Resolution No. 2022-25 Brown County Resolution

The following Resolution was offered by Commissioner Borchert and moved for adoption at a Regular Meeting held on June 21, 2022 at the Brown County Courthouse, New Ulm, MN:

WHEREAS, Benefits to Brown County for participation in the Minnesota Council on Local Results and Innovation's comprehensive performance measurement program are outlined in MS 6.91 and include eligibility for a reimbursement as set by State statute; and

WHERAS, Any county participating in the comprehensive performance measurement program is also exempt from levy limits for taxes, if levy limits are in effect; and

WHEREAS, The Brown County Board has adopted and implemented at least 10 of the performance measures, as developed by the Council on Local Results and Innovation, and a system to use this information to help plan, budget, manage and evaluate programs and processes for optimal future outcomes; and

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT, Brown County will continue to report the results of the performance measures to its citizenry by the end of the year by posting on the county's website.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Brown County will submit to the Office of the State Auditor the actual results of the performance measures adopted by the county.

Seconded by Commissioner Veerkamp and the same being put to a vote was duly carried. This Resolution shall become effective immediately and without publication.

Adopted by the following vote: Ayes 5 Nayes 0. Dated this 21st day of June, 2022.

CERTIFICATION

State of Minnesota County of Brown

I, Sam Hansen, duly appointed, qualified and acting County Administrator for the County of Brown, State of Minnesota, do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of a Resolution with the original minutes of the proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners, Brown County, Minnesota, at their session held on the 21st day of June, 2022, now on file in my office, and have found the same to be a true and correct copy thereof.

Witness my hand and official seal at New Ulm, Minnesota, this 21st day of June, 2022.

County Administrator

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Actual Results of 2022 Performance Measures Adopted by Brown County (All reported results are for 2021, except where otherwise noted)

Executive Summary: The Brown County Board of Commissioners voted to participate in the 2022 Performance Measure Program on June 21, 2022. Resolution 2022-25 adopted twelve benchmarks on which to measure output that includes the areas of Environment, Public Works, Property Records, Valuation, & Assessment, Elections, Budget & Financial, Veterans' Services, Public Safety, and Public Health & Social Services. The actual results of those performance measures are included in the following report.

Benchmark 1: Environment

Recycling percentage:

Actual Results: 60% of total waste in the county is recycled. Brown County experienced a reduction in its residential recycling participation. Residents in municipalities have curbside recycling access, while rural residents have numerous collection points throughout the county.

Benchmark 2: Environment

Amount of hazardous household waste and electronics collected and disposed of:

Actual Results: 49,329 lbs. of hazardous waste (22% reduction from 2020)

246,461 lbs. of electronic waste (39% reduction from 2020)

Benchmark 3: Public Works

Average Bridge Sufficiency Rating:

Actual Results: 91.9 was the average rating for the 145 bridges throughout the county, on a scale of 1-100.

Benchmark 4: Public Works

Hours to plow complete system during a snow event:

Actual Results: On average it took 2-3 hours to clear driving lanes and another 2-3 hours to make a second pass to clear shoulders, depending on the amount of snow fall and ice.

Benchmark 5: Public Works

Average county pavement condition rating:

Actual Results: The Average Pavement Condition increased to 3.6 Pavement Quality Index (PQI) after the last Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) road survey in 2021. This rating falls into the good category. In 2021, 10.5 miles of surface rehabilitation projects were completed.

Benchmark 6: Property Records, Valuation, Assessment

Turn-around time for recording, indexing and returning real estate documents:

Actual Results: MN Statutes 357.182, Subd 6 requires a 10-day turnaround time, 90% of the time. Brown County's practice is for electronically filed documents to be completed and returned within 5 business days or less and paper filed documents returned within 10 business

days or less. Brown County was 100% compliant in 2021, averaging 7.95 days to return paper documents and 1.55 days to return electronically filed documents.

Benchmark 7: Property Records, Valuation, Assessment

Level of Assessment Ratio:

Actual Results: The three types of assessment ratios submitted to the Department of Revenue were:

Ag: 93.19% | Residential: 90.07% | Commercial/Industrial: 93.84%

Benchmark 8: Elections

Accuracy of post-election audit (% of ballots counted accurately):

There were 4 Special Elections held in 2021 by various school districts. Although the county assists by providing the training, tools and equipment for the elections, these elections are to be held and operated solely by the districts.

District 85 – Held two special elections in 2021. In February they held an election for a referendum that passed, and in November's election they had a vacancy to fill on the school board.

District 88 – Held an election in November for a referendum which did not pass.

District 2884 – Held an election in November for a referendum, run solely by mail ballot, which passed.

Benchmark 9: Budget/Financial

Bond rating:

Actual Results: Standard & Poor's Global Ratings "AA". This rating was certified in 2017 at the time of bond issuance and remains unchanged.

Benchmark 10: Veterans' Services

Dollars brought into the county for veterans' benefits:

- Actual Results: During 2021, Brown County veterans received \$19,546,000 in benefits.
- Prior year was \$20,169,000, which was not released prior to reporting the 2021 performance measures.

Benchmark 11: Public Safety

Total number of accidents that occur on County State Aid Highways, County Roads and Township Roads that involve fatalities and injury:

- Actual Results: There were 0 fatalities in 2021.
- Actual Results: There were 28 personal injury accidents in 2021.

Benchmark 12: Public Health

General life expectancy:

Actual Results: Using the United States Small-Area Life Expectancy Estimates Project (USALEEP) interactive tool, Brown County's life expectancy is 80.77 years, as of 2020.

Brown County recognizes the everyday choices we make can help us become happier, healthier, and more fulfilled with our lives at work and at home. Since 2013, Brown County implemented a Wellness Program designed to improve the overall physical, mental, and social well-being for all staff. The Employee Wellness program provides education to employees on wellness topics and offers programs that encourage physical activity, healthy eating habits and emotional wellbeing.

Public Health continues to work with county residents of all ages and community organizations to promote healthy physical and social/emotional lifestyles. Initiatives include safe routes to school, improved food environments, complete and safe street work for walking and biking, worksite wellness, chemical health addiction prevention and better access to treatment, community and individual mental health and well-being, and the prevention of communicable disease transmission.