

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA Board of Commissioners, St. Louis County, Minnesota

March 2, 2021

Immediately following the Board Meeting, which begins at 9:30 A.M. Lake Superior Room, Government Services Center, Duluth, MN

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CONSENT AGENDA:

All matters listed under the consent agenda are considered routine and/or non-controversial and will be enacted by one unanimous motion. If a commissioner requests, or a citizen wishes to speak on an item on the consent agenda, it will be removed and handled separately.

Minutes of February 23, 2021

Health & Human Services Committee, Commissioner Boyle, Chair

1. Rescind County Board Resolution No. 20-607 and CY 2021-22 Family-Based Counseling, Life Management Skills, Community Education and Prevention Services, Foster Care Licensing and Placement for American Indian Families and Children [21-89]

Public Works & Transportation Committee, Commissioner McDonald, Chair

2. Agreement with FHWA-Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division, Minnesota Department of Administration, Minnesota Department of Transportation for Improvements to a Segment of CSAH 116 in Morse Township [21-90]

Finance & Budget Committee, Commissioner Nelson, Chair

- 3. Agreement with the Depot Foundation [21-91]
- 4. Transfer of County Fee Land to the City of Floodwood [21-92]

Public Safety & Corrections Committee, Commissioner Grimm, Chair

5. Acceptance of the Amended 2020 Federal Boating Safety Supplemental Equipment Grant *[21-93]*

Environment & Natural Resources Committee, Commissioner Musolf, Chair

- 6. Right of Way Easement Across State Tax Forfeited Land to Scott and Carla Ann Seele, Mindy Rae Roux, Amy Marie Strane (Cedar Valley Twp 54-21) [21-94]
- 7. Repurchase of State Tax Forfeited Land Weisz Homestead [21-95]

REGULAR AGENDA:

For items on the Regular Agenda, citizens will be allowed to address the Board at the time a motion is on the floor.

Public Works & Transportation Committee, Commissioner McDonald, Chair

- 1. Award of Bids: February 4, 2021
 - A) County Bridge 633 Construction Project [21-96]
 Resolution awarding County Bridge 633 construction project to low bidder Redstone Construction, LLC of Mora, MN
- 2. Award of Bids: February 25, 2021
 - A) Reclaim and Overlay Projects (Throughout St. Louis County) [21-97]
 Resolution awarding reclaim and overlay projects to low bidder KGM Contractors, Inc. of Angora, MN
 - B) Maintenance Striping Project (Various County Highways in Lake County and St. Louis County, and Various City Streets in the City of Hermantown and City of Virginia) [21-98]

 Resolution awarding maintenance striping project to low bidder Traffic Marking Service of Maple Lake, MN
 - W-Beam Guardrail Project (Various County Highways throughout St. Louis County)[21-99]
 Resolution awarding W-Beam Guardrail project to low bidder Mattison Contractors of Knapp, WI
 - D) Reclaim and Overlay Project (Throughout St. Louis County) [21-100R]
 Resolution awarding reclaim and overlay project to low bidder Ulland Brothers, Inc. of Cloquet, MN
 - E) Crack Sealing Project (Various County State Aid Highways and Local Roads within St. Louis County) [21-101]
 Resolution awarding crack sealing project to low bidder Asphalt Surface Technologies Corporation of Saint Cloud, MN

Central Management & Intergovernmental Committee, Commissioner Jewell, Chair

1. Reallocation of Legal Secretary II to Legal Secretary Supervisor [21-102]
Resolution approving the reallocation of a 1.0 FTE Legal Secretary II position to a 1.0 FTE Legal Secretary Supervisor position within the County Attorney's Office.

COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION ITEMS AND REPORTS:

Commissioners may introduce items for future discussion, or report on past and upcoming activities.

ADJOURNED:

NEXT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING DATES:

March 9, 2021 Government Services Center, 320 W. 2nd St., Duluth, MN

March 23, 2021 Public Works, 7823 Hwy 135, Virginia, MN

April 6, 2021 Government Services Center, 320 W. 2nd St., Duluth, MN

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COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE ST. LOUIS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

February 23, 2021

Location: St. Louis County Public Works Facility, Virginia, Minnesota

Present: Commissioners Jewell, Boyle, Grimm, McDonald, Musolf, Nelson and Chair Jugovich

Absent: None

Convened: Chair Jugovich called the meeting to order at 10:33 a.m.

Commissioners Frank Jewell, Patrick Boyle, and Ashley Grimm participated by WebEx.

CONSENT AGENDA

McDonald/Musolf moved to approve the consent agenda. A roll call vote was taken, the motion passed. (7-0)

• Minutes of February 9, 2021

- Professional Services Agreement with LHB, Inc. for Retaining Wall Construction Administration and Inspection on CSAH 61 [21-77]
- Iron Range Resources & Rehabilitation Board (IRRRB) Grant Application Voyageur Country ATV Club Trail Improvements to Various Segments [21-78]
- Sponsoring Agency Requests for Various Township Local Road Improvement Program Projects [21-79]
- Abatement list for Board Approval [21-80]
- Sheriff's Office Mobile Command Center Purchase [21-81]
- CY2021 Grant Acceptance for the COVID-19 Response Vaccine Implementation Grant from the CHB [21-88]

Health & Human Services Committee

Boyle/Jewell moved to appoint the following applicants to the Heading Home St. Louis County Governance Board for terms ending December 31, 2023: Education Representative, Elizabeth Sorenson, Cherry, MN, and Bois Forte Representative, Theresa Drift, Tower, MN. The County Board reappoints the following Leadership Council members for terms ending December 31, 2023: Homeless Advocate, David O'Leary, Tower, MN; Faith Community, Nathan Thompson, Virginia, MN, and Corrections, Katy O'Sullivan, Duluth, MN. [21-82]. A roll call vote was taken; the motion passed. (7-0)

Administrator Gray clarified that the Committee of the Whole Agenda was amended and the CY2021 Grant Acceptance for the COVID-19 Response Vaccine Implementation Grant from the CHB [21-88] was added to the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Nelson requested additional information regarding how the funding was determined.

Public Works & Transportation Committee

McDonald/Nelson moved to award a bid to TNT Construction Group, LLC, Grand Rapids, MN, in the amount of \$373,070 for project CP 0000-564087, Crushing at gravel pits located in Northwest St. Louis County. [21-83]. A roll call vote was taken; the motion passed. (7-0)

Musolf/Jugovich moved to award a bid to Northland Constructors of Duluth, Inc., Duluth, MN, in the amount of \$1,696,378.14 for project CP 0017-369575, SAP 069-617-005 (Low Prime); CP 0045-544465; CP 0296-507728; CP 0724-369579; CP 0000-533596, SAP 202-111-001; CP 0000-533597, SAP 202-112-001, Bituminous Reclamation and Culvert Replacements at various locations in Southern St. Louis County and Cities of Duluth and Hermantown. [21-84]. A roll call vote was taken; the motion passed. (7-0)

Musolf/Jugovich moved to award a bid to Louis Leustek & Sons, Inc., Ely, MN, in the amount of \$388,532 for project CP 0000-564086, Crushing at gravel pits located in Southeast St. Louis County. [21-85]. A roll call vote was taken; the motion passed. (7-0)

Finance & Budget Committee

Nelson/McDonald moved to authorize the purchase of 2021 fleet vehicles from the recommended vendors in accordance with the bid specifications (RFB 5665), including sales tax and fees, for a total amount of \$1,688,302.36. [21-86]. Commissioner Nelson noted that 44 of the 56 vehicles were purchased in St. Louis County. A roll call vote was taken; the motion passed. (7-0)

Musolf/Nelson moved to approve the 2020 Land and Minerals Department Proceeds Apportionment. [20-87]. Commissioner Musolf commented on the negative impact that the closure of Verso paper mill had on the apportionment proceeds. After further discussion, a roll call vote was taken; the motion passed. (7-0)

COMMISSIONER DISCUSSION ITEMS AND REPORTS

Commissioner Grimm requested that the Board hold a workshop with Essentia and stakeholders relating the lease agreement for a public health and social services facility in the City of Chisholm. Chair Jugovich responded that he has had preliminary discussions with administration regarding workshops and the Board will continue to hold workshops.

At 12:53 p.m., McDonald/Musolf moved to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting.	A roll call
vote was taken; the motion passed. (7-0)	

Mike Jugovich, Chair of the County Board	
Phil Chapman, Clerk of the County Board	

BOARD LETTER NO. 21-89

HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 1

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: March 2, 2021 RE: Rescind County Board

Resolution No. 20-607 and CY 2021-22 Family-Based Counseling,

Life Management Skills, Community Education and

Prevention Services, Foster Care Licensing and Placement for American Indian Families and

Children

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray

County Administrator

Linnea Mirsch, Director

Public Health & Human Services

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

Children will be born healthy, live a life free from abuse and neglect, and will have a permanent living arrangement.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to reauthorize contracts with the Bois Forte and Fond du Lac Reservations for the purchase of Family-Based Counseling, Life Management Skills, Community Education and Prevention Services, Foster Care Licensing and Placement for the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022 and rescind Board Resolution No. 20-607.

BACKGROUND:

On December 15, 2020, the County Board adopted Resolution No. 20-607 authorizing the Public Health and Human Services department (PHHS) to contract with the Bois Forte and Fond du Lac Reservations for the purchase of Family-Based Counseling, Life Management Skills, Community Education and Prevention Services, Foster Care Licensing and Placement for the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022.

Subsequently PHHS and Fond du Lac have renegotiated the rates for Respite Care as a commitment to equitable rates for services which permit culturally sensitive, flexible programs that address the unique needs of American Indian families. The Respite Care rate will increase from \$35.00/day to \$45.00/day to be in alignment with the St. Louis County Respite Rate.

Bois Forte Human Services Family-Based Program

In response to the high number of Bois Forte children placed out of the home, Bois Forte Human Services developed a Family-Based Program influenced by ethnic and cultural ties to provide family-based services for northern St. Louis County Native American children. This program focuses on families involved with St. Louis County Child Protective Services who are at risk of having their children removed from the home and also on families with children already placed out of the home. The services are designed to prevent the need for out of home placement and to hasten reunification when children have been placed. This assistance is provided without regard to family income and is offered to families in their homes.

