for that.

And to Kit, most of you know I traveled a lot with the County Commission, but my travels brought lots of things back to this County and also helped make this County one of the greatest counties and best known counties in the Country, and Kit always made sure that when I needed to go, I got there. And when I got there I had a place to lay my head, because there had been times when we got places and we weren't sure where we were going to lay our heads. So, Kit not only for those arrangements, but for all of the small things you did and all the big things you did, I thank you. You were the organizer of the office. You were the helper in the office. You helped all of us who had new Clerks; trained those Clerks. That is the special task that only special people can do. And you helped me see Ireland through your eyes. I appreciate that; all of your trips; all the pictures you brought back; all the stories you shared with us. We appreciate that because that was one part of you that you shared with us. And we certainly appreciate all of that.

I just want to say how proud I am to have served with you and to have worked with you because if any of you know AI and Kit, they didn't work for us, they let us work with them. But fortunately they helped us do that. So to both of you and your future years, enjoy them. Kit, now you can go back to Ireland anytime you want. AI, now you can play golf whenever you want. You have to come and play golf with me. And for all of those days that you couldn't leave the office because you were working on Journals and getting all of the things ready for us, now you can come back and smile at them and say "I'm going to the golf course and I'm going to have a good time." Thank you for all that you've done. And thank you to all of my colleagues for allowing me to share in this moment. I certainly appreciate it and will cherish it."

JUDGE FREDDIE BURTON: "Wow. I was told to get here at 9:00 a.m.. Now as I shared with the person who called me about getting here at 9:00 a.m., I said now is the meeting actually scheduled to start at 9:00 a.m.. And she said yes. I said what time will the County Commissioners get to the Chamber, and I was assured that you all will be here, bright-eyed, and ready to go somewhere between 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. I know Commissioner Beard was here right at 9:00 a.m. It certainly brought back fond memories when I had an opportunity and the honor to serve on this august body.

Kit, I won't say that I knew you very well. But I will say that I feel like we are related. Every time I see Kit she reminds me of something that I think we're all working to provide, she is a pleasant smiling public servant. No matter where I see her, I remember running into her at the Auto Show a few years back, she was with her family and smiling. When I come down here, on bad days she's smiling. She's always pleasant. And I tell you when we talk about public service, it's just so wonderful to be reminded by an individual that if you smile it's amazing how successful you can be, and how much service you can provide. I learned something new about you this morning, Kit. I didn't realize that my good friend and colleague, Judge Mack, was responsible for you coming to the County. What do you think of him bringing you to the County, and then he leaves. I wish you nothing but the very best as you go into, not retirement, but into your next life. I can tell you from experience that you will miss this place. You will miss these Commissioners. You will miss the people you deal with, but they will always welcome you back as they have to me, with open arms and a warm smile.

As for AI, where is he? Oh, there he is. How can I miss him. I think it was the City Clerk who said that he always thought he was a Commissioner. Let me tell you something. He thought he was Commissioner, County Executive, and Chief Judge. And AI I say that with nothing but affection. I can also tell you, too, that for me you will always be my golfing Commissioner.

A few years ago Al came up with the idea of organizing a trip to the Plymouth Golf Academy, the U.S. Golf Academy in Plymouth, Indiana. And actually one year we took 90 County officials. And I'll say this was all vacation, and not on County time. We all went down to Plymouth, Indiana and we had three days of golf lessons. I mean I'm the lousiest golfer on the planet. But Al was right there trying to give us lessons, trying to help, and offering information. Al what do you shoot? Don't answer that. But, he convinced me so much to go and get lessons that I went back to that school seven straight years trying to get it right. Judge Mack will be happy to tell you that I haven't got it right yet. But I least owe it to Al to say that I'm getting on the right track. I believe that you've been offered a permanent pass to all County golf parks. I hope you'll call and let me at least sit down with you at the 19th hole so we can break bread and have a sip or two. I wish you nothing but the best as you go into the golfing era. Thank you all. And Commissioners thank you for giving me an opportunity to speak."

COMMISSIONER CHRISTOPHER CAVANAGH: "Thank you Mr. Chairman. To Al and Kit, from myself and my brother, Philip, who couldn't be here today, I wanted to say three quick things. One, is thank you very, very much for the job that you've done. Two, is God bless and good luck, and three is Commissioner Cushingberry said previously you both really need to be proud, very proud of the work that you've done, not only for this Commission, but for the citizens of this County. So, thank you and good luck."

COMMISSIONER BOIKE: "Kit and Al thank you very much for everything. It's an absolute pleasure. I loved what Edna Bell said. You don't work for us. It was working with you that's so important.

Kit you helped my office so many times. And Al you have been a super, super advisor. And Kit was a hometown girl. She lived in Taylor for the longest time. She's recently moved. She's still living in Wayne County, but now in Joey's district. So, it's a super asset to that community and to the building that she moved into.

Al and I have had some real intensive discussions. We've talked about a whole lot of issues. The last of which was my reading of the Harry Potter books. The discussion was should we go see the movie, or should we not. I did. Al is still anticipating. But that's okay, because I always thought Al was a wizard. Using those powers has helped and assisted my office a great deal. But Al time is running out. I've been here 14 years now, and all I've heard is a discussion about this huge discount I can get on a Corvette. Which is okay now because now that I can afford it Al, I don't know if I can fit into it. So, thank you very much. Al, it's just been a pleasure. My office and I are going to miss you as a friend. And Kit the very same thing. I hope that we see you down often and you will at least call and say 'hi' so that we know what's going on. Thank you very much both of you."

COMMISSIONER VARGA: "I just feel like when I came to this Commission, although I lost my mom and dad a long time ago, that although Kit is too young to be my mother, I'm young enough to be her daughter, and AI of course you're my dad. I really felt right at home. Coming down from Lansing the one thing that I can say is that I tried to mimic those who have come before me. Although I didn't know AI's dad, there were many documents that AI's dad left behind. A lot of the certificates that I used for different occasions came from AI's dad. When I came down to the Commission, I gave him a few and said "look these were your dad's." They actually had his name on it. The first thing that he said is that my sons will be so proud to have these.

There were so many things that I used to be upset about, and AI would take me, close my door, and sat on the couch and just listen to me. When he got done, he would just call me right out. He had that affect that a father would have on a daughter. I really appreciated AI's guidance and I thank you for drawing the lines for me into Lincoln Park, AI. That's the legacy that I'll never forget. I may be moving in with you. Mrs. Montgomery I hope that you have room for another daughter.

But in sincerity I want AI to know that I'm really going to miss you. I appreciated the wisdom that you have shown. You have to write a book so that we can get to know everything that you do because some of our younger Commissioners that are going to follow us are going to miss a heck of a lot. I really feel privileged that I, at least, got to tap that head of yours every so often. So I appreciate you. I love you dearly. Don't be surprised if I send you an e-mail every now and then to find out what it is that I'm supposed to do.

Kit I don't know how we can ever thank you for all of the service that you have given to us. You probably know by now that you've only been gone now for a couple of days and the work that you have done has been assigned to three people already. So, you can imagine for those of you in the audience how much work that she had done by herself. I am going to miss you dearly and the talks that we've had over the years. Although they've been short, I feel like I've known you for a lifetime. I feel privileged to have known both of you and to confide in you, and you not being afraid to guide me into a better way of doing things. I appreciate you both."

COMMISSIONER BLACKWELL: "I don't really have much to add, but AI I recognize that calming influence over me. When I would get excited at reading the junk mail and criticizing the Airport everyday, you had a calming influence over me by not attacking them. You said, and you were right, "You can't win." I hope that at some point in your retirement you will have a chance to talk to some of those reporters and give them the facts.

Kit for you to service 15 pre-Madonna Commissioners plus our staff and all of them changing their minds and saying, "No I want to go this day, no I want to go that day, I want to go this time of day", and you did that. You did it very well. I want to personally thank you for looking out for me. I know I unwisely chose a trip to go to Turkey, but I cancelled after talking with you. And I became very close to Kit. I asked her if she was going to remarry again. She's going to be getting all of this Retirement money. And she said, "No three times is enough for me." Thank you."

COMMISSIONER HALL: "Al along with Ms. Kit through you two I have learned a whole lot this past year. My wife also want to thank Kit for introducing her to Patricia Conwell. And also I think she introduced you to Jane Patterson. As a result, my wife sent you the latest book by Patricia Conwell and also the latest book by Jane Patterson. Thank you. I'm going to miss you. I'm going to cry, too. I'm going to do like Commissioner Hubbard."

COMMISSIONER SULLIVAN: "When I first started here just over three years ago, I was trying to find my way around. Everyone I would go up to and ask, "How do I find out what to do. How do I handle things at the Commission." Kit Spencer and Al Montgomery were always the two names that came up. Both of them are walking encyclopedias of the history of this Commission. They both know how things have worked, how things are working, and how things should work. It's not necessarily all the way that it should be, but they can always give you the answers to here's how it was, here how it is, and here how it should be. I always depended on both of them for answers to any questions that I had around here. I'm really going to miss having both of them around because for some reason I can't hold on to staff around here. I don't know what my problem is. I always had to tell my staff go to Al or go to Kit and ask them about this because they always know what's going on. I keep telling my staff to go to them for the answers, and now I don't know who to tell them to go to. So, I'm lost again.

I want to reiterate what Commissioner Varga said, and I am young enough that they can be my mom and dad. Having been the youngest Commissioner here and being new, I automatically looked for a mother and father figure, someone that you know will be honest with you, and give you straight answers, and both of them always have. I truly appreciate it. I feel like I'm losing my mother and my father at the same time on the Commission. I'll never forgive you guys for this. I don't know what I'm going to do now, but Kit says she's leaving her number, and hopefully Al is going to do the same because I'm still going to need to call both of you. Thank you."

COMMISSIONER BANKES: "Well I haven't noticed too many Republicans standing before the microphone today. So I feel a need to be both bi-partisan and profound, but I'm afraid I might not be either.

First I want to thank Al Montgomery. He's been giving me advice first in 1980 as the Charter Commission. Then he gave me advice when I was aide to Wayne County Commissioner Mary Dumas. And subsequently he has given me advice as a County Commissioner. So, I appreciate all of your help, Al. You've been a real good sport. And as others have said, here late nights, early mornings, and even when your health wasn't good. Your work has been greatly appreciated.

Kit I want you to know that we greatly miss you. It's already time now for the Detroit Chamber of Congress Conference, and Sonja's going crazy because you know what that entails. I'm grateful for the work that both of you have done. And I wanted to give you some very special gifts. So, I went to my garage and I'm giving you a bottle of wine and a road atlas. So, hopefully you can take a bottle of wine and the road atlas and go have some good times."

COMMISSIONER PALAMARA: "Thank you Mr. Chairman. I've only been here three years and I certainly don't have the same length of experience working with these people as most of the speakers here today. But I can honestly say that I have enjoyed these past two hours more than any other session that we've had in the last three years. [Applause.]

And the common denominator is Al Montgomery and Kit Spencer. They're the bond that bonds me to my predecessors that I didn't have the good fortune to work with; the other Chairs that were up here; all the people that served in the past. My self-appreciation for this body has grown immensely in just these past two hours.

Kit and Al neither of you have ever demanded respect from anybody, but by the turn out today and by the way that you conducted yourself, you earned respect from everybody. Both of you when I think of you, you are dependable as gravity. You are working all the time. And people can count on you to get the job done. I thank you for your friendship; for your guidance, and I wish you both the best. Thank you."

VICE-CHAIR PRO TEMPORE WARE: "To AI and Kit first of all I would like to thank you for your patience. The both of you know what I mean when I say your patience for the many times that I had to page you or call you late at night when I couldn't get

those car phones straight, when I was upset about my district. It's just like what Commissioner Palamara said you never demand respect, but by the turn out today we all love you and we respect you. Because I know that I've been allowed to continue to page you and call you, I'm going to say God's speed to you. Enjoy your retirement. Each day that the Lord give you is a gift, so please take time out for yourself. Don't allow everyone to call you. Only me. And I have something from my office for the both of you. Thank you for all your cooperation."

CHAIRMAN SOLOMON: "I see the Chief of Staff, the former Director of the Health and Community Services Department, and more importantly former County Commissioner of the 6th District in the house. I know he worked with both Kit and AI, and we've had a number of former colleagues and present colleagues, so before I give my brief comments I would like to invite, always a Commissioner, Bernard Kilpatrick to the podium if he would like to say a few words. The first father of the City of Detroit."

BERNARD KILPATRICK: "This is like a great day in Wayne County. All probably, what's the guy name, George Cushingberry, (you know I usually go to Cush for my history)... what's the guy's name that's on the front of the building."

COMMISSIONER CUSHINGBERRY: "Anthony Wayne."

BERNARD KILPATRICK: "Anthony Wayne. Al is on a first name basis with Anthony Wayne. When Anthony Wayne road through here he said, "Hi Al how you doing?" I tell you I can't think of anybody who was more of a help to me when I came upon this floor as Commissioner. Al will get you started. He's the unofficial orientation guy. He tells you what you can do, what you can't do, and what you should be doing. I used to go up to people and say, "who is the guy who's lecturing me back here." And they would tell me that he works for you. And I would say he sure doesn't act like it.

One day Al came back into my office and there were a couple of kids playing back there on the typewriter, and he says, "Hey, hey, you kids can't be playing on the typewriter like that". I guess Al never realized that little kid he chased away would one day be Mayor of this City. But the County's loss will be.... Well, it won't be a total County loss because it will be Warren Valley's gain. It will be Inkster Valley's gain. And I'm looking forward to getting out there and hitting it with Al over the next couple of years. We're talking about our baggage of resources in this County. On a serious note, we are really losing probably the historian of the Commission. Y'all should get some tapes and type some of that stuff up, because he knows it, he knows everybody. And he does treat everybody with respect. So, we really are losing a giant here in Wayne County. I'm glad to be a part of his career."

Kit... Kit... Kit's not going anywhere. So who's going to mentor Commissioners up here. The Commissioners, they're in trouble now. I don't have anybody to call to see if I can talk to a Commissioner now. They're wonderful people. I'm so glad to have been associated with both the 16th and the 17th Commissioner up here. And I

tell you the County as a whole will suffer by losing both of them. Love both of you and great, great luck in the future. And I'm glad both of you can retire while you're still young enough to enjoy it."

VICE-CHAIR BEARD: "Mr. Chairman, I just want to say those of you who didn't serve with Bernard Kilpatrick now see what you've missed."

CHAIRMAN SOLOMON: "Well I served with him for sure. Now, I won't be long, but I wanted to say a few words about Kit and Al.

I am in my 12th year as County Commissioner and I'm in my 8th year as Chairman. Having had the privilege and the honor to be Chairman of the County Commission, while I appreciate the honor and I have loved every minute of it, there have been moments throughout the course of this eight years that have been quite challenging for me.

I want to say a few words about Al Montgomery. I think I said some of this before but I want to share a few thoughts about him and a few thoughts about Kit. When I first came to the County Commission the first major challenge that we faced was reapportionment. And all of you know what reapportionment can be like. And I was very concerned with the new Commissioners about that. We found ourselves bickering among each other to some degree because we all wanted what we considered to be the best district that we could possible have. There were a number of people who attempted to draw our districts. Some were considered to be professionals. Some were not so professional. But the expert that we had on the Commission, the person who I valued their opinion the most and the greatest, was Al Montgomery. I had a since of trust that he would do the right thing. And while we had to go to the Court, to the Michigan Supreme Court because the first districts that we came up with were overturned, I never forget that AI came to me and he said, "I told you those districts were not right. You should have listened to me." Certainly I should have listened to him. And I did, but I was outnumbered. I wasn't the Chairman at the time. The point that I'm raising with you is this, we went back to the Michigan Supreme Court and the person who crafted those districts more than anybody, was Al Montgomery. We ended up getting districts that my suburban and Detroit colleagues could live with. No disrespect to you Lyn, we ended up with a majority of Democratic colleagues. And that's really what we were looking to do at the time.

For me as Chairman I interact with our department heads and our staff and I guess sometimes AI and I have had a love hate relationship. Now when I say that I don't mean that I hated AI, I mean that I loved him. But AI was has a unique personality. He and I would bicker about things that would stay between he and I. However, in the final analysis I always knew that AI was truthful. I always knew that he had the best interest of me and the Commission at heart. I also knew that he was the 16th Commissioner, and I had to watch because sometimes he would go downstairs and I'd be wondering what he would be talking about. But, I found out that he was really trying to work out a deal on my behalf. But I told him I can handle it. He would say boss I'm trying to help you just a little bit. I really appreciate that.

I also remember when we instituted our first Legislative Agenda. And as we crafted it he said to me, "One of the things that you really need to try and do is update these Journals". I said, "We cannot possibly update these Journals. I don't want to put in the Legislative Agenda that we are going to update the Journals in the way that you're talking about because if we do, we're going to fail." He said, "I guarantee you that we will not fail." And we didn't. I really appreciated that about him. Because what that said to me is that not only did he have a passion for making the Commission look good, but he had a zeal and a zest for public service. So I really appreciate my time with Al Montgomery and I will always treasure him as an individual and as a friend.

Last and certainly not least, all of us face challenges in our lives, whether they're personal, whether they're political, or whether it's job related. There were several times that I faced some personal challenges. And there was one time in particular and I won't get into it. And a few of my colleagues and a few staff people that I have great admiration and respect for, came to me on several occasions and said, "Don't worry about it." Well the one person that came to me on a regular basis and helped me through my situation was Kit Spencer. Kit Spencer is my friend. I love her to death. You do not know how much this lady means to me. And I want to say to all of you publicly that I didn't want her to leave. I asked her to stay. And I'm not going to get into why she means so much to me, but she knows. I trust her. I value her friendship. She is truly a family member to me. And I love her very dearly, and I just wanted to say that today. Thank you very much.

I would like to give these resolutions to them. And you all are going to have to forgive me but sometimes when you reflect back on your life, and you reflect back on the challenges that you faced, and you really look at the people who have helped you down the way, it doesn't matter where a person is from, it doesn't matter what they look like, it doesn't matter about their politics, what's important is what they mean to you and what they do for you. And how they have been supportive of you throughout your tenure and your course in life. And so both of these people have helped me. Al has been a special friend, but Kit has been like a surrogate mother to me; an aunt; a friend; and a person that I seek advice from on very personal issues. That's why I'm going to miss her so much because she has always been an encouraging force for me, and a person I could talk to about anything. All of you when you look back over your life, you look back over your career, and you look over yours ups and your downs and challenges, you will always appreciate people who are like that to you. And today I'm going to miss her. And she knows that I didn't want her to leave. I'm telling all of y'all. I didn't want Al to go. We had a mission. We knew what we wanted to do as relates to Joyce. And he was a part of that. But I truly did not want Kit Spencer to leave. But she did. I understand why. And I'm going to truly miss you. I love both of you.

I'm not going to read this resolution. There's no need. We've said enough about each of you. I think that we have a real appreciation of what you meant to the Commission and what you mean to us. But I want to give you both these

resolutions, and I wish you God's speed, and I will be calling on both of you as I embark upon my new journey. I won't get into that. But in my new journey I'll embark upon both of you. And Kit you know I'm going to be calling on you. And I want to give you both these resolutions and allow you some time to say a few words if you would like. Thank you." [Applause.]

KIT SPENCER: "I'm very emotional and very soft hearted. And, I'm the mother of all mothers to everyone. I promised I wouldn't cry. But as I told my daughter and my friends, people here are as close if not closer than my own family. I lived with you everyday. I tried to watch out for you and take care of you. And I tried to be the best mentor to you that I could possibly be. And I truly love everything that you have done. Thank you." [Applause.]

AL MONTGOMERY: "First let me finish what didn't get done properly. I would like my wife Nancy to stand for a minute so you can see her. [Applause.] I do this because one time I was at a meeting with Clarence Young and he failed to introduce his mother-in-law, and never lived to regret it. I try to remember to take everything in proper order. Next, is my son Michael who is in fundraising and the father of two girls and one boy that I'm going to spoil quite a bit. They've already been spoiled some but I will continue. Next, is my son Douglas who is with Clear Channel Communications who has twin girls that grandma and I spoil all the time. Next, is Carrie the wife of Scott Montgomery, who is Orlando's connection to Chevrolet's Corvettes and what have you on Michigan Avenue.

The next important people in the room are my golf friends. Standing in the back is John Wiktor who I played golf with for over 30 years. Jeff Taylor is standing by the pole. And Craig Wilson is up front here, our computer expert.

I want to comment on Ed McNamara's comments, and I want to let you know that he's one up on you. He gave me a lifetime pass to the County's golf courses good until December 31, 2002.

And to straighten out George Cushingberry, my father's lesson was you can tax what you own, what you do, and what you buy. And that's it. That's all you need to know about taxation. He also taught it to John Engler. The secret of the family I must give up, because it's been known that my father served for many years as the Democratic Chairman of the Taxation Committee. But what people don't know from 1893 to 1896 my grandfather was the Republican Sheriff of Ilona County. It's ironic to see that he did die in the State Capital Building.

The comments that I've heard today were just overwhelming. I'm guilty of most of the things I'm accused of. I learned long ago, one time George Romney was on a program where he was introduced by somebody, at the time he was running for President of the United States and State Senate, and said, "Sometimes if you don't inhale those, they won't hurt you".

Kay Beard had me reading the Journals from 1890 to 1893 trying to find out when the cemetery was created in Eloise over the weekend. We did not find the date on that. The books that she promised that we finished, I'll be down here a few nights hidden in the back of the office editing them. We're not quite done. But we're almost there. And we will have that complete. That's sort of the last thing that I have to finish.

Tomorrow, I'm at the Retirement Office at 11:00 a.m. They're waiting for me with all of the necessary documents. And I have Jackie Currie's key to open the door. The people that I worked with I want to say thank you for all of the experts that have helped me; the folks that I tried to help in doing my job. And I hope that you will continue to support the staff. The time we won the award for finishing the backlog, I looked at the names on the plague, and there's only three left from that original group. So we've had some changes.

I look forward to Joyce having a good career, and the staff helping her. Each and everyone of them will be with us in the hallway here as we have our breakfast that has been ready for several hours. I hope it's still warm because the ceremony has gone much longer than we ever expected. I thank you. Please stop in the hallway and meet the family, and have breakfast with us. Mayor Bob, you have one last assignment. We expect you to make your motion to adopt the Agenda in one motion so that everybody can join us. Thank you." [Applause.]

At this point in the proceedings, everyone joined AI and Kit in taking pictures.

Chairman Solomon indicated the order of business would be to consider the Reports from Committees first.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

- A. Report from the Chairman of the <u>COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY & JUDICIARY</u> requesting suspension of the Commission Rules of Procedure and recommending the following:
 - 1. Approval of an ordinance to address the nuisance created by drug houses; to authorize the Wayne County Prosecutor to abate such nuisances; and to combat the blight of abandoned property by providing an avenue to offer affordable housing to homebuyers. (2002-68-001)

Note: The Committee did not hold the Public Hearing scheduled for Thursday, January 31, 2002.

2. Approval of a one-year contract with a one-year renewal option between the County of Wayne and Sun Valley Foods (of Detroit) in the amount of \$516,846 to provide various juice and ice cream products; the CEO advises that three companies responded to advertisements and 17 direct solicitations; after review, the Purchasing Division recommends award to Sun Valley Foods, as the lowest and most responsive bidder; the term of the contract is from March 1, 2002 through February 28, 2003; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 101 35105 750000 (Jail Food Svc). (2002-37-101)

Firm: Sun Valley Foods

Address: P.O. Box 38368, Detroit, MI 48238 Contact: Greg Tatarian (313) 865-4000

3. Approval of a professional services contract between the County of Wayne and The Guidance Center (of Southgate) in the amount of \$83,682 to transition the Wayne County Child Advocacy Program from the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office; the CEO advises that the Prosecutor's Office received start up funding from the Skillman Foundation to establish the Wayne County Child Advocacy Program; the Contractor will interface with the directors of the partnership agencies to continue the project, coordinate services, address issues and handle possible future problems until funding is obtained from an independent source; the Contractor will maintain two program sites (one each in the City of Detroit and the Taylor Health Center), supervise the project manager, two program coordinators and the forensic interviewers at each site; the term of the contract is from January 1, 2002 through February 28, 2002; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 101 22950 817000 (Child Advocacy Program). 2002-93-001

Firm: The Guidance Center

Address: 13101 Allen Road, Southgate, MI 48195

Contact: Michael Lott (734) 287-1705

4. Ratification of the Commission Chairman's Action for approval of a three year contract amendment between the County of Wayne and West Group (of St. Paul, MN) in the amount of \$443,000 to provide for the special offer amendment to the Westlaw subscriber agreement with West Group to provide access to computer assisted legal research for Wayne County's departments of Corporation Counsel, the Prosecutor's office and the Commission Counsel; the CEO advises that this contract will be charged to the three departments for a three year term extending from February 1, 2002 through January 1, 2005; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account Nos. 101 10120 982000 (Comm.), 101 21001 982000 (Corp.Counsel), 101 22900 982000 (Prosect.) (2002-40-028)

Firm: West Group

Address: 610 Opperman Drive, St. Paul, Ml. 55164-1803

Contact: None Listed

5. Approval of a lease agreement between the County of Wayne and The Guidance Center (of Southgate) in the amount of \$18,440 for space in the Taylor Health Center; the CEO advises that the Prosecutor's Office received start up funding from the Skillman Foundation to establish the Wayne County Child Advocacy Program; the Contractor will interface with the directors of the partnership agencies to continue the project, coordinate services, address issues and handle possible future problems until funding is obtained from an independent source; Wayne County will pre-pay the rental on the leased premises for the term of February 1, 2002 through December 31, 2003 utilizing funds from the Skillman Foundation; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 101 22950 941000 (Child Advocacy Program). 2002-93-002)

Firm: The Guidance Center

Address: 13101 Allen Road, Southgate, MI 48195

Contact: Michael Lott (734) 287-1705

B. Report from the Chairman of the **COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SERVICES** requesting suspension of the Commission Rules of Procedure and recommending the following:

- Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Highland Park and the County of Wayne in the amount of \$100,000 to provide for the building of a 15,000 foot playground in Perchman Park at East Buena Vista and John R. Roads, adjacent to Barber Focus Elementary School; the CEO advises that Wayne County shall reimburse construction and project expenses not to exceed \$100,000 and the City of Highland Park shall be responsible for long-term maintenance of the project; the cost of the agreement will be charged to Account No. 208 44915 817000 (Parks). (2002-60-019)
- 2. Approval of a one-year renewal option between the County of Wayne and Detroit Fire Extinguisher Company, Inc. (of Detroit) in the amount of \$14,300 to provide parts and labor to service fire extinguishers for the Department of Public Services Stores Control Division; the CEO advises that the original contract, also in the amount of \$14,300, contained an option to renew, and the Department wishes to exercise this option; the term of the contract is from April 1, 2002 through March 31, 2003; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 201 00000 111002 (Stores). (2002-37-117)

Firm: Detroit Fire Extinguisher Company, Inc. Address: 6318 14th Street, Detroit, MI 48208 Contact: Barbara J. Benak (313) 897-0984

3. Approval of a one-year contract with a one-year renewal option between the County of Wayne and Pollard Highway Products, Inc. (of Detroit) in the amount of \$1,177,864 to provide various quantities of calcium magnesium chloride for the Department of Public Services Roads and Stores Division; the CEO advises that three companies responded to advertisements and seven direct solicitations; after review, the Purchasing, Roads and Stores Divisions recommend award to Pollard, as the lowest bidder, all in accordance with specifications; the term of the contract is from March 1, 2002 through February 28, 2003; the cost if the contract will be charged to Account Nos. 201 44906 778000 (Roads-\$1,098,114) and 201 00000 111002 (Stores-\$79,750). (2002-37-029)

Firm: Pollard Highway Products, Inc.
Address: P.O. Box 33206, Detroit, MI 48232
Contact: Kevin Pollard (591) 738-2213

4. Approval of a one-year renewal contract between the County of Wayne and the Geisler Company (of Redford) in the amount of \$6,431.12 to provide indoor/outdoor vinyl tape cartridges for the Department of Public Services Stores Division; the CEO advises that the original contract dated March 9, 2001 in the amount of \$12,477 contained a one-year renewal option; the Department wishes to exercise this option; Geisler has increased the price by approximately three percent and the County has decreased each line time by four items each, to cut the total order by one-half; the term of the contract is from July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 201 00000 111010 (Stores). (2002-37-091)

Firm: Geisler Company

Address: 12675 Marlin Rd., Redford, MI 48236 Contact: Harrie Den Boer (313) 255-1450

5. Approval of an amendment to a contract between the County of Wayne and L.T. Elsey & Son, Inc. (of Harper Woods) in the amount of \$15,458 to provide additional funds for drainage supplies for the Department of Public Services Stores Division; the CEO advises that modification is needed due to increased usage by all County Departments; the amendment increases the amount of the contract from

\$227,451.25 to \$242,909.25; the term of the contract remains August 1, 2001 through July 31, 2002; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 201 00000 111011 (Stores). 2001-37-165A

Firm: L.T. Elsey & Son, Inc.

Address: 20416 Harper Ave, Harper Woods, MI 48225

Contact: James C. Elsey (313) 886-9700

6. Approval of a preliminary engineering consultant services contract between the County of Wayne and Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May, Inc. (of Ann Arbor) in the amount of \$56,733.95 to provide professional design and related services in connection with the Inkster Road Project (from Michigan Avenue to Corona Street) in the City of Inkster; the CEO advises that 18 companies responded to advertisements and direct solicitations; after review, the Wayne County Review Committee recommends Ayres Lewis as the best proponent for the project, all in accordance to specifications; the contract will commence upon Commission approval; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 201 44908 812000 (Roads). (2002-37-011A)

Firm: Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May, Inc.

Address: 5820 Lilley Road, Ste.4, Canton, MI 48187

Contact: Abe Munfah (734) 761-1010

7. Approval of a preliminary engineering consultant services contract between the County of Wayne and Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May, Inc. (of Ann Arbor) in the amount of \$48,405.63 to provide for the design of Sheldon Road (from Ann Arbor Trail to the CSX Railroad) in the City of Plymouth and Plymouth Township; the CEO advises that 18 companies responded to advertisements and direct solicitations; after review, the Wayne County Review Committee recommends Ayres Lewis as the best proponent for the project, all in accordance to specifications; the contract will commence upon Commission approval; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 201 44908 812000 (Roads). (2002-37-011B)

Firm: Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May, Inc.

Address: 5820 Lilley Road, Ste.4, Canton, MI 48187

Contact: Abe Munfah (734) 761-1010

8. Approval of a preliminary engineering consultant services contract between the County of Wayne and Madison Madison International of Michigan, Inc. (of Detroit) in the amount of \$58,797.60 to provide for the design of Beech-Daly Road (from Schoolcraft Road to Five Mile Road) in Redford Township; the CEO advises that 18 companies responded to advertisements and direct solicitations; after review, the Wayne County Review Committee recommends Madison Madison as the best proponent for the project, all in accordance to specifications; the contract will commence upon Commission approval; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 201 44908 812000 (Roads). (2002-37-011C)

Firm: Madison Madison International of Michigan, Inc. Address: 1420 Washington Blvd., Detroit, MI 48226 Contact: Sharon Madison-Polk (313) 963-6110

9. Approval of a preliminary engineering consultant services contract between the County of Wayne and The Mannik & Smith Group, Inc. (of Dearborn) in the amount of \$130,758.67 to provide for the design of Warren Road (from Canton Center to Morton-Taylor Road) in Canton Township; the CEO advises that 18 companies responded to advertisements and direct solicitations; after review, the Wayne County Review Committee recommends Mannik & Smith as the best proponent for the project, all in accordance to specifications; the contract will commence upon

Commission approval; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 201 44908 812000 (Roads). (2002-37-011D)

Firm: The Mannik & Smith Group, Inc.

Address: 15300 Rotunda Dr., Ste. 306, Dearborn, MI 48120

Contact: John S. Browning, III (313) 271-2223

Approval of a preliminary engineering consultant services contract between the County of Wayne and Madison Madison International of Michigan, Inc. (of Detroit) in the amount of \$54,731.50 to provide for the design of Six-Mile Road (from Middlebelt Road to Inkster Road) in the City of Livonia; the CEO advises that 18 companies responded to advertisements and direct solicitations; after review, the Wayne County Review Committee recommends Madison Madison as the best proponent for the project, all in accordance to specifications; the contract will commence upon Commission approval; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 201 44908 812000 (Roads). (2002-37-011E)

Firm: Madison Madison International of Michigan, Inc. Address: 1420 Washington Blvd., Detroit, MI 48226

Contact: Sharon Madison-Polk (313) 963-6110

- **C.** Report from the **COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** recommending the following:
 - 1. Approval of the renewal of the Work First and Welfare to Work contract between the County of Wayne and the City of Detroit in the amount of \$400,000 to provide job placement services for the period of October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002; the CEO advises that 600 customers will be served throughout the city; revenue generated by this contract shall be deposited to Account No. 280 67198 524070 (Educ/Tng). (2001-27-004)
 - 2. Approval of an amendment to an existing lease between the County of Wayne and Brace and Carol Pentoney Willow Tree Stables (of Romulus) in the amount of \$31,500 for Willow Tree Stables located on Merriman and Pennsylvania Roads at the edge of the Pinnacle Project; the CEO advises that the location of this current tenant is in the area to be last served by utilities and demand for this property will be some time in the future, therefore the County wishes to keep this tenant in place until June 30, 2003 at \$1,500 per month; the term of the lease is from October 1, 2001 through June 30, 2003; revenue from the lease agreement shall be deposited to Account No. 278 17245 631080 (Pinnacle). (2002-23-002)

Firm: Brace and Carol Pentoney – Willow Tree Stables

Address: 16562 Merriman Rd., Romulus, MI 48174

Contact: Brace Pentoney (734) 676-5107

- 3. Approval of a Good Faith Offer between the County of Wayne and Phoenix Wrecking (of Long Island, NY) to purchase a brownfield located on 8800 Conant in Hamtramck commonly known as the Cook Family Foods property in the amount of \$1 for the expansion of the 18th Street Deli; the CEO advises this is considered to be a fair deal since Phoenix Wrecking owe \$700,000 in back taxes; this is the first step in the condemnation process and Wayne County Authority will file suit against Phoenix Wrecking within 20-days of receipt of this Offer if there is no serious attempt to settle the matter. (2002-23-001a)
- Approval of a Resolution of Necessity and Declaration of Taking by Wayne County for a brownfield located on 8800 Conant in Hamtramck commonly known as the Cook Family Foods property for the expansion of the 18th Street Deli; the CEO

advises that the property was acquired in 1993 by Phoenix Wrecking (of Long Island, NY) and has not paid taxes since 1993 and owes over \$800,000 in back taxes; the tax reversion process was delayed because the Michigan DNR made an error; the CEO further advises that the Clean Michigan Initiative (CMI) has awarded \$500,000 for the demolition and clean up of the brownfield site and the City of Hamtramck has acquired further funding from MDOT and MEDC Core Communities grant. (2002-23-001b)

5. Approval of a month-to-month lease agreement between the County of Wayne and Strait Gate International Church (of Romulus) in the amount of \$100 per month for the rental of a vacant building; CEO advises that the building's historic significance as a one room school house will be preserved by the church leasing the property; the CEO further advises that the property's future use will be a golf course; the term of the lease is month-to-month terminable by the County upon a 30-day written notice; revenue from the lease agreement shall be deposited to Account No. 278 17245 631080 (Pinnacle). (2001-23-015)

D. Report from the **COMMITTEE ON AIRPORT OPERATIONS** recommending the following:

1. Approval of a one-year contract with a one-year renewal option between the County of Wayne and Allie Brothers, Inc. (of Livonia) in the amount of \$60,000 to provide standard employee uniform items and employee voucher items for Airport Operations Personnel as required by the Collective Bargaining Agreement; the CEO advises that the Purchasing Division and Airport Department recommend Allie Brothers as the only vendor to have a local stocking facility within a fifteen mile radius of Metropolitan Airport; the term of the contract is from November 1, 2001 through October 31, 2002; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 580 97160 746010 (Metro). (2001-37-427)

Firm: Allie Brothers, Inc.

Address: 20295 Middlebelt Rd., Livonia, MI 48152

Contact: Assad Allie (248) 477-4434

2. Approval of a one-year contract with a one-year renewal option between the County of Wayne and C.E. Pollard Service, Inc. (of Detroit) in the amount of \$250,000 to provide Root and Walter Plow parts on an as needed basis; the term of the contract is from January 12, 2002 through January 11, 2003; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 580-97140 745000 (Metro). (2002-37-112)

Firm: C.E. Pollard Service, Inc.

Address: 13575 Auburn St., Detroit, MI 48223 Contact: Alexandra M. Pollard (313) 837-6776

3. Approval of a sole-source five-year fixed contract between the County of Wayne and Otis Elevator Company (of Detroit) in the amount of \$1,084,315 to provide 24-hour/7-day per week O.E.M. maintenance and repairs to 26 passenger conveyance systems at the Edward H. McNamara Terminal Parking Garage with option to renew for five one-year periods; the CEO advises that the Kone Elevator Company has submitted a quote to offer the same terms and conditions that are in place for their maintenance contract for the passenger conveyance systems in the existing terminal complex; their price to add these units to the contract would be an annual rate of \$178,000; however, they could not include any warranty period or liquidated damages for this equipment; the CEO further advises that therefore it is a prudent business decision and in the best interest of the County to recommend award to Otis Elevator Company; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 580 97145 934010 (Metro). (2002-37-092)

Firm: Otis Elevator Company

Address: 2290 Midfield Dr., Detroit, MI 48242

Contact: Steve Burger (734) 229-9960

4. Ratification of the Chairman's action and approval of a sole-source contract between the County of Wayne and Northwest Airlines (of St. Paul, MN) in the amount of \$100,000 to provide for the continued inspection, maintenance, and repairs (as needed) of baggage conveyors and carousels located in the L.C. Smith and M. Berry Terminals at Metropolitan Airport for a period of 60 days; the CEO advises that for the safety and convenience of the traveling public, it is necessary that that this equipment be in good operating condition 24 hours per day, 7 days per week; due to the age of the equipment and untimely breakdowns, the repair costs have exceeded expectations; the term of the contract will commence upon Commission approval; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 580 97140 932000 (Metro). (2002-37-131)

Firm: Northwest Airlines, Inc.

Address: 5101 Northwest Dr., Dept. B4150, St. Paul, MN 55111

Contact: Brad Stensrud (612) 726-6755

E. Report from the **COMMITTEE ON TECHNOLOGY** requesting approval of the following:

Approval of a one-year professional services contract between the County of Wayne and Origin Software Engineering, Inc. (of Detroit) in the amount of \$156,000 to provide services to support the Forfeiture Division of the Office of the Treasurer in meeting business requirements of Public Act 123 of 1999; the CEO advises that this firm was chosen from a pre-approved vendor list, based on the most responsible and qualified staff for the stated need; the term of the contract is from March 9, 2002 through March 8, 2003; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 635 25805 815000 (Info Tech). (2002-53-054)

Firm: Origin Software Engineering, Inc. Address: 220 Bagley, Ste. 250, Detroit, MI 48226

Contact: Otis Glenn (313) 961-3316

Note: Approval is contingent upon receipt of additional information from the

Department.

Approval of a one-year professional services contract between the County of Wayne and Lazar Technologies, Inc. (of Southfield) in the amount of \$84,000 to provide business analyst services for the Office of the Register of Deeds; the CEO advises that this firm was chosen from a pre-approved vendor list, based on the most responsible and qualified staff for the stated need; the term of the contract is from March 1, 2002 through February 28, 2003; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 635 25805 815000 (Info Tech). (2002-53-050)

Firm: Lazar Technologies, Inc.

Address: 15711 Jeanette, Southfield, MI 48075

Contact: Larry Freimark (248) 552-0033

Note: Approval is contingent upon receipt of additional information from the

Department.

Approval of a contract between the County of Wayne and CATS Company (of Troy)
in the amount of \$67,700 to provide data warehouse services and support for the
Department of Community Justice; the CEO advises that the Department advertised

for stated business needs to 188 entities, solicited proposals from 14 proponents, reviewed resumes, interviewed candidates, and made the selection based on the most responsible and qualified staff for the stated need; the contract will commence upon Commission approval; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 635 25805 815000 (Info Tech). (2002-53-055)

Firm: CATS Company

Address: 2100 W. Big Beaver, Troy, MI 48075 Contact: Albert Haddad (248) 816-2287

F. Report from the **COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS** recommending the following:

1. Approval of a Resolution authorizing a Budget Adjustment in the amount of \$733,488 for the Sheriff's Office. (2001-69-158)

Note: Public Hearing to be held this date, February 7, 2002

- 2. Approval of a Resolution authorizing publication of Notice of Intent and other related matters for Special Airport Facilities Bonds (Northwest Airlines, Inc.) Series 2002, in an amount not to exceed \$60 million; the CEO advises that the proposed bonds are not payable from the general funds, revenues or assets of the County or from general revenues of the airport; the principal and interest on the bonds will be payable solely and only from certain specified rentals, i.e. Special Facilities charges, to be paid by Northwest Airlines, Inc. pursuant to a lease with the County; NWA initiated the request for consideration of this proposed bond issue to support a NWA flight kitchen facility and a NWA cargo facility; the proposed resolution indicates the intention of the Commission to authorize the issuance and sale of the bonds under separate resolution at a later date. (2002-31-042)
- 3. Approval of a proposed amendment to the 2001-2002 Appropriations Ordinance (Enrolled Ordinance No. 2001-630) in accordance with Budget Adjustment No. 02-35-069, certifying additional revenue of \$93,753 in the JEDD 21st Century Fund; the CEO advises that the additional revenue results from an agreement with the Grand Haven, Dyar, Dequindre Corporation; Wayne County will receive \$93,753 which will be subcontracted to Housing and Community Development to facilitate a settlement of a 30-year discrimination lawsuit against the City of Hamtramck; this agreement was not anticipated when the budget was adopted. (2002-35-069)
- 4. Approval of a proposed amendment to the 2001-2002 Appropriations Ordinance (Enrolled Ordinance No. 2001-630) in accordance with Budget Adjustment No. 02-35-079, certifying additional revenue of \$316,480 in the Circuit Court Fund; the CEO advises that Third Circuit Court will receive additional revenue from the State of Michigan, Community Health Department for an Adult Drug Adjudication Program; the funding will be used for operational costs to provide early intervention services to domestic violence offenders with substance abuse problems in an effort to lower offender recidivism. (2002-35-079)

G. Report from the **COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS** recommending the following:

1. Approval to authorize the Risk Management Division of Wayne County to continue payment and to fully implement the provisions of all Wayne County labor agreements and state law with respect to employee benefits (i.e.; health, dental and optical insurance); the term of the authorization is from February 7, 2002 through September 31, 2002. (2002-37-071A-G)

Firm: Health Alliance Plan

Address: 2850 W. Grand Blvd, Detroit, MI 48202

Contact: Sheila Powell (248) 443-1046 DAP: 2002-37-071A (\$9,400,000)

Firm: Blue Care Network of Michigan/Blue Cross Blue Shield of MI

Address: 600 Lafayette East, Detroit, MI 48226 Contact: Francine Pegues (313) 225-9001 DAP: 2002-37-071B (\$2,807,620) DAP: 2002-37-071F (\$60,848,515)

Firm: Omnicare Health Plan

Address: 1155 Brewery Park Blvd, Ste. 250, Detroit, MI 48207

Contact: Lydia Robinson (313) 393-6717 DAP: 2002-37-071C (\$1,073,420)

Firm: Total Health Care

Address: 2011 W. Grand Blvd., Ste. 1600, Detroit, MI 48202

Contact: Stephen Slaga (313) 871-7810 DAP: 2002-37-071D (\$142,006)

Firm: Golden Dental Plans, Inc.

Address: 29377 Hoover Road, Warren, MI 48093

Contact: Gary Bingaman (800) 457-5918 DAP: 2002-37-071E (\$883,714)

Firm: Consolidated Financial Corporation

Address: 31780 Telegraph Rd., 1st Floor, Bingham Farms, MI 48025

Contact: Anthony Paschke (800) 232-2383

DAP: 2002-37-071G (\$7,886.78)

- 2. Approval of a record retention and disposal schedule for the Department of Management and Budget, Purchasing Division pursuant to Procurement Ordinance, Section 120.12.2(2); the CEO advises that the Procurement Ordinance states that the Wayne County Commission shall approve the proposed record retention and disposal schedule with a resolution before submitting to the Michigan State archives for final approval; the proposed record retention and disposal schedule was developed with the assistance of Corporation Counsel in accordance with the State Archives of Michigan guidelines; it is advised that bid files and purchase orders from 1986 through 1993 will be destroyed by shredding. (2002-31-008)
- 3. Approval of a professional services contract between the County of Wayne and Pierce Monroe & Associates (of Detroit) in the amount of \$650,000 to provide implementation and project support services for the JD Edwards financial, equipment, and inventory systems, the Wayne County Treasurer's investment system Resource IQ2, and related development of policies and procedures; the CEO advises that this project will integrate the JD Edwards financial system and the Treasurer's system, eliminate duplication of efforts, and provide efficiencies for all user departments; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 401 40100 817000 (Capital Programs). (2001-31-033)

Firm: Pierce Monroe & Associates
Address: 2200 Buhl Bldg., Detroit, MI 48226
Contact: Phillip Pierce (313) 961-1940

4. Approval of a legal services contract renewal with Lewis & Munday, PC (of Detroit) in the amount of \$15,000 to secure assistance with legal consultation and potential representation as bond counsel in the borrowing of money pursuant to the equipment

and real property financing program of the Michigan Bond Authority for the purpose of Wayne County's Master Equipment Purchase program; the term of this contract is from January 26, 2002 through January 26, 2003; the CEO used his delegated authority and approved the original contract on March 2, 2001 for the term of January 26, 2001 through January 26, 2002 in the amount of \$15,000; this firm is necessary due to their expertise and knowledge of this area of law; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 101 21001 814000 (Corp Couns-Legal Div). (2002-40-009)

Firm: Lewis & Munday, PC

Address: 1300 First National Bld., Detroit, MI 48226

Contact: David Baker Lewis (313) 961-2550

5. Approval of a legal services contract with Barris, Sott, Denn & Driker, PLLC (of Detroit) in the amount of \$15,000 to continue to secure assistance in providing legal consultation and representation in certain employment matters; the term of this contract is from October 27, 2001 through October 27, 2002; since 1997, the Commission has approved \$45,000 on this matter and this contract will increase the amount to \$60,000; the original contract was approved by the Commission on September 4, 1997 in the amount of \$15,000 for the term of October 27, 1997 through October 27, 1998; the next Commission action was on October 7, 1999 to approve a contract in the amount of \$15,000 for a term of October 27, 1999 through October 27, 2000: the Commission renewed this contract on March 15, 2001 in the amount of \$15,000 for a term of October 27, 2000 through October 27, 2001; Sharon Woods is designated to work on this mater at a rate of \$140 per hour; this firm is necessary due to their expertise in employment law; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 635 22600 814000 (Human Resources-Admin). (2002-40-103)

Firm: Barris, Sott, Denn & Driker, PLLC

Address: 211 W. Fort St., 15th Floor, Detroit, MI 48226

Contact: Sharon M. Woods (313) 965-9725

6. Approval of amendment No. 2 to a legal services contract between the County of Wayne and Johnson, Rosati, LaBarge, Aseltyne & Field, PC (of Farmington Hills) in the amount of \$25,000 to secure continued legal consultation and potential representation in several inter-related cases involving concentrated municipal issues which includes police misconduct; the term of the contract is from April 3, 2001 through April 3, 2002; the Chief Executive Officer used his delegated authority to approve the original contract on April 2, 2001 in amount \$15,000; the Commission approved the first amendment to the contract on August 2, 2001 to increase the contract to \$45,000; the CEO advises that this firm is necessary due to their expertise in inter-related municipal matters; this amendment increases the amount of the contract from \$45,000 to \$70,000; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 635 22600 814000 (Human Resources-Admin). (2001-40-050B)

Firm: Johnson, Rosati, LaBarge, Aseltyne & Field, PC

Address: 34405 W. 12 Mile Rd., Ste. 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48331

Contact: Daniel P. Dalton (248) 489-4100

7. Approval of a professional services contract between the County of Wayne and JCI Design (of Dearborn) in the amount of \$56,000 to provide graphic design services for the preparation of the 2001 and 2002 Wayne County Annual Report. The term of the contract is from February 1, 2002 through March 31, 2003. The CEO advises that a request for proposals was sent out in the fall of 2001 for graphic design services to six firms. In addition there was an advertisement in the local newspapers. As a result, four proposals were received; the Selection Committee deemed the proposal

from JCI Design the best as they have the most experience and qualified staff. The cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 635 20102 817000 (Central Svcs). (2002-31-041)

Firm: JCI Design

Address: 1360 Porter St., Ste. 102, Dearborn, MI 48124-3802 Contact: Sue Stoker, Account Manager (313) 561-6280

8. Approval of a sole-source contract between the County of Wayne and Team Collaboration (of Troy) in the amount of \$24,800 for the purchase of 20 software license upgrades of Pas/Tract and yearly support agreements, Java Locate and yearly support agreements, and 160 hours of custom mapping and database support for the Remonumentation Computer System; the term of the contract is from January 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 101 24500 812000 (R of D Remon Grant). (2002-37-075)

Firm: Team Collaboration

Address: 170 Redwood, Troy, MI 48083 Contact: Jerry Hosack (248) 588-4016

Commissioner Blackwell, supported by Vice-Chair Pro Tempore Ware, moved approval of foregoing Report A items 2 and 4, Report B items 1 thru 10, Report C items 1 thru 5, Report D items 1 thru 4, Report E items 1 thru 3, Report F items 1 thru 4, and Report G items 1 thru 8, and adoption of the resolutions.

Commissioner Parker, supported by Commissioner Boike, moved to refer foregoing Report A items 1, 3 and 5 back to the Committee on Public Safety and Judiciary.

The motion prevailed by voice vote.

At this point in the proceedings, Commissioner C. Cavanagh indicated he would like to abstain on foregoing Report A item 4.

During discussion, Vice-Chair Beard assumed the Chair, the time being 11:42 a.m.

As discussion continued, Commissioner C. Cavanagh indicated that it was brought to his attention by the Clerk of the Commission that he needed to provide a reason for his abstention on Report A item 4. Commissioner C. Cavanagh indicated that he abstained because a family member works for the West Group Company.

The Commission Counsel indicated that in the absence of Commissioner P. Cavanagh, the record should reflect his disclosure.

Commissioner Cushingberry, supported by Commissioner Varga, moved to open the required public hearing on foregoing Report F item 1.

The Commissioners voted as follows:

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Yea -- Commissioners Bankes, Blackwell, Boike, C. Cavanagh,
Cushingberry, Hall, Palamara, Varga, Vice-Chair Pro Tempore
Ware, Vice-Chair Beard -- 10
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Nay -- None Abstain -- None

Not Voting -- Commissioner Sullivan -- 1

Excused -- Commissioners P. Cavanagh, Hubbard, Parker, Chairman Solomon -- 4

There being no public comment, Commissioner Varga, supported by Commissioner Cushingberry, moved to close the public hearing.

The Commissioners voted as follows:

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Yea -- Commissioners Bankes, Blackwell, Boike, Cushingberry, Hall, Palamara, Sullivan, Varga, Vice-Chair Pro Tempore Ware, Vice-Chair Beard -- 10
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Nay -- None Abstain -- None

Not Voting -- Commissioner C. Cavanagh -- 1

Excused -- Commissioners P. Cavanagh, Hubbard, Parker, Chairman Solomon -- 4

Following discussion by the Commissioners with Marge Whittemore, Deputy Director, Business Development Division, Department of Jobs and Economic Development; William Wolfson, Deputy Corporation Counsel and Ben Washburn, Commission Counsel, Vice-Chair Beard requested a vote on the main motion and adoption of the resolutions, which prevailed, a majority of Commissioners serving having voted therefor by the following Roll Call:

REPORT A ITEMS 2 and 4, REPORT B ITEMS 1 thru 10, REPORT C ITEMS 1 thru 4, REPORT D ITEMS 1 thru 4, REPORT E ITEMS 1 thru 3, REPORT F ITEMS 1 thru 4, REPORT G ITEMS 1 thru 8

Yea -- Commissioners Bankes, Blackwell, Boike, C. Cavanagh1, Cushingberry, Hall, Palamara2, Sullivan, Varga, Vice-Chair Pro Tempore Ware, Vice-Chair Beard -- 11

Nay -- None Abstain -- None Not Voting -- None

Excused -- Commissioners P. Cavanagh, Hubbard, Parker, Chairman Solomon -- 4

[Resolution Nos. 2002-075 thru 2002-110]

<u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>

From the Committee on **PUBLIC SERVICES** Report of January 24, 2002:

1 Commissioner C. Cavanagh abstained from voting on Report A item 4. A family member of Commissioner C. Cavanagh is employed with the West Group Company.

² Commissioner Palamara abstained from voting on Report G item 1 (the Blue Care Network of Michigan/Blue Cross Blue Shield of MI contract). Commissioner Palamara previously worked as a consultant with Blue Cross Blue Shield of MI.

 Rejection of a three-year contract with a one-year renewal option between the County of Wayne and Sanders Building Services (of Detroit) in the amount of \$387,600 to provide custodial services at the Department of Public Services Neudeck Building; the CEO advises that six firms responded to the RFP; after review, the selection committee recommends award to Sanders Building Services; the contract will commence upon Commission approval; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 201 44907 817010 (Metro). (2002-37-020)

Firm: Sanders Building Services

Address: 16000 E. Warren Ave., Detroit, MI 48224 Contact: Roderic G. Sanders (313) 886-0283

Items 2-17 previously considered.

Commissioner Sullivan, supported by Commissioner Palamara, moved to reject the foregoing item and sent out for re-bid, and adoption of the resolution.

Following discussion, Vice-Chair Beard requested a vote on adoption of the resolution, which prevailed, a majority of Commissioners serving having voted therefor by the following Roll Call:

Yea -- Commissioners Bankes, Blackwell, Boike, C. Cavanagh, Hall,

Palamara, Sullivan, Varga, Vice-Chair Beard -- 9

Nay -- None

Abstain -- Commissioner Cushingberry, Vice-Chair Pro Tempore Ware -- 2

Not Voting -- None

Excused -- Commissioners P. Cavanagh, Hubbard, Parker, Chairman Solomon -- 4

[Resolution No. 2002-111]

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

The Clerk of the Commission indicated there was one item to be considered at this time. The item was an ordinance introduced by Commissioner Hubbard amending Sections 120.3101, 120.3204, 120.3402, 120.3403, 120.3404, 120.3405, 120.5202, 120.7101, 120.7107, and 120.7108 of the Wayne County Code of Ordinances.

Commissioner Cushingberry, supported by Commissioner Varga, moved introduction for first reading and referral to the Committee on Government Operations.

The motion prevailed by voice vote.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM GOVERNMENTAL OFFICIAL AND AGENCIES

A. Communications from Wayne County Executive Edward H. McNamara:

To Committee on Airport Operations 1/24/2002

Dated January 18, 2002 (received January 23rd) requesting Commission approval of an amendment for professional services between the County of Wayne and The Program Managers Team, LLC (of Detroit) for funding for fourth and fifth years of an amount not to exceed \$6,254,105 for management of the design and construction of Department of Airports facilities under the Airport Capital Improvement Program; the CEO advises that the contract was initially funded for a three-year period, which commenced September 1, 1998; this amendment provides additional funding for the remainder of the contract term; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 481 97560 815000 (CIP). (98-37-035B)

Firm: Program Managers Team, LLC

Address: 1420 Washington Blvd., Detroit, MI 48226

Contact: Jon Hypnar (734) 941-5200

To Committee on Public Safety & Judiciary 1/24/2001 2.

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Dated January 17, 2002 (received January 23rd) requesting Commission approval of a one-year contract with a one-year renewal option between the County of Wayne and Sun Valley Foods (of Detroit) in the amount of \$516,846 to provide various juice and ice cream products; the CEO advises that three companies responded to advertisements and 17 direct solicitations; after review, the Purchasing Division recommends award to Sun Valley Foods, as the lowest and most responsive bidder; the term of the contract is from March 1, 2002 through February 28, 2003; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 101 35105 750000 (Jail Food Svc). (2002-37-101)

Firm: Sun Valley Foods

Address: P.O. Box 38368, Detroit, MI 48238 Contact: Greg Tatarian (313) 865-4000

To Committee on Health and Human Services 1/24/2002 Dated January 11, 2002 (received January 22, 2002) requesting Commission approval of a contract renewal between the County of Wayne and Laboratory Corporation of American Holdings (of Dublin, OH) in the amount of \$11,072 for analysis of forensic postmortem specimens as required by the Medical Examiner's Office; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 101 64800 761000 (Medical Examiner). (2002-37-102)

Firm: Laboratory Corporation

Address: 6370 Wilcox Rd., Dublin, OH 43016

Contact: James Mott (614) 889-1061

To Committee on Environment, Drains & Sewers 1/24/2002

4. Dated January 16, 2002 (received January 22, 2002) requesting Commission approval of a two-year single-response source contract with one-year renewal option between the County of Wayne and Jones Chemical (of Riverview) in the amount of \$19,800 for the purchase of Sodium Hypochloride solution to be delivered in bulk for the Wyandotte Wastewater Treatment Plant to treat air in the odor control system; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 590 54003 760000 (Downriver Sewage). (2002-37-118)

Firm: Jones Chemical

Address: 18000 Pavne Ave., Riverview, MI 48192

Contact: Donald Skidmore (734) 283-0677

To Committee on Environment, Drains & Sewers 1/24/2002

Dated January 16, 2002 (received January 22, 2002) requesting Commission approval of a sole-source contract between the County of Wayne and JGM Valve Company (of Commerce, MI) in the amount of \$12,621 for the purchase of parts to rebuild a Vaughan Chopper Pump; the cost of the

contract shall be charged to Account No. 590 54003 745000 (Downriver Sewage). (2002-37-130)

Firm: JGM Valve Company

Address: 1155 Welch Road, Ste. D, Commerce, MI 46390

Contact: Barb Young (248) 926-6200

To Committee on Airport Operations 1/29/2002 6.

Dated December 11, 2001 (received January 28, 2002) requesting Commission emergency approval of a sole-source contract between the County of Wayne and Northwest Airlines (of St. Paul, MN) in the amount of \$100,000 to provide for the continued inspection, maintenance, and repairs (as needed) of baggage conveyors and carousels located in the L.C. Smith and M. Berry Terminals at Metropolitan Airport for a period of 60 days; the CEO advises that for the safety and convenience of the traveling public, it is necessary that that this equipment be in good operating condition 24 hours per day, 7 days per week; due to the age of the equipment and untimely breakdowns, the repair costs have exceeded expectations; the term of the contract will commence upon Commission approval; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 580 97140 932000 (Metro). (2002-37-131)

Firm: Northwest Airlines. Inc.

Address: 5101 Northwest Dr., Dept. B4150, St. Paul, MN 55111

Contact: Brad Stensrud (612) 726-6755

Note: Chairman Solomon has authorized emergency approval of the contract under the provisions of the Procurement Ordinance and has advised that this is for a period not to exceed 60 days during which time the appropriate Committee(s) of the Commission will complete the review of this matter.

To Committee on Environment, Drains & Sewers 1/24/2002

7. Dated January 16, 2002 (received January 22, 2002) requesting Commission approval of a sole-source contract between the County of Wayne and Dubric, Inc. (of Livonia) in the amount of \$6,037.41 for the purchase of seals for Raw Sewage Pump #4 for the Department of Environment, Wastewater Treatment Plant; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 590 54003 745000 (Downriver Sewage). (2002-37-135)

Firm: Dubric, Inc.

Address: 11912 Farmington Road, Livonia, MI 48150

Contact: Brad Ladner (800) 848-0022

To Committee on Public Services 1/29/2002

8.

Dated January 8, 2002 (received January 28th) requesting Commission approval of a preliminary engineering consultant services contract between the County of Wayne and Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May, Inc. (of Ann Arbor) in the amount of \$56,733.95 to provide professional design and related services in connection with the Inkster Road Project (from Michigan Avenue to Corona Street) in the City of Inkster; the CEO advises that 18 companies responded to advertisements and direct solicitations; after review, the Wayne County Review Committee recommends Ayres Lewis as the best proponent for the project, all in accordance to specifications; the contract will commence upon Commission approval; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 201 44908 812000 (Roads). (2002-37-011A)

Firm: Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May, Inc.

Address: 5820 Lilley Road, Ste. 4, Canton, MI 48187

Contact: Abe Munfah (734) 761-1010

To Committee on

9. Dated January 7, 2002 (received January 28th) requesting Commission

Public Services 1/29/2002

approval of a preliminary engineering consultant services contract between the County of Wayne and Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May, Inc. (of Ann Arbor) in the amount of \$48,405.63 to provide for the design of Sheldon Road (from Ann Arbor Trail to the CSX Railroad) in the City of Plymouth and Plymouth Township; the CEO advises that 18 companies responded to advertisements and direct solicitations; after review, the Wayne County Review Committee recommends Ayres Lewis as the best proponent for the project, all in accordance to specifications; the contract will commence upon Commission approval; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 201 44908 812000 (Roads). (2002-37-011B)

Firm: Ayres, Lewis, Norris & May, Inc.

Address: 5820 Lilley Road, Ste. 4, Canton, MI 48187

Contact: Abe Munfah (734) 761-1010

To Committee on Public Services 1/29/2002

10.

Dated January 9, 2002 (received January 28th) requesting Commission approval of a preliminary engineering consultant services contract between the County of Wayne and Madison Madison International of Michigan, Inc. (of Detroit) in the amount of \$58,797.60 to provide for the design of Beech-Daly Road (from Schoolcraft Road to Five Mile Road) in Redford Township; the CEO advises that 18 companies responded to advertisements and direct solicitations; after review, the Wayne County Review Committee recommends Madison Madison as the best proponent for the project, all in accordance to specifications; the contract will commence upon Commission approval; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 201 44908 812000 (Roads). (2002-37-011C)

Firm: Madison Madison International of Michigan, Inc. Address: 1420 Washington Blvd., Detroit, MI 48226 Contact: Sharon Madison-Polk (313) 963-6110

To Committee on Public Services 1/29/2002

11. Dated January 7, 2002 (received January 28th) requesting Commission approval of a preliminary engineering consultant services contract between the County of Wayne and The Mannik & Smith Group, Inc. (of Dearborn) in the amount of \$130,758.67 to provide for the design of Warren Road (from Canton Center to Morton-Taylor Road) in Canton Township; the CEO advises that 18 companies responded to advertisements and direct solicitations; after review, the Wayne County Review Committee recommends Mannik & Smith as the best proponent for the project, all in accordance to specifications; the contract will commence upon Commission approval; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 201 44908 812000 (Roads). (2002-37-011D)

Firm: The Mannik & Smith Group, Inc.

Address: 15300 Rotunda Dr., Ste. 306, Dearborn, MI 48120

Contact: John S. Browning, III (313) 271-2223

To Committee on Public Services 1/29/2002

Dated January 7, 2002 (received January 28th) requesting Commission approval of a preliminary engineering consultant services contract between the County of Wayne and Madison Madison International of Michigan, Inc. (of Detroit) in the amount of \$54,731.50 to provide for the design of Six-Mile Road (from Middlebelt Road to Inkster Road) in the City of Livonia; the CEO advises that 18 companies responded to advertisements and direct solicitations; after review, the Wayne County Review Committee recommends Madison Madison as the best proponent for the project, all in accordance to specifications; the contract will commence upon Commission approval; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 201 44908

812000 (Roads). (2002-37-011E)

Firm: Madison Madison International of Michigan, Inc. Address: 1420 Washington Blvd., Detroit, MI 48226 Contact: Sharon Madison-Polk (313) 963-6110

To Committee on Health and Human Services 1/30/2002 13.

Dated November 27, 2001 (received January 29, 2002) requesting Commission approval of an amendment to a contract between the County of Wayne and Clark & Associates (of Detroit) in the amount of \$90,196; this amendment will provide funds to add a project director and part time support staff for the implementation and management of a federally funded Treatment Foster Care (TFC) initiative; the TFC will provide Wayne County's CMO's with additional placement/treatment options which are less costly than residential or other out of home placements for juveniles involved with the Juvenile Justice System; this amendment increases the amount of the contract from \$482,390 to \$572,586; the term of the contract is from October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 101 60305 817000 (Bldg Treat Foster Care). (2001-04-084A)

Firm: Clark & Associates

Address: 18585 W. 8 Mile Rd., Detroit, MI 48219

Contact: Dr. Noelle Clark (313) 387-4941

To Committee on Economic Development 1/30/2002

Dated January 17, 2002 (received January 29th) between the County of Wayne and Strait Gate International Church (of Romulus) in the amount of \$100 per month for the rental of a vacant building; CEO advises that the building's historic significance as a one room school house will be preserved by the church leasing the property; the CEO further advises that the property's future use will be a golf course; the term of the lease is month-to-month terminable by the County upon a 30-day written notice; revenue from the lease agreement shall be deposited to Account No. 278 17245 631080 (Pinnacle). (2001-23-015)

To Committee on Government Operations 1/29/2002 15. Dated December 7, 2001 (received January 29, 2002) requesting Commission approval of a professional services contract between the County of Wayne and Pierce Monroe & Associates (of Detroit) in the amount of \$650,000 to provide implementation and project support services for the JD Edwards financial, equipment, and inventory systems, the Wayne County Treasurer's investment system Resource IQ2, and related development of policies and procedures; the CEO advises that this project will integrate the JD Edwards financial system and the Treasurer's system, eliminate duplication of efforts, and provide efficiencies for all user departments; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 401 40100 817000 (Capital Programs). (2001-31-033)

Firm: Pierce Monroe & Associates
Address: 2200 Buhl Bldg., Detroit, MI 48226
Contact: Phillip Pierce (313) 961-1940

To Committee on Public Services 1/25/2002 16. Dated January 4, 2002 (received January 24th) requesting Commission approval of an amendment to a contract between the County of Wayne and L.T. Elsey & Son, Inc. (of Harper Woods) in the amount of \$15,458 to provide additional funds for drainage supplies for the Department of Public Services Stores Division; the CEO advises that modification is needed due to increased usage by all County Departments; the amendment increases the

amount of the contract from \$227,451.25 to \$242,909.25; the term of the contract remains August 1, 2001 through July 31, 2002; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 201 00000 111011 (Stores). 2001-37-165A

Firm: L.T. Elsey & Son, Inc.

Address: 20416 Harper Ave, Harper Woods, MI 48225

Contact: James C. Elsey (313) 886-9700

To Committee on Economic Development 1/25/2002 17.

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Dated January 17, 2002 (received January 24th) requesting Commission approval of an amendment to an existing lease between the County of Wayne and Brace and Carol Pentoney – Willow Tree Stables (of Romulus) in the amount of \$31,500 for Willow Tree Stables located on Merriman and Pennsylvania Roads at the edge of the Pinnacle Project; the CEO advises that the location of this current tenant is in the area to be last served by utilities and demand for this property will be some time in the future, therefore the County wishes to keep this tenant in place until June 30, 2003 at \$1,500 per month; the term of the lease is from October 1, 2001 through June 30, 2003; revenue from the lease agreement shall be deposited to Account No. 278 17245 631080 (Pinnacle). (2002-23-002)

Firm: Brace and Carol Pentoney – Willow Tree Stables

Address: 16562 Merriman Rd., Romulus, MI 48174

Contact: Brace Pentoney (734) 676-5107

To Committee on Economic Development 1/30/2002

Dated January 16, 2002 (received January 30th) requesting Commission approval of a Good Faith Offer between the County of Wayne and Phoenix Wrecking (of Long Island, NY) to purchase a brownfield located on 8800 Conant in Hamtramck commonly known as the Cook Family Foods property in the amount of \$1 for the expansion of the 18th Street Deli; the CEO advises this is considered to be a fair deal since Phoenix Wrecking owe \$800,000 in back taxes; this is the first step in the condemnation process and the Wayne County Brownfield Authority will file suit against the Phoenix Wrecking within 20-days of receipt of this Offer if there is no serious attempt to settle the matter. (2002-23-001A)

To Committee on Economic Development 1/30/2002 19. Dated January 16, 2002 (received January 30th) requesting Commission approval of a Resolution of Necessity and Declaration of Taking by the Wayne County for a brownfield located on 8800 Conant in Hamtramck commonly known as the Cook Family Foods property for the expansion of the 18th Street Deli; the CEO advises that the property was acquired in 1993 by Phoenix Wrecking (of Long Island, NY) and has not paid taxes since 1993 and owes over \$800,000 in back taxes; the tax reversion process was delayed because the Michigan DNR made an error; the CEO further advises that the Clean Michigan Initiative (CMI) has awarded \$500,000 for the demolition and clean up of the brownfield site and the City of Hamtramck has acquired further funding from MDOT and MEDC Core Communities grant. (2002-23-001B)

To Committee on Health and Human Services 1/25/2002 20. Dated January 25, 2002 (received January 24, 2002) requesting Commission approval of a contract amendment between the County of Wayne and Michigan Family Independence Agency (FIA) (of Detroit) in the amount of \$79,675.05 for services and programs related to the Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program; the CEO advises that the currently adopted budget contemplated \$205,288 in State grant revenues for the current year; of the

funds remaining in this agreement, \$79,675.05 are attributable to the current year; the difference of \$125,613 will be made up by a pending CPBC amendment, adding \$126,483 in funding from the Michigan Department of Community Health; the term of the contract is from April 1, 2001 through December 31, 2001; the cost of the contract amendment shall be charged to Account No. 221 60122 various account numbers (County Health Fund). (2002-08-012)

Firm: Michigan Family Independence Agency (FIA)
Address: 1200 Sixth Street, Detroit, MI 48226-2496

Contact: Barbara Howard (313) 256-1010

To Committee on Health and Human Services 1/25/2002 21.

Dated January 23, 2002 (received January 24, 2002) requesting Commission approval of a one-year contract between the County of Wayne and Oakwood Healthcare System (of Dearborn) in the amount of \$148,100 to provide outpatient tuberculosis treatment services for clients referred by the Wayne County Health Department or private physicians; the term of the contract is from October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 221 60500 811000 (County Health Fund). (2002-08-011)

Firm: Oakwood Healthcare System

Address: 18101 Oakwood Blvd., Dearborn, MI 48124

Contact: None listed.

To Committee on Technology 1/29/2002

22. Dated December 21, 2001 (received January 28, 2002) requesting Commission approval of a contract between the County of Wayne and Symcom, Inc. (of Detroit) in the amount of \$298,000 to provide an inventory and examination of all utility charges and evaluation of the cost allocation method for utility charges; the CEO advises that this contract will provide the County with a complete inventory of all utility meters as well as an evaluation of the utility rates paid by the County; a review of the internal control processes relating to the payment of these charges as well as a review of the allocation method used to charge County Departments will also be performed; the anticipated completion date for this project is December 31, 2002; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 635 20102 817000 (Central Svcs). (2002-01-039)

Firm: Symcom, Inc.

Address: 3011 W. Grand Blvd., Detroit, MI 48202

Contact: Ralph Burrell (313) 874-3500

To Committee on Airport Operations 1/24/2002

23. Dated January 23, 2002 (received January 23, 2002) requesting Commission approval of a five-year fixed contract between the County of Wayne and Otis Elevator Company (of Detroit) in the amount of \$1,084,315 to provide 24hour/7-day per week O.E.M. maintenance and repairs to 26 passenger conveyance systems at the Edward H. McNamara Terminal Parking Garage with option to renew for five one-year periods; the CEO advises that the Kone Elevator Company has submitted a quote to offer the same terms and conditions that are in place for their maintenance contract for the passenger conveyance systems in the existing terminal complex; their price to add these units to the contract would be an annual rate of \$178.000: however. they could not include any warranty period or liquidated damages for this equipment; the CEO further advises that therefore it is a prudent business decision and in the best interest of the County to recommend award to Otis Elevator Company; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 580 97145 934010 (Metro). (2002-37-092)

Firm: Otis Elevator Company

Address: 2290 Midfield Dr., Detroit, MI 48242 Contact: Steve Burger (734) 229-9960

To Committee on Public Services 1/24/2002

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Dated December 6, 2001 (received January 23, 2002) requesting Commission approval of a one-year renewal contract between the County of Wayne and the Geisler Company (of Redford) in the amount of \$6,431.12 to provide indoor/outdoor vinyl tape cartridges for the Department of Public Services Stores Division; the CEO advises that the original contract dated March 9, 2001 in the amount of \$12,477 contained a one-year renewal option; the Department wishes to exercise this option; Geisler has increased the price by approximately three percent and the County has decreased each line time by four items each, to cut the total order by one-half; the term of the contract is from July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 201 00000 111010 (Stores). (2002-37-091)

Firm: Geisler Company

Address: 12675 Marlin Rd., Redford, MI 48236 Contact: Harrie Den Boer (313) 255-1450

To Committee on Government Operations 1/24/2002

25. Dated January 17, 2002 (received January 24, 2002) requesting Commission approval of a sole-source contract between the County of Wayne and Team Collaboration (of Troy) in the amount of \$24,800 for the purchase of 20 software license upgrades of Pas/Tract and yearly support agreements, Java Locate and yearly support agreements, and 160 hours of custom mapping and database support for the Remonumentation Computer System; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 101 24500 812000 (R of D Remon Grant). (2002-37-075)

Firm: Team Collaboration

Address: 170 Redwood, Troy, MI 48083 Contact: Jerry Hosack (248) 588-4016

To Committee on Health and Human Services 1/25/2002

Dated January 11, 2002 (received January 22, 2002) requesting Commission approval of a contract renewal between the County of Wayne and Metro Imaging Systems (of Madison Heights) in the amount of \$19,212.50 for maintenance of copier equipment for the Department of Health and Community Services, Mental Health Division; the term of the contract renewal is from October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002; the cost of the contract renewal shall be charged to Account No. 222 64900 932000 (Mental Health Fund). (2002-37-054)

Firm: Metro Imaging Systems

Address: 1645 East Avis Drive, Madison Heights, MI 48071

Contact: Patricia Fuson, President (248) 589-4700

To Committee on Government Operations 1/25/2002

Dated January 11, 2002 (received January 24, 2002) requesting Commission approval of a one-year professional services contract between the County of Wayne and JCI Design (of Dearborn) in the amount of \$56,000 to provide graphic design services for the preparation of the 2001 and 2002 Wayne County Annual Report; the term of the contract is from February 1, 2002 through March 31, 2003; the CEO advises that a request for proposals was sent out in the fall of 2001 for graphic design services to six firms; in addition there was an advertisement in the local newspapers; as a result, four proposals were received, the Selection Committee deemed the proposal from JCI Design the best as they have the most experience and qualified

staff; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 635 20102 817000 (Central Svcs). (2002-31-041)

Firm: JCI Design

Address: 1360 Porter St., Ste. 102, Dearborn, MI 48124-3802 Contact: Sue Stoker, Account Manager (313) 561-6280

To Committee on Public Safety And Judiciary 1/29/2002 28.

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Dated January 2, 2002 (received January 28th) requesting Commission approval of a lease agreement between the County of Wayne and The Guidance Center (of Southgate) in the amount of \$18,440 for space in the Taylor Health Center; the CEO advises that the Prosecutor's Office received start up funding from the Skillman Foundation to establish the Wayne County Child Advocacy Program; the Contractor will interface with the directors of the partnership agencies to continue the project, coordinate services, address issues and handle possible future problems until funding is obtained from an independent source; Wayne County will pre-pay the rental on the leased premises for the term of February 1, 2002 through December 31, 2003 utilizing funds from the Skillman Foundation; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 101 22950 941000 (Child Advocacy Program). 2002-93-002)

Firm: The Guidance Center

Address: 13101 Allen Road, Southgate, MI 48195

Contact: Michael Lott (734) 287-1705

To Committee on Public Safety And Judiciary 1/24/2002 Dated January 2, 2002 (received January 23rd) requesting Commission approval of a professional services contract between the County of Wayne and The Guidance Center (of Southgate) in the amount of \$83,682 to transition the Wayne County Child Advocacy Program from the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office; the CEO advises that the Prosecutor's Office received start up funding from the Skillman Foundation to establish the Wayne County Child Advocacy Program; the Contractor will interface with the directors of the partnership agencies to continue the project, coordinate services, address issues and handle possible future problems until funding is obtained from an independent source; the Contractor will maintain two program sites (one each in the City of Detroit and the Taylor Health Center), supervise the project manager, two program coordinators and the forensic interviewers at each site; the term of the contract is from January 1, 2002 through February 28, 2002; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 101 22950 817000 (Child Advocacy Program). 2002-93-001

Firm: The Guidance Center

Address: 13101 Allen Road, Southgate, MI 48195

Contact: Michael Lott (734) 287-1705

To Committee on Health and Human Services 1/24/2002 Dated January 7, 2002 (received January 24, 2002) requesting Commission approval of a contract amendment between the County of Wayne and Hoban Foods, Inc. (of Detroit) in the amount of \$27,806.69 for the purchase of various food items on a demand basis effective upon approval; the CEO advises that 1) \$13,530.19 is to cover items added to Hoban Foods original order because one of the food vendors MMB Food Service went out-of-business; and 2) \$14,276.50 is for one item originally assigned to Sherwood Food and reassigned to Hoban Food because Sherwood Food quoted and provided the wrong item; the cost of the contract amendment shall be charged to Account No. 221 67248 750000 (County Health Fund). (2001-37-316H)

Firm: Hoban Foods, Inc.

Address: 1599 E. Warren Avenue, Detroit, MI 48207

Contact: Sandra Roberts (313) 833-1500

To Committee on Public Safety And Judiciary 1/25/2002 Dated January 18, 2002 (received January 25th) requesting Commission emergency approval of a three year contract amendment between the County of Wayne and West Group (of St. Paul, MN) in the amount of \$443,040 to provide for the special offer amendment to the Westlaw subscriber agreement with West Group to provide access to computer assisted legal research for Wayne County's departments of Corporation Counsel, the Prosecutor's office and the Commission Counsel; the CEO advises that this contract will be charged to the three departments for a three year term extending from February 1, 2002 through January 1, 2005; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account Nos. 101 10120 982000 (Comm.), 101 21001 982000 (Corp.Counsel), 101 22900 982000 (Prosect). (2002-40-028)

Firm: The West Group

Address: 610 Opperman Dr., St. Paul, MN 55164

Contact: None Listed.

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Chairman Solomon has authorized emergency approval of the contract under the provisions of the Procurement Ordinance and has advised that this is for a period not to exceed 60 days during which time the appropriate Committee(s) of the Commission will complete the review of this matter.

To Committee on Health and Human Services 2/4/2002 Dated December 18, 2001 (received February 1, 2002) requesting Commission approval of a one-year contract between the County of Wayne and Spaulding For Children (of Southfield) in the amount of \$142,980 to recruit, train and license prospective foster parents prior to placement of a youth in the foster care home; Spaulding For Children was selected as a sole-source contractor because they are recognized by the federal government's substance abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) as an exemplary program and the only one in Michigan which can provide the type of services required by SAMHAS, and is the required contractor as a condition of the award for funding for this program; the term of this contract is from September 30, 2001 through September 29, 2002; the cost of this contract will be charged to Account No. 101 60305 817000 (Bldg-Treat-Foster Care). (2001-04-126)

Firm: Spaulding For Children

Address: 16250 Northland Dr., Ste. 120, Southfield, MI 48075

Contact: Addie Williams (248) 443-7080

To Committee on Environment, Drains & Sewers 1/31/2002 Dated January 16, 2002 (received January 31st) requesting Commission approval of Change Order No. 27 to a contract between the County of Wayne and Walsh Construction Company (of Detroit) in the amount of \$76,449.15 in connection with Package F, Downriver Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements, Regional Storage and Transport System; the CEO advises that additional work is required due to unforeseen field conditions; this amendment increases the amount of the contract from \$41,415,000 to \$45,186,142.39 including change order Nos. 1-26 totaling \$3,694,693.24; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account Nos. 590 various (Downriver Sewage). (2001-70-100)

Firm: Walsh Construction Company

Address: 3011 W. Grand Blvd, Detroit, MI 48202

Contact: Rick Flood (313) 963-6110

To Committee on Environment, Drains & Sewers 1/30/2002 34.

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Dated January 16, 2002 (received January 29th) requesting Commission approval of Change Order No. 28 to a contract between the County of Wayne and Walsh Construction Company (of Detroit) in the amount of \$123,002.61 in connection with Package F, Downriver Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements, Regional Storage and Transport System; the CEO advises that additional work is required due to unforeseen field conditions; this amendment increases the amount of the contract from \$41,415,000 to \$45,309,145 including change order Nos. 1-27 totaling \$3,771,142.39; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account Nos. 590 various (Dowriver Sewage). (2001-70-106)

Firm: Walsh Construction Company

Address: 3011 W. Grand Blvd, Detroit, MI 48202

Contact: Rick Flood (313) 963-6110

To Committee on Government Operations 1/30/2002 35. Dated January 10, 2002 (received January 29th) requesting Commission approval of a renewal contract between the County of Wayne and Park-Rite, Inc. (of Detroit) for a parking management and operations agreement for after hours and weekend parking on the County Lot at 400 East Fort St., behind 600 Randolph; the CEO advises that the original contract contained two, 6-month renewal options, and the CEO wishes to exercise the second and final renewal option; the monthly management fee of \$1,805 remains the same, as does the 75%-25% revenue split for after hour and weekend parking; the term of this amendment is from December 23, 2001 through June 22, 2002; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 516 26600 817000 (Parking Lots). (2001-37-047B)

Firm: Park-Rite, Inc.

Address: 1426 Broadway, Detroit, MI 48226 Contact: Michael Aubrey (313) 965-0103

To Committee on Veterans Services 1/31/2002

Dated January 30, 2002 (received January 31st) requesting Commission approval of a one-year contract between the County of Wayne and Thomas Wayne (of Dearborn Heights) in the amount of \$10,000 to provide coverage for the Director of Veterans Affairs during approved absences and when otherwise necessary; the term of the contract is from October 1, 2001 through September 30, 2002; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 101 68400 705200 (Vets Affairs). (2002-06-001)

Firm: Thomas Wayne

Address: 7149 Highview, Dearborn Heights, MI 48127

Contact: Ed Tuggle (313) 224-5659

To Committee on Technology 2/4/2002 Dated January 11, 2002 (received February 1st) requesting Commission approval of a contract between the County of Wayne and CATS Company (of Troy) in the amount of \$67,700 to provide data warehouse services and support for the Department of Community Justice; the CEO advises that the Department advertised for stated business needs to 188 entities, solicited proposals from 14 proponents, reviewed resumes, interviewed candidates, and made the selection based on the most responsible and qualified staff for the stated need; the contract will commence upon Commission approval; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 635 25805 815000 (Info Tech). (2002-53-055)

Firm: CATS Company

Address: 2100 W. Big Beaver, Troy, MI 48075

Contact: Albert Haddad (248) 816-2287

To Committee on Technology 2/4/2002

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Dated January 7, 2002 (received January 31st) requesting Commission approval of a one-year professional services contract between the County of Wayne and Origin Software Engineering, Inc. (of Detroit) in the amount of \$156,000 to provide services to support the Forfeiture Division of the Office of the Treasurer in meeting business requirements of Public Act 123 of 1999; the CEO advises that this firm was chosen from a pre-approved vendor list, based on the most responsible and qualified staff for the stated need; the term of the contract is from March 9, 2002 through March 8, 2003; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 635 25805 815000 (Info Tech). (2002-53-054)

Firm: Origin Software Engineering, Inc.

Address: 220 Bagley, Ste. 250, Detroit, MI 48226

Contact: Otis Glenn (313) 961-3316

To Committee on Technology 2/4/2002

39. Dated January 7, 2002 (received January 31st) requesting Commission approval of a one-year professional services contract between the County of Wayne and Lazar Technologies, Inc. (of Southfield) in the amount of \$84,000 to provide business analyst services for the Office of the Register of Deeds; the CEO advises that this firm was chosen from a pre-approved vendor list, based on the most responsible and qualified staff for the stated need; the term of the contract is from March 1, 2002 through February 28, 2003; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 635 25805 815000 (Info Tech). (2002-53-050)

Firm: Lazar Technologies, Inc.

Address: 15711 Jeanette, Southfield, MI 48075

Contact: Larry Freimark (248) 552-0033

To Committee on Ways and Means 1/31/2002

Dated January 18, 2002 (received January 30th) requesting Commission approval of a proposed amendment to the 2001-2002 Appropriations Ordinance (Enrolled Ordinance No. 2001-630) in accordance with Budget Adjustment No. 02-35-069, certifying additional revenue of \$93,753 in the JEDD 21st Century Fund; the CEO advises that the additional revenue results from an agreement with the Grand Haven, Dyar, Dequindre Corporation; Wayne County will receive \$93,753 which will be subcontracted to Housing and Community Development to facilitate a settlement of a 30-year discrimination lawsuit against the City of Hamtramck; this agreement was not anticipated when the budget was adopted. (2002-35-069)

To Committee eon Ways and Means 1/31/2002

41. Dated January 18, 2002 (received January 30th) requesting Commission approval of a proposed amendment to the 2001-2002 Appropriations Ordinance (Enrolled Ordinance No. 2001-630) in accordance with Budget Adjustment No. 02-35-079, certifying additional revenue of \$316,480 in the Circuit Court Fund; the CEO advises that Third Circuit Court will receive additional revenue from the State of Michigan, Community Health Department for an Adult Drug Adjudication Program; the funding will be used for operational costs to provide early intervention services to domestic violence offenders with substance abuse problems in an effort to lower offender recidivism. (2002-35-079)

Immediate Consideration 42. Dated January 10, 2002 (received February 4th) requesting Commission approval of a five-year contract between the County of Wayne and Club Car,

Inc. (of Livonia) in the amount of \$324,916 for the lease of Golf Carts, including maintenance, labor, travel and parts for the Department of Public Services Warren Valley Golf Course; the CEO advises that two companies responded to advertisements and 12 direct solicitations; after review, the Purchasing and Parks Divisions recommend award to Club Car, as the lowest bidder, all in accordance with specifications; this contract includes the lease of 140 golf carts, 2002 model year, including freight, installation and a \$1.00 buy-out at the end of the lease period; the term of the contract is from March 1, 2002 through February 28, 2007; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account Nos. 584 75620 942020/932000 (Golf Course Fund). (2002-37-069)

Firm: Club Car, Inc.

Address: 11878 Brookfield Ave., Livonia, MI 48150

Contact: Kurt Kraly (734) 425-7001

To Committee on Public Services 2/4/2002

43. Dated January 2, 2002 (received February 1st) requesting Commission approval of a sole-source, three-year contract with one-year renewal option between the County of Wayne and Recreation Creations Company (of Hillsdale) in the amount of \$30,000 for the purchase of replacement parts and components for existing Wayne County Miracle Recreation Playscapes and Playground equipment, for the Department of Public Services, Parks Division; the CEO advises that Recreation Creations is the exclusive distributor and manufacturer of Recreation Creations play structures utilized in the Wayne County Parks System; the replacement parts for the play structures and playground equipment are sole source parts and must be ordered from Recreation Creations Company, the sole distributor and manufacturer of the replacement parts; the contract will commence upon Commission approval; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account No. 208 44915 738000 (Parks). (2002-37-119)

Firm: Recreation Creations, Inc.

Address: 215 W. Mechanic St., Hillsdale, MI 49242

Contact: Gary VanDeusen (517) 439-1591

To Committee on Public Safety And Judiciary 2/4/2002

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Dated January 29, 2002 (received February 1st) requesting Commission approval of two, 2-year contracts with one-year renewal options between the County of Wayne and Siemens Fire Safety (of Novi) in the amount of \$37,920 and Simplex Grinnell (of Livonia) in the amount of \$41,472 to provide and maintain fire alarm/duress management systems to Jail Divisions II and III; the CEO advises that two companies responded to advertisements and 49 direct solicitations; after review, the Purchasing Division recommends award to Siemens Fire Safety and Simplex Grinnell as the lowest responsive bidders, all in accordance with specifications; the cost of the contracts shall be charged to Account Nos. 101 35100/35110 777700 (County Jail-\$37,920). (WCJ/Hamtramck-\$41,472) (2002-37-050AB)

Firm: Siemens Fire Safety

Address: 28350 Cabot Dr., Novi, MI 48377

Contact: Phil Lake (248) 994-2027

Firm: Simplex Grinnell

Address: 36141 Schoolcraft Rd., Livonia, MI 48150

Contact: Michael Buchanan (734) 432-3400

To Committee on Public Safety And Judiciary 2/4/2002

Dated January 29, 2002 (received February 1st) requesting Commission approval of two contracts between the County of Wayne and Rodgers Chevrolet (of Woodhaven) in the amount of \$54,034.90 and Jorgensen Ford (of Detroit) in the amount of \$219,888 to provide cars and trucks for the A.C.

Baird Detention Facility; the CEO advises that three companies responded to advertisements and 20 direct solicitations; after review, the Purchasing Division recommends award to Rodgers Chevrolet and Jorgensen Ford as the lowest responsive bidders, all in accordance with specifications; Rodgers will provide one 2001 or current model police vehicle and one 2001 4x4 utility type vehicle; Jorgensen will provide six 2001 or current model police paddy wagons; the cost of the contracts shall be charged to Account Nos. 401 40100 978010 (Capital Programs). (2002-37-018AB)

Firm: Rodgers Chevrolet

Address: 23755 Allen Road, Woodhaven, MI 48183

Contact: Becky Doyle (734) 676-9600

Firm: Jorgensen Ford

Address: 8333 Michigan Avenue, Detroit, MI 48210

Contact: Jim LaMarr (313) 584-2464

B. Communications from the following Assistant Corporation Counsels with concurrent approval from Corporation Counsel Edward J. Ewell, Jr., and Wayne County Executive Edward H. McNamara:

To Committee on Government Operations 1/30/2002

Dated December 17, 2001 (received January 29, 2002) from Corporation Counsel Edward Ewell requesting approval of a legal services contract renewal with Lewis & Munday, PC (of Detroit) in the amount of \$15,000 to secure assistance with legal consultation and potential representation as bond counsel in the borrowing of money pursuant to the equipment and real property financing program of the Michigan Bond Authority for the purpose of Wayne County's Master Equipment Purchase program; this firm is necessary due to their expertise and knowledge of this area of law; the term of this contract is from January 26, 2002 through January 26, 2003; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 101 21001 814000 (Corp CounsLegal Div). (2002-40-009)

Firm: Lewis & Munday, PC

Address: 1300 First National Bld., Detroit, MI 48226

Contact: David Baker Lewis (313) 961-2550

To Committee on Government Operations 1/30/2002 2.

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Dated December 12, 2001 (received January 29, 2002) from Corporation Counsel Edward Ewell requesting approval of a legal services contract with Barris, Sott, Denn & Driker, PLLC (of Detroit) in the amount of \$15,000 to continue to secure assistance in providing legal consultation and representation in certain employment matters; this firm is necessary due to their expertise in employment law; the term of this contract is from October 27, 2001 through October 27, 2002; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 635 22600 814000 (Human Resources-Admin). (2002-40-103)

Firm: Barris, Sott, Denn & Driker, PLLC

Address: 211 W. Fort St., 15th Floor, Detroit, MI 48226

Contact: Sharon M. Woods (313) 965-9725

To Committee on Government Operations 1/30/2002 Dated December 17, 2001 (received January 29, 2002) from Corporation Counsel Edward Ewell requesting Commission approval of an amendment to a legal services contract between the County of Wayne and Johnson, Rosati, LaBarge, Aseltyne & Field, PC (of Farmington Hills) in the amount of \$25,000 to secure continued legal consultation and potential representation in several inter-related cases involving concentrated municipal issues; the CEO advises that this firm is necessary due to their expertise in inter-related municipal matters; this amendment increases the amount of the contract

from \$45,000 to \$70,000, including the original April 3, 2001 amount of \$15,000 and August 2, 2001 amendment in the amount of \$30,000; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 635 22600 814000 (Human Resources-Admin). (2001-40-050B)

Firm: Johnson, Rosati, LaBarge, Aseltyne & Field, PC

Address: 34405 W. 12 Mile, Ste. 200, Farmington Hills, MI 48331

Contact: Daniel P. Dalton (248) 489-4100

To Committee on Government Operations 1/31/2002

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Dated December 14, 2001 (received January 31st) from Corporation Counsel Edward Ewell requesting Commission approval of legal services contract amendment with the law firm of Kilpatrick & Associates, PC. (of Auburn Hills) in the amount of \$30,000 for representation of the County as a creditor in bankruptcy proceedings, particularly the numerous tax claims emanating from the Treasurer's Office; the term of the contract is from January 26, 2001 through January 26, 2002; the firm is necessary because of their expertise in bankruptcy matters; this amendment increases the amount not to be exceeded from \$75,000 to \$105,000; the cost of the contract shall be charged to Account No. 101 21001 814000 (Corp CounsLeg Div). (2000-40-072A)

Firm: Kilpatrick & Associates, PC.

Address: 903 N. Opdyke, Ste. C, Auburn Hills, MI 48326

Contact: Richardo Kilpatrick (248) 377-0700

To Committee on Government Operations 1/31/2002 Communication from Assistant Corporation Counsel Aaron C. Thomas with concurrent approval from County Executive Edward H. McNamara dated January 22, 2002 (received January 31st) requesting Commission approval of a settlement in the lawsuit of Eastern Concrete Paving v County of Wayne (Case No. 00-012828-CK) in the amount of \$10,000; the CEO advises that Plaintiff's contract claims against Wayne County arise out of a contract for paving repairs between plaintiff and Wayne County in the amount of \$1,548,550; during the course of the relationship, the County was forced to have the contract completed by another contractor under a performance bond obtained by Plaintiff for the County's benefit; a dispute arose as to the amount of work completed by the Plaintiff before the contract was completed by others, and how the completed work was to be measured for purposes of determining the amount owed to plaintiff: Plaintiff sued demanding nearly \$56,000 for completed work, and was awarded \$25,000 at mediation, which the County rejected; if a jury were to accept plaintiff's interpretation as to the method for measurement, the County could be liable for more than \$55,000, plus interest, taxable costs, and mediation sanctions, therefore, the Office of Corporation Counsel believes it to be in the County's best interest to settle this matter; Hugh McDonald, Special Projects Coordinator - Public Services, has been contacted and concurs with this recommendation; the cost of the settlement shall be charged to Account No. 101 92501 911140 (Liability Payments). (2002-42-011)

To Committee on Ways and Means 1/31/2002

6. Communication from Assistant Corporation Counsel Andrew R. Grifka with concurrent approval from County Executive Edward H. McNamara dated January 11, 2002 (received January 31st) requesting Commission approval of a settlement in the lawsuit of Bienfrederick Small v Susan Johnson, et al (Case No. 01-71891) in the amount of \$6,000; the CEO advises that Plaintiff Small's vehicle was stolen on February 29, 2000, and the case was assigned to the Commercial Auto Theft Section (CATS), a joint auto theft task force between the City of Detroit Police Department and the Wayne County

Sheriff's Department; Plaintiff's vehicle was found and Plaintiff was contacted to retrieve his vehicle on March 8, 2000; upon arrival the Plaintiff was questioned for several hours by the CATS Team, and placed under arrest based on a statement by the perpetrator that he thought the theft of the vehicle was an insurance fraud; Plaintiff was charged with insurance fraud among other charges and was jailed for over eight hours; all charges against the Plaintiff were subsequently dismissed, and from the evidence gathered it is very questionable as to whether CATS had any probable cause to arrest Plaintiff; the City of Detroit settled their portion of the lawsuit for \$20,000, and the Office of Corporation Counsel believes it to be in the County's best interest to settle this matter for \$6,000; Wayne County Jail's Program director Jimmy Byrd has been contacted and concurs with this recommendation; the cost of the settlement shall be charged to Account No. 101 92501 911140 (Liability Payments). (2002-42-010)

To Committee on Audit 1/28/2002 C. From Carla Sledge, Chief Deputy Financial Officer, dated January 25, 2002 (received January 28th) forwarding 20 copies of the Charter County of Wayne, Michigan, Chapter 21 (Milk River) Drainage District Financial Statements for the year ended September 30, 2000 and Independent Auditor's Report. (2002-31-010)

To Committee on Audit 1/28/2002 D. From Carla Sledge, Chief Deputy Financial Officer, dated January 25, 2002 (received January 28th) forwarding 20 copies of the Charter County of Wayne, Michigan Sewage Disposal Systems Financial Statements for the year ended September 30, 2000 and Independent Auditor's Report. (2002-31-009)

To Committee on Government Operations 2/5/2002 **E.** From Ben Washburn, Commission Counsel requesting Commission approval of an amendment to the Wayne County Procurement Ordinance. (2002-68-003)

COMMUNICATIONS FROM SOURCES OTHER THAN GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES

Commissioner Cushingberry, supported by Vice-Chair Pro Tempore Ware, moved to refer and/or place on file the foregoing communications as indicated, with the exception of No. 42 to be given immediate consideration.

The motion prevailed by voice vote.

Immediate Consideration 42. Dated January 10, 2002 (received February 4th) requesting Commission approval of a five-year contract between the County of Wayne and Club Car, Inc. (of Livonia) in the amount of \$324,916 for the lease of Golf Carts, including maintenance, labor, travel and parts for the Department of Public Services Warren Valley Golf Course; the CEO advises that two companies responded to advertisements and 12 direct solicitations; after review, the Purchasing and Parks Divisions recommend award to Club Car, as the lowest bidder, all in accordance with specifications; this contract includes the lease of 140 golf carts, 2002 model year, including freight, installation and a \$1.00 buy-out at the end of the lease period; the term of the contract is from March 1, 2002 through February 28, 2007; the cost of the contract will be charged to Account Nos. 584 75620 942020/932000 (Golf Course Fund). (2002-37-069)

Firm: Club Car, Inc.

Address: 11878 Brookfield Ave., Livonia, MI 48150

Contact: Kurt Kraly (734) 425-7001

Commissioner Sullivan, supported by Commissioner Palamara, moved approval of the foregoing item, and adoption of the resolution.

Following discussion by the Commissioners with Larry Fitch, Director of Parks, Department of Public Services, Vice-Chair Beard requested a vote on adoption of the resolution, which prevailed, a majority of Commissioners serving having voted therefor by the following Roll Call:

Yea -- Commissioners Bankes, Blackwell, C. Cavanagh, Cushingberry, Hall, Palamara, Sullivan, Varga, Vice-Chair Pro Tempore Ware, Vice-Chair Beard -- 10

Nay -- Commissioner Boike -- 1

Abstain -- None Not Voting -- None

Excused -- Commissioners P. Cavanagh, Hubbard, Parker, Chairman Solomon -- 4

[Resolution No. 2002-112]

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Pursuant to the County Commission's Rules of Procedure, Vice-Chair Beard invited comments from the public. There were no public comments.

NEW BUSINESS

The Clerk of the Commission advised there was no New Business.

Testimonial Resolutions and Certificates of Appreciation

- By Commissioner Solomon, co-sponsored by Commissioner Ware honoring
 The Detroit Dogs Basketball Team and its President, Arthur B. Blackwell,
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- By Commissioner Ware honoring The Women of Color Foundation in recognition of its Christian Women's Spiritual Retreat, January 25-26, 2002 at the Novi Hilton.
- 3. By Commissioner Ware honoring **Detroit Central City Community Mental Health, Inc.** in celebration of its 21 years of service.
- 4. By Commissioner Ware honoring **Iris Pita** for her dedication, support and community service.
- By Commissioner Ware honoring the 21st Annual Black Heroes Essay and Oratorical Contest finalists for schools in the Duffield Branch Library

community:

Donald Clark Genell DeVoe Joshua Dixon

Markita Hicks Shanteese Jennings Staysic

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Mariah Sammons Erika Thompson Salwa Williams

6. By Commissioners Ware, Cushingberry, and Solomon honoring the **Clergy United for Today and Tomorrow** appointments:

Rev. James Brownlee, First Vice President

Rev. Dr. Jessie Jones, President

Dorothy Patterson, Secretary

Rev. James Flakes, Chairman of the Board

Rev. Joseph McLauglin, Treasurer

Rev. Hardy Fields, Assistant Financial Secretary

Rev. E. L. Johnson, Financial Secretary

Rev. Jerry Massey, Second Vice President

Rev. George Cushingberry, Jr., Political & Social Action Committee Chairman

- 7. By Commissioner Solomon honoring **Mrs. Rosa Parks** in recognition of her 89th birthday celebration, February 4, 2002 at the Detroit Institute of Arts.
- 8. By Commissioner Beard honoring **Myrtis Addison** in recognition of her 84th birthday celebration.
- 9. By Commissioner Hubbard honoring **Leo V. Miller** in recognition of his 100th birthday celebration, February 25, 2002.
- 10. By Commissioner Cushingberry, co-sponsored by Commissioners Ware and Blackwell honoring **Ralph Bunche Day** on February 28th to promote his legacy of world peace.
- 11. By Commissioner Cushingberry honoring **Judge Robert Evans** on his retirement from Circuit Court.

Commissioner Cushingberry, supported by Vice-Chair Pro Tempore Ware, moved approval of the foregoing Testimonial Resolutions and Certificates of Appreciation.

The Commissioners voted as follows:

Yea -- Commissioners Blackwell, Boike, C. Cavanagh, Cushingberry, Hall,

Palamara, Sullivan, Varga, Vice-Chair Beard -- 9

Nay -- None

Abstain -- None

Not Voting -- Vice-Chair Pro Tempore Ware -- 1

Resolutions in Memoriam

- 1. By Commissioner Ware in memory of **Joyce Mongo Thompson**.
- 2. By Commissioner Ware in memory of **Ida Bougard**, who passed away at the age of 103.

Vice-Chair Beard requested all to stand for a moment of silence in honor of the individuals, following which she declared the Resolutions in Memoriam adopted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Clerk of the Commission advised of the next scheduled Committee and Commission meetings.

RECONSIDERATIONS

As no other business was presented, Vice-Chair Beard thereupon requested a Quorum Call, and the Clerk of the Commission reported that the following Commissioners were in attendance:

PRESENT: Commissioners Blackwell, Boike, C. Cavanagh, Cushingberry, Hall, Palamara, Sullivan, Varga, Vice-Chair Pro Tempore Ware, Vice-Chair Beard -- 10

EXCUSED: Commissioners Bankes, P. Cavanagh, Hubbard, Parker,
Chairman
Solomon -- 5

A quorum being present, Vice-Chair Pro Tempore Ware, supported by Commissioner Sullivan, moved adjournment. The motion prevailed, the time being 12:09 p.m., and Vice-Chair Beard declared the Commission adjourned until Thursday, February 21, 2002.

JOYCE D. WILLIAMS Clerk of the Commission

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