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**Sponsor:** County Attorney's Office

**Meeting Date:** 4/2/2024

**Title:** Intergovernmental Mobility Agreement with the City of Saint Paul Police Department

**File Number:** 2024-124

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**Background and Rationale:**

In Minnesota, the state recognizes the benefits of the interchange of personnel among and between governmental entities as an essential factor towards resolving problems affecting the community (Minnesota Statutes 5.51). The County Attorney's Office has a vacant position in its personnel complement that can be filled by appointments of the County Attorney. Intergovernmental Mobility Agreements have been used in previous years between the Ramsey County and the city of Saint Paul. Minnesota Statutes 471.59 requires the consent of the governing bodies of political subdivisions to enter into agreements among them for such matters as employee interchanges.

Upon assignment to the County Attorney's Office, the employee will conduct prevailing wage and criminal wage theft investigations including but not limited to: collaborating upon and coordinating such investigations, when necessary, with other federal, state and local law enforcement agencies; working with county staff to determine compliance with the county's Ordinance; collaborating and engaging with community members and other affected stakeholders on the topics of wage theft and prevailing wage enforcement; and participating in the creation of new policies and procedures regarding wage theft investigations.

The County Attorney's Office and the city of Saint Paul Police Department recommends approval of this Intergovernmental Mobility Agreement. The County Attorney's Office will reimburse the city of Saint Paul on a cost reimbursement basis.

**Recommendation:**

The Ramsey County Board of Commissioners resolved to:

1. Approve the Intergovernmental Mobility Agreement with the city of Saint Paul Police Department for the assignment of Michael DeTomaso to the County Attorney's Office on a cost reimbursement basis to be effective upon execution through December 31, 2024.
2. Authorize the Chair and Chief Clerk to execute the Intergovernmental Mobility Agreement.
3. Authorize the County Manager to approve and execute amendments to renew the terms of the agreements for additional one-year periods, with all other terms and conditions remaining the same, in a form approved by the County Attorney's Office.

A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Moran, seconded by Commissioner Reinhardt. Motion passed.

Aye: - 7: Frethem, Martinson, McGuire, Moran, Ortega, Reinhardt, and Xiong

By: Mee Cheng  
Mee Cheng, Chief Clerk - County Board