The Family-Based Program worker will provide in-home services on a weekly basis for 6-8 weeks. Services are provided to families in need within a 65 mile radius of Nett Lake through voluntary services, referrals from ICW Case Managers, or other agencies and court orders. The program is designed to target any primary caregiver who is in need of services.

The Family-Based Program provides services including parenting education, life skills education, home management education, parent/child interaction development, home studies, supportive services, transportation, supervised visits between parents and child, group activities designed to educate general public or high-risk groups, and community education awareness through information booths at various community events.

Fond du Lac Human Services Families First Program

In response to the high number of Fond du Lac children placed out of the home, Fond du Lac Human Services developed a Families First Program influenced by ethnic and cultural ties to provide Family-Based Crisis Services to those American Indian families living in Southern St. Louis County, including the City of Duluth and on the boundaries of the Fond du Lac Reservation. Families are referred to Families First by the St. Louis County Public Health and Human Services Department. This program focuses on an effort to divert out-of-home placement and assist with reunification and transition efforts. Families First provides intake for Family-Based Crisis Services 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, including weekends and holidays. Assistance is provided without regard to family income and is offered to families in their homes. The average length of a family intervention will be five weeks. The Families First Supervisor will determine the exact length in consultation with the Tribal and/or County Cases Manager.

Families First Workers will provide a wide range of goal-directed services to the client family, including parenting education, child development, advocacy, family, individual and marriage counseling, communication skills, home and financial maintenance skills, developing a networking system within the larger community, assisting the client family in meeting their basic needs by referrals to food shelves, obtaining housing, clothing, and furniture. Further, it will provide referrals and transporting for mental health, medical and dental needs, family coping skills and regulation, diagnostic and functional assessments, psycho-education, short-term in-home family therapeutic support services, referrals to longer-term individual and family therapeutic and support services, intensive interactive parenting education and support and visitation assistance and support.

Foster Care

The Minnesota Department of Human Services sets daily basic maintenance foster care plus supplemental difficulty of care rates via the Northstar Care for Children rate structure. Rates vary based on children's ages and specific needs, which are assessed through the comprehensive Minnesota Assessment of Parenting for Children and Youth tool. The assessed rates apply to daily foster care for children placed in homes licensed by St. Louis County and by other agencies, including partnering Tribal Agencies.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board reauthorize a contract for the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022 with Bois Forte Reservation to purchase:

1. Family-Based Counseling, Life Management Skills, and Community Education and Prevention services through the Family-Based Program at a rate of \$85 per hour with an annual contract maximum of up to \$44,300.

It is further recommended that the St. Louis County Board reauthorize a contract for the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022 with Fond du Lac Reservation to purchase:

1. Family-Based Crisis Services through the Families First Program at a rate of \$75 per hour with an annual contract maximum of up to \$130,000.

2. Fond du Lac Foster Care Licensing & Placement Agency

Foster Care DHS Northstar Care for Children Guidelines

Licensing & Placement Administration \$ 20.00/day Respite Care (paid to foster home) \$ 45.00/day

It is further recommended that the St. Louis County Board rescind Board Resolution No. 20-607.

BUDGET REFERENCE:

Fund 230 Social Service Object 601200 Licensing/Resource Development

Agency 232008 PHHS Object 601200 Respite Care Licensing & Object 603200 Family-Based Services Resource Development

Object 601200 Out-of-Home Placement Costs

Rescind County Board Resolution No. 20-607 and CY 2021-22 Family-Based Counseling, Life Management Skills, Community Education and Prevention Services, Foster Care Licensing and Placement for American Indian Families and Children

BY	COMMISSIONER		

WHEREAS, On December 15, 2020, the County Board adopted Resolution No. 20-607 authorizing the Public Health and Human Services department (PHHS) to contract with the Bois Forte and Fond du Lac Reservations for the purchase of Family-Based Counseling, Life Management Skills, Community Education and Prevention Services, Foster Care Licensing and Placement for the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022; and

WHEREAS, Since Resolution No. 20-607 was adopted on December 15, 2020, PHHS and Fond du Lac have renegotiated the rates for Respite Care as a commitment to equitable rates for services which permit culturally sensitive, flexible programs that address the unique needs of American Indian families; and

WHEREAS, The Fond du Lac Respite Care rate will increase from \$35.00/day to \$45.00/day to be in alignment with the St. Louis County Respite Rate;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board reauthorize a contract for the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022 with Bois Forte Reservation to purchase:

1. Family-Based Counseling, Life Management Skills, and Community Education and Prevention services through the Family-Based Program at a rate of \$85 per hour with an annual contract maximum of up to \$44,300:

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board reauthorize a contract for the period January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022 with Fond du Lac Reservation to purchase:

- 1. Family-Based Crisis Services through the Families First Program at a rate of \$75 per hour with an annual contract maximum of up to \$130,000.
- 2. Fond du Lac Foster Care Licensing & Placement Agency:

Foster Care DHS Northstar Care for Children Guidelines

Licensing & Placement Administration \$ 20.00/day Respite Care (paid to foster home) \$ 45.00/day

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board rescind Board Resolution No. 20-607.

BUDGET REFERENCE:

Fund 230 Social Service Object 601200 Licensing/Resource Development

Agency 232008 PHHS Object 601200 Respite Care Licensing & Object 603200 Family-Based Services Resource Development

Object 601200 Out-of-Home Placement Costs

BOARD LETTER NO. 21 – 90

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 2

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: March 2, 2021 RE: Agreement with FHWA-Eastern

Federal Lands Highway Division, Minnesota

Department of Administration, Minnesota Department of

Transportation for

Improvements to a Segment of CSAH 116 in Morse Township

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray

County Administrator

James T. Foldesi

Public Works Director/ Highway Engineer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To provide a safe, well maintained road and bridge system.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to authorize an agreement with FHWA-Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division (EFLHD), Minnesota Department of Administration, and the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) to complete improvements on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 116 from CSAH 88 to 0.5 miles North of County Road 803 (Passi Road) in Morse Township. This project is further identified as SP 069-716-012; CP 0116-299084.

BACKGROUND:

St. Louis County has applied for funding through the Federal Land Access Program (FLAP) to perform pavement rehabilitation on CSAH 116 (Echo Trail) from CSAH 88 to 0.5 miles North of CR 803 (Passi Road) and the project has been approved. The estimated construction cost is \$1,367,766, of which \$600,000 will be funded with the Federal FLAP funds, while the remainder will be funded with State Aid funds.

This Agreement documents the intent of the parties and sets forth the anticipated responsibilities of each party in the development, construction, and future maintenance of the subject project. The purpose of the Agreement is to identify and assign

responsibilities for the environmental analysis, design, right-of-way, utilities, acquisition and construction as appropriate for this programmed project, and to ensure maintenance of the facility for public use if improvements are made.

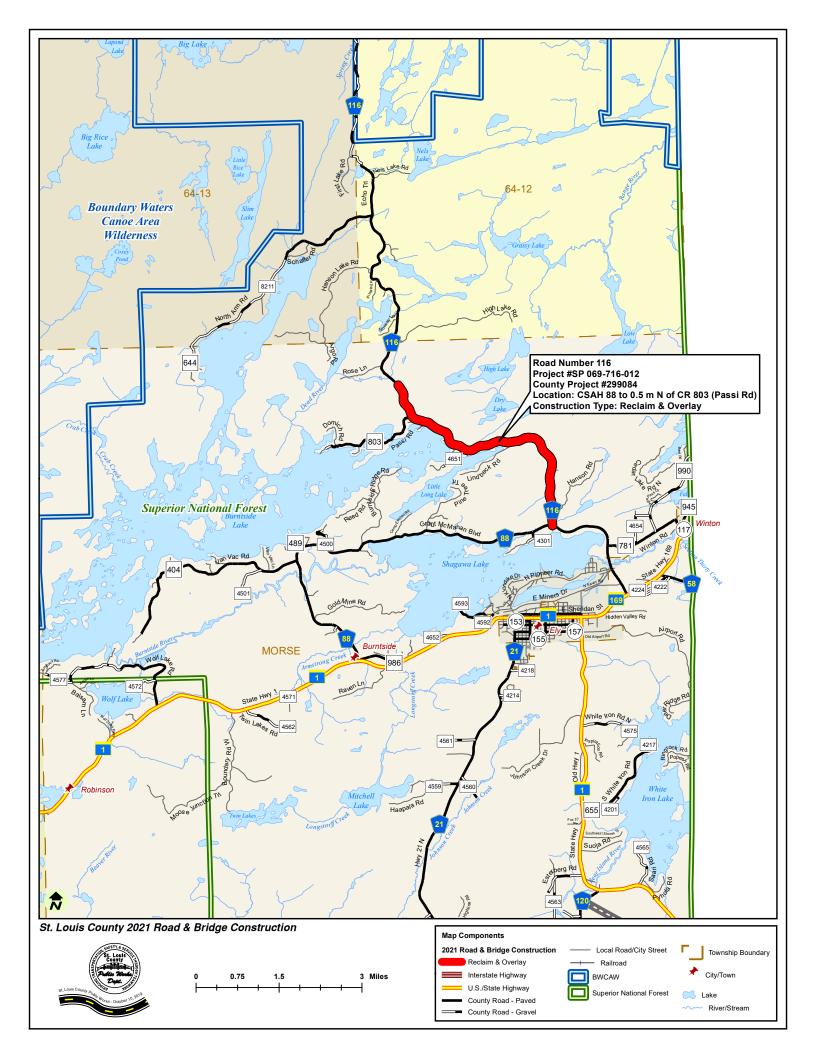
RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended the Board authorize the appropriate County officials to enter into an agreement with FHWA-Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division (EFLHD), Minnesota Department of Administration, and the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) outlining responsibilities of all parties for the proposed construction on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 116 from CSAH 88 to 0.5 miles North of County Road 803 (Passi Road) in Morse Township. Funds for this project will be receipted into Fund 220, Agency 220518, Object 540702.

Agreement with FHWA-Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division, Minnesota Department of Administration, Minnesota Department of Transportation for Improvements to a Segment of CSAH 116 in Morse Township

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes an agreement, and any amendments approved by the County Attorney, with FHWA-Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division (EFLHD), Minnesota Department of Administration, and the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) for the construction on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 116 from CSAH 88 to 0.5 miles North of County Road 803 (Passi Road) in Morse Township (SP 069-716-012; CP 0116-299084.)

RESOLVED FURTHER, That funds for this project will be receipted into Fund 220, Agency 220518, Object 540702.



BOARD LETTER NO. 21 – 91

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 3

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: March 2, 2021 RE: Agreement with the Depot

Foundation

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray

County Administrator

Brian Fritsinger

Deputy Administrator

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To manage county owned properties in an efficient and cost-effective manner to ensure success in their designated public use.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to authorize an agreement with the Depot Foundation for allocation management of tourism tax funds.

BACKGROUND:

St. Louis County owns the St. Louis County Heritage & Arts Center (the Depot), located at 506 W. Michigan Street, Duluth, Minnesota. St. Louis County has employed a full-time Director to oversee Depot management and operations for 2021.

The Depot Foundation (Foundation) is dedicated to preserving the Depot as a vibrant and welcoming forum for the arts, culture, and history through managing and growing a permanent endowment. The Foundation submitted an application to the City of Duluth for tourism tax dollars to provide marketing, grant, and management services for the Depot during 2021. The Foundation was awarded \$165,000 of tourism tax dollars from the City of Duluth for the purpose of providing marketing funds and increasing overall engagement and visibility to the City of Duluth through engagement efforts at the Depot.

St. Louis County and the Foundation wish to enter into an agreement regarding expenditure of these tourism tax dollars to pay costs relating to the Depot in a manner consistent with intent and details of the Foundation's application to the City of Duluth.

The Foundation has agreed to perform the services to allocate monies from the City of Duluth during the period commencing January 1, 2021 for a period of one (1) year. The term of this agreement may be renewed at the end of the initial term thereafter for

additional one (1) year terms unless either party submits written notice of its intention not to renew to the other party at least ninety (90) days prior to the end of the term hereof.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board authorize an agreement with the Depot Foundation for allocation management of tourism tax funds.

Agreement with the Depot Foundation

BY	COMMISSIONER			

WHEREAS, St. Louis County owns the St. Louis County Heritage & Arts Center (the "Depot"), located at 506 W. Michigan Street, Duluth, Minnesota; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has employed a full-time Director to oversee Depot management and operations for 2021; and

WHEREAS, The Depot Foundation is dedicated to preserving the Depot as a vibrant and welcoming forum for the arts, culture, and history through managing and growing a permanent endowment; and

WHEREAS, The Depot Foundation submitted an application to the City of Duluth for tourism tax dollars to provide marketing, grant, and management services for the Depot during 2021; and

WHEREAS, The Depot Foundation was awarded \$165,000 of tourism tax dollars from the City of Duluth for the purpose of providing marketing funds and increasing overall engagement and visibility to the City of Duluth through engagement efforts at The Depot; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County and the Depot Foundation wish to enter into an agreement regarding expenditure of these tourism tax dollars to pay costs relating to the Depot in a manner consistent with intent and details of the Foundation's application to the City of Duluth.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorize the appropriate county officials to execute an agreement with the Depot Foundation for allocation management of tourism tax funds.

BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 92

FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 4

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: March 2, 2021 RE: Transfer of County Fee Land to

the City of Floodwood

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray

County Administrator

Jerry Hall, Director Property Management

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To facilitate county fee land purchase, sale and easement activities.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to approve the transfer of a small parcel of County owned land to the City of Floodwood pursuant to the requirements and procedures of Minn. Stat. § 465.035, and authorize the issuance of a quit claim deed for the property.

BACKGROUND:

St. Louis County acquired this parcel on May 1, 1915. A drawing found in St. Louis County Public Works records from 1937 shows a county tool house on this property. This timeframe matches the Work Progress Administration construction of a new county tool house in 1937-38 a quarter mile northwest of this site.

The Floodwood County Fair Association is currently listed as the owner in St. Louis County Auditor's Office records. An unrecorded warranty deed was found in the County Auditor's Office, dated March 31, 1937. It appears that the document was processed in the Auditors Office records which changed the taxpayer information but the deed was not recorded with the County Recorder's Office. This deed contains a reversion clause that the property reverts to the County when the Floodwood Community Fair Association ceased use of the property. The Floodwood Fair Association use has ceased and St. Louis County can convey this parcel to the City of Floodwood.

This situation was brought to the County's attention by the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) when they were acquiring right of way along State Trunk Hwy 73 in 2017. After doing title investigation they concluded the County was the owner of the property based on the 1915 recorded deed. MnDOT requested that St. Louis County

grant them an easement over this property. On April 3, 2018, the St. Louis County Board adopted Board Resolution No. 18-234 authorizing a temporary easement to MnDOT.

The property is currently occupied by the City of Floodwood Municipal Water Tower which was constructed in the 1940's according to Floodwood officials.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve the transfer of a small parcel of County owned land to the City of Floodwood pursuant to the requirements and procedures of Minn. Stat. § 465.035, waiving the administrative fee and any requirement of payment for the parcel, issuing a quit claim deed and making the City of Floodwood the owner of record for this public utility structure.

Transfer of County Fee Land to the City of Floodwood

BY C	OMMISSIONER_			 	

WHEREAS, The Property Management Department recommended the transfer of a small parcel of County owned property occupied by the City of Floodwood water tower and related infrastructure to the City of Floodwood where the property is legally described as follows:

Lots 1 and 2, Block 43 SAVANNA ADDITION to FLOODWOOD

WHEREAS, St. Louis County was not aware this parcel was still owned by St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 465.035 and County Fee Land policy allows for a conveyance of county land to another governmental subdivision for a nominal consideration, without consideration or for such consideration as may be agreed upon.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That pursuant to the requirements and procedures of Minn. Stat. § 465.035, the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to execute a quit claim deed conveying the above described property to the City of Floodwood.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board shall waive payment of land or administrative costs related to this transfer.

BOARD LETTER NO. 21 – 93

PUBLIC SAFETY & CORRECTIONS COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 5

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: March 2, 2021 RE: Acceptance of the Amended

2020 Federal Boating Safety Supplemental Equipment Grant

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray

County Administrator

Ross Litman County Sheriff

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To enhance public safety.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to authorize the acceptance of the amended 2020 Federal Boating Safety Supplemental Equipment grant in an additional amount of \$53,817.00 from the State of Minnesota, Department of Natural Resources on behalf of the Department of Homeland Security.

BACKGROUND:

On December 15th, 2020, the St. Louis County Board adopted Board Resolution No. 20-600, authorizing the acceptance of the 2020 Federal Boating Safety Supplemental Equipment grant in the amount of \$10,400.00. The St. Louis County Sheriff's Office was recently notified that they have been awarded an additional \$53,817.00.

The Federal Boating Safety Supplemental Equipment grant allows the Sheriff to purchase equipment which supports recreational boating safety throughout St. Louis County. There is no match required.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board the amendment and acceptance of the 2020 Federal Boating Safety Supplemental Equipment grant, to be accounted for in Fund 100, Agency 129999, Grant 12936, Year 2020.

Acceptance of the Amended 2020 Federal Boating Safety Supplemental Equipment Grant

BY COMMISSIONER

WHEREAS, On December 15th, 2020, the St. Louis County Board adopted Board Resolution No. 20-600 allowing the application and acceptance of the 2020 Federal Boating Safety Supplemental Equipment grant in the amount of \$10,400.00; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County Sheriff's Office was recently notified they have been awarded an additional \$53,817.00; and

WHEREAS, This grant enables the Sheriff to purchase equipment which supports recreational boating safety throughout St. Louis County and no match is required.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the amendment and acceptance of the 2020 Federal Boating Safety Supplemental Equipment grant to be accounted for in Fund 100, Agency 129999, Grant 12936, Year 2020.

BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 94

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 6

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: March 2, 2021 RE: Right of Way Easement

Exchange Across State Tax Forfeited Land to Scott and Carla Ann Seele, Mindy Rae Roux, Amy Marie Strane (Cedar

Valley Twp 54-21)

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray

County Administrator

Jason Meyer, Interim Director

Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen

County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENTAL GOAL:

To perform public services.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to authorize a non-exclusive right of way easement exchange across state tax forfeited land in Cedar Valley Township (54-21).

BACKGROUND:

Scott and Carla Ann Seele, Mindy Rae Roux, and Amy Marie Strane are requesting a 33-foot wide right of way easement across state tax forfeited parcels to access private land in Cedar Valley Township. Acres encumbered by the easement are 0.59 acres. There are no reasonable alternatives to obtain access to the property and exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts.

Scott and Carla Ann Seele, Mindy Rae Roux, and Amy Marie Strane will compensate the county for this easement by granting the county a permanent easement, including access for the public, across an existing road on land owned by Scott and Carla Ann Seele, Mindy Rae Roux, and Amy Marie Strane in Lot 2, Section 5, Township 54 North, Range 21 West.

The net result of this easement exchange is 556 feet in favor of Scott and Carla Ann Seele, Mindy Rae Roux, and Amy Marie Strane. Scott and Carla Ann Seele, Mindy Rae Roux, and Amy Marie Strane will compensate the difference in land use fee, in addition to the administration and recording fee. The County provided the survey.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve the granting of a non-exclusive right of way easement to Scott and Carla Ann Seele, Mindy Rae Roux, and Amy Marie Strane, for the amount of \$410 land use fee, \$150 administration fee, plus \$46 recording fee, for a total of \$606 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Right of Way Easement Across State Tax Forfeited Land to Scott and Carla Ann Seele, Mindy Rae Roux, Amy Marie Strane (Cedar Valley Twp 54-21)

BY COMMISSIONER	
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WHEREAS, Scott and Carla Ann Seele, Mindy Rae Roux, and Amy Marie Strane have requested a 33-foot wide non-exclusive right of way easement across state tax forfeited land to access private property; and

WHEREAS, There are no reasonable alternatives to obtain access to the property and exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4a authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant easements across state tax forfeited land for such purposes;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the St. Louis County Auditor to grant a non-exclusive right of way easement to Scott and Carla Ann Seele, Mindy Rae Roux, and Amy Marie Strane across state tax forfeited lands as described in County Board File No._____.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the granting of this easement is conditioned upon Scott and Carla Ann Seele, Mindy Rae Roux, and Amy Marie Strane granting St. Louis County a permanent easement, including access to the public, across land owned by Scott and Carla Ann Seele, Mindy Rae Roux, and Amy Marie Strane in Lot 2, Section 5, Township 54 North, Range 21 West, and subject to a \$410 land use fee, \$150 administration fee, plus \$46 recording fee, for a total of \$606 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Right of Way Easement Across State Tax Forfeited Land to Scott and Carla Ann Seele, Mindy Rae Roux, Amy Marie Strane (Cedar Valley Twp 54-21)

A 33.00 foot wide permanent easement for ingress and egress purposes over, under and across part of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section 5, Township 54 North, Range 21 West of the Fourth Principal Meridian, St. Louis County, Minnesota.

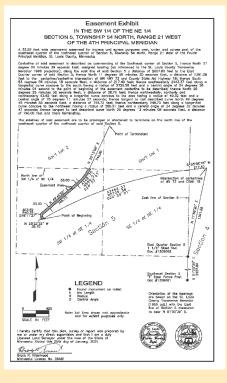
Centerline of said easement is described as commencing at the Southeast corner of Section 5. thence North 01 degree 00 minutes 39 seconds East, assigned bearing (as referenced to the St. Louis County Transverse Mercator 1996 projection), along the east line of said Section 5 a distance of 2657.80 feet to the East Quarter comer of said Section 5; thence North 11 degrees 58 minutes 20 seconds East, a distance of 1391.28 feet to the centerline/centerline intersection of MN HWY 73 and County State Aid Highway 18; thence South 83 degrees 56 minutes 18 seconds West. a distance of 217.40 feet: thence southwesterly 2443.37 feet along a tangential curve concave to the south having a radius of 5729.58 feet and a central angle of 24 degrees 26 minutes 01 second to the point of beginning of the easement centerline to be described; thence North 26 degrees 25 minutes 32 seconds West, a distance of 38.76 feet; thence northwesterly, northerly and northeasterly 53.62 feet along a tangential curve concave to the east having a radius of 40.32 feet and a central angle of 76 degrees 11 minutes 27 seconds; thence tangent to last described curve North 49 degrees 45 minutes 55 seconds East, a distance of 745.72 feet; thence northeasterly 248.70 feet along a tangential curve concave to the northwest having a radius of 580.51 feet and a central angle of 24 degrees 32 minutes 47 seconds; thence tangent to last described curve North 25 degrees 13 minutes 08 seconds East, a distance of 740.00 feet and there terminating.

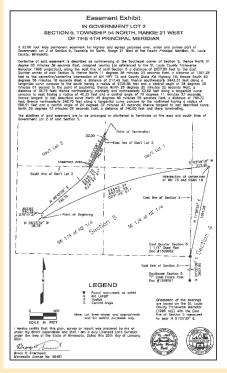
The sidelines of said easement are to be prolonged or shortened southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of said Section 5.

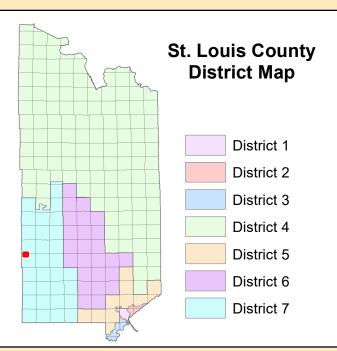


Tax Forfeited Easement

Affected Parcels: State of MN - 285-0020-00650 Seele etal - 285-0020-00660







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TO Seele, et al FROM County

TO County FROM Seele

BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 95

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE CONSENT NO. 7

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: March 2, 2021 RE: Repurchase of State Tax Forfeited

Land - Weisz Homestead

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray

County Administrator

Julie Marinucci, Interim Director

Land and Minerals

Nancy J. Nilsen

County Auditor/Treasurer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To provide financial return to the county and taxing districts.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to approve an application to repurchase state tax forfeited land.

BACKGROUND:

Minn. Stat. § 282.241 provides for state tax forfeited land to be repurchased by the previous owner subject to payment equivalent to the delinquent taxes and assessments, with penalties, interest, and maintenance costs. The homestead property to be repurchased forfeited to the State of Minnesota on November 7, 2019. Scott J. Weisz of Duluth, MN, has made application to repurchase this property. The applicant is the heir of the owner of record at the time of forfeiture and is eligible to repurchase the property.

The applicant will either pay in full or enter into a ten year contract for deed, per county board guidelines. The repurchase of this property will promote the use of lands that will best serve the public interest. There are no open or pending zoning violations with the City of Duluth on the property.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve the repurchase application of Scott J. Weisz of Duluth, MN, subject to payments including: total taxes and assessments of \$967.47, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$1.65, and recording fee of \$46, for a total of \$1,040.12, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund); plus a service fee of \$500, to be deposited into Fund 100 (General Fund).

Repurchase of State Tax Forfeited Land – Weisz Homestead

BY	COMMISSIONER:			

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.241 provides that state tax forfeited land may be repurchased by the previous owner subject to payment of delinquent taxes and assessments, with penalties, interest, and maintenance costs; and

WHEREAS, The applicant, Scott J. Weisz of Duluth, MN, has applied to repurchase state tax forfeited land legally described as:

CITY OF DULUTH

Lot 147 EXCEPT the Northerly 10 feet for alley AND EXCEPT the East 1/2, Block 43, DULUTH PROPER THIRD DIVISION 010-1270-02860

WHEREAS, The applicant is the heir of the owner of record at the time of forfeiture and is eligible to repurchase the property; and

WHEREAS, Resolution of any county or municipal code violations will become a condition of the repurchase; and

WHEREAS, The applicant shall either pay in full or enter into a ten year contract for deed to repurchase the homestead property; and

WHEREAS, Approving the repurchase will promote the use of lands that will best serve the public interest;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the repurchase application by Scott J. Weisz of Duluth, MN, on file in County Board File No.____, subject to payments including: total taxes and assessments of \$967.47, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$1.65, and recording fee of \$46, for a total of \$1,040.12, to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund); plus a service fee of \$500, to be deposited into Fund 100 (General Fund); and further subject to any other conditions discussed herein.



St. Louis County Land & Minerals Department Tax Forfeited Land Sales

Repurchase of Property

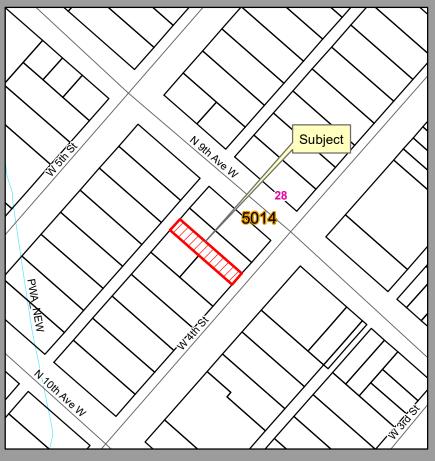
Legal: CITY OF DULUTH

Lot 147 EXCEPT the Northerly 10 feet for alley AND EXCEPT the East 1/2, Block 43, DULUTH PROPER THIRD DIVISION

Parcel Code: 010-1270-02860

LDK: 124058





City of Duluth Sec: 28 Twp: 50 Rng: 14

Commissioner District #1

State Tax Forfeited Land

Water

Road

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Area of Interest

Tract

St. Louis County, Minnesota

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St. Louis County

Land and Minerals Department

2021



BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 96

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE NO. 1

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: March 2, 2021 RE: Award of Bids: County Bridge

633 Construction Project

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray

County Administrator

James T. Foldesi

Public Works Director/Highway Engineer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To provide a safe, well maintained road and bridge system.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to award to the low bidder a Bridge Construction project located on County Bridge 633 on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 65 0.5 miles west of the junction of CSAH 5.

BACKGROUND:

County staff is authorized under Resolution No. 88-381, dated May 24, 1988, to call for bids on projects which are included in the budget document. Bids were requested for a Bridge Construction project located on County Bridge 633 on CSAH 65 0.5 miles west of junction of CSAH 5.

A call for bids was received by the Public Works Department on February 4, 2021, for the projects in accordance with the plans and specifications on file in the office of the County Highway Engineer:

1. Project: CP 0065-300202; SP 069-665-008

Location: County Bridge 633 Located on County State Aid Highway 65

Located 0.5 Miles West of Junction of County State Aid

Highway 5

Traffic: 591 **PQI:** 2.55

Construction: Bridge Construction

Funding: CP 0065-300202; SP 069-665-008

Fund 220, Agency 220499, Object 652700 Fund 449, Agency 449012, Object 652806

Anticipated Start Date: August 2, 2021

Anticipated Completion Date: June 30, 2022 **Engineer's Estimate:** \$1,085,666.00

BIDS:

Redstone Construction, LLC \$1,105,943.65 (+\$20,277.65) (+1.87%)

Mora, MN

Northland Constructors of Duluth, Inc. \$1,217,800.00

Duluth, MN

Robert R. Schroeder Construction Co. \$1,234,322.44

Glenwood, MN

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board award the project to low bidder of Redstone Construction, LLC in the amount of \$1,105,943.65 payable from:

CP 0065-300202; SP 069-665-008:

Fund 220, Agency 220499, Object 652700 – \$852,608.00 Federal & Bridge Bond Funds;

Fund 449, Agency 449012, Object 652806 – \$253,335.65 St. Louis County Transportation Sales Tax Bond Funds.

