

**CITY OF FALCON HEIGHTS
COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

March 26, 2025

No. 25-27

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING LEGISLATION EXPANDING THE RAMSEY COUNTY
HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (“HRA”) TO INCLUDE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (“EDA”) POWERS**

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of Ramsey County (“County”) and the Falcon Heights City Council (“City”) consider small businesses to be the backbone of stability and growth for their respective local government and municipality; and

WHEREAS, the County and the City also consider continued investment in small businesses as critical for sustaining stability and growth in their respective local government and municipality; and

WHEREAS, the County has secured funding that could be dedicated for investment in a variety of programs to support small businesses located in the City, but cannot currently access or distribute said funds due to the lack of an effective channel through its HRA; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to proposed legislation through the State of Minnesota the County seeks to gain access to said funding and allow for the distribution of funds to small businesses located in the City; and

WHEREAS, the proposed legislation creates an EDA and grants to the HRA the powers of the EDA (excepting the EDA’s power to tax); and

WHEREAS, the City supports the County in pursuing legislation to secure channels to fund small businesses located within the City and believes such funding will be beneficial to the City and essential for stability and growth; and

WHEREAS, the City wishes to avail itself to such funding should it become available and expresses its commitment to collaborate in the process necessary for passing said legislation and its corresponding implementation;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Falcon Heights, Minnesota:

1. That the City supports the County in its legislative endeavor and endorses proposed legislation that creates a Ramsey County EDA and expands the powers of the Ramsey County HRA to include Ramsey County EDA powers (excluding the EDA’s power to tax).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Falcon Heights, Minnesota:

1. That the City commits to the collaboration and the processes necessary for the passing and implementation of said legislation.

Moved by: Meyer

Approved by: 

Randall C. Gustafson
Mayor

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Against

Attested by: 

Jack Linehan
City Administrator