



**Carver County Board of Commissioners
April 28, 2026
Work Session**

The County Board Room is open to the public

This Work Session will be broadcast live at:
<https://youtube.com/@CarverCountyMN>

- 9:00 a.m. 1. **CONVENE**
- 1.1. Pledge of allegiance
- 9:00 a.m. 2. **WORK SESSION**
- 2.1. Elections Update 2
- 2.2. Metropolitan Agricultural Preservation Program –
 Overview and Process Update 3-4
- 2.3. Long Range Planning for Baylor Regional Park..... 5

UPCOMING MEETINGS

May 5, 2026	9:00 a.m.	Board Meeting
May 14, 2026	3:00 p.m.	Prairie Pointe Grand Opening (465 Sarazin Street, Shakopee)
May 19, 2026	9:00 a.m.	Board Meeting
May 26, 2026	9:00 a.m.	Strategic Planning Meeting (Paradise Commons, 8170 Paradise Lane, Waconia)
June 02, 2026	9:00 a.m.	Board Meeting
June 09, 2026	9:00 a.m.	Board Meeting
June 9, 2026	12:00 p.m.	Joint Work Session with Scott & Dakota Counties (Scott County Govt Center, 200 4 th Ave West, Shakopee)
June 16, 2026	9:00 a.m.	County Board of Equalization
June 23, 2026	9:00 a.m.	Board Work Session
June 23, 2026	1:00 p.m.	County Board of Equalization (if needed)
July 07, 2026	9:00 a.m.	Board Meeting
July 21, 2026	9:00 a.m.	Board Meeting
July 28, 2026	9:00 a.m.	Board Work Session



Carver County Board of Commissioners
Request for Board Action

Agenda Item Name: Elections Update
RBA Number: 2026-304
Department: Property & Financial Services
Contact: David Frischmon, Property and Finance Division
Director , 952-361-1506
Presenter: David Frischmon, Property and Finance Division
Director
Contract Name & Number:
Meeting Date: April 28, 2026
Item Type: Presentation

Strategic Initiative:

Taxpayer Value and Customer Service: Providing the best value and optimal customer service.

Background/Justification:

Elections staff will highlight changes for the 2026 Election and look ahead to the 2028/2030 Elections.

Action Requested:

None - presentation only

Fiscal Impact:

Funding:	Amount Budgeted:

Related Fiscal/FTE Comments:



Carver County Board of Commissioners
Request for Board Action

Agenda Item Name: Metropolitan Agricultural Preservation Program -
Overview and Process Update

RBA Number: 2026-330

Department: Public Services - Land Management

Contact: Jason Mielke, Land Use Manager, 952-361-1817

Presenter: Jason Mielke, Land Use Manager
Ryan Johnson, County Assessor

Contract Name & Number:

Meeting Date: April 28, 2026

Item Type: Presentation

Strategic Initiative:

Taxpayer Value and Customer Service: Providing the best value and optimal customer service.

Background/Justification:

The Metropolitan Agricultural Preserve Act was enacted in 1980 to protect farmland within the seven-county metropolitan area from premature conversion to non-agricultural uses. Carver County is the designated authority for administering the Act under Minnesota Statute. Carver County's unincorporated area includes about 94,435 deeded acres currently enrolled in the Agricultural Preserve Program, which is more than any other metro county. Parcels enrolled in the program receive a special assessment classification through the Carver County Assessor's Office resulting in lower property taxes for participating landowners. To be eligible, land must generally be zoned agricultural and guided for long-term agricultural use.

Substantial changes have emerged in how the program's statutory requirements are being interpreted by the State and applied. The Board will be provided with a summary of the historical interpretation of the State Statute as well as County roles and responsibilities. Because of the large amount of land enrolled in the Agricultural Preserve Program, changes in interpretation and review process may have impacts on some landowners, county operations, and assessment. Staff will present next steps to

improve program implementation, including process updates involving property owners, Land Management, the Assessor's Office, the Recorder's Office, and the County Board.

Action Requested:

No action — information on the Metropolitan Agricultural Preserve Program, changes in State interpretation and review procedures, and outline of County role.

Fiscal Impact:

Funding:	Amount Budgeted:

Related Fiscal/FTE Comments:

Attachments:

None



Carver County Board of Commissioners
Request for Board Action

Agenda Item Name: Long Range Planning for Baylor Regional Park
RBA Number: 2026-42
Department: Public Works - Parks
Contact: Samuel Pertz, Parks & Trails Supervisor, 952-466-5253
Presenter: Samuel Pertz, Parks & Trails Supervisor
Contract Name & Number:
Meeting Date: April 28, 2026
Item Type: Presentation

Strategic Initiative:

Our Physical Assets: Proactive planning for and maintaining our infrastructure and physical assets.

Background/Justification:

The long range planning for Baylor Regional Park is nearing the final stages of the process. Staff will present the final draft concept design for review and discussion before returning later in the year with a request to approve and adopt. Additionally, a phased implementation matrix has been developed. Board direction on priorities for a phase I program will be valuable information as the program is further refined and budgeted for.

Action Requested:

No action is requested at this time.

Fiscal Impact:

Funding:	Amount Budgeted: