

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS, MINNESOTA,
HELD ON FEBRUARY 22, 2022**

The Board of County Commissioners of the County of St. Louis, Minnesota, met this 22nd day of February 2022, at 9:33 a.m., at the Gilbert City Hall, Gilbert, Minnesota, with the following members present: Commissioners Frank Jewell, Ashley Grimm, Keith Nelson, Mike Jugovich and Chair Paul McDonald - 5. Absent: Commissioners Patrick Boyle and Keith Musolf - 2.

Chair McDonald asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of all victims of violence, foreign and domestic; followed by the pledge of allegiance. Sheena Stefanich played a version of the National Anthem on a violin.

Mayor Karl Oberstar welcomed the Board to the City of Gilbert and commented on the positive impact that the Virginia Government Services Center has had on the area.

Chair McDonald opened the meeting to persons who wish to address the Board concerning issues not on the agenda, and no one came forth.

Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Jewell, moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed; five yeas, zero nays, two absent (Boyle, Musolf).

Commissioner Jewell, supported by Commissioner Boyle, moved that the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Information Technology Department to enter into an evergreen 12-month software purchase and subscription monitoring services agreement with CrowdStrike Holdings, Inc., for their CrowdStrike Falcon Complete software subscription service with an estimated annual cost of \$145,000.00 annually payable from Fund 100, Agency 117001, Object 634801, with funds transferred from the Information Technology assigned fund balance, Fund 100, Object 311139; and further, that the appropriate county officials are hereby authorized to execute a service agreement with CrowdStrike Holdings, Inc., for the software purchase and for monitoring services. Commissioner Jewell commented that he agrees with the need for network security but believes American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding should be used. The motion passed; four yeas, one nay (Jewell), two absent (Boyle, Musolf). Resolution No. 22-128.

Commissioner Jewell, supported by Commissioner Nelson, moved to consider a resolution to authorize the remodeling of the St. Louis County Courthouse Boardroom in Duluth, MN, and approve a construction services contract; the item had not been to Committee of the Whole. The motion passed; five yeas, zero nays, two absent (Boyle, Musolf).

Commissioner Jewell, supported by Commissioner Grimm, moved that the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to enter into a construction services contract with Gardner Builders of Duluth, MN, for the remodeling of the St. Louis County Boardroom. The motion passed; five yeas, zero nays, two absent (Boyle, Musolf). Resolution No. 22-129.

Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Jugovich, moved to award a bid to Mesabi Bituminous, Inc., Gilbert, MN, in the amount of \$2,715,865.61 for project CP 0141-493350 (Low); CP 0145-493352 (Tied); Road Construction; County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 141 between Garfield Street and CSAH 142 (Grant Avenue); CSAH 145 between Fayal Road and Jackson Street.

County Administrator Kevin Gray indicated that all required approvals are in place with the City of Eveleth. The motion passed; five yeas, zero nays, two absent (Boyle, Musolf). Resolution No. 22-130.

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

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and Brian Fritsinger, Deputy Administrator, submitting Board Letter No. 22-77, Agreement with the Depot Foundation.—61667

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and Matthew Johnson, Planning and Community Development Director, submitting Board Letter No. 22-81, Committee Vacancy Appointment to the St. Louis County Board of Adjustment, Alternate.—61668

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, Mary Garness, Public Records and Property Valuations Director, submitting Board Letter No. 22-82, Certificate of Possessory Title – Authorize the Possessory Title to Real Estate in St. Louis County.—61669

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and James Foldesi, Public Works Director/Highway Engineer, submitting Board Letter No. 22-73, Purchase with Oldcastle Infrastructure to Supply a Special Design Precast Concrete Box Culvert – Sole Source Procurement.—61670

Resolution for Cybersecurity Software and Subscription Monitoring Services Purchase.—61671

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, Brian Fritsinger, Deputy County Administrator, Jerry Hall, Property Management Director, and Jeremy Craker, Information Technology Department Director, submitting Board Letter No. 22-84, Duluth Courthouse Boardroom Remodel.—61672

Matthew Johnson, Planning and Community Development Director/HRA Executive Director, submitting HRA Board Letter No. 22-02, City of Buhl – Residential Development Burnett Addition Phase 2.—61673

