

**Redwood County Board of Commissioners**

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**RESOLUTION APPROVING A  
TRANSPORTATION SALES AND USE TAX**

WHEREAS, Redwood County’s transportation infrastructure is vital to the County’s economy and has a direct impact on future economic development; and

WHEREAS, poorly constructed and maintained transportation infrastructure creates a safety hazard for motorists and pedestrians which diminishes our citizens’ quality of life; and

WHEREAS, funding for highway and transit systems in Minnesota has remained stagnant and is failing to keep pace with the rising costs of properly maintaining and constructing our transportation infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Redwood County Board of Commissioners wishes to diversify and expand its revenues to pay for the rising costs of constructing and maintaining its transportation infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 297A.993 authorizes the board of a county outside the metropolitan transportation area, as defined under section 297A.992, subdivision 1, by resolution following a public hearing, to impose a transportation sales tax at a rate of up to one-half of one percent (.5%) on retail sales and uses; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 297A.993 further requires that the proceeds of said taxes must be dedicated exclusively to: (1) payment of the capital cost of a specific transportation project or improvement; (2) payment of the costs, which may include both capital and operating costs, of a specific transit project or improvement; (3) payment of the capital costs of a safe routes to school program; or (4) payment of transit operating costs; and

WHEREAS, the Redwood County Board of Commissioners desires to implement said sales and use tax and have the State Department of Revenue collect the same; and

WHEREAS, the proceeds of said tax must be spent on projects identified in the attached list of improvement projects

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WHEREAS, the attached County Improvement Projects List – may be amended by future actions of the Redwood County Board of Commissioners after a public hearing; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Minnesota Statute 297A.993, the Redwood County Board advertised and held a public hearing on December 11, 2018 to take oral and written comments on the possible authorization of a transportation sales and use tax in Redwood County to fund the attached Road Improvement Projects List.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Redwood County Board of Commissioners authorizes and imposes a one-half of one percent (.5%) sales and use tax countywide as provided for in Minnesota State Statute 297A.993 beginning April 1, 2019 and each subsequent year thereafter.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Redwood County Board adopts as a part of this resolution the attached County Road Improvement Projects List, and as amended, which said sales and use taxes shall be spent on.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the provision of Minnesota State Statute Section 297A.99, subdivisions 4, and 6 through 13, shall govern the imposition, administration, collection and enforcement of said taxes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Redwood County Board of Commissioners hereby directs the County Administrator to certify said sales and use tax to the State Department of Revenue before December 31, 2018.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Jim Salfer, Chair  
Redwood County Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

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Vicki Knobloch, County Administrator  
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