Award of Bids: County Bridge 633 Construction Project

BY COMMISSIONER	·
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WHEREAS, Bids have been received electronically by St. Louis County Public Works Department for the following project:

CP 0065-300202; SP 069-665-008; and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex, Duluth, Minnesota, on February 4, 2021, and the low responsible bid determined;

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

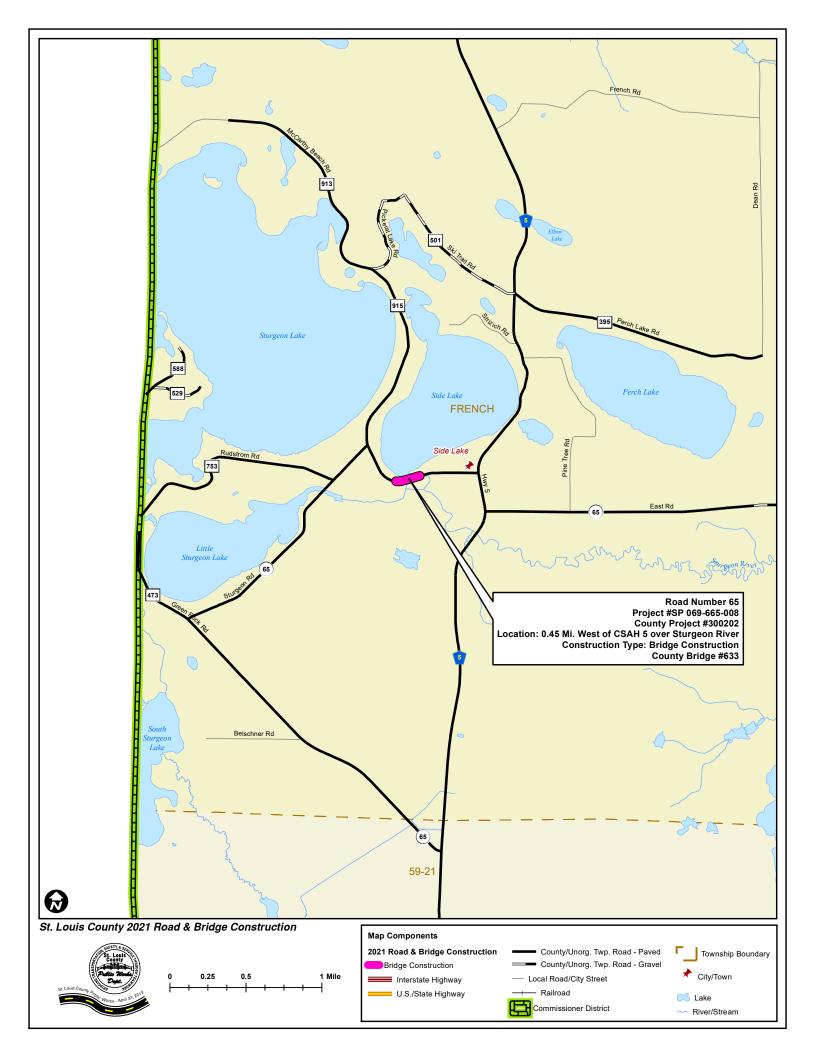
LOW BIDDERADDRESSAMOUNTRedstone2183 Hwy 65 N\$1,105,943.65Construction, LLCMora, MN 55051

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 0065-300202; SP 069-665-008:

Fund 220, Agency 220499, Object 652700 – \$852,608.00 Federal & Bridge Bond Funds;

Fund 449, Agency 449012, Object 652806 – \$253,335.65 St. Louis County Transportation Sales Tax Bond Funds.



BOARD LETTER NO. 21 – 97

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE NO. 2

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: March 2, 2021 RE: Award of Bids: Reclaim and

Overlay Projects (Throughout St.

Louis County)

FROM: Kevin Z. Grav

County Administrator

James T. Foldesi

Public Works Director/Highway Engineer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To provide a safe, well maintained road and bridge system.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to award to the low bidder various tied reclaim and overlay projects located throughout St. Louis County on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 120 from CSAH 21 to Trunk Highway (TH) 1; County Road (CR) 404 from TH 169 to Township Road 4577; CR 404 from intersection of CSAH 88 West to Termini; CR 803 from CSAH 116 to end of bituminous at Boat Landing; Unorganized Township Road 8211 from CSAH 116 to end of bituminous.

BACKGROUND:

County staff is authorized under Resolution No. 88-381, dated May 24, 1988, to call for bids on projects which are included in the budget document. Bids were requested for reclaim and overlay projects located throughout St. Louis County on CSAH 120 from CSAH 21 to TH 1; CR 404 from TH 169 to Township Road 4577; CR 404 from intersection of CSAH 88 West to Termini; CR 803 from CSAH 116 to end of bituminous at Boat Landing; Unorganized Township Road 8211 from CSAH 116 to end of bituminous.

A call for bids was received by the Public Works Department on February 25, 2021, for the projects in accordance with the plans and specifications on file in the office of the County Highway Engineer:

1. Project: CP 0120-276152 (Low), SAP 069-720-002; CP 0404-

299095 (Tied); CP 0404-531168 (Tied); CP 0803-299097

(Tied); CP 8211-465046 (Tied)

Location: County State Aid Highway 120 from County State Aid

Highway 21 to Trunk Highway 1; County Road 404 from Trunk Highway 169 to Township Road 4577; County Road

404 from Intersection of County State Aid Highway 88 West to Termini; County Road 803 from County State Aid Highway 116 to End of Bituminous at Boat Landing; Unorganized Township Road 8211 from County State Aid Highway 116 to

End of Bituminous

Traffic: 276152: 370, 299095:155, 531168: 335, 299097:180,

465046: 70

PQI: 276152: 2.71, 299095: 2.00, 531168: 2.89, 299097:0.92,

465046: 2.65

Construction: Reclaim and Overlay

Funding: CP 0120-276152 (Low), SAP 069-720-002

Fund 449, Agency 449018, Object 652806

CP 0404-299095 (Tied)

Fund 449, Agency 449019, Object 652806

CP 0404-531168 (Tied)

Fund 449, Agency 449020, Object 652806

CP 0803-299097 (Tied)

Fund 449, Agency 449021, Object 652806

CP 8211-465046 (Tied)

Fund 449, Agency 449022, Object 652806

Anticipated Start Date: May 17, 2021 Anticipated Completion Date: July 24, 2021 Engineer's Estimate: \$3,712,527.63

BIDS:

KGM Contractors, Inc. \$3,554,090.97 (-\$158,436.66) (-4.27%)

Angora, MN

Ulland Brothers, Inc. \$3,557,187.00

Cloquet, MN

Knife River Materials \$4,494,861.70

Bemidji, MN

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board award the project to low bidder of KGM Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$3,554,090.97 payable from:

CP 0120-276152 (Low), SAP 069-720-002

Fund 449, Agency 449018, Object 652806 – St. Louis County Transportation Sales Tax Bond Funds - \$1,207,511.58;

CP 0404-299095 (Tied)

Fund 449, Agency 449019, Object 652806 – St. Louis County Transportation Sales Tax Bond Funds - \$404,522.81;

CP 0404-531168 (Tied)

Fund 449, Agency 449020, Object 652806 – St. Louis County Transportation Sales Tax Bond Funds - \$1,029,421.83;

CP 0803-299097 (Tied)

Fund 449, Agency 449021, Object 652806 – St. Louis County Transportation Sales Tax Bond Funds - \$601,235.94;

CP 8211-465046 (Tied)

Fund 449, Agency 449022, Object 652806 – St. Louis County Transportation Sales Tax Bond Funds - \$311,398.81.

Award of Bids: Reclaim and Overlay Projects (Throughout St. Louis County)

BY COMMISSIONER	
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WHEREAS, Bids have been received electronically by St. Louis County Public Works Department for the following project:

CP 0120-276152 (Low), SAP 069-720-002; CP 0404-299095 (Tied); CP 0404-531168 (Tied); CP 0803-299097 (Tied); CP 8211-465046 (Tied); and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on February 25, 2021, and the low responsible bid 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

 KGM Contractors, Inc.
 9211 HWY 53
 \$3,554,090.97

 Angora, MN 55703

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 0120-276152 (Low), SAP 069-720-002

Fund 449, Agency 449018, Object 652806 – St. Louis County Transportation Sales Tax Bond Funds - \$1,207,511.58;

CP 0404-299095 (Tied)

Fund 449, Agency 449019, Object 652806 – St. Louis County Transportation Sales Tax Bond Funds - \$404,522.81;

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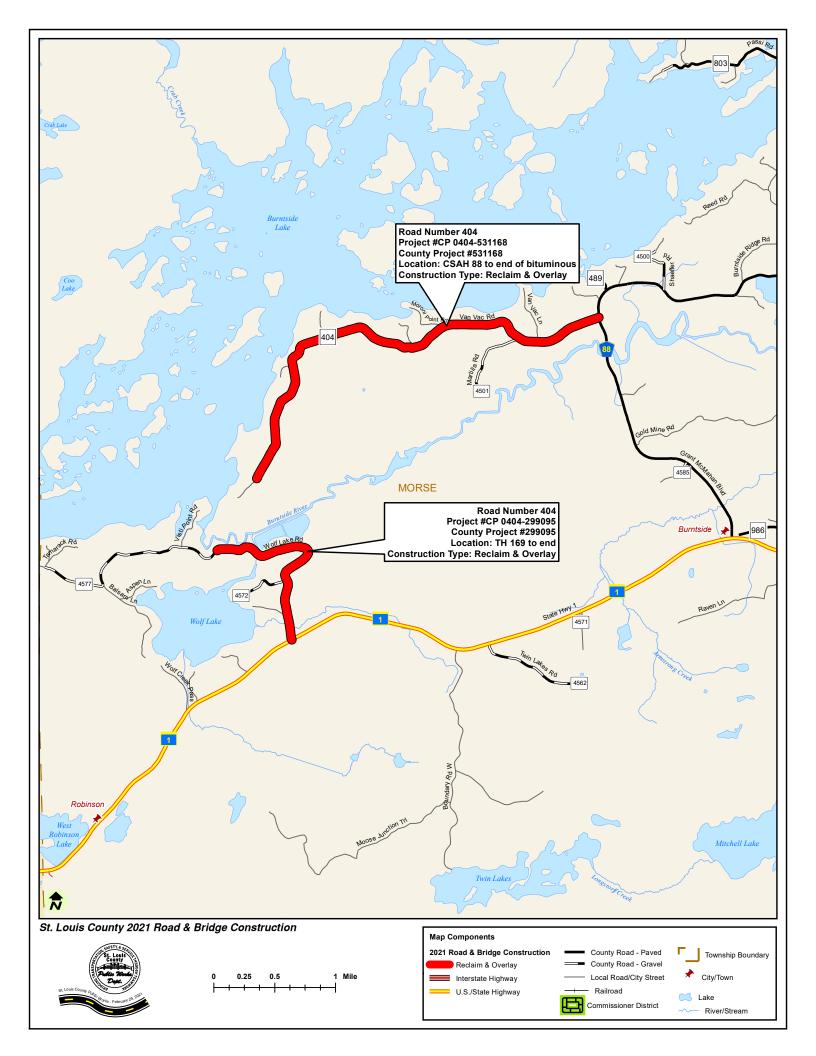
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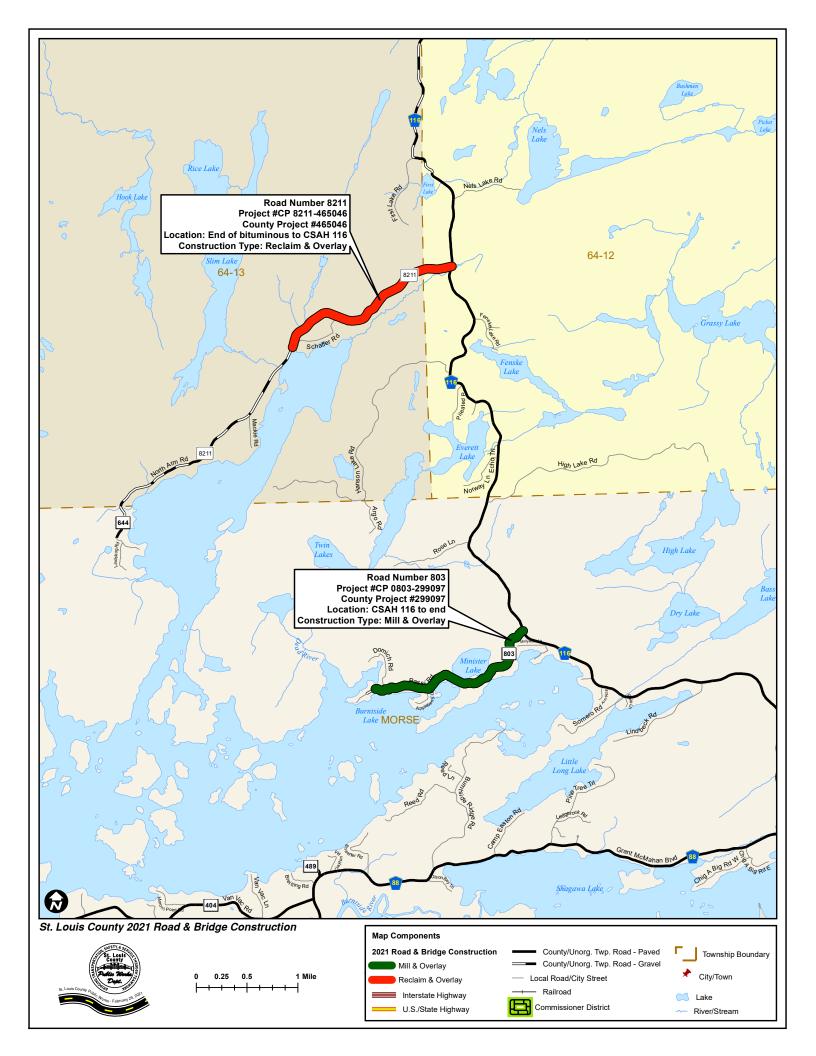
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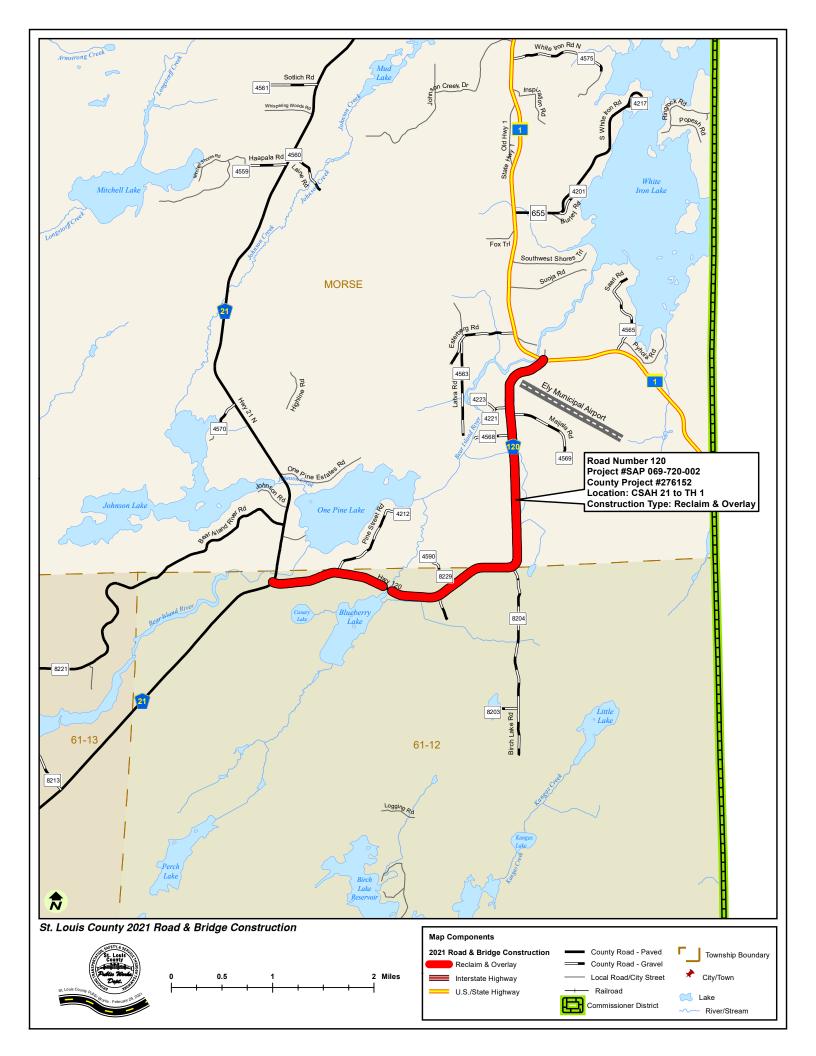
Fund 449, Agency 449021, Object 652806 – St. Louis County Transportation Sales Tax Bond Funds - \$601,235.94;

CP 8211-465046 (Tied)

Fund 449, Agency 449022, Object 652806 – St. Louis County Transportation Sales Tax Bond Funds - \$311,398.81.







BOARD LETTER NO. 21 – 98

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE NO. 2

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: March 2, 2021 RE: Award of Bids: Maintenance

Striping Project (Various County Highways in Lake County and St. Louis County, and Various City Streets in the City of Hermantown

and City of Virginia)

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray

County Administrator

James T. Foldesi

Public Works Director/Highway Engineer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To provide a safe, well maintained road and bridge system.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to award to the low bidder a maintenance striping project located on various County Highways in Lake County and St. Louis County, and various City Streets in the City of Hermantown and City of Virginia.

BACKGROUND:

County staff is authorized under Resolution No. 88-381, dated May 24, 1988, to call for bids on projects which are included in the budget document. Bids were requested for a maintenance striping project located on various County Highways in Lake County and St. Louis County, and various City Streets in the City of Hermantown and City of Virginia.

A call for bids was received by the Public Works Department on February 25, 2021, for the projects in accordance with the plans and specifications on file in the office of the County Highway Engineer:

1. Project: CP 0000-369585

Location: Various County Highways in Lake County and St. Louis

County, and Various City Streets in the City of Hermantown

and City of Virginia

Traffic: NA PQI: NA

Construction: Maintenance Striping Funding: CP 0000-369585

Fund 200, Agency 207001, Object 651800

Anticipated Start Date: June 1, 2021
Anticipated Completion Date: August 13, 2021
Engineer's Estimate: \$615,978.00

BIDS:

Traffic Marking Service \$571,480.60 (-\$44,497.40) (-7.22%)

Maple Lake, MN

Sir Lines-A-Lot, LLC \$576,587.00

Edina, MN

AAA Striping Service \$605,662.92

St. Michael, MN

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board award the project to low bidder of Traffic Marking Service in the amount of \$571,480.60 payable from:

CP 0000-369585

Fund 200, Agency 207001, Object 651800 – St. Louis County Maintenance Funds - \$520,825.60;

Fund 200, Agency 207001, Object 651800 – Lake County, City of Hermantown and City of Virginia Funds - \$50,655.00.

With additional revenue budgeted for expense:

Lake County, Fund 200, Agency 207001, Object 551508 - \$22,275.00; City of Hermantown, Fund 200, Agency 207001, Object 551503 - \$14,025.00; City of Virginia, Fund 200, Agency 207001, Object 551505 - \$14,355.00.

Award of Bids: Maintenance Striping Project (Various County Highways in Lake County and St. Louis County, and Various City Streets in the City of Hermantown and City of Virginia)

BY COMMISSIONER	
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WHEREAS, Bids have been received electronically by St. Louis County Public Works Department for the following project:

CP 0000-369585; and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on February 25, 2021, and the low responsible bid determined:

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

LOW BIDDERADDRESSAMOUNTTraffic Marking621 Division St E\$571,480.60ServiceMaple Lake, MN 55358

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 0000-369585

Fund 200, Agency 207001, Object 651800 – St. Louis County Maintenance Funds - \$520,825.60;

Fund 200, Agency 207001, Object 651800 – Lake County, City of Hermantown and City of Virginia Funds - \$50,655.00.

With additional revenue budgeted for expense:

Lake County, Fund 200, Agency 207001, Object 551508 - \$22,275.00; City of Hermantown, Fund 200, Agency 207001, Object 551503 - \$14,025.00; City of Virginia, Fund 200, Agency 207001, Object 551505 - \$14,355.00.

BOARD LETTER NO. 21 – 99

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE NO. 2

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: March 2, 2021 RE: Award of Bids: W-Beam Guardrail

Project (Various County Highways

throughout St. Louis County)

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray

County Administrator

James T. Foldesi

Public Works Director/Highway Engineer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To provide a safe, well maintained road and bridge system.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to award to the low bidder a W-Beam Guardrail project located on various County Highways within St. Louis County.

BACKGROUND:

County staff is authorized under Resolution No. 88-381, dated May 24, 1988, to call for bids on projects which are included in the budget document. Bids were requested for a W-Beam Guardrail project located on various County Highways throughout St. Louis County.

A call for bids was received by the Public Works Department on February 25, 2021, for the projects in accordance with the plans and specifications on file in the office of the County Highway Engineer:

1. Project: CP 0004-557164 (Prime)

Location: Various County Highways within St. Louis County

Traffic: Var. PQI: Var.

Construction: W-Beam Guardrail

Funding: CP 0004-557164 (Prime)

Fund 449, Agency 449017, Object 652806

Anticipated Start Date: June 1, 2021
Anticipated Completion Date: October 29, 2021
Engineer's Estimate: \$463,179.00

BIDS:

Mattison Contractors \$374,616.23 (-\$88,562.77) (-19.12%)

Knapp, WI

InSite Contracting, Inc. \$467,374.00

Forest Lake, MN

H&R Construction Co. \$472,179.00

Dalton, MN

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board award the project to low bidder of Mattison Contractors in the amount of \$374,616.23 payable from:

CP 0004-557164 (Prime)

Fund 449, Agency 449017, Object 652806 – St. Louis County Transportation Sales Tax Bond Funds - \$374,616.23.

Award of Bids: W-Beam Guardrail Project (Various County Highways throughout St. Louis County)

BY COMMISSIONER	
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WHEREAS, Bids have been received electronically by St. Louis County Public Works Department for the following project:

CP 0004-557164 (Prime); and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on February 25, 2021, and the low responsible bid 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
Mattison Contractors PO Box 238 \$374,616.23
Knapp, WI 54749

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 0004-557164 (Prime)

Fund 449, Agency 449017, Object 652806 – St. Louis County Transportation Sales Tax Bond Funds - \$374,616.23.

BOARD LETTER NO. 21 – 100R

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE NO. 2

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: March 2, 2021 RE: Award of Bids: Reclaim and

Overlay Project (Throughout St.

Louis County)

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray

County Administrator

James T. Foldesi

Public Works Director/Highway Engineer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To provide a safe, well maintained road and bridge system.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to award to the low bidder a reclaim and overlay project located on County Road (CR) 199, County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 29, CSAH 52, CR 229 and CR 817.

BACKGROUND:

County staff is authorized under Resolution No. 88-381, dated May 24, 1988, to call for bids on projects which are included in the budget document. Bids were requested for a reclaim and overlay project located on CR 199, CSAH 29, CSAH 52, CR 229 and CR 817.

A call for bids was received by the Public Works Department on February 25, 2021, for the projects in accordance with the plans and specifications on file in the office of the County Highway Engineer:

1. Project: CP 0199-369580 (Low Prime); CP 0029-512408; CP 0052-

512194; CP 0229-369581: CP 0817-512391

Location: County Road 199, County State Aid Highway 29, County

State Aid Highway 52, County Road 229 and County Road

817

Traffic: Var. **PQI:** Var.

Construction: Reclaim and Overlay

Funding: CP 0199-369580 (Low Prime); CP 0029-512408; CP 0052-

512194; **CP 0229-369581**: **CP 0817-512391** Fund 449, Agency 449016, Object 652806

Anticipated Start Date: May 10, 2021

Anticipated Completion Date: September 10, 2021

Engineer's Estimate: \$1,610,511.65

BIDS:

Ulland Brothers, Inc. \$1,570,464.00 (-\$40,047.65) (-2.49%)

Cloquet, MN

KGM Contractors, Inc. \$1,723,608.20

Angora, MN

Northland Constructors of Duluth, Inc. \$1,728,800.00

Duluth, MN

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board award the project to low bidder of Ulland Brothers, Inc. in the amount of \$1,570,464.00 payable from:

CP 0199-369580 (Low Prime); CP 0029-512408; CP 0052-512194; CP 0229-369581; CP 0817-512391

Fund 449, Agency 449016, Object 652806 – St. Louis County Transportation Sales Tax Bond Funds - \$1,570,464.00.

Award of Bids: Reclaim and Overlay Project (Throughout St. Louis County)

BY COMMISSIONER		

WHEREAS, Bids have been received electronically by St. Louis County Public Works Department for the following combined project:

CP 0199-369580 (Low Prime); CP 0029-512408; CP 0052-512194; CP 0229-369581: CP 0817-512391; and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on February 25, 2021, and the low responsible bid determined;

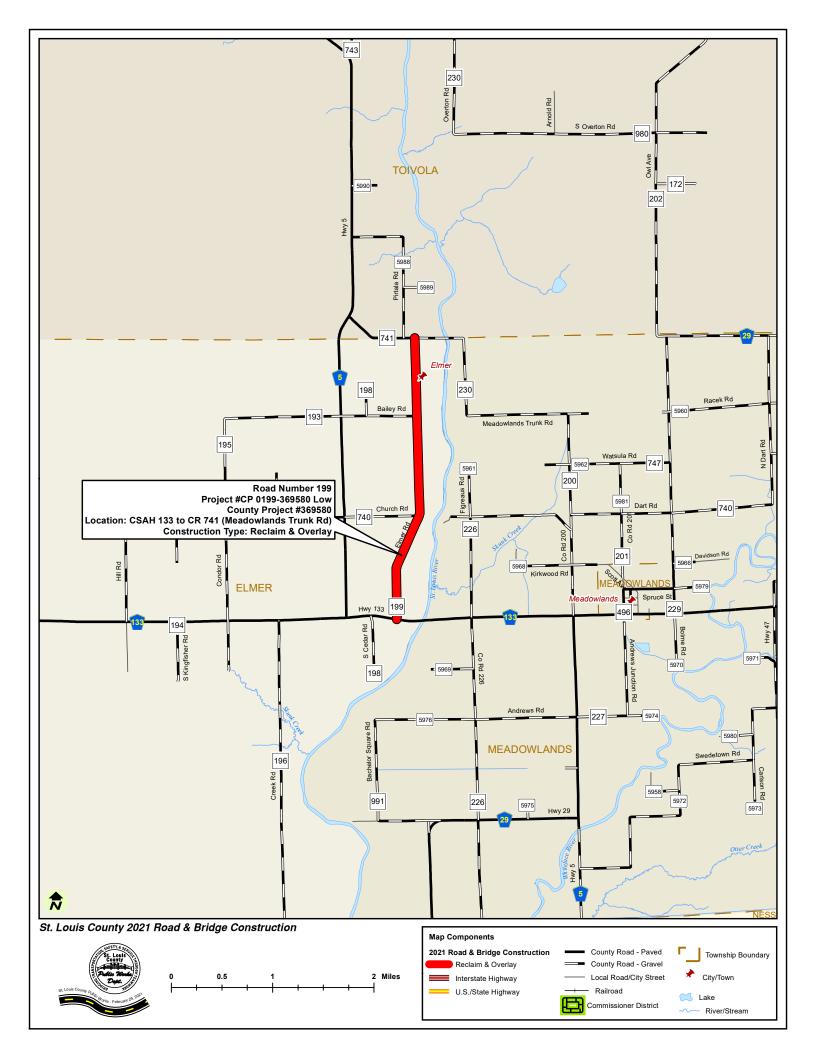
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the award on the above project to the low bidder:

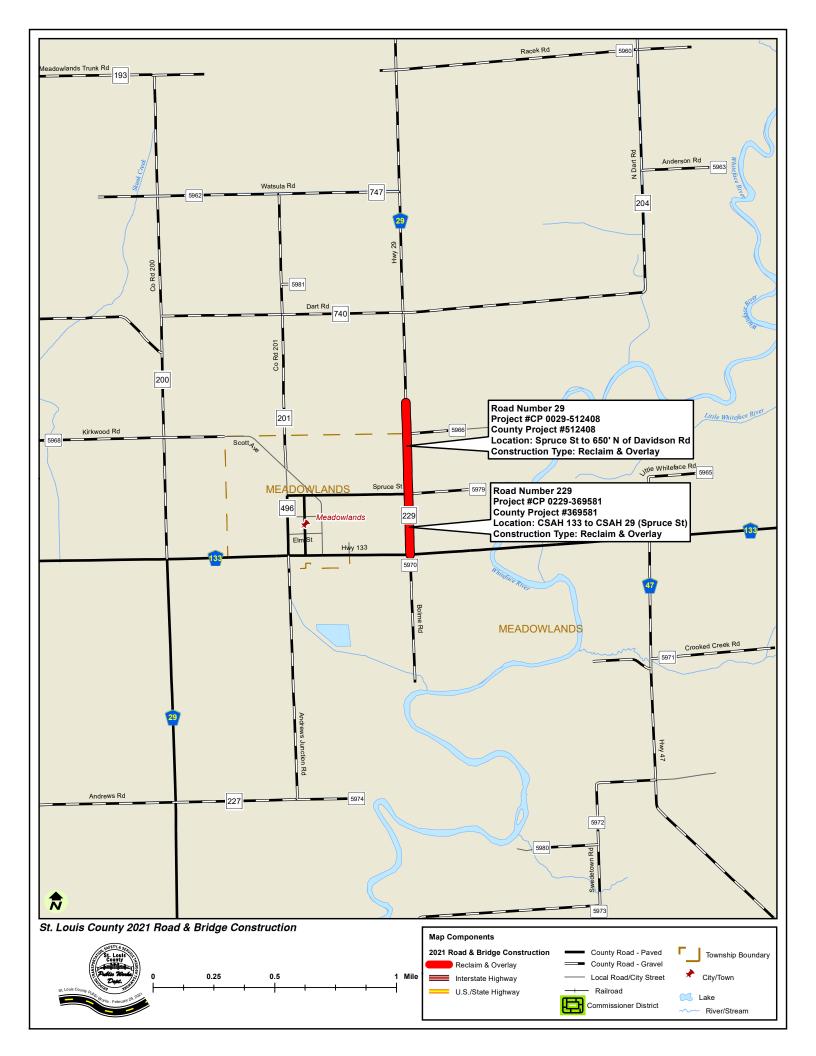
LOW BIDDER ADDRESS AMOUNT
Ulland Brothers, Inc. PO Box 340 \$1,570,464.00
Cloquet, MN 55720