Matthew Johnson, Planning and Community Development Director/HRA Executive Director, submitting HRA Board Letter No. 22-03, Chisholm HRA Mapview Apartments Rehab.—61674

Addendum to Purchase of Service Contract, Contract No. 16579G, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Range Mental Health Center, Virginia, MN, for Child Mental Health – Targeted Case Management (Child MH-TCM) Services during the period January 1, 2022, through June 30, 2022, correcting the Rate to \$1,022 per month.—22-140

Addendum, Contract No. 16811B, between St. Louis County and Arrowhead Economic Opportunity Agency (AEOA), Virginia, MN, to assist with funding from Minnesota Department of Health State Physical Activity and Nutrition (SPAN) Good Food Guidelines Project, for the period June 1, 2021, to September 29, 2022.—22-141

Service Agreement Addendum, Contract No. 16985B, between St. Louis County and SISU Healthcare IT Solutions, extending the term of the agreement to August 1, 2020, through January 31, 2022.—22-142

Addendum to Purchase Agreement, Contract No. 17062C, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Range Mental Health Center, Virginia, MN, for Mental Health – Targeted Case Management (MH-TCM) for Adults, correcting the Rate to \$764.—22-143

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 17282, between St. Louis County and Kartta Group, LLC, Duluth, MN, for Specialized CHIPS Psychological Evaluations during the period January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022.—22-144

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 17284, between St. Louis County and Range Mental Health Center, (RMHC), Virginia, MN, for Specialized CHIPS Psychological Evaluations during the period January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022.—22-145

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 17302 between St. Louis County and Victoria Martin, Chisholm, MN, for Emergency Child Foster Care Services during the period January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022.—22-146

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 17313, between St. Louis County and Family Rise Together (FRT), Duluth, MN, for Opioid Epidemic Response Services *High-Fidelity Wraparound Services* during the period January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022.—22-147

Purchase of Service Addendum, Contract No. 17313A, between St. Louis County and Family Rise Together (FRT), Duluth, MN, for Opioid Epidemic Response Services (High-Fidelity Wraparound Services), correcting the maximum amount to be paid to not to exceed \$24,000.—22-148

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 17314, between St. Louis County and Paradigm Therapy Services, Duluth, MN, for Opioid Epidemic Response Services - *Parallel Protection Process* during the period January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022.—22-149

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 17323, between St. Louis County and Range Mental Health Center, Inc., Virginia, MN, for Assertive Community Treatment (ACT) services during the period January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2022.—22-150

Amendment No. 1, Contract No. 21035, Grant Award between the Carlton-Cook-Lake-St. Louis Community Health Board and St. Louis County for the COVID-19 Response and Vaccine Implementation Grant Project Agreement – Federal in the amount of \$1,738,765 for the period April 1, 2021, to December 31, 2023.—22-151

Minnesota Department of Human Services SFY 2022 Housing Support Agreement – Group Settings, Contract No. 54202, between St. Louis County and Center City Housing San Marco, Duluth, MN.—22-152

Minnesota Department of Human Services SFY 2022 Housing Support Agreement – Group Settings, Contract No. 54214, between St. Louis County and Scandia Capital Partners, LLC, Minneapolis, MN.—22-153

Minnesota Department of Human Services SFY 2022 Housing Support Agreement – Group Settings, Contract No. 54215, between St. Louis County and Serving Hart, Inc. dba Serving Hart Assisted Living, Chisholm, MN.—22-154

Minnesota Department of Human Services SFY 2022 Housing Support Agreement – Group Settings, Contract No. 65216, between St. Louis County and Foundations Housing Support, LLC, Duluth, MN.—22-155

St. Louis County Housing Support Provider Insurance and Indemnity Agreement, Contract No. 64215, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Serving Hart, Inc dba Serving Hart Assisted Living, Chisholm, MN.—22-156

St. Louis County Housing Support Provider Insurance and Indemnity Agreement, Contract No. 64215, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Foundations Housing Support, LLC, Duluth, MN.—22-157

St. Louis County Public Health & Human Services Department Agreement No. 90281 between St. Louis County and Nathaniel Coward, Chisholm, MN, for participation in the Community Advisory Board meetings to advise on *Racial Equity Accountability Project (REAP)* during the period October 1, 2021, to December 31, 2023.—22-158

Joint Powers Agreement between St. Louis County and Lake County to provide solid waste management for all areas within its boundaries, except for the geographic boundary of Fall Lake Township in Lake County, Minnesota.—22-159

County State Aid Highway (CSAH) Project Contract between the County of St. Louis and KGM Contractors, Inc., Angora, MN, for Full Depth Bituminous Reclamation, Bituminous Pavement Reclamation, Aggregate Base, Aggregate Base Class 5, Base Stabilization, Plant Mixed Bituminous Surface, Aggregate Surfacing, and Aggregate Surfacing Class 5 on CSAH 78, CSAH 82, County Road (CR) 478, and CR 997 (CP 0078-398490 Low; CP 0082-398248 Tied; CP 0478-367955 Tied; CP 0997-597362 Tied).—22-160

County State Aid Highway Project Contract between the County of St. Louis and KGM Contractors, Inc., Angora, MN, for Culvert Replacement, Plant Mixed Bituminous Patches and Aggregate Base Class 5 on CSAH 20, CSAH 97, CSAH 100, CSAH 108, CR 636 and CR 650 (CP 0020-565145, SAP 069-620-006 Low; CP 0097-565146, SAP 069-697-008 Tied; CP 0100-565144, SAP 069-700-019 Tied; CP 0108-565147, SAP 069-708-005 Tied; CP 0636-565149 Tied; CP 0650-565172 Tied).—22-161

Agreement for Services between the County of St. Louis and LHB Corporation, Duluth, MN, for Inspection & Construction Administration Services for the Bridge Bundling Project (CP 0000-543287, SP 069-070-055, SP 8821-366).—22-162

Cooperative Agreement between the County of St. Louis and the City of Eveleth to reconstruct the roadway along with portions of the Storm Sewer, Sanitary Sewer, Water Systems and related landscaping on CSAH 141 and CSAH 145 (CP 0141-493350 & CP 0145-493352, City of Eveleth Project No. EV20-05A & EV20-05B).—22-163

Amendment No. 1, Original Damion No. 2021-015036, between the County of St. Louis and Braun Intertec Corporation, Hibbing, MN, for soil borings and geotechnical analysis at bridge, culvert and slide correction areas on CSAH 74 & CSAH 75 in the Greaney area increasing the original project budget for additional work (CP 0074-235519 & CP 0075-557638).—22-164

Memorandum of Agreement between St. Louis County and Arrowhead Regional Corrections to formulate a forest management plan to advertise and sell timber on Northeast Regional Corrections Center (NERCC) lands via public auction.—22-165

Upon motion by Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Jewell, resolutions numbered 22-114 through 22-127, as submitted on the consent agenda, were unanimously adopted as follows:

BY COMMISSIONER NELSON:

RESOLVED, That the official proceedings of the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners for the meeting of February 8, 2022, are hereby approved.

Adopted February 22, 2022. No. 22-114

WHEREAS, On August 21, 2019, Public Health and Human Services (PHHS) initiated a Request for Proposal (RFP) process to obtain proposals from providers interested in contracting with the County to provide coordination of services to meet Social Service needs for clients throughout St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, Social Service rides encompass PHHS authorized Waiver and Non-Waiver Children and Adult non-medical rides and those waiver rides will initially be billed to PHHS, which will then bill the waiver for expense reimbursement of those rides; and

WHEREAS, After two years' worth of contracted service provision by MTM, PHHS has determined that Medical Transportation Management, Inc., (MTM) maintains adequate standards of service to continue to provide the coordination services needed by St. Louis County clients in an efficient and professional manner in a cost effective way and desires to continue that contractual relationship; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes PHHS to enter into contracts annually with Medical Transportation Management, Inc., St. Louis, MO, for Social Service Ride transportation logistics management, in annual purchase of service agreements whereby St. Louis County will pay a monthly administrative fee as well as the fee for service per leg of transportation provided.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That in addition to the actual cost of the ride, the administrative fee and per leