OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS, MINNESOTA, HELD ON DECEMBER 19, 2023

The Board of County Commissioners of the County of St. Louis, Minnesota, met this 19th day of December 2023, at 9:34 a.m., at the St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, Minnesota, with the following members present: Commissioners Annie Harala, Ashley Grimm, Paul McDonald, Keith Musolf, Keith Nelson, Mike Jugovich and Chair Patrick Boyle - 7. Absent: None - 0.

Chair Boyle asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of all victims of violence, foreign and domestic; followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Chair Boyle opened the meeting to persons who wish to address the Board concerning issues not on the agenda. Melissa Bell, of Duluth, urged the Board to reject proposed changes to the County Board Bylaws regarding public comment; the change will be used to ensure a minimal number of people hear their voices. Ms. Bell said that since 2016 there have been 4,126 land use permits applied for in St. Louis County and only one has been denied. Ms. Bell commented that the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) issued to 6464 Fredenberg Lake Road did not meet the standards and questioned how many other permits did not meet the standards of the zoning ordinance. Clayton Cich, of Fredenberg Township, said he can't imagine how much time the county has spent dealing with their group and they still have not had a meeting with the county. Mr. Cich commented that the proposed bylaw changes are meant to deny their group the ability to speak. Chester Cullen, of Floodwood, commented on a road issue that crosses his property and said the Board is being manipulated by the County Attorney's Office and the Auditor's Office. Mary Stauber, of Duluth, said she has been living in her home for 31 years and property taxes keep going up. Ms. Stauber asked the Board to reconsider her taxes again.

Commissioner McDonald, supported by Commissioner Jugovich, moved to approve the consent agenda. Item #25, Reappointment to the Cooperative Extension Committee and Advertise to Fill Vacancies [23-542], was removed from the consent agenda for separate consideration. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays.

Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Harala, moved that the St. Louis County Board hereby reappoints Doug Hoffbauer to the Cooperative Extension Committee for a three-year term ending December 31, 2026. St. Louis County Administrator Kevin Gray said the original resolution requested advertising for vacancies; however, there are no vacancies. The replacement resolution reflects the reappointment of Doug Hoffbauer to the Cooperative Extension Committee for a three-year term ending December 31, 2026. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays. Resolution No. 23-669.

Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Jugovich, moved to approve the 2024 Budget and Property Tax Levy. Administrator Gray provided the Board with an overview of the proposed budget and noted that the proposed levy of 2.93% is 34% of the county budget. After further discussion, the motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays. Resolution No. 23-673.

Commissioner Harala, supported by Commissioner McDonald, moved that the St. Louis County Board approves the amendments to the Standing Rules and Bylaws of the County Board as set forth in Alternative #2; and further, rescinds Resolution No. 378 of July 11, 2023, and any other

resolutions previously adopted by the County Board that pertain to the Standing Rules and Bylaws. Per Article I, Section 6 of the Rules and Bylaws, all amendments shall become effective immediately upon approval of the Board. Administrator Gray noted that the public comment period will take place between 9:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. prior to the start of Board meetings. Clayton Cich, of Fredenberg Township, questioned if Board members will be present from 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. for public comment. Commissioner Harala commented that setting a specific citizen comment period will help make it more efficient for citizens and staff to participate in time specific meetings. Commissioner Grimm said she will be voting against the change of bylaws because she is concerned that Commissioners may not be present during public comment, and this is the time for the public to tell us when we are doing something wrong. Commissioner Grimm asked Administrator Gray to explain what the process would be if there was not enough time for citizens to speak during the 9:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. comment period. Administrator Gray commented that if the comment period was not sufficient, citizen comments would be allowed and the conclusion of all county business. County Attorney Kim Maki noted that the bylaws state that if the number of citizens desiring to comment exceeds the number able to be heard within the comment period, additional public comment will be allowed after the conclusion of all County business conducted for the day. Commissioner McDonald commented that Hennepin County uses this model for citizen comments; he had a discussion with Hennepin County Board Chair Fernando and the process has worked well for them. Chair Boyle commented that he is concerned that citizens may have to wait two to three hours before they are heard, and the comments should be recorded. The motion passed; five yeas (Harala, McDonald, Musolf, Nelson, Jugovich, two nays (Grimm, Boyle). Resolution No. 23-674.

The Board recessed at 10:36 a.m. At 11:22 a.m., the Board reconvened with the following members present: Commissioners Annie Harala, Ashley Grimm, Paul McDonald, Keith Musolf, Keith Nelson, Mike Jugovich and Chair Patrick Boyle - 7. Absent: None - 0.

Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Grimm, moved to approve a second consent agenda consisting of items passed at the Committee of the Whole meeting. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays.

Chair Boyle noted that representatives from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) had been delayed, so the County Board Workshop scheduled to start at the conclusion of the County Board meeting will start at 2:00 p.m.

The following Board files were created from documents received by this Board:

Linnea Mirsch, Public Health and Human Services Director, submitting Request for Board Action No. 23-536, Appointment of Additional 2024 PHHS Advisory Committee Members.—62071

Nancy Nilsen, County Auditor/Treasurer, submitting Request for Board Action No. 23-539, St. Louis County 2024 – 2028 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP).—62072

Darren Jablonsky, Interim Planning and Zoning Director, submitting Request for Board Action No. 23-541, Citizen Reappointments to the St. Louis County Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment.—62073

Mary Tennis, Extension and Depot Director, submitting Request for Board Action No. 23-542R, Reappointment to the Cooperative Extension Committee.—62074

James Gottschald, Human Resources and Administration Director, submitting Request for Board Action No. 23-543, St. Louis County Earned Sick and Safe Time Paid Leave Policy.—62075

James Gottschald, Human Resources and Administration Director, submitting Request for Board Action No. 23-549, Memorandum of Agreement for Increased Civil Service Basic Cold Weather Outdoor Wear Reimbursement.—62076

Gordon Ramsay, County Sheriff, submitting Request for Board Action No. 23-550, Authorization to Participate in the Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) Program.—62077

Julie Marinucci, Land and Minerals Director, submitting Request for Board Action No. 23-553, Joint Powers Agreement between the State of Minnesota and St. Louis County.—62078

Julie Marinucci, Land and Minerals Director, submitting Request for Board Action No. 23-554, Septic Sand Storage Lease to Bougalis Incorporation in Norway Ridge/312 Pit (McDavitt Township 56-18).—62079

Darren Jablonsky, Interim Planning and Zoning Director, submitting Request for Board Action No. 23-555, Authorization to Request and Accept South St. Louis Soil and Water Conservation District Grant Proceeds.—62080

Julie Marinucci, Land and Minerals Director, submitting Request for Board Action No. 23-556, State Tax-Forfeited and County Fee Land Use Permit – Quad City ATV Club.—62081

Julie Marinucci, Land and Minerals Director, submitting Request for Board Action No. 23-557, 2023/2024 New and Renewal of Non-Exclusive Right-of-Way, Yard, Garden, Dock, Parking and Miscellaneous Leases of State Tax-Forfeited Land.—62082

Electronic mail from Bryana Salo re: The family of Ryan Moats response to Ms. Makis response.—62083

Brian Fritsinger, Deputy County Administrator, submitting Request for Board Action No. 23-546, Amendments to the Standing Rules and Bylaws of the County Board.—62084

Upon motion by Commissioner McDonald, supported by Commissioner Jugovich, resolutions numbered 23-644 through 23-668 and 23-670 through 23-672, as submitted on the consent agenda, were unanimously adopted as follows:

BY COMMISSIONER McDONALD:

RESOLVED, That the official proceedings of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners for the meeting of December 12, 2023, are hereby approved.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-644

WHEREAS, The Public Health and Human Services Department (PHHS) has identified a certain population of children in need of emergency shelter services; and

WHEREAS, These are services that are used by PHHS, as well as services where the Department serves as Lead County, enabling other counties to use the services through the Lead County contract; and

WHEREAS, While the children in the community continue to present with higher behavioral and mental health needs requiring a higher level of care, there remains a population that is appropriate for emergency shelter services.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes a Lead County Contract with Lutheran Social Services (LSS) for the purchase of emergency shelter services by St. Louis County from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024, at the following rates:

Emergency Shelter Services:	Rates:
Bethany Crisis Shelter:	
SLC PHHS/Non-Client Specific 6-bed reserve per month, totaling 2196 days of care (2024 is a leap year with 366 days)	\$505,080 (Monthly installments of \$42,090)
SLC Per Diem above the 6-bed reserve	\$230/day
Lead County Per Diem	\$230/day
	The maximum amount to be paid for SLC PHHS/Non-Client Specific Emergency Shelter Services shall not exceed \$505,080 and shall not exceed \$210,450 for Carlton County.

BUDGET REFERENCE:

230-232008-601200

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-645

WHEREAS, St. Louis County provides mandated Child Protection and Intervention and Prevention Programs; and

WHEREAS, The Public Health and Human Services Department (PHHS) wishes to enter into contracts with community partners to promote a safe environment for youth to have access to visitation with their parents and other family members in a respectful, supportive environment; and

WHEREAS, PHHS wishes to contract with the community partners for the provision of Supported Family Time services effective January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorize contracts with community providers the provision of Supported Family Time services for the period January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024.

SERVICE	RATE	UNIT OF SERVICE
Safe Exchange	\$20	Hourly
Group/Monitoring	\$25	Hourly
Observation	\$41	Hourly
Coaching	\$48	Hourly
Virtual Observation	\$38	Hourly
Virtual Coaching	\$45	Hourly
Transportation: Mileage	Federal mileage rate	Per Mile
Transportation: Staff Travel Time	\$31	Hourly
No Show	By Service	1 Hour Maximum
Cancellation (under 24 hours)	By Service	1 Hour Maximum

<u>PROGRAM</u>	<u>RATE</u>	<u>INCREASE</u>
Observation (In-Person)	\$41	8%
Coaching (In-Person)	\$48	8%

BUDGET REFERENCE: 230-232008-602000

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-646

WHEREAS, The purpose of the Public Health and Human Services (PHHS) Advisory Committee is to seek input about the PHHS delivery system and make recommendations to the St. Louis County Board and the Department relative to the service needs of the community consistent with Minn Stat. § 402.03; and

WHEREAS, There are current openings on the PHHS Advisory Committee and applications have been received.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board appoints and reappoints the following individuals to two-year terms beginning January 1, 2024:

District 1: Reappoint Kaitlin Erpestad and Pam K	ramer terms to expire 12/31/2025
District 2: continue to seek appointees for 2 vacan	ocies
District 3: Appoint David Schreyer	term to expire 12/31/2025
District 4: Appoint Rachel Phillips	term to expire 12/31/2025
District 5: Reappoint Gina Marsalla, Appoint Christine Koosman	terms to expire 12/31/2025
District 6: Reappoint Loretta Bickford, Appoint Darin Harder	terms to expire 12/31/2025
District 7: Appoint Jeff McNickle	term to expire 12/31/2025
At Large: Reappoint Nathaniel Coward, Appoint Lauren Pipkin	terms to expire 12/31/2025
Fond du Lac: Nathan Sandman	no term limits
Bois Forte: Terry Defoe	no term limits Adopted December 19, 2023. <u>No. 23-647</u>

WHEREAS, The County has prepared plans to complete a Mill & Overlay, Curb & Gutter project on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 9 (Woodland Ave.) from CSAH 37 (Snively Rd.) to Anoka St., further identified as CP 0009-565027, SP 069-609-050, STBG-CRP 6924(139); and

WHEREAS, The County has received \$1,627,650 of Federal State Block Grant Program funds and \$360,000 of Carbon Reduction Program funds for the project; and

WHEREAS, The County and MnDOT need to enter into an agreement for advance construction, which allows for 1) MnDOT to act as the agent in accepting federal aid in connection with the project, and 2) letting the project in 2024 before federal funds are available.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 161.36, the Commissioner of Transportation be appointed as Agent of St. Louis County to accept as its agent, federal aid funds which may be made available for eligible transportation related projects.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the County Board Chair, County Auditor, Public Works Director and Assistant County Attorney are hereby authorized and directed for and on behalf of St. Louis County to execute and enter into an Agreement, and any amendments to the Agreement, with the Commissioner of Transportation prescribing the terms and conditions of said federal aid participation as set forth and contained in MnDOT Contract Number 1055409, a copy of which said Agreement was before the County Board and which is made a part hereof by reference.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That funds for CP 0009-565027, SP 069-609-050 will be receipted into Fund 220, Agency 220653, Object 540702.

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has applied to the Minnesota Commissioner of Transportation for a grant from the Minnesota State Transportation Fund for the construction of State Bridge 69L10 (County Bridge 257), further identified as CP 0851-570567, SAP 069-598-075; and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of Transportation has given notice that funding for this bridge construction project is available, and the project has been selected to receive Local Bridge Replacement Program (LBRP) grant funding supported through the State Transportation Fund (Bridge Bonds); and

WHEREAS, The amount of the grant has been determined to be \$152,479.93 by reason of the lowest responsible bid.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board does hereby agree to the terms and conditions of the grant consistent with Minnesota Statutes, section 174.50, and will pay any additional amount by which the cost exceeds the estimate and will return to the Minnesota State Transportation Fund any amount appropriated for the project but not required.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the proper County officials are authorized to execute a grant agreement and any amendments thereto with the Commissioner of Transportation concerning the above-referenced grant.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the project will be funded by a combination of LBRP Funds (2023 LBRP Funds – SAAS Acct 377, \$152,479.93) and local funds (\$132,320.07). LBRP funds received for this project will be receipted into Fund 220, Agency 220756, Object 530401.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-649

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) is planning a project to replace a culvert on MNTH 1 located 0.54 mile west of County Road 476 (Holter Road) under state project number SP 8821-352; and

WHEREAS, The construction phasing will require MNTH 1 traffic to be detoured onto County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 77 (Angus Road/County Road 77) and CSAH 115 (Hwy. 115/Ashawa Road); and

WHEREAS, MnDOT will provide payment to St. Louis County for road life consumed and maintenance through a detour agreement.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That St. Louis County enters into MnDOT Agreement No. 1055353 with the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation for the following purposes:

To provide for payment by the State to the County for the use and maintenance of County State Aid Highway No. 77 and County State Aid Highway No. 115 as a detour route during the construction to be performed upon, along, and adjacent to Trunk Highway No. 1 at 0.54 miles west of County Road 476 under State Project No. 8821-352 (T.H. 1=160).

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the County Board Chair, Public Works Director and the Assistant County Attorney are authorized to execute the Agreement and any amendments to the Agreement.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That State funds will be receipted into Fund 200, Agency 205003, Object 583100.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-650

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) is planning a project to replace bridges on US 2 at West Rocky Run Creek, Midway River and Kingsbury Creek under state project number SP 6908-66; and

WHEREAS, The construction phasing will require US 2 traffic to be detoured onto County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 13 (Midway Road), CSAH 48 (2nd Ave./Lavaque Road) and CSAH 56 (Morris Thomas Road); and

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Department of Transportation will provide payment to St. Louis County for road life consumed through a detour agreement.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That St. Louis County enters into MnDOT Agreement No. 1055240 with the State of Minnesota Department of Transportation for the following purposes:

To provide for payment by the State to the County for the use and maintenance of County State Aid Highway No. 13, County State Aid Highway No. 48 and County State Aid Highway No. 56 as a detour route during the construction to be performed upon, along, and adjacent to Trunk Highway No. 2 at West Rocky Run Creek, Midway River and Kingsbury Creek under State Project No. 6908-66 (T.H. 2=203).

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the County Board Chair, Public Works Director and the Assistant County Attorney are authorized to execute the Agreement and any amendments to the Agreement.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That State funds will be receipted into Fund 200, Agency 205003, Object 583100.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-651

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Department of Natural Resources (MnDNR) has requested services from St. Louis County Public Works to assist in maintenance activities consisting of debris removal from a water level control structure at the outlet of Prairie Lake and adjacent to County Bridge 136; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County Public Works shall perform such maintenance duties upon execution of a Joint Powers Agreement; and

WHEREAS, The MnDNR is to be invoiced for equipment and material costs incurred by St. Louis County Public Works upon completion of any maintenance work associated with the Prairie Lake water level control structure.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board does hereby authorize the proper County officials to execute an agreement, and any amendments approved by the County Attorney, with the MnDNR for maintenance of a water level control structure at the outlet of Prairie Lake and adjacent to County Bridge 136 in Fine Lakes Township, MN (Section 30, Township 50 North, Range 20 West).

RESOLVED FURTHER, That funds received from the MnDNR will be receipted into Fund 220, Agency 220758, Object 530800.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-652

WHEREAS, The Active Transportation Infrastructure grants are administered by the Minnesota Department of Transportation, State Aid Division; and

WHEREAS, Funds for the Active Transportation Infrastructure program were first appropriated by the Minnesota Legislature in the 2021 special session under the 1st Special Session, Chapter 5, Article 1, Section 2; and

WHEREAS, \$13.2 million in Active Transportation Infrastructure funding is available for the 2023 solicitation for infrastructure projects that construct or improve pedestrian and bicycle facilities; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department proposed to submit a joint funding application with the City of Mountain Iron to the Active Transportation infrastructure grant program to construct a sidewalk along Rock Ridge Drive and Park Ridge Drive (County State Aid Highway 102) in the year 2025, further identified as CP 0102-833621; and

WHEREAS, The proposed sidewalk along Rock Ridge Drive would begin at US 169 and end at Park Ridge Drive (County State Aid Highway 102) for a total length of 0.40 mile and the proposed sidewalk along Park Ridge Drive (County State Aid Highway 102) would begin at Rock

Ridge Drive and end at Nichols Avenue (County State Aid Highway 109) for a total length of 0.32 mile; and

WHEREAS, If the proposed project is awarded funding, St. Louis County would lead the project which includes acting as the fiscal agent, design engineering, right-of-way acquisition services, permitting, bidding, construction engineering and administration at the cost of St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, Both St. Louis County and City of Mountain Iron would each be responsible for the cost of right-of-way that is necessary to be acquired for construction of improvements adjacent to their respective roads.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate County officials to submit a joint funding application with the City of Mountain Iron to the Active Transportation Infrastructure Grant Program in the amount of \$600,000 to construct sidewalk along Rock Ridge Drive and Park Ridge Drive (County State Aid Highway 102) in the City of Mountain Iron.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate County officials are authorized to enter into a cooperative agreement, and to approve any amendments authorized by the County Attorney, with the City of Mountain Iron to define project administration, project cost and maintenance responsibilities for the sidewalk project along Rock Ridge Drive and Park Ridge Drive (County State Aid Highway 102).

RESOLVED FURTHER, That if the project funds are awarded, St. Louis County will provide the necessary cost contribution for this project, including any necessary cost share of potential cost overruns.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That St. Louis County agrees to assume full ownership and responsibility for the operation and maintenance of new county road infrastructure constructed under this grant.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-653

WHEREAS, The Transportation Alternatives Program provides federal funding grant opportunities to local communities to fund projects such as pedestrian and bicycle facilities; and

WHEREAS, \$1.98 million in Transportation Alternatives Program funding is available for northeast Minnesota for fiscal year 2028; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department proposes to submit a funding application to the Transportation Alternatives Program to obtain funding to construct a separated trail along Rice Lake Road (County State Aid Highway 4) beginning at Technology Drive and ending at a point approximately 0.3 mile north of Martin Road (County State Aid Highway 9) for a total distance of 3.5 miles in the year 2028; and

WHEREAS, The proposed trail along Rice Lake Road (County State Aid Highway 4) is one of the components of the Rice Lake Road Corridor Project; and

WHEREAS, If awarded funding, St. Louis County would be responsible for design engineering, environmental documentation and permitting, right-of-way acquisition, bidding and construction engineering and administration at the cost of St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requires that states agree to operate and maintain facilities constructed with federal transportation funds for the useful life of the improvement and not change the use of right of way or property ownership acquired without prior approval from the FHWA; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County is the sponsoring agency for the Transportation Alternatives Program project identified as the Rice Lake Road (County State Aid Highway 4) Trail, CP 0004-490685.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public

Works Department to apply for \$800,000 in grant funds from the Transportation Alternatives Program to construct a trail along Rice Lake Road (County State Aid Highway 4) located in the cities of Duluth and Rice Lake.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That if the project funds are awarded, St. Louis County will provide the necessary cost contribution for this project, including any necessary cost share of potential cost overruns.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That St. Louis County agrees to assume ownership and full responsibility for operation and maintenance of the property and facilities constructed under this grant.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-654

WHEREAS, The Transportation Alternatives Program provides federal funding grant opportunities to local communities to fund projects such as pedestrian and bicycle facilities; and

WHEREAS, \$1.98 million in Transportation Alternatives Program funding is available for northeast Minnesota for fiscal year 2028; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department proposes to submit a funding application to the Transportation Alternatives Program to obtain funding to construct a sidewalk and trail along 40th Avenue West as part of a full reconstruction of 40th Avenue West between Grand Avenue and the railroad tracks; and

WHEREAS, If awarded funding, St. Louis County would be responsible for design engineering, environmental documentation and permitting, right-of-way acquisition, bidding and construction engineering and administration at the cost of St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requires that states agree to operate and maintain facilities constructed with federal transportation funds for the useful life of the improvement and not change the use of right of way or property ownership acquired without prior approval from the FHWA; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County is the sponsoring agency for the Transportation Alternatives Program project identified as the 40th Avenue West Bike and Pedestrian Improvements, CP 0091-442363.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public Works Department to apply for \$320,000 in grant funds from the Transportation Alternatives Program to obtain funding to construct a sidewalk and trail along 40th Avenue West located in the city of Duluth.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That if the project funds are awarded, St. Louis County will provide the necessary cost contribution for this project, including any necessary cost share of potential cost overruns.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That St. Louis County agrees to assume ownership and full responsibility for operation and maintenance of the property and facilities constructed under this grant.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-655

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department has identified an opportunity to reduce the environmental impacts of urban stormwater that discharges untreated from a Woodland Avenue storm sewer to Tischer Creak in the City of Duluth's Hartley Park; and

WHEREAS, The total project costs are estimated to be \$2,000,000; and

WHEREAS, A federal grant with the U.S. Department of Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) has been secured for up to \$1,500,000; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County is obligated to provide a 25% match and has been approved on Board Resolution No. 21-640 to provide up to \$200,000; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department has applied to Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) for a Clean Water Fund grant that would provide up to \$500,000 toward construction costs for the Woodland Avenue green infrastructure project and has received indication that the grant is likely to be awarded.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate County officials to accept grant funding from the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) in the amount of \$500,000 for the Woodland Avenue green infrastructure project, CP 0009-689681, subject to the award being made December 19, 2023.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate County officials are authorized to enter into an agreement, and any amendments, with the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) to accept grant funding for this project. Funds received from BWSR will be receipted into Fund 220, Agency 220708, Object 530104.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-656

WHEREAS, St. Louis County requested quotes from contractors that had previously submitted responses to RFB 5731SI Septic System Installation for the installation of the sub-surface septic and onsite wastewater treatment systems at the three new Public Works campuses being constructed for the Public Works Countywide Improvements Project.; and

WHEREAS, The administrative decision has been made to invoke emergency purchasing to expedite contracting to ensure that these essential facilities are ready to be occupied during the 2023-2024 winter season and to be able to perform the related departmental goal of providing a safe, well-maintained road and bridge system; and

WHEREAS, The Purchasing Division received quotes from three different vendors, and the low responsible quote was determined.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the award on the above project to the low quote:

LOW QUOTER ADDRESS AMOUNT
Hoss Construction, LLC 4793 Highway 33 \$173,151.00
Saginaw, MN 55779

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate County officials are authorized to execute the contract and any amendments for the above listed project payable from:

Fund 405, Agency 405191, Object 661100 – Culver (WO #541866) - \$52,601.00

Fund 405, Agency 405192, Object 661100 – Kugler (WO #621901) - \$70,370.00

Fund 405, Agency 405193, Object 661100 – Whiteface (WO #604324) - \$50,180.00

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-657

WHEREAS, The South St. Louis Soil and Water Conservation District, in concert with the St. Louis County Public Works, submitted an application for a grant from the Department of Natural Resources for the replacement of the bridge on the West Rocky Run crossing of Maple Grove Road (County State Aid Highway 6), further identified as CP 0006-834778; and

WHEREAS, The amount of the grant has been determined to be \$320,000, of which the South St. Louis Soil and Water Conservation District will retain \$12,000 of the Grant for administration of the Grant. St. Louis County is required to provide a match and cover all overages; and

WHEREAS, The Parties desire to enter into a Subgrant Agreement for the Project.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the appropriate County officials are authorized to enter into an agreement, and any amendments, with the St. Louis Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) and to accept grant funding for the replacement of Bridge 127 on the West Rocky

Run crossing of Maple Grove Road (County State Aid Highway 6). Funds received from SWCD will be receipted into Fund 220, Agency 220759, Object 545175.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-658

WHEREAS, The Voyageur Country ATV (VCATV) Club has secured a Minnesota Department of Natural Resources grant in the amount of \$750,000 from the all-terrain vehicle account for the design, permitting, right-of-way acquisition, and construction of a trail shelter project, privy project, and work on various trail segments; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has previously agree to act as the fiscal agent and contract administrator for the State grant funds for the project; and

WHEREAS, VCATV, or its Consultant(s), shall perform the planning, design, environmental permitting, and right-of-way acquisition for the project; and

WHEREAS, Any project costs in excess of the State grant funds are the responsibility of VCATV.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate County officials to enter into a grant agreement, and any amendments, with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources and a Cooperative agreement, and any amendments, with Voyageur Country ATV Club, for the construction of a trail shelter project, privy project, and work on various trail segments.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That this project is identified as CP 0000-809883. Funds for this project will be receipted into Fund 220, Agency 220757, Object 530819.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-659

WHEREAS, Bids have been received electronically by the St. Louis County Public Works Department for CP 0000-766648; and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation and Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on November 30, 2023, and the low responsible bid was determined.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the award on the above project to the low bidder:

LOW BIDDER

ADDRESS

AMOUNT

Mesabi Bituminous, Inc.

PO Box 728

\$386,010.00

Gilbert, MN 55741

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate County officials are authorized to approve the contractor's performance bonds and to execute the bonds and contract for the above listed project payable from:

CP 0000-766648

Fund 220, Agency 220743, Object 652700 – IRRR ATV Trail Grant Funds

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-660

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the applications for abatement, correction of assessed valuations and taxes plus penalty and interest, and any additional accrual, identified in County Board File No. 61875.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-661

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the applications for abatement of penalty and interest identified in County Board File No. 61991.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-662

WHEREAS, On March 11, 2021, the President of the United States signed into law the \$1.9 Trillion American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to provide continued relief from the impact of COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Approximately \$350 billion of the ARPA funding was allotted to assist state, local tribal, and territory governments in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Funds received are required to be used in accordance with the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF) requirements as provided within the guidance issued by the United States Treasury:

- To respond to the public health emergency
- To address its negative economic impacts
- To serve the hardest hit
- To make necessary investments in water. sewer, or broadband infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has been awarded \$54,536,596 in ARPA funds to be used in accordance with the above requirements; and

WHEREAS, The County Board has allocated up to \$1,000,000 of ARPA funds to be used for youth recreation/park projects; and

WHEREAS, Cherry Township has identified a project to expand its baseball field; and

WHEREAS, The Township has submitted documentation seeking funding assistance in the amount of \$15,000 from the County's American Rescue Plan Act Revenue Loss funds to support its project.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the use of up to \$15,000 of American Rescue Plan Act Revenue Loss funding for the Cherry Township Baseball Field expansion project.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That Cherry Township shall comply and submit all necessary information, documentation and reporting materials required by the County to ensure that the project meets any and all conditions as required under the program.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate County officials are authorized to enter into an agreement with the Township for this project with funds for the above project payable from Fund 239, American Rescue Plan Action Revenue Loss.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-663

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WHEREAS, Funds received are required to be used in accordance with the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF) requirements as provided within the guidance issued by the United States Treasury:

- To respond to the public health emergency
- To address its negative economic impacts
- To serve the hardest hit
- To make necessary investments in water. sewer, or broadband infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has been awarded \$54,536,596 in ARPA funds to be used in accordance with the above requirements; and

WHEREAS, The Crane Lake Water & Sanitary District submitted an application for funding to assist with the construction and installation of Sewer Treatment Systems in the Crane Lake area.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves a grant to Crane Lake Water & Sanitary District in the amount of \$150,000 for the Crane Lake Water & Sanitary District Sewer Treatment System Installations Project from American Rescue Plan Act Revenue Loss funding.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the District shall comply and submit all necessary information, documentation and reporting materials required by the County to ensure that the program meets any and all conditions as required under the program.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate County officials are authorized to enter into an agreement with the Crane Lake Water & Sanitary District for this program with funds for the above project payable from Fund 239, American Rescue Plan Act Revenue Loss.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-664

WHEREAS, A Capital Improvement Plan is a 5-year plan that identifies major county-wide projects such as upgrades to county facilities, road construction and maintenance, technology and equipment purchase, and other items; and

WHEREAS, A Capital Improvement Plan is used as a dynamic and flexible document to assist with the financial planning efforts of the County to prepare a budget for its future capital needs; and

WHEREAS, The Capital Improvement Plan is an important tool to provide guidance to County staff and its citizens in terms of the County's capital project priorities; and

WHEREAS, Under Minn. Stat. § 383C.02, Subd. 1 and 4, the County shall annually adopt a budget which shall include the capital expenditures proposed; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 373.40, has previously approved a Capital Improvement Plan associated with the issuance of capital improvement bonds; and

WHEREAS, The County has identified a goal of reviewing and updating its Capital Improvement Plan as part of its annual budget process; and

WHEREAS, The Board has reviewed the Capital Improvement Plan and has considered the following for each project described in the updated plan:

- 1. The condition of the county's existing infrastructure, including the projected need for repair or replacement;
- 2. The likely demand for the improvement;
- 3. The estimated cost of the improvement;
- 4. The available public resources;
- 5. The level of overlapping debt in the County;
- 6. The relative benefits and costs of alternative uses of the funds;
- 7. Operating costs of the proposed improvements; and
- 8. The alternatives for providing services more efficiently through shared facilities with other cities or local government units.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board, based on the considerations set forth in the plan and as set forth herein, approves the Capital Improvement Plan, as updated for the years 2024 through 2028, on file with the County Auditor as County Board File No. 62072.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That County staff are hereby authorized to do all things and take all other actions as maybe necessary as appropriate to carry out the Capital Improvement Plan in accordance with any applicable laws and regulations.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-665

RESOLVED, That pursuant to St. Louis County Ordinance No. 51, as amended, the application for license to sell tobacco products at retail, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 61857, is hereby approved and the County Auditor is authorized to issue the license to the following establishments:

Northern Tier Retail LLC dba Speedway #4778, Cotton Township;

Lakeland Store dba Lakeland Store, Biwabik Township.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That if the named license holder sells their licensed business, the County Board may, at its discretion and after an investigation, transfer the license to a new owner, but without pro-rated refund of the license fee to the license holder.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-666

WHEREAS, The County's adopted 2023 and proposed 2024 budgets include professional services funding for intergovernmental lobbying efforts; and

WHEREAS, The County has received a proposal from the Costin Group Minnesota, LLC in the amount of \$82,500 for state and federal lobbying efforts for environmental services and general-purpose lobbying efforts for the 2023-2024 calendar year.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves a contract for state/federal lobbying services with the Costin Group Minnesota, LLC upon approval of the County Attorney, in an amount not to exceed \$82,500, not including travel and lodging for federal efforts, payable from Fund 100, Agency 105001, Object 629900, and Fund 600, Agency 607001 and 608001, Object 629900 and 660268.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That this agreement shall automatically renew for successive two (2) year periods unless a party provides the other party with written notice of its intent not to renew this agreement at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the then current agreement.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-667

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board appoints citizens to serve on the Planning Commission and Board of Adjustment; and

WHEREAS, Three current members, William (Tom) Coombe, Steve Filipovich, and Daniel Manick, wish to be reappointed to the Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, One current member, William (Tom) Coombe, wishes to be reappointed to the Board of Adjustment.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board reappoints William (Tom) Coombe, Steve Filipovich, and Daniel Manick to the St. Louis County Planning Commission with terms expiring December 31, 2026.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board reappoints William (Tom) Coombe to the St. Louis County Board of Adjustment with a term expiring December 31, 2026.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-668

WHEREAS, A new Earned Sick and Safe Time (ESST) paid leave law was passed during the 2023 legislative session, effective January 1, 2024, which requires employers to provide paid leave under specific circumstances to employees who work in the state of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, For purposes of satisfying ESST, the county has previously negotiated (or provided to unrepresented employees via a compensation plan) paid sick leave, vacation leave and personal leave benefits, which meet or exceed ESST minimum requirements under the law; and

WHEREAS, Eligible temporary employees who are not covered under collective bargaining agreements or compensation plans are now eligible for ESST pursuant to the law and this proposed policy.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the new St. Louis County Earned Sick and Safe Time Policy contained in Board File No. 62075.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Board hereby directs the Human Resources Department to provide notice of the county's ESST policy by 1) supplying employees, who have county email, with an electronic copy of the policy; 2) by posting this policy on the county's intranet site; 3) by posting a copy of the policy at work locations where employees do not have access to county email; and 4) by incorporating the policy into new hire communications.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-669

WHEREAS, A new Earned Sick and Safe Time (ESST) paid leave law was passed during the 2023 legislative session, effective January 1, 2024, which requires employers to provide paid leave under specific circumstances to employees who work in the state of Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, For purposes of satisfying ESST, the county has previously negotiated (or provided to unrepresented employees via a compensation plan) paid sick leave, vacation leave and personal leave benefits, which meet or exceed ESST minimum requirements under the law; and

WHEREAS, Eligible temporary employees who are not covered under collective bargaining agreements or compensation plans are now eligible for ESST pursuant to the law and this proposed policy.

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RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Board hereby directs the Human Resources Department to provide notice of the county's ESST policy by 1) supplying employees, who have county email, with an electronic copy of the policy; 2) by posting this policy on the county's intranet site; 3) by posting a copy of the policy at work locations where employees do not have access to county email; and 4) by incorporating the policy into new hire communications.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-670

WHEREAS, The 2023 Depot Operations Committee reviewed and discussed the St. Louis County Historical Society's (SLCHS) 2024 budget request of \$613,878; and

WHEREAS, The following objectives for the SLCHS request were taken into consideration:

- Have a well-functioning SLCHS Board;
- Reduce the SLCHS reliance on County funds and involvement;
- Enhance the relevancy of the SLCHS and its affiliates;
- Have artifacts displayed in various County buildings; and

WHEREAS, The SLCHS is experiencing significant change at a staff level; and

WHEREAS, A two-year contract communicates to the SLC Historical Society the importance of seeking alternate sources of funding, while allowing new leadership to know the resources available to them during their first couple years on the job; and

WHEREAS, A two-year contract gives the organization time for the (almost year-long) organizational and operational assessment to be completed.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the creation and execution of a two-year contract for \$531,998 in 2024 and \$461,998 in 2025 (with no project specific funding), contingent on the following items (of which will be detailed in more depth as part of the actual contract):

- Submittal of Quarterly reports—with programmatic and financial components (including fundraising and grant writing efforts);
- Displays of artifacts/artwork;

 Participation in the Museum Assessment Program through the American Alliance of Museums

Note: If SLC Historical Society is not successful in getting into the Museum Assessment Program, they would be expected to contract with a consultant to help lead a strategic planning process in 2024, identify strengths/weaknesses, determine priorities, review structure, etc.;

• Community and Affiliate Outreach.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-671

WHEREAS, The State of Minnesota recently solicited requests for 2024 Capital Appropriations; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board previously adopted Resolution No. 23-332 prioritizing its 2024 Capital Appropriation Bonding Projects; and

WHEREAS, The Board has previously adopted Resolution No. 23-456 identifying certain key priorities for proposed legislative language changes; and

WHEREAS, The Association of Minnesota Counties recently met and adopted its 2024 Legislative Priorities; and

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Inter-County Association recently met and adopted its 2024 Legislative Priorities.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board reaffirms its priorities for its 2024 Capital Appropriations request as follows:

- 1) Integrated Solid Waste Management Campus Phase II
- 2) St. Louis County Heritage & Arts Center Asset Renovation
- 3) Voyageur National Park Clean Water Ash River

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board approves its other priorities for legislative language changes and/or actions as follows:

- 1) Language and funding allocation associated with the change in statutory language associated with tax-forfeit properties and related items.
- 2) A legislative fix to the funding awarded in 2023 for the Clarity Urgent Care Behavioral Health Center.
- 3) Seeking commitment to roles and sustainable funding associated with the 48-hour rule.
- 4) The 2024 legislative platform incorporates the AMC and MICA legislative platform priorities.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-672

BY COMMISSIONER NELSON:

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board of Commissioners appoints citizens to serve on the St. Louis County Cooperative Extension Committee; and

WHEREAS, Doug Hoffbauer has expressed interest in being reappointed to the Committee for a new term expiring December 31, 2026.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board hereby reappoints Doug Hoffbauer to the Cooperative Extension Committee for a three-year term ending December 31, 2026.

Unanimously adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-669

BY COMMISSIONER NELSON:

BUDGET AND LEVY RESOLUTION FISCAL YEAR 2024

A. County-wide Levy (Non-debt)		
Fund 100 General Fund	69,012,017	
Fund 155 Depot	848,460	
Fund 178 Economic Development	2,063,770	
Fund 184 County Extension	1,371,263	
Fund 200 Road & Bridge Fund	24,244,341	
Fund 230 Public Health & Human Services	54,552,877	
Fund 400 Capital Projects - County Facilities	1,293,787	
Fund 405 Capital Projects - Road & Bridge	863,927	
Fund 407 Capital Projects - Road & Bridge Equipment	6,525,940	
		\$160,776,382
B. Regional Levy (Non-debt)	-	
Fund 100 General Fund - Arrowhead Regional Library	720.489	
	,	\$720,489
C. Debt Service Funds (County-wide)	-	
Fund 327 Refunding Bond 2013A	1,572,113	
Fund 328 Capital Improvement Bond 2018A	2,102,290	
Fund 329 Capital Improvement Bond 2018B	1,146,705	
Fund 331 Refunding Bonds 2013D & 2014A	1,028,063	
Fund 332 Capital Improvment Bond 2021A	807,332	
<i>,</i> ,	•	\$6,656,503
	-	\$168,153,374

Total Use of Assets

Total Source of Assets

			Adopted Expenditures	697600 Transfers Out	311201 Accumulation of Fund Balance	Total	500100 Property Tax Levy	Other Revenue	590100 Transfers In	311202 Use of Fund Balance	Total
GENERAL FUND											
	100	General Fund	137,188,633	3,554,491	251,057	141,304,180	(69,732,506)	(68,695,836)	(2,251,524)	(824,315)	(141,304,180)
	148	Volunteer Fire Departments	698,231	-	-	698,231	-	(698,231)	-	-	(698,231)
	149	Personnel Service Fund	5,000	-	-	5,000	-	(5,000)	-	-	(6,000)
	155	Depot	1,437,699	-	-	1,437,699	(548,461)	(589,238)	-	-	(1,437,699)
	159	Attomey-CS-Mod Filing Fee	1,000	-	500	1,500	-	(1,500)	•	-	(1,500)
	160	MN Trail Assistance	500,000	-	-	500,000	-	(500,000)	-	-	(500,000)
	161	Missing Heirs	-	-	1,000	£,000	-	(1,000)	-	-	(1,000)
	166	Sheriff Fine Contingency	13,000	-	Ā	\$3,DDD	-	(13,000)	-	-	(13,000)
	167	Attorney's Forfeitures	45,000	-	-	45,000	-	(45,000)	-	-	(45,000)
	168	Sheriff's State Forfeitures	20,000	-	22,300	42,300	•	(42,300)	-	ā	(42,300)
	169	Attorney Trust Accounts-VW	19,331	-		19,331	-	(6,000)	-	(13,331)	(19,331)

	170	Boundary Waters-Forfeiture	10,000	-	~	10,000	-	(10,000)	-	-	(10,000)
	171	Controlled Substances	5,000	-	-	5,000	-	(5,000)	-	-	(5,000)
	172	Sheriff Federal Forfeitures	10,000	-	-	10,000	-	(10,000)	-	-	(10,000)
	173	Emergency Shelter Grant	168,000	-	-	169,000	-	(168,000)	-	-	(168,000)
	178	Economic Development-Tax	2,163,770	-	-	2,163,770	(2,063,770)	459,638	(350,000)	(239,638)	(2,163,770)
	179	Fort Enhanced 9-1-1	429,500	36,000	197,000	662,500	-	(662,500)	-	-	(662,500)
	180	Law Library	320,671	-	-	320,871	-	(222,500)	-	(98,171)	(320,671)
	183	City/County Communications	008,8	-	-	8,800	-	(5,000)	-	(3,800)	(8,800)
	184	Extension Service	1,414,657	-	-	1,414,657	(1,371,263)	(43,393)	-	-	(1,414,657)
	187	Drug Buy Money	25,000	-	-	25,000	-	(25,000)	-	-	(25,000)
	190	Sheriff Explorers	1,500	-	-	1,500	-	(1,500)	-	-	(1,500)
	192	Permit to Carry	185,128	-	131,463	316,590	-	(316,590)	-	-	(316,590)
			144,669,918	3,900,491	603,320	149,173,728	(74,016,000)	(71,576,950)	(2,601,524)	(979,255)	(149,173,728)
SPECIAL REVENUE		•									
FUNDS	200	Public Works	47,86D,653	46,000	-	47,906,653	(24,244,341)	(23,322,312)	(340,000)	-	(47,906,653)
	204	Local Option Transit Sales Tax	12,298,569	6,851,431	-	19,150,000	-	(19,150,000)	-	-	{19,150,000}
	210	Road Maint - Unorg Townships	2,166,895	-	-	2,166,895	-	(2,166,995)	-	-	(2,166,595)
	220	State Road Aid	55.050,444	-	-	55,050,444	-	(55,050,444)	-	-	(55,050,444)
	230	Public Health & Human Services	119,767,138	1,186,947	-	120,954,085	(54,552,877)	(65,214,262)	(1,185,947)	-	(120,954,055)
	238	HHS Conference	26D,366	-	-	260,366	-	(260,366)	-	-	(260,386)
	239	Pandemic Response Fund	-	3,500,000	-	3,500,000	-	-	-	(3,500,000)	(3,500,000)
	240	Forfeited Tax	7,052,261	350,000	7.200	7,409,461	-	(6,259,461)	(1,150,000)	-	(7,409,451)
	250	St. Louis County HRA	437,032	-	-	437,032	-	(237,032)	-	(200,000)	(437,032)
	260	CDBG Grant	2,120,000	-	-	2,120,000	-	{2,120,000}	-	-	(2,120,000)
	261	CDBG Program Income	50,000	-	-	50,000	-	(50,000)	-	-	(50,000)
	270	Home Grant	650,200	•	-	650,200	-	(650,200)	-	-	(650,200)
	280	Federal Septic Loan - EPA Fund	75,500	-	-	75,500	-	(75,500)	-	-	(75,500)
	281	SLC Septic Loans	5,500	-	-	5,500	-	(5,500)	-	-	(5,500)
	285	Septic Loans - MPCA	39,107	-	-	39,107	-	-	-	(39,107)	(39,107)
	286	Septic Loans - SSTS/BWSR	67,450	-	-	67,450	-	-	-	(67,450)	(67,450)
	287	Septic Loans - HRA	16,703	-	-	16,703	-	-	-	(16,703)	(16,703)
	288	Septic Loans - Env Trust Fund	105,000	-	-	105,000	-	-	(105,000)	-	(105,000)
	289	ISTS	980,405	-	-	990,405	-	(280,000)	(700,405)	-	(980,405)
	290	Forest Resources	1.625,077	138,000	-	1,761,077	-	(885,570)	-	(875,206)	(1,761,077)
	298	Opioid Remediation	33,941	-	-	33,941	-	-	-	(33,941)	(33,941)
		-	250,662,241	12,070,378	7,200	262,739,819	(78,797,218)	(175,727,842)	(3,482,351)	(4,732,408)	(262,739,819)
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DEBT		-									
SERVICE FUNDS											
	325	Capital Improve Bond 2015C	3,340,506	-	-	3,340,506	-	-	(3,340,506)	-	(3,340,506)
	326	Capital Improve Bond 2016A	1,978,288	~	-	1,978,288	-	-	(1,978,288)	•	(1,978,255)
	327	Refunding Bond 2016B	1,497,250	-	74,563	1,572,113	(1,572,113)	-	-	-	(1,572,113)
	328	Capital Improve Bond 2018A	2,002,181	-	100,109	2,102,290	(2,102,290)	-	-	-	(2,102,290)
	329	Capital Improve Bond 2018B	1,092,100	-	54,805	1,146,705	(1,146,705)	-	-	-	(1,146,705)
	330	Capital Improve Bond 2020A	1,532,638	-	-	1,532,638	-	-	(1,532,638)	-	(1,532,638)
	331	Refunding Bond 2020B	979,108	-	48,955	1,028,063	(1,028,063)	-	-	-	(1,028,063)
	332	Capital Improve Bond 2021A	768,888	-	38,444	807,332	(507,332)	-	-	-	(807,332)
		_	13,190,958	_	316,976	13,507,934	(6,656,503)	_	(6,851,431)	-	(13,507,934)
CAPITAL		=									
PROJECTS FUNDS											
	400	County Facilities	1,300,000	-	-	1,300,000	(1,293,787)	(6,213)	-	•	(1,300,000)
	402	Depreciation Reserve Fund	111,422	-	-	111,422	-	-	(111,422)	-	(111,422)
	403	Emergency Repairs	1,100,203	-	-	1,100,203	-	-	(1,100,203)	-	(1,100,203)
	405	Public Works Building Constr	994,616	-	-	224 ,616	(563,927)	(13D,589)	-	-	(994,515)
	407	Public Works - Equipment	6,734,489	-	-	6,734,489	(6,525,940)	(108,549)	(100,000)	-	(5,734,489)
			10,240,730	-	-	10,240,730	(8,683,654)	(245,451)	(1,311,625)	-	(10,240,730)
PERMANEN	Т										
FUND	500	Shoreline Sales	29,150	1,590,330	-	1,619,480		-	-	(1,619,480)	(1,619,480)
			29,150	1,590,330	-	1,619,480	-	-	-	(1,619,480)	(1,619,480)
ENTERPRIS	E										
FUNDS	600	Environmental Services	10,608,454	-	3,361,146	13,959,600	-	(10,034,600)	(3,935,000)	-	(13,969,500)
	610	Regional Landfill Trust	-	-	140,000	140,000	-	(140,000)	-	-	(140,000)
	615	919 Fees	-	200,000	225,000	425,000	-	(425,000)	-	•	(425,000)
	64D	Plat Books	20,300	,	-	29,300	-	(20,300)	-	-	(20,300)
			10,628,754	200,000	3,726,146	14,554,900	-	(10,619,900)	(3,935,000)		(14,554,900)
INTERNAL								***			
SERVICE FUNDS	715	County Garage	2,078,555	-	-	2,078,555	-	(1,977,713)	-	(100,842)	(2,078,555)
	720	Property Casualty Liability	948,345	-	-	948,345	-	(677,864)	-	(270,481)	(948,345)
	730	Workers Compensation	3,400,589	•	-	3,400,589	-	(2,870,767)	-	(529,821)	(3,400,589)
	7 4 D	Medical Dental Insur	37,559,782	420,733	-	37,950,515	-	(34,910,112)	-	(3,070,403)	(37,980,515)
		-	43,987,271	420,733	-	44,408,004	-	(40,436,456)	-	(3,971,548)	(44,408,004)
		=	473,409,021	18,181,931	4,653,643	496,244,595	(168,153,374)	(298,606,600)	(18,181,931)	(11,302,690)	(496,244,595)
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	2024 Adopted Budget
General Fund	
Policy & Management	
Non-Departmental Revenue	3,255,706
Board of Commissioners	1,421,741
Aid to Other Agencies-Econ Dev	279,200
Aid to Other Agencies-Other	19,261,942
Administration	4,244,049
Intergovernmental Affairs	368,950
Labor Relations	152,554
	28,984,141
Planning and Development	20,304,141
Planning and Development Planning & Development	3 974 460
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	3,824,168
Administration	
IT .	12,394,307
Purchasing	627,542
Veterans Service Officer	918,494
Property Management	10,813,819
Mine Inspector	365,070
Safety and Risk Management	940,795
	26,060,029
Auditor	
Auditor	7,108,702
Elections	497,601
	7,606,303
Human Resources	*,000,000
Human Resources	2,280,874
Employee Development & Wellness	777,360
Employee Development & Tremiess	
A44	3,058,234
Attorney	44 400 454
County Attorney	11,463,454
	11,463,454
Assessor	
Assessor	5,801,420
	5,801,420
Recorder	
Recorder	3,390,708
	3,390,708
Communications	
Emergency Communications	5,579,296
Radio Maintenance	1,106,020
Tradio Hallionalido	6,685,317
Commitment Depresentation	0,000,317
Commitment Representation Commitment Representation	422 500
Communent Representation	132,500
	132,500
Sheriff	
Sheriff	22,486,713
Boat & Water Safety	178,402
Medical Examiner	615,220
Emergency Management	496,490
Rescue Squad	345,101
Law Enforcement Services	934,724
Jail Prisoners	15,782,703
	40,839,353
Courts	10,000
Court Administrator/Law Library Rent	1,366,985
	1,000,000

General Fund

Examiner of Titles	192,713
	1,559,698
County Fee Land	-
County Fee Land	20,100
	20,100
Health Care Reform/Reserve for Retired Employees	
Health Care Reform/Retiree Pay	1,627,698
	1,627,698

141,053,123

373,258

Total Expenses

Means of Financing	
Property Taxes	(69,732,506)
Other Taxes	(10,983,644)
Licenses and Permits	(447,500)
Intergovernmental Revenues	(19,513,013)
Charges for Services	(4,626,779)
Intra-County Revenues	(23,813,596)
Investment Earnings	(8,000,000)
Gifts & Contributions	(2,500)
Timber & Land Sales	(42,000)
Miscellaneous	(1,164,075)
Transfers In	(2,251,524)
Other Financing Sources	(102,729)
Total Revenues	(140,679,865)

Total General Fund Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance

Depot

Fund 155 Depot	
Depot	1,437,699
	1,437,699
Total Expenses	1,437,699

Means of Financing

Property Taxes	(848,461)
Other Taxes	(438)
Charges for Services	(220,000)
Miscellaneous	(368,800)
Total Revenues	(1.437.699)

Total Depot Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance

MN Extension Service

MN Extension Services/S.L.C.	700,926
MN Extension Service - Grants	11,100
Youth Task Force	702,630
Total Expenses	1,414,657

Means of Financing

Property Taxes	(1,371,263)
Other Taxes	(1,643)
Charges for Services	(13,200)
Gifts & Contributions	(28,300)

MN Extension Service Miscellaneous (250)Total Revenues (1,414,657)Total MN Extension Service Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance **Emergency Shelter Grant** SLC-Essential Service - ESG 168,000 Total Expenses 168,000 Means of Financing Intergovernmental Revenues (168,000)Total Revenues (168,000) Total Emergency Shelter Grant Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance Other General Fund **Fund 148 Volunteer Fire Departments** Volunteer Fire Departments 698,231 698,231 Fund 149 Personal Service Fund Personal Service Fund 5,000 5,000 Fund 159 Attorney-Child Support-Mod Filing Fee Attorney-Child Support-Mod Filing Fee 1,000 1,000 Fund 160 MN Trail Assistance MN Trail Assistance 500,000 500,000 Fund 166 Sheriff's Fine Contingency Sheriff Fine Contingency 13,000 13,000 **Fund 167 Attorney Forfeitures** Attorney's Forfeitures 45,000 45,000 Fund 168 Sheriff's State Forfeitures Sheriff's State Forfeitures 20,000 20,000 **Fund 169 Attorney Trust Account** Attorney Trust Accounts 19,331 19,331 Fund 170 Boundary Waters - Forfeiture Boundary Waters-Forfeiture 10,000 10.000 **Fund 171 Controlled Substances** Controlled Substances 5,000 5,000 Fund 172 Sheriff Federal Forfeitures Federal Forfeiture Fund 10,000 10,000 Fund 178 Economic Development-Tax Forf Economic Dev - Forf Lands 2,163,770

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Fund 179 Enhanced 911		
Enhanced 9-1-1		465,500
		465,500
Fund 180 Law Library		
Law Library		178,291
Hibbing Law Library		67,072
Virginia Law Library		75,309
		320,671
Fund 183 City County Communications		
Emergency Communications		8,800
		8,800
Fund 187 Drug Buy Money		25.000
Drug Buy Money		25,000
F		25,000
Fund 190 Sheriff Explorers Sheriff Explorers		4 500
Sheriii Exploreis		1,500
Fund 103 Dormit to Corne		1,500
Fund 192 Permit to Carry Permit to Carry		185,128
1 chair to carry		185,128
Total Expenses		
Total Expenses		4,496,930
Means of Financing		
Property Taxes		(2,063,770)
Other Taxes		(208,593)
Licenses and Permits		(316,590)
Intergovernmental Revenues		(1,150,000)
Charges for Services		(26,500)
Fines and Forfeitures		(117,000)
Investment Earnings		(18,500)
Gifts & Contributions		(1,500)
Miscellaneous Transfers In		(241,800)
Total Revenues		(350,000)
Total Horonaco		(4,494,253)
Total Other General Fund		
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	-	2,677
	-	£,011
Dublic Wests		
Public Works		
Non-Departmental Revenue		(884,350)
Administration & Engineering Road Maintenance		7,891,913
Equipment & Shops		15,954,812 8,037,298
Road Construction - County		5,450,000
PW Inventory Control		11,456,981
Road Maint-Unorg Townships		2,166,895
Road Construction - State		55,050,444
County Transporation Sales Tax		19,150,000
Total Expenses		124,273,992
Means of Financing		
Property Taxes		(24,244,341)
Other Taxes		(27,293,314)
Licenses and Permits		(84,000)
Intergovernmental Revenues		(69,647,675)
Charges for Services		(1,365,358)
	73	

Intra-County Revenues Miscellaneous	(43,241)
Transfers In	(1,256,063) (340,000)
Total Revenues	
Total Revenues	(124,273,992)
Total Public Works	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	
Public Health & Human Services	
Administration	16,887,063
Financial	21,688,222
Social Services	74,858,006
Public Health Nursing	6,820,794
Collaboratives	700,000
HHS Conference	260,366
Total Expenses	121,214,451
Means of Financing	
Property Taxes	(54,552,877)
Other Taxes	(69,977)
Intergovemmental Revenues	(58,858,041)
Charges for Services	(5,885,109)
Miscellaneous	(661,500)
Transfers In	(1,186,947)
Total Revenues	(121,214,451)
Total Public Health & Human Services	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	-
Pandemic Response Fund	
Pandemic Response Fund	
Pandemic Response	3,500,000
	3,500,000
Total Expenses	3,500,000
Total Pandemic Response Fund	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	3,500,000
Land & Minerals Department	
Land/Urban Forfeited Tax	500,000
Land - Administration	3,885,018
290 Qualifying Expenses	3,017,242
Total Expenses	7,402,261
Means of Financing	
Timber & Land Sales	(5,391,643)
Miscellaneous	(867,818)
Transfers In	(1,150,000)
Total Revenues	(7,409,461)
Total Land & Minerals Department	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	(7,200)

Other Special Revenue Funds	
HRA Administration	437,032
Opioid Settlement	33,941
Total Expenses	470,973
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Means of Financing	1007 0001
Other Taxes Total Revenues	(237,032)
Total nevenues	(237,032)
Total Other Special Revenue Funds	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	233,941
Comm Devel Block Grant	
Planning and Development	
CDBG Administration	2,120,000
CDBG Projects	50,000
Total Expenses	2,170,000
	
Means of Financing	
Intergovernmental Revenues Total Revenues	(2,170,000)
Total Revenues	(2,170,000)
Total Comm Devel Block Grant	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	
Home Grant	
Home Projects	600,200
Home CHDO Projects	50,000
Total Expenses	650,200
Means of Financing	
Intergovernmental Revenues	(650,000)
Miscellaneous Total Revenues	(200)
Total nevenues	(650,200)
Total Home Grant	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	
Septic Loans	
Federal Septic Loan - EPA	75,500
SLC Septic Loans	5,500
ISTS	980,405
Septic Loans - MPCA	39,107
Septic Loans - ETF	105,000
Septic Loans - SSTS/BWSR	67,450
Septic Loans - HRA Total Expenses	16,703
rotal Exponents	1,289,665
Means of Financing	
Charges for Services	(280,000)
Investment Earnings	(10,000)
Miscellaneous	(1,000)
Transfers In	(805,405)
Other Financing Sources	(70,000)
Total Revenues	(1,166,405)

Total Septic Loans	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	123,260
Forest Resources	
Memorial Forests	1,761,077
Total Expenses	1,761,077
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Means of Financing Other Taxes	(570,172)
Intergovernmental Revenues	(315,698)
Total Revenues	
rotal november	(885,870)
Total Forest Resources Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	875,206
D. I. O	
Debt Service Funds	0.040.500
2015C Capital Improvement Bond	3,340,506
2016A Capital Improvement Bond 2016B Refunding 2013A	1,978,288
2018A Capital Improvement Bond	1,497,250 2,002,181
2018B Capital Improvement Bond	1,092,100
2020A Capital Improvement Bond	1,532,638
2020B Refunding 2013D & 2014A	979,108
2021A Capital Improvement Bond	768,888
Total Expenses	13,190,958
	13,180,800
Means of Financing	
Property Taxes	(6,656,503)
Transfers In	(6,851,431)
Total Revenues	(13,507,934)
Total Debt Service Funds	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	(316,976)
Capital Projects Funds	
County Facilities	1,300,000
Depreciation Reserve	111,422
Road & Bridge Build Constr	994,616
Public Works-Equipment	6,734,489
Emergency Repairs	1,100,203
Total Expenses	10,240,730
Means of Financing	
Property Taxes	(8,683,654)
Other Taxes	(10,457)
Miscellaneous	(134,994)
Transfers In	(1,311,625)
Other Financing Sources	(100,000)
Total Revenues	(10,240,730)
	(18,240,100)
Total Capital Projects Funds Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	
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Environmental Services	
Administration-Environmental Services	1,714,838
Recycling - Score	1,935,762
Troopening Ocore	1,000,102

Canister	1,590,825
Transfer Stations	2,846,652
Household Hazardous Waste	416,254
Regional Landfill	2,062,772
Canyon Landfill	17,250
919 Fees	200,000
Grants	24,100
Total Expenses	10,808,454
Moone of Financing	
Means of Financing Licenses and Permits	/e enn\
Intergovernmental Revenues	(6,600) (288,000)
Charges for Services	(9,139,000)
Investment Earnings	(390,000)
Miscellaneous	(776,000)
Transfers In	(3,935,000)
Total Revenues	
Total Neverbes	(14,534,600)
Total Environmental Services	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	(3,726,146)
Plat Books	
Plat Books	20,300
Total Expenses	20,300
Means of Financing	
Charges for Services	(20,000)
Miscellaneous	(300)
Total Revenues	(20,300)
Total Plat Books	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	_
County Garage/Motor Pool	
County Garage - Motor Pool	1,643,555
MP Inventory Control	435,000
Total Expenses	2,078,555
Means of Financing	
Charges for Services	(805,000)
Intra-County Revenues	(1,160,013)
Miscellaneous	(2,700)
Other Financing Sources	(10,000)
Total Revenues	(1,977,713)
Total County Garage/Motor Pool	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	100,842
	100,012
Property Casualty Liability	
Property Casualty Liability	948,345
Total Expenses	
retai Esperioto	948,345
Means of Financing	
Charges for Services	(12,000)
Intra-County Revenues	(625,864)
27	

Investment Earnings	(40,000)
Total Revenues	(677,864)
Total Property Casualty Liability	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	270,481
Workers Compensation	
Workers Compensation	3,400,589
Total Expenses	3,400,589
Means of Financing	
Intergovernmental Revenues	(400,000)
Intra-County Revenues	(2,220,767)
Investment Earnings	(250,000)
Total Revenues	(2,870,767)
Total Workers Compensation	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	529,821
Madical Dental Income	
Medical Dental Insurance	57.005.515
Medical/Dental Self Insurance	37,980,515
Total Expenses	37,980,515
Means of Financing	
Charges for Services	(34,410,112)
Investment Earnings	(500,000)
Total Revenues	(34,910,112)
Total Medical Dental Insurance	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	3,070,403
Danmanant Errad	
Permanent Fund Shoreline Sales Trust	1,619,480
Total Expenses	1,619,480
,	1,010,400
Means of Financing	
Total Revenues	
Total Permanent Fund	
Use of (Contribute to) Fund Balance	1,619,480
Total Expenses	491,590,952
Total Revenues	(484,941,905)
Total Use of Fund Balance	6,649,047

COUNTY-WIDE

- RESOLVED FURTHER, that at year's end any unpaid 2023 encumbrances will be carried forward into the 2024 expenditure budget.
- RESOLVED FURTHER, that each appropriation, except an appropriation within the Capital Project Fund, lapses at the close of the fiscal year to the extent that it has not been expended or encumbered.
- RESOLVED FURTHER, that proceeds from the insurance fund for losses of covered property or proceeds from the sale by bid of damaged assets will be reimbursed to the department involved and the revenue and expenditure budget be increased accordingly.
- 4. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the county board authorizes the county auditor to continue to designate unassigned portions of fund balances for cash flow purposes in an amount up to 5/12 of the 2024 levy, plus the 2024 County Program Aid.
- RESOLVED FURTHER, that the county board authorizes the county auditor to use the committed for Retiree Obligations portion of fund balance in the governmental funds to pay for any retiree obligations that are not budgeted.
- 6. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the county board hereby authorizes spending within departmental budgets on any line item within a department so long as the total budget is not overspent. However, no public aid assistance and/or personnel services budget authority may be used for any other purpose without prior board approval.
- 7. RESOLVED FURTHER, that personnel budget may be transferred to capital when personnel expense is capitalized as part of a new software implementation.
- 8. RESOLVED FURTHER, that in order to achieve consistent and accurate staffing levels for each department, the county board authorizes the county administrator to report the personnel complement as full-time equivalents. The county board also authorizes department heads, with the approval of the county administrator, to add and delete positions within their personnel complement so long as the total full-time equivalent personnel complement does not exceed the total number of authorized positions contained in their 2024 budget as approved by the county board. The county administrator shall give such approval only if he/she determines that there are no reasonable alternatives to filling the position.
- RESOLVED FURTHER, that increases to the original governmental funds revenue and expenditure budgets cannot be made without County Board approval.
- 10. RESOLVED FURTHER, that software subscriptions and leases subject to GASB 87 or GASB 96 that require an expenditure for the entire term of the lease or software subscription in the current year are allowed to increase the expenditure budget and the revenue budget to match the required accounting entries.
- 11. RESOLVED FURTHER, that asset trade in values recognized as revenue may be added to the budget by increasing both the expense and revenue budgets of the department making the purchase.
- 12. RESOLVED FURTHER, that proceeds from the sale by bid of equipment that would otherwise be used in trade against the purchase price of new equipment be added to the budget by increasing both the capital outlay and the revenue budgets of the owning department by the amount of the sale.
- 13. RESOLVED FURTHER, that asset transfers between County departments be added to the budget by increasing the transfer in revenue budget of the department that is selling the asset and increasing the transfer out expense budget of the department that is purchasing the asset.

- 14. RESOLVED FURTHER, that beginning January 1, 2024, all non-represented employees and elected officials who are enrolled in the County health insurance plan under single coverage will be responsible for \$88.40 per month of the total single premium cost. All non-represented employees and elected officials who are enrolled in the County health insurance plan under family coverage will be responsible for \$410.63 per month of the total family premium cost. In addition, any non-represented employees, who work on a part-time basis, will be required to contribute a pro-rated portion of the employer contribution, based on the full-time-equivalent percentage of the position to which they are appointed.
- 15. RESOLVED FURTHER, the following positions are eliminated from the 2024 department budgets:

Department	Position Title	FTE
Public Health & Human Services	Position G0036-057 Social	-1.00
	Worker	
TOTAL ELIMINATED POSITIONS		-1.00

16. RESOLVED FURTHER, the following positions are added to the 2024 department budgets:

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Department	Position Title	l FTE
		' ' ' -
Information Technology	IT Support Specialist	1.0
Information Technology	IT Systems Engineer	1.0
Information Technology	IT Project & Business Analyst	1.0
Administration	Equity and Inclusion Specialist	1.0
Administration	Management Analyst	1.0
Purchasing	Procurement Specialist	1.0
Public Health & Human Services	Social Workers	2.0
TOTAL ADDED POSITIONS		8.0

GENERAL FUND

Fund Balance

17. RESOLVED FURTHER, as required by GASB Statement 54, the priorities for the General Fund, Fund Balance for year end 2023 will be as follows:

Committed – the committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by formal action of the County Board. Formal Board action to commit fund balance must occur prior to year-end, although the amount need not be determined at that time.

- Retiree Obligations (vested) (eligible individuals at hourly rate times sick leave hours)
- 2. Vesting sick leave (eligible individuals at hourly rate times sick leave hours)
- National Night Out (net of agency 129015); the Sheriff is authorized to expend this committed fund balance for costs associated with National Night Out events
- St. Louis County Explorer Post (net of Fund 190); the Sheriff is authorized to expend this fund balance for costs associated with the St. Louis County Sheriff's Explorer Post #523

Assigned – the assigned fund balance classification includes amounts that are intended to be used by the County for specific purposes, but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.

- 1. Parking (net of Agencies 128010 and 128025 Parking)
- 2. Planning GIS (may be increased by net budget savings, calculated by comparing actual expense, open encumbrances, and revenue to current budget in agency 109003, to be offset by budgeted use of fund balance in Fund 100, Object 311122 throughout the year); the Economic and Community Development Department is authorized to expend this assigned fund balance to continue Geographic Information System (GIS) activities.
- 3. Information Technology (may be increased by net budget savings, calculated by comparing actual expense, open encumbrances, and revenue to current budget in Agencies under 117000, to be offset by budgeted use of fund balance in Fund 100, Object 311139 throughout the year)
- 4. Encumbrances (open POs on accounting software, Mitchell Humphrey)
- 5. Community & Economic Development Blight Program (net of agency 178005 Blight Removal); the Land and Minerals Department is authorized to expend this assigned fund balance for blight activities
- Elections (may be increased by net budget savings, calculated by comparing actual expense, open encumbrances, and revenue to current budget in nongrant agencies beginning with 127, to be offset by budgeted use of this fund balance throughout the year)
- License Center (net of agency 115004); the Auditor is authorized to expend this assigned fund balance for unbudgeted costs associated with the license center.
- 8. Other Post-Employment Benefits (will be funded by any unspent personnel budgets in all non-grant agencies in Fund 100 that are not otherwise authorized to be assigned or transferred)
- Forest Management Activities (up to 30% of net income in agency 143001, County Fee Land, at year-end); the Land and Minerals Department is authorized to expend this assigned fund balance for Forest Management and other county fee revenue generating activities as determined by the Land and Minerals Department
- 10. Abatements (originally funded by the current balance in Fund 178, Agency 311428; additional funding will be determined by County Administration and approved by the County Board) the Economic & Community Development department is authorized to expend this fund balance for Board-authorized abatements
- 11. Film Production Incentive Program (net of agency 178007); the Economic & Community Development department is authorized to expend this fund balance on film production incentive payments
- 12. Honor Guard (net of agency 129009); the Sheriff is authorized to expend this fund balance on costs associated with the Honor Guard
- 13. Public Safety (net of Funds 149, 172, 173)
- 14. Depot (net of Fund 155)
- 15. Depot capital (may be increased by net budget savings, calculated by comparing actual expense and open encumbrances to current budget in agency 155002, to be offset by budgeted use of this fund balance throughout the year). This fund balance will be transferred into the Depot capital expense budget in the following year.

Further assignments may be made by the County Board or the Administrator and Auditor acting together.

Non-Departmental Revenues

18. RESOLVED FURTHER, whereas the county receives federal program revenues as reimbursement of indirect costs incurred by the General Fund, and whereas those revenues on future remittances may not always be separately identified from specific county department revenues at the time of payment, that when federal program revenues are earned jointly by the general government and a specific department, and earnings are not separately identified at the time of payment, revenues shall be allocated between the General Fund and the specific department in the same proportion as federal program costs. Such allocation shall be made at the time quarterly settlement payments are received.

Board of Commissioners

- 19. RESOLVED FURTHER, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes 2006, Section 375.055, subdivision 1, notice is given that the county board sets the compensation for county commissioners on an annual basis at \$76,578.18 effective January 1, 2024. Any commissioner may choose a lesser amount upon written notification to the county auditor before December 21, 2023.
- 20. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the chair of the county board shall continue to receive an additional payment in the amount of \$3,600 for 2024. The vice chair shall continue to receive an additional payment in the amount of \$1,800 for 2024.
- 21. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the salaries of county commissioners shall be published in one newspaper in the county in a municipality to be determined by the county auditor, in addition to the official newspaper, as required by law.

Administration

22. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the county administrator will hold county departments accountable for progress in designated priority areas through the regular monitoring of performance measures and outcomes.

Aid to Other Agencies

23. Arrowhead Regional Corrections

RESOLVED FURTHER, St. Louis County's share of the Arrowhead Regional Correction's 2024 budget is the following:

2024 Budgeted Amount

\$17,869,456

24. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the 2024 administrative budget includes funding allocations for FY 2024 for contracts with the following agencies within the Aid to Other Agencies Account:

Arrowhead Library System	103016-694500	\$720,489
St. Louis County Historical Society,	103003-690200	531,998
including Historical Society/Range		
Affiliates and Veterans' Memorial Hall		
Camp Esquagama	102006-690300	261,500
St. Louis County Agricultural Fair	103006-690500	20,000
Association		· ·

South St. Louis County Fair	103007-690600	20,000
Association		·
Community Fairs	103005-690400	2,000
County Fairs Youth Activities Program	103028-642200	27,500
State Fire Aid	103001-699100	20,499
Duluth Seaway Port Authority	102005-691600	12,000
North Shore Management Board	102008-695100	2,500
Northeastern Regional ATV Joint	103029-691700	50,000
Powers Board		
	TOTAL	\$1,668,486

25. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the County Administrator will be responsible for monitoring the results achieved by outside agencies through the use of performance measures.

Human Resources

- 26. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Health Insurance Fund (Fund 740, Agency 740002) will reimburse the Health Education Wellness Agency (Fund 100, Agency 126002) for actual eligible expenditures and encumbrances that occur in 2024 up to the budgeted amount of \$350,733.
- 27. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Health Insurance Fund (Fund 740, Agency 740002) will reimburse Human Resources (Fund 100, Agency 123001) \$70,000 for staff time spent administering the self-insured health and dental programs and administrative support to the Health Insurance Committee.
- 28. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the St. Louis County Human Resources Department is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Arrowhead Regional Corrections for personnel services in the amount of \$290,831, and that said funds will be payable to the St. Louis County Human Resources Department, Fund 100, Agency 123001.

Public Records and Property Valuation

Recorder's Office

29. Integrated Fund

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a transfer of the following from the Recorder's Integrated Fund (121003) for Geographic Information Systems (GIS) activities is approved, contingent on adequate 2024 revenues, with the entire remaining balance transferred to Economic & Community Development Department GIS (109003) Personnel Budget:

Economic & Community Development Department GIS (178011) Personnel Budget (estimated) Auditor's Office (115015) Personnel Budget	\$270,522 110,778
Total	\$381,300

Auditor

- 30. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the county auditor is directed to make changes in departmental budgets to comply with this resolution.
- 31. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the St. Louis County Auditor is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Arrowhead Regional Corrections for fiscal services in the amount of \$256,775 plus the actual cost of a Financial Analyst, and that said funds will be payable to the St. Louis County Auditor's Office, Fund 100, Agencies 115001 and 115016.

- 32. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the St. Louis County Auditor is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the Carlton-Cook-Lake-St. Louis Community Health Board for fiscal services in the amount of \$31,000, and that said funds will be payable to the St. Louis County Auditor's Office. Fund 100, Agency 115001.
- 33. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the St. Louis County Auditor is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the Regional Rail Authority for fiscal services in the amount of \$6,100 plus \$1,000 for GASB #68, GASB #87, and GASB #96, plus the actual cost of a .5 FTE Accountant, and that said funds will be payable to the St. Louis County Auditor's Office, Fund 100, Agency 115001.
- 34. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the St. Louis County Auditor is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the St. Louis County and Minneapolis-Duluth/Superior Passenger Rail Alliance for fiscal services in the amount of \$6,100, and that said funds will be payable to the St. Louis County Auditor's Office, Fund 100, Agency 115001.
- 35. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the St. Louis County Auditor is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Commission (GMRPTC) for fiscal services in the amount of 3% of GMRPTC's state operating grants, and that said funds will be payable to the St. Louis County Auditor's Office, Fund 100, Agency 115001.
- 36. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the St. Louis County Auditor is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the Voyageurs National Park Clean Water Joint Powers Board (VNPCWJPB) for fiscal services in the amount of 10% of VNPCWJPB's operating revenue, and that said funds will be payable to the St. Louis County Auditor's Office, Fund 100, Agency 115001.
- 37. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the St. Louis County Auditor is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the City of Brookston for the 2021 and 2022 LCCMR (Legislative-Citizen Commission on Minnesota Resources) grants for fiscal services, and all time will be reimbursed on the grants Fund 881, Agency 881999.
- 38. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the St. Louis County Auditor is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the City of Crane Lake for fiscal services on grants related to the campground and visitor center, and all time will be reimbursed on the grants Fund 880, Agency 880999.
- 39. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the County Board authorizes the Auditor to determine the adequacy of controls and procedures relating to financial/accounting issues and order changes or corrective actions in any department or agency of the County.

Attorney

40. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the St. Louis County Attorney is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with the St. Louis County Housing and Redevelopment Authority for legal services in the amount of \$6,955 and with Arrowhead Regional Corrections in the amount of \$73,848 to be payable to the St. Louis County Attorney's Office, Fund 100, Agency 113002.

Planning and Community Development

41. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Auditor's office is hereby authorized to make any levy-neutral budget adjustments necessitated by the Planning Department reorganization into two separate Economic & Community Development and Planning & Zoning departments.

Safety and Risk Management

42. RESOLVED FURTHER, that St. Louis County Safety and Risk Management is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Arrowhead Regional Corrections for consulting and testing services in the amount of \$82,800, and that said funds will be payable to the St. Louis County Safety and Risk Management Department, Fund 100, Agency 139001.

Property Management

43. RESOLVED FURTHER, that St. Louis County Property Management is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Arrowhead Regional Corrections for rent in the amount of \$555,151, and that said funds will be payable to the St. Louis County Property Management Department, Fund 100, Agency 128000.

Purchasing

44. RESOLVED FURTHER, that St. Louis County Purchasing is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Arrowhead Regional Corrections for purchasing services in the amount of \$51,185, and that said funds will be payable to the St. Louis County Purchasing Department, Fund 100, Agency 119001.

Department of Information Technology

45. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the St. Louis County Department of Information Technology is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement with Arrowhead Regional Corrections for telephone services, computer network services, and data processing services in the amount of \$994,866 total for all services listed, and that said funds will be payable to St. Louis County Department of Information Technology, Fund 100, Agency 117001.

Sheriff

46. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the St. Louis County Sheriff is hereby authorized to pay NEMESIS fees of \$222,376 in 2024, and receive reimbursement from NEMESIS for the actual cost of a 1.0 FTE Electronic Systems Technician, receipted into Agency 136004, Object 610000.

SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS

Public Health and Human Services

Fund Balance

47. RESOLVED FURTHER, as required by GASB Statement 54, the priorities for the Public Health and Human Services Fund Balance for year end 2023 will be as follows:

Committed – the committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by formal action of the County Board. Formal Board action to commit fund balance must occur prior to year-end, although the amount need not be determined at that time.

- Retiree Obligations (vested) (eligible individuals at hourly rate times sick leave hours)
- 2. Vesting sick leave (eligible individuals at hourly rate times sick leave hours)

Assigned – the assigned fund balance classification includes amounts that are intended to be used by the County for specific purposes, but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.

- Technology Improvements Until the assigned fund balance reaches zero, Public Health and Human Services will seek approval from County Administration and the County Board to use this fund balance for technology related purchases.
- Out of Home Placements Until the assigned fund balance reaches zero, Public Health & Human Services is authorized to expend this assigned fund balance to cover the difference between budgeted Out of Home Placement expenditures and actual Out of Home Placement expenditures.
- Prevention & Innovation An amount determined by the Director of PHHS in coordination with the County Administrator which will be used to support pilot programs which focus on prevention services that will offset future costs. Use of funds will be approved by Administration and the County Board.
- 4. Health Initiatives The amount is determined by the total annual use of/contribution to fund balance for Health Division agencies, to support Public Health Initiatives as approved by the County Board.

Further assignments may be made by the County Board or the Administrator and Auditor acting together.

48. RESOLVED FURTHER, if the actual personnel or public aid assistance costs in the child opioid epidemic response allocation (agency 232026) or the MFIP (Minnesota Family Investment Program) Consolidated Fund allocation (agency 232020) are lower than the adopted budget, the department may move the unspent budgets from these categories into other budget categories to fully utilize the funding.

Public Works

Fund Balance

49. RESOLVED FURTHER, as required by GASB Statement 54, the priorities for the Road and Bridge Fund Balance for year end 2023 will be as follows:

Committed – the committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by formal action of the County Board. Formal Board action to commit fund balance must occur prior to year-end, although the amount need not be determined at that time.

- Retiree obligations (vested) (eligible individuals at hourly rate times sick leave hours)
- 2. Vesting sick leave (eligible individuals at hourly rate times sick leave hours)
- 3. Ditching (shall be decreased by any approved uses during the year); this fund balance will be added to the following year's ditching expense budget to be used for eliqible ditching projects

Assigned – the assigned fund balance classification includes amounts that are intended to be used by the County for specific purposes, but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.

 State Aid Engineering Salary Reimbursement - difference between the Adopted Budget for State Aid Engineering Salary Reimbursement (currently Agency 200008, Object 610000) and actual reimbursements received in a year. The Public Works department is authorized to use this fund balance to fund shortfalls in subsequent years.

- Major Emergency Road/Bridge Repairs amount necessary to maintain a total of \$500,000 at the end of the year. Public Works is authorized to use this fund balance for repair and engineering costs associated with unanticipated road or bridge failure that they are unable to absorb in their annual operations budget.
- 3. Gas and diesel variability an amount determined by the Public Works Department, County Auditor's Office, and County Administration after analysis of criteria including previous fuel usage vs. budget, the year end result of operations, the current balance in Gas and Diesel Variability, and expectations about future fuel prices and usage. Public Works will seek approval from County Administration and the County Board to spend this fund balance when actual expenses plus encumbrances are greater than adopted budget in Agency 207001 Object 656200 (Diesel Fuel) or 656100 (Unleaded Fuel) and the purchase of additional fuel is necessary to continue normal operations.
- 4. Local road & bridge construction projects an amount determined by Public Works and Administration analyzing the year end fund balance and anticipated local project needs for the following year. This fund balance will be transferred into the local levy road & bridge construction budget in the following year.
- 5. Salt budget savings in 2070XX-651700, to be calculated by subtracting open encumbrances and actual expense from the current budget. This fund balance will be transferred into the salt budget in the following year.
- Fuel Pump Maintenance net of agency 202021. The Public Works
 Department is authorized to use this fund balance for costs associated with
 fuel pump repairs and/or maintenance. This fund balance will be transferred
 into the following year's fuel pump maintenance expense budget.

Further assignments may be made by the County Board or the Administrator and Auditor acting together.

- 50. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the unspent balances of those Public Works projects that fall under agency 203000 Road Construction and any open disaster related agencies can be carried forward into the next calendar year.
- 51. RESOLVED FURTHER, the fund balance assigned for Local Levy Road & Bridge Construction (Fund 200, Object 311142) at the end of 2023 will be transferred into the Local Levy Road & Bridge Construction budget (Agency 203001) in 2024.
- 52. RESOLVED FURTHER, Minnesota Laws 1995, Chapter 47, authorizes the county to pool unorganized town road levies pursuant to Minn. Stat. §163.06 that the County Board, acting on behalf of unorganized townships for the purpose of furnishing road maintenance, adopts and certifies a levy of \$1,827,459.57, for the year 2024 to be levied only in such unorganized townships.
- 53. RESOLVED FURTHER, the fund balance restricted for Unorganized Town Roads (Fund 210, Object 311023) at the end of 2023 will be transferred into the Unorganized Town Road & Bridge Construction budget (Agency 210001, Object 652800) in 2024.
- 54. RESOLVED FURTHER, the fund balance restricted for Local Option Transportation Sales Tax (Fund 204, Object 311430) at the end of 2023 will be transferred into the Local Option Transportation Sales Tax budget (Agency 204001, Object 652806) in 2024.

Land and Minerals Department

Fund Balance

55. RESOLVED FURTHER, as required by GASB Statement 54, the priorities for the Forfeited Tax Sale Fund Balance for year end 2023 will be as follows:

Committed – the committed fund balance classification includes amounts that can be used only for the specific purposes determined by formal action of the County Board. Formal Board action to commit fund balance must occur prior to year-end, although the amount need not be determined at that time.

- Retiree Obligations (vested) (eligible individuals at hourly rate times sick leave hours)
- 2. Vesting sick leave (eligible individuals at hourly rate times sick leave hours)

Assigned – the assigned fund balance classification includes amounts that are intended to be used by the County for specific purposes, but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed. Assignments may be made by the County Board or by the Administrator and Auditor acting together.

56. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the auditor is authorized to bill the Land and Minerals Department (Fund 240) for 2024 services it will receive as follows:

Legal services from the Attorney's Office	\$137,866
Accounting services charges	66,385
Personnel services from the Human Resources	60,554
Purchasing services from the Purchasing Department	42,377
Rent	98,352
Information Technology	449,562
Employee Training	9,955
Safety and Risk Management	24,137
Administration	57,553
Tort	3,840
TOTAL	\$950,581

57. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Land and Minerals Department is authorized to increase the timber refunds and timber revenue budget, as necessary, to make timber refund payments throughout the year.

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS

Fund Balance

58. RESOLVED FURTHER, as required by GASB Statement 54, the priorities for the Capital Projects Fund, Fund Balance for year-end 2023 will be as follows:

Assigned – the assigned fund balance classification includes amounts that are intended to be used by the County for specific purposes, but do not meet the criteria to be classified as restricted or committed.

 Depreciation Reserve/Leasehold Improvement (funded by rents charged to departments above the operating cost of the building). Use of funds will be approved by Administration and/or the County Board.

Further assignments may be made by the County Board or the Administrator and Auditor acting together.

- 59. RESOLVED FURTHER, that each Capital Projects Fund will have an appropriation which shall continue in force until the purpose for which it was made has been accomplished or abandoned. The purpose of a capital expenditure appropriation is abandoned if three years pass without a disbursement from or encumbrance of the appropriation, or earlier, at the discretion of the county administrator.
- 60. RESOLVED FURTHER, that at the end of 2024, any increase in net assets due from operations (net of revenues and expenditures) for each county-owned building will be transferred into Fund 402, Agency 402001 (Depreciation Reserve/Leasehold Improvement Fund) and Fund 100, Agency 128010 (Parking). These funds will be utilized to fund capital improvements to county facilities.
- 61. RESOLVED FURTHER, that Fund 405 is for Public Works capital building projects and any balance can be carried forward each year.
- 62. RESOLVED FURTHER, that Fund 407 is for Public Works capital equipment and any balance can be carried forward each year.

ENTERPRISE FUNDS

Environmental Services

63. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the auditor is authorized to bill the Environmental Services Department (Fund 600) for 2024 services it will receive as follows:

Legal services from the Attorney's Office Accounting services from the Auditor's Office Personnel services from the Human Resources Department Purchasing services from the Purchasing Department Rent Information Technology Employee Training Safety and Risk Management Administration Tort	\$65,357 42,528 38,288 83,628 46,051 99,237 3,354 15,463 36,870 2,604
TOTAL	\$433,380

PERMANENT FUNDS

Shoreline Sales/Environmental Trust Fund

64. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the following transfers of the available \$1,327,983, plus \$291,497 of fund balance available from savings in prior years, for 2024 in Shoreline Sales/Environmental Trust Fund (Fund 500, Agency 500001) are authorized:

Transfer to	Purpose	Amount
288-288999 Septic Loans	Create forgivable septic loans	\$75,000
288-288001 Septic Loans	AEOA (Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency) fees for septic loans (\$2000 per loan)	Up to \$30,000
100-109010 General	Soil and Water Conservation District South	80,000
100-109011 General	Soil and Water Conservation District North	80,000
289-289001 On-site	Continued on-site wastewater operations	Actual net
Wastewater Program		expenses, up to 700,405

865-865001 Voyageurs National Park Joint Venture	Professional services contract under the Voyageur Park Joint Powers Board	29,150
100-129017 Sheriff	Environmental enforcement services	123,649
100-109002 Planning & Zoning	Environmental enforcement services	102,000
100-104500 Administration	Extension agriculture education services	164,276
600-607001 Environmental Services	Environmental cleanup	35,000
600-601003 Environmental	Upgrades and updates to existing	200,000
Services	recycling program and facility	
TOTAL USE OF AVAILABLE	\$1,619,480	

65. RESOLVED FURTHER, that, the following budgeted transfers between funds be approved:

From Object	To object	Purpose	Amount
697600/697602	590100/590102		
100-100001	240-240001	To cover potential loss	Up to
Non-Departmental	Land and Minerals –		1,150,000
Revenue	Forfeited Tax		
100-100001	200-200122	Fund Corner Certificate	340,000
Non-Departmental	Land Survey	Program	,
Revenue			
100-100001	403-403001	County Program Aid	1,100,203
Non-Departmental	Capital Projects		,
Revenue	Emergency Repairs		
100-128000	402-402001	Portion of rent payments that	111,422
Property	Depreciation	fund leasehold	
Management	Reserve/Leasehold	improvements/depreciation	
	Improvement Fund	reserve	
204-204001	325-325001	Annual bond payment	3,340,506
Local Option	Capital		ų r
Transportation	Improvement Bond		
Sales Tax	2015C		
200-204001	326-326001	Annual bond payment	1,978,288
Local Option	Capital		, ,
Transportation	Improvement Bond		
Sales Tax	2016A		
200-204001	330-330001	Annual bond payment	1,532,638
Local Option	Capital		
Transportation	Improvement Bond		
Sales Tax	2020A		
200-200001	100-129001	Road restriction enforcement	10,000
Public Works	Sheriff		•
200-200001	100-109003	Aerial imagery acquisition	36,000
Public Works	Plan & GIS		,
	Research		
239-239200	600-607004	Leachate Treatment System	3,500,000
Pandemic	Environmental	_	
Response Fund	Services		
290-290001	100-109003	Aerial imagery acquisition	36,000
Forest Resources	Plan & GIS		,
	Research		
240-240002	178-178005	Forfeited Lands Blight Removal	350,000
Land and Minerals	Community and	Program funding	

 Forfeited Tax 	Economic		
	Development Blight		
	Program		
290-290007	407-407001	Estimated reimbursement for	100,000
Forest Resources	Public Works	labor and asset use on various	, i
	Equipment	forest access roads, as needed	
740-740002	100-126002	To reimburse Health Education	350,733
Health Insurance	Health Education	Wellness	·
Admin	Wellness		
740-740002	100-123001	To reimburse Human	70,000
Health Insurance	Human Resources	Resources for staff time spent	,
Admin		on the Health Insurance Fund	

66. RESOLVED FURTHER, that, the following budgeted transfers within funds be approved:

From Object 697700	To object 590500	Purpose	Amount
100-100001 Non-Departmental Revenue	100-115099 Auditor	Reimburse for staff time spent on investments	151,433
100-100001 Non-Departmental Revenue	100-104015 Administration	Scholarships	150,000
100-121002 Technology Fund	100-109003 Plan & GIS Research	Aerial imagery acquisition	36,000
100-121003 Data Integration Fund	100-109003 Economic & Community development GIS Research	GIS Planning	270,522
100-100001 Non-Departmental Revenue	100-138001 Mine Inspector	Cover budget with projected current year mineral royalty payment	364,070
100-128000 Property Management	100-128010 Parking fund	Portion of rent payments that fund parking projects	190,840
179-179001 Enhanced 9-1-1	100-109003 Plan & GIS Research	Aerial imagery acquisition	36,000
615-615001 919 Fees	600-607002 Environmental Services	Leachate monitoring operating contract	200,000

67. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the following transfers of actual personnel expense between departments be approved:

From Department	To Department	Position(s)	Budgeted Amount
100-108001	260-260999 CDBG	1.0 FTE Senior Planner, 2.0	375,738
Community		FTEs Planner, 1.0 FTE Planning	,
Development		Manager	
100-113011	169-169001	.2 FTE Victim/Witness	17,319
Attomey	Attorney Trust	Investigator	,
	Account –		

	Victim/Witness		
100-115002 Auditor	260-260999 CDBG	1.0 FTE Accounting Technician, .25 FTE Accountant Senior	121,740
100-115007 Auditor	600-600001 Environmental Services	.8 FTE Financial Analyst, 1.5 FTEs Information Specialist II	155,113
100-115008 Auditor	230-230033 Public Health & Human Services	1.0 FTE Fiscal Manager	144,205
100-115013 Auditor	100-129003 Sheriff	1.0 FTE Financial Analyst	118,873
100-115014 Auditor	200-200001 Public Works	1.0 FTE Financial Analyst	122,757
100-115017 Auditor	240-241005 Land & Minerals	1.0 FTE Financial Analyst	120,802
100-115019 Auditor	289-289001 ISTS	.25 FTE Accountant Senior	25,773
100-123002 Human Resources	100-129003 Sheriff	1.0 FTE Human Resources Senior Advisor	101,763
100-123003 Human Resources	200-200001 Public Works	1.0 FTE Human Resources Senior Advisor	124,276
100-123007 Human Resources	230-230006 Public Health & Human Services	1.9 FTE Human Resources Senior Advisor, .5 FTE Information Specialist II	252,032
100-123009 Human Resources	600-600001 Environmental Services	.1 FTE Human Resources Senior Advisor	9,132
100-128001 Property Management	155-155001 Depot	1.0 FTE Building Maintenance Worker, .2 FTE Facilities Supervisor	115,878
100-136005 Radio Maintenance	200-200001 Public Works	.5 FTE Electronic Systems Technician	40,240
100-139005 Safety & Risk Management	730-730001 Workers Compensation	.5 FTE Safety and Risk Manager, 1.0 FTE Loss Control Manager, 1.0 FTE Information Specialist III, 1.0 FTE Insurance and Claims Specialist, 1.0 FTE Insurance and Claims Specialist Senior	462,297
100-139007 Safety & Risk Management	720-720002 Property Casualty Liability	1.0 FTE Insurance & Claims Specialist Senior	117,589
200-200123 Public Works	240-241005 Land & Minerals	2.0 FTE Deputy County Surveyor	228,010
230-233001 Public Health & Human Services	298-298005 Opioid Remediation Fund	.3 FTE Public Health Program Coordinator	33,941

68. RESOLVED FURTHER, that, the following grants are adopted as part of this Resolution. The grant approval form is still required per the Grant Policy, including the required signatures specified on the grant approval form. Any change less than or equal to \$25,000 from the amount listed below must go on a quarterly budget resolution. Any change greater than \$25,000 must go back to the board as a separate resolution.

GENERAL FUND

10902-2025 Natural Resources Block Grant \$103,687

10910-2024 Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Aid \$709,393

11308-2024 Crime Victims Services Grant \$140,000

12919-2024 Federal Boat & Water Safety Grant \$19,000

12931-2023 Operation Stonegarden Grant \$160,000

12936-2024 Federal Boat & Water Safety Equipment Grant \$12,000

13001-2024 State Boat & Water Safety Grant \$115,000

13203-2024 Emergency Management Performance Grant \$80,000

17303-2024 Emergency Shelter Grant Projects \$155,400

17304-2024 Emergency Shelter Grant Administration \$12,600

PUBLIC HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

23205-2024 Homeless Outreach \$844,463 (Total Grant \$1,688,926)

23217-2024 Continuum of Care (CoC) Planning Grant \$21,482 (Total Grant \$105,849)

23286-2024 Community Living Infrastructure \$66,733 (Total Grant \$986,175)

23301-2024 Child and Teen Check Up \$203,846

23302-2024 WIC (Women Infants and Children) \$142,668 (Total Grant \$506,701)

23302-2024 WIC (Women Infants and Children) Peer Breastfeeding Support \$2,216 (Total Grant \$11,216)

23303-2024 Maternal Child Health \$63,705 (Total Grant \$261,244)

23304-2024 SHIP (Statewide Health Improvement Partnership) \$22,437 (Total Estimated Grant \$125,013)

23314-2024 TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) \$173,398 (Total Grant \$340,034)

23325-2024 Follow Along Program \$5,328 (Total Grant \$6,300)

23329-2024 Minnesota Immunization Connection \$55,763

23384-2024 Strong Foundations Grant \$471,565

23385-2024 Promising Practices \$59,997 (Total Grant \$118,951)

23601-2024 Public Health Preparedness \$49,862 (Total Grant \$99,724)

CDBG/HOME

26001-2024 CDBG Projects \$1,520,000

26002-2024 CDBG Administration \$600,000

27001-2024 Home HUD Projects \$504,000

27002-2024 Home HUD Administration \$60,000

- 69. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the 2023 unspent balances of grants which extend into 2024 will be carried forward into 2024 as increases to that revenue and expenditure budget. The 2023 unspent balances of the following Department of Human Services (DHS) allocations which extend into 2024, will be carried into 2024 as increases to that revenue and expenditure budget: Parent Mentor Project (agency 232008), Medical Assistance Renewals (agency 231014), Social Services Time Study correction (agencies 230038, 232008), Local Prevention Aid (agency 232001), Housing & Support Rate Transfer (agency 232006), and Food Stemp Employment and Training (agency 231007).
- 70. RESOLVED FURTHER, that grants that flow through the Community Health Board (CHB) are allowed to increase or decrease their revenue and expenditure budgets and make corresponding adjustments to projected accumulations/uses of fund balance during the year when actual grant awards differ from the budget estimates.
- 71. RESOLVED FURTHER, if the actual costs of planned FTEs or actual public aid assistance payments in a grant are lower than the adopted budget, grants are allowed to move the unspent budgets from these categories into other budget categories to fully utilize all grant funding.
- 72. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the St. Louis County Sheriff's Office is authorized to enter into a partner agreement with the Duluth Police Department for reimbursement of services designated to be provided in the 2024 Operation Stonegarden operations order, and that said funds will be payable from Fund 100, Agency 129999, Grant 12931, Year 2024.
- 73. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the St. Louis County Sheriff's Office is authorized to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Duluth Police Department for joint efforts designated to be provided in the 2024 Justice Assistance Grant, and that said funds will be payable from Fund 100, Agency 129999, Grant 12915, Year 2024.
- 74. RESOLVED FURTHER, that the St. Louis County Sheriff's Office is authorized to enter into a partner agreement with the Duluth Police Department for reimbursement of services designated to be provided in the 2025 Toward Zero Death grant, and that said funds will be accounted for in Fund 100, Agency 129999, Grants 12902/12922/12951, Year 2025.

Unanimously adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-673

BY COMMISSIONER HARALA:

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board adopted Resolution No. 607 in 1987 establishing/amending the Standing Rules and Bylaws of the County Board; and

WHEREAS, The County Board on several occasions since the initial adoption considered and approved amendments to such rules and bylaws; and

WHEREAS, The County Attorney's office and Administration have reviewed the rules for consistency with current practices and changes in statutory processes and have recommended changes.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the amendments to the Standing Rules and Bylaws of the County Board as set forth in Alternative #2, which will be assigned Board File No. 62084.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board rescinds Resolution No. 378 of July 11, 2023, and any other resolutions previously adopted by the County Board that pertain to the Standing Rules and Bylaws.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That per Article I, Section 6 of the Rules and Bylaws, all amendments shall become effective immediately upon approval of the Board.

Yeas – Commissioners Harala, McDonald, Musolf, Nelson and Jugovich – 5 Nays – Commissioner Grimm and Chair Commissioner Boyle – 2 Adopted December 19, 2023. <u>No. 23-674</u>

Upon motion by Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Grimm, resolutions numbered 23-675 through 23-688, as submitted on a second consent agenda, were unanimously adopted as follows:

BY COMMISSIONER NELSON:

WHEREAS, The Public Health and Human Services Department (PHHS) has identified a certain population of children in need of protective services; and

WHEREAS, The County contracts for parent representation services through its County Administration Department; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has been invited by the Minnesota Department of Human Services to participate in a Children in Need of Protective Services (CHIPS) Title IV-E reimbursement arrangement program; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of the proposed federal reimbursement is to improve outcomes for parents/families involved in child protection proceedings by supporting high quality independent parent legal representation; and

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Department of Human Services requires a Title IV-E administrative agreement between the County Board and the County's PHHS Department to be in effect in order for the County to submit for and receive Title IV-E funds under the program.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate County officials to enter into an agreement between the St. Louis County Board and the St. Louis County PHHS Department to meet necessary requirements to submit and receive Title IV-E reimbursements for CHIPS parent representation services.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-675

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Assessor's office provides timely, uniform, and fair assessment processes in part by providing offices in convenient locations throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, On September 13, 2016, the County Board approved Resolution No. 16-578, Establishment of a "True County" Assessor System, which directed that the County move to a True County system by January 1, 2018; and

WHEREAS, As part of implementing the True County Assessor System, the County worked with local jurisdictions to hire additional employees, transition out local jurisdiction assessors, and establish lease arrangements to house County employees in convenient locations throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, On July 1, 2018, St. Louis County entered into a City Office Space and Support agreement with the City of Hibbing, with a term commencing July 1, 2018, and expiring June 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Assessor's office in collaboration with Administration have negotiated terms to continue lease of space at the Hibbing facility to include clerical support services; and

WHEREAS, Due to variances that can occur related to benefit choices by employees, which may not be under the control of either party to this agreement, both parties agree that the wage and benefits outlined in Exhibit D may fluctuate on a yearly basis and may require changes to the total monthly amount billed for services.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the City of Hibbing Services Agreement as amended for Non-Exempt Employee Clerical Services between the St. Louis County Assessor's Office and the City of Hibbing with an effective date of July 1, 2023.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-676

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the Memorandum of Agreement to increase maximum reimbursement amount towards Cold Weather Outdoor Wear for eligible employees in specified job classes covered under the Civil Service Basic Unit to \$250 annually.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the County Board authorizes the appropriate County officials to execute the Memorandum of Agreement with exclusive representatives of the collective bargaining unit, a copy of which is on file in County Board File No. 62076.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-677

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has been a long-time participant, over twenty-five (25) years, in the Law Enforcement Support Office (LESO) Program. LESO is responsible for managing transfers of excess weapons, equipment, and vehicles from the United States Armed Forces to civilian law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff's Office obtains a variety of government surplus property and public safety equipment through its participation in the LESO Program and this program has aided the Sheriff's Office with the ability to acquire essential law enforcement equipment, which greatly increases the safety of law enforcement personnel in the field; and

WHEREAS, In accordance with Presidential Executive Order (EO) 14074 (Section 12), State, Tribal, Local, and Territorial Law Enforcement agencies (LEAs) must notify their Civilian Governing Body (CGB) (i.e., City Council, County Government, or other local governing body) of its intent to request property from Federal sources (to include Federal funds or grants); and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff's Office must notify the Local Community of its request for property transfers, purchases from Federal funds, agencies, or subcontractors (including existing transfer contracts or grants).

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Sheriff's Office to participate in the LESO Program.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That in order to participate in the LESO Program, the Sheriff's Office:

- Is authorized to sign documents and addenda to continue participation in the LESO Program and retain/use property it has received through the program.
- Has provided notification to local community on intent to request controlled property (see attached).
- Is authorized to obtain and accept controlled and non-controlled equipment and resources made available through the State LESO Program.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-678

WHEREAS, The Sheriff's Office has worked with the Purchasing Division to create a single source contract with Northland Psychological Services, based out of Hermantown, MN; and

WHEREAS, Northland Psychological Services will provide a variety of mental health services to the Sheriff's Office and will be extended to all divisions, including Law Enforcement, County Jail and Range Lockups, 911 Communications, Emergency Management, and Volunteer Rescue Squad; and

WHEREAS, Northland Psychological Services will work in conjunction with leadership to create and implement effective and sustainable wellness programming, consistent with best practices

and clinical guidelines; and

WHEREAS, Additionally, Northland Psychological Services will help coordinate and assist with implementation of the specialized programming. There will also be training and education for leadership, critical incident services, wellness check-ins, peer support training and aid to create a support system within the office. The calculated billing for this service is \$98,790.00, with four (4) optional annual extensions; and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff's Office has an existing contract with Northland Psychological Services for like equal services, and the total contract amount of the existing contract, in addition to the proposed agreement exceeds \$175,000.00 with the same vendor in a twelve-month period; and

WHEREAS, Obtaining Northland Psychological Services will positively impact the Sheriff's Office as it will give all Sheriff's Office personnel specified resources and opportunities to combat the mental health crisis that come from working in the public safety field.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes a contract with Northland Psychological Services, of Hermantown, Minnesota, for a one-year contact, in the amount of \$98,790.00, with four (4) optional annual extensions, payable from Fund 100, Agency 137002, Object 629900.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-679

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Attorney's Office was awarded a two-year grant from October 1, 2021, to September 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, County Board Resolution No. 21-388 authorizes the County Attorney's Office to apply for renewal of the Crime Victim Services Grant; and

WHEREAS, The County Attorney's Office received notice that its Crime Victim Services Grant application was awarded a one-year grant in the amount of \$140,000; and

WHEREAS, The Crime Victim Services Grant is designed to enhance existing services for crime victims and to improve how prosecutorial agencies meet their statutory requirements toward crime victims; and

WHEREAS, The grant provides funds for a 1.0 FTE Victim/Witness Coordinator.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Attorney's Office to accept the Minnesota Office of Justice Programs Crime Victim Services Grant in the amount of \$140,000 to continue to enhance its services to victims of crime for the period of October 1, 2023, to September 30, 2024, payable from Fund 100, Agency 113999, Grant 11308, Year 2023.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That unless another funding source is identified at the end of the grant award, the FTE 1.0 Victim/Witness Coordinator position will be eliminated.

Adopted December19, 2023. No. 23-680

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 471.59, Subd. 10, empowers the State of Minnesota to enter into an agreement with St. Louis County to perform, on behalf of the County, any service or function which the State is authorized to provide for itself; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 84.027 empowers the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources to engage in natural resource management; and

WHEREAS, The State of Minnesota, acting through its Department of Natural Resources, and St. Louis County, through the Land and Minerals Department, wish to renew a Joint Powers Agreement for the accomplishment of certain forest regeneration and forest development contracts.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board hereby authorizes the Land Commissioner to enter into a Joint Powers Agreement with the State of Minnesota to accomplish certain forest regeneration and forest development contracts.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Joint Powers Agreement, so mentioned, will be approved by the St. Louis County Attorney's office as to form and execution.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-681

WHEREAS, Bougalis, Incorporated is owner of stockpiled septic sand in the Norway Ridge Pit/312 in McDavitt Township (56-18), which is a state tax-forfeited gravel pit; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, subd. 1(d), authorizes the County Auditor, as directed by the County Board, to lease state tax-forfeited land to individuals, corporations or organized subdivisions of the state for temporary uses at such prices and under such terms as the County Board may prescribe; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Land and Minerals Department has reviewed this request and recommends a five-year lease fee of \$7,796.00 and a \$75.00 administration fee, for a total of \$7,871.00 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Tax-Forfeited Land Fund).

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Auditor to lease state tax-forfeited land to Bougalis, Incorporated, for a period of five (5) years, to store septic sand, as further described in County Board File No. 62079.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-682

WHEREAS, St. Louis County is a signatory partner to the St. Louis River Comprehensive Watershed Management Plan Partnership (SLRCWMPP); and

WHEREAS, The SLRCWMPP includes an ability to share resources when desired; and

WHEREAS, The South St. Louis Soil and Water Conservation District (SSL SWCD) has applied for and received grant funding through the State of Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) Watershed-based Implementation Funding Program to fund and administer the BWSR approved work plan submitted by SSL SWCD (Work Plan) that is consistent with the SLRCWMPP approved budget; and

WHEREAS, A St. Louis River Watershed Implementation Grant Agreement, Grant C24-0082 (Grant Agreement), has been executed between SSL SWCD and the State of Minnesota; and WHEREAS, Partners may be entitled to disbursal of certain grant-based funds, subject to the

terms of the Grant Agreement and the Work Plan; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County will provide \$31,000 of local matching funds from obligated Environmental Trust Fund dollars from the Failing Subsurface Sewage Treatment Systems (SSTS) Abatement Program.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Planning and Zoning Department Director to request and accept up to \$100,000 of grant proceeds from SSL SWCD for the repair, upgrade, and replacement of failing subsurface sewage treatment systems for low-income residents in accordance with the approved Work Plan.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That funds will be deposited into Fund 284, Agency 284999, Revenue 545175, Grant 28401, Year 2024 or its designated fund.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate County officials are authorized to execute grant agreements and related documents.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-683

WHEREAS, The Quad City ATV Club is requesting permission to construct a 16-foot-wide right-of-way across select parcels on St. Louis County tax-forfeited lands for the purpose of developing a grant-in-aid ATV trail:

UND 1/40 Lot 1, Section 31, T59N-R17W UND 3/16 Lot 1, Section 31, T59N-R17W (Surface Only)

PIN 580-0010-04999 PIN 580-0010-05005

UND 11/16 Lot 2, Section 31, T59N-R17W

PIN 580-0010-05012

(County Fee Ownership)

UND 3/16 Lot 2, Section 31, T59N-R17W

PIN 580-0010-05015

(Surface Only)

(only permission for ST of MN C278 L35 undivided interest)

Lot 4, Section 6, T58N-R17W

PIN 090-0180-00150

Lot 2, Section 6, T58N-R17W

PIN 090-0200-00110; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Land and Minerals Department has reviewed the proposed trail route and exercising the permit will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, subd. 4, authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant permits across state tax-forfeited land for such purposes; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 373.01, subd. 1(a)(4), states the County may give contracts as deemed conducive to the interests of the County's inhabitants.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant a recreational trail permit to the Quad City ATV Club for construction of a 16-foot-wide trail on designated tax-forfeit and county owned fee parcels for a period of two (2) years, subject to renewal at current County Board terms and conditions.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-684

WHEREAS, The new and renewed 2023 non-exclusive right-of-way leases and 2024 non-exclusive Right-of-Way, Yard, Garden, Dock, Parking and Miscellaneous leases up for renewal on state tax-forfeited lands are listed and legally described in County Board File No. 62082; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, subd. 1(d), authorizes the St. Louis County Board to grant leases for temporary uses; and

WHEREAS, For the right-of-way leases, there are no reasonable alternatives to obtain access to the properties, and exercising the leases will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Land and Minerals Department has reviewed this request and recommends the renewal of a five-year lease, subject to payment of the lease fees in County Board File No. 62082, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Tax-Forfeited Land Fund).

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant five-year, non-exclusive Right-of-Way, Yard, Garden, Dock, Parking and Miscellaneous leases for over or on tax-forfeit lands, as further described in County Board File No. 62082.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor and its designees to lease state tax-forfeited property per Minn. Stat. § 282.04, subd. 1(d), under the terms and conditions laid out in County Board File No. 62082 and the County fee schedule.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-685

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department's 2024 equipment budget includes ten (10) tandem trucks; and

WHEREAS, Nuss Truck & Equipment, Inc. of Roseville, Minnesota, responded with the State of Minnesota Contract price for ten (10) tandem trucks for \$1,691,654.00.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the purchase of ten (10) 2024 Mack Granite tandem trucks (64FR) from Nuss Truck & Equipment, Inc. of Roseville, Minnesota, in accordance with the above stated State of Minnesota Contract T-647(5)

pricing, inclusive of additional fees and taxes, for a total for \$1,691,654.00, payable from Fund 407, Agency 407001, Object 666300.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-686

WHEREAS, The State of Minnesota "Statewide Affordable Housing Aid" was approved as part of the State 2023 Legislative Session; and

WHEREAS, Funds distributed under this aid program must be spent on a qualifying project; and

WHEREAS, The County has identified a short-term gap funding priority to use the aid consistent with project eligibility criteria while working on a longer-term policy proposal; and

WHEREAS, There is a need for Churches United in Ministry (CHUM) warming house staffing support in the amount of \$21,000 and support staffing support at Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency's (AEOA) new Range Transitional Housing (RTH) Family Shelter and the full capacity of the Hibbing Home on the Range as well as the gaps with staffing Bill's House (Virginia) in the amount of \$300,342; and

WHEREAS, The County Board supports that the project qualifies for the aid; and

WHEREAS, Funding is available through the State of Minnesota "Statewide Affordable Housing Aid".

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves a one-time financial grant contribution to CHUM in the amount of up to \$21,000 for staffing support of the warming shelter.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board approves a one-time financial grant contribution to AEOA in the amount of up to \$300,342 for staffing support at the new RTH Family Shelter, Hibbing Home, and Bill's House.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That if necessary, appropriate County officials are authorized to negotiate the terms and conditions and execute appropriate grant/funding agreement(s) with CHUM and AEOA.

BUDGET REFERENCE:

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Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-687

WHEREAS, When a vacancy occurs in the Sheriff's Office, a review is done to align with the needs of the office and the customers it serves; and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff's Office and Human Resources conducted such a review of the recently vacated Emergency Communication Specialist positions, considered retention solutions and training durations, and determined that the creation of two (2) 1.0 Emergency Communication Specialist positions for training and onboarding purposes was appropriate to supplement the Sheriff's Office's FTE staffing complement; and

WHEREAS, The 911 Communications Division within the Sheriff's Office operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days per year and provides the public with competent, timely and effective emergency and non-emergency public safety communication; and

WHEREAS, Maintaining sufficiently trained staff is essential in providing emergency communications services and ensuring public safety, and the hiring and training of an Emergency Communication Specialist is approximately nine months to one year in duration; and

WHEREAS, It is anticipated that the addition of these two (2) 1.0 Emergency Communications Specialist Training positions are projected to alleviate unforeseen hiring and

training processes and are intended to improve office recruitment, retention, and effectively maintain sufficient staffing levels.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the addition of two (2) 1.0 FTE Emergency Communications Specialist positions for onboarding and training purposes.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the projected cost of approximately \$155,423.28 will be paid from personnel savings associated with current and future vacancies in Fund 100, Agency 135001, Object 610100. No additional funding is authorized.

Adopted December 19, 2023. No. 23-688

At 11:23 a.m., December 19, 2023, Commissioner Musolf, supported by Commissioner Grimm, moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays.

Patrick Boyle Chair of the Board of County Commissioners

Attest:

Nancy Nilsen, County Auditor and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners

(Seal of the County Auditor)