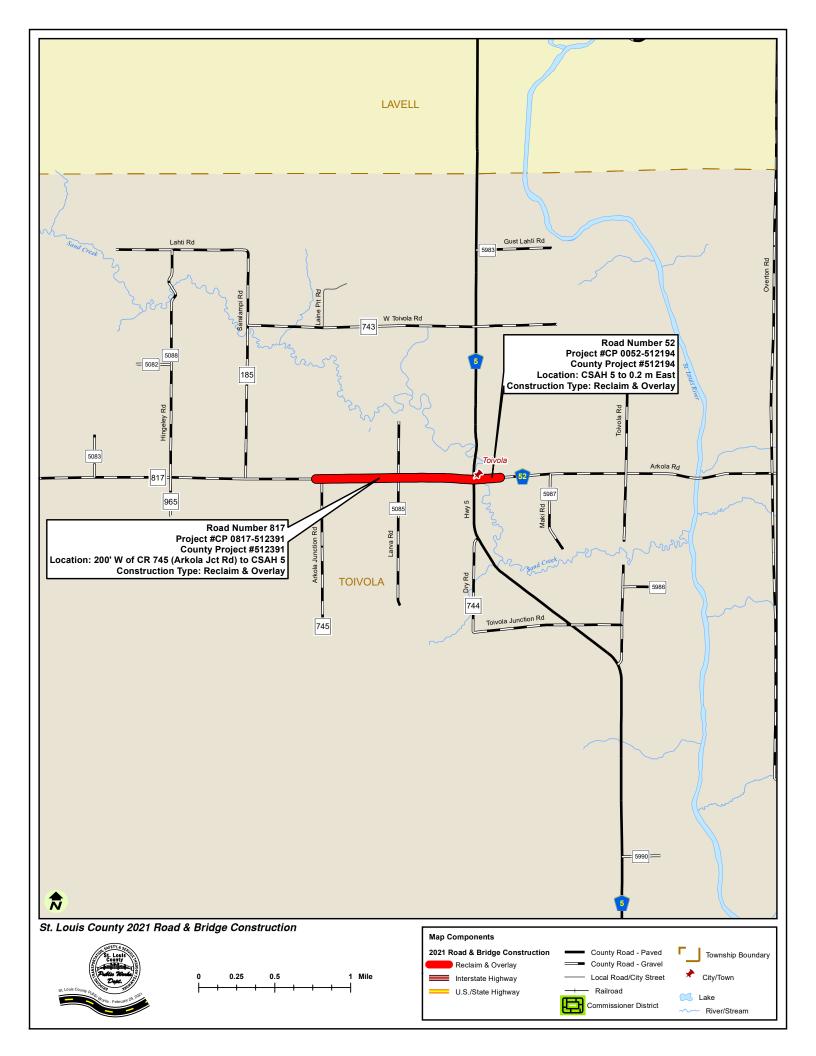
RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate county officials are authorized to approve the Contractor's Performance Bonds and to execute the bonds and contract for the above listed project payable from:

CP 0199-369580 (Low Prime); CP 0029-512408; CP 0052-512194; CP 0229-369581; CP 0817-512391

Fund 449, Agency 449016, Object 652806 – St. Louis County Transportation Sales Tax Bond Funds - \$1,570,464.00.







BOARD LETTER NO. 21 – 101

PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE NO. 2

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: March 2, 2021 RE: Award of Bids: Crack Sealing

Project (Various County State Aid Highways and Local Roads within

St. Louis County)

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray

County Administrator

James T. Foldesi

Public Works Director/Highway Engineer

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To provide a safe, well maintained road and bridge system.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to award to the low bidder a crack sealing project located on various County State Aid Highways and Local Roads within St. Louis County.

BACKGROUND:

County staff is authorized under Resolution No. 88-381, dated May 24, 1988, to call for bids on projects which are included in the budget document. Bids were requested for a Crack Sealing project located on Various County State Aid Highways and Local Roads within St. Louis County.

A call for bids was received by the Public Works Department on February 25, 2021, for the projects in accordance with the plans and specifications on file in the office of the County Highway Engineer:

1. Project: CP 0000-477571

Location: Various County State Aid Highways and Local Roads within

St. Louis County

Traffic: NA PQI: NA

Construction: Crack Sealing
Funding: CP 0000-477571

Fund 200, Agency 201100, Object 653300

Anticipated Start Date: June 1, 2021
Anticipated Completion Date: August 14, 2021
Engineer's Estimate: \$866,485.00

BIDS:

Asphalt Surface Technologies Corporation	\$626,754.00 (-\$239,731.00)
Saint Cloud, MN	(-27.67%)
Northwest Asphalt & Maintenance	\$718.649.30

Thief River Falls, MN

Allied Blacktop Company \$736,372.00

Maple Grove, MN

Fahrner Asphalt Sealers, LLC \$769,651.80

Eau Claire, WI

KGM Contractors, Inc. \$1,354,096.00

Angora, MN

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board award the project to low bidder of Asphalt Surface Technologies Corporation in the amount of \$626,754.00 payable from:

CP 0000-477571

Fund 200, Agency 201100, Object 653300 – St. Louis County Maintenance Funds - \$510,752.50;

Fund 200, Agency 201100, Object 653300 – City/Township Funds - \$116,001.50.

With additional revenue budgeted for expense:

City of Chisholm, Fund 200, Agency 201100, Object 551530 - \$44,643.20; City of Cook, Fund 200, Agency 201100, Object 551534 - \$3,076.10; Town of Canosia, Fund 200, Agency 201100, Object 551511 - \$64,714.20; Town of Morse, Fund 200, Agency 201100, Object 551572 - \$3,568.00.

Award of Bids: Crack Sealing Project (Various County State Aid Highways and Local Roads within St. Louis County)

ΒY	COMMISSIONER	

WHEREAS, Bids have been received electronically by St. Louis County Public Works Department for the following project:

CP 0000-477571; and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on February 25, 2021, and the low responsible bid determined;

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

LOW BIDDER
Asphalt Surface
PO Box 1025
\$626,754.00

Technologies Corporation Saint Cloud, MN 56302

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 0000-477571

Fund 200, Agency 201100, Object 653300 – St. Louis County Maintenance Funds - \$510,752.50;

Fund 200, Agency 201100, Object 653300 - City/Township Funds - \$116,001.50.

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BOARD LETTER NO. 21 - 102

CENTRAL MANAGEMENT & INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE NO. 1

BOARD AGENDA NO.

DATE: March 2, 2021 RE: Reallocation of Legal Secretary

II to Legal Secretary

Supervisor

FROM: Kevin Z. Gray

County Administrator

Mark S. Rubin County Attorney

James R. Gottschald, Director

Human Resources

RELATED DEPARTMENT GOAL:

To allocate all positions in county employment to appropriate job titles/specifications in the official classification plan.

ACTION REQUESTED:

The St. Louis County Board is requested to approve the reallocation of a vacant 1.0 FTE Legal Secretary II position, to a vacant 1.0 FTE Legal Secretary Supervisor within the County Attorney's Office.

BACKGROUND:

Whenever a vacancy occurs in the County Attorney's Office, a review is done to determine if that position should be filled as is or if it should be reallocated to a level more aligned with the needs of the Office and the public in which it serves. A review was conducted when a Legal Secretary II position became vacant and it was determined that a reallocation to a Legal Secretary Supervisor position was appropriate.

The current Attorney's Office organizational structure includes three Legal Secretary Supervisor positions, one of which supervises the legal secretary staff in both the Hibbing and Virginia Attorney's Offices. Through the review it was determined that a Legal Secretary Supervisor position is needed in each of the Hibbing and Virginia Offices for leadership and accountability.

The Attorney's Office requested a position reallocation review by the Human Resources Department and it was determined that the request was appropriate. Because this reallocation is more than three pay grades, County Board approval is required.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the St. Louis County Board approve the reallocation of a 1.0 FTE Legal Secretary II position (#0681-013, Civil Service Basic Unit Pay Plan, Pay Grade B14) to a 1.0 FTE Legal Secretary Supervisor position (Civil Service Supervisory Unit, Pay Grade E19), in the Attorney's Office, resulting in an increase of \$7,313, to be accounted for in Fund 100, Agency 113001, Object 610100.

Reallocation of Legal Secretary II to Legal Secretary Supervisor

BY COMMISSIONER

WHEREAS, When a vacancy occurs in the County Attorney's Office, a review is done to determine if that position should be filled as is or if it should be reallocated to a level more aligned with the needs of the Office and the public in which it serves; and

WHEREAS, The Human Resources Department conducted a review and determined that the request was appropriate; and

WHEREAS, County Fiscal Policies specify that any position change greater than three (3) pay grades must go to the County Board for approval.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the reallocation of a 1.0 FTE Legal Secretary II position (#0681-013, Civil Service Basic Unit Pay Plan, Pay Grade B14) to a 1.0 FTE Legal Secretary Supervisor position (Civil Service Supervisory Unit, Pay Grade E19), in the Attorney's Office, resulting in an increase of \$7,313, to be accounted for in Fund 100, Agency 113001, Object 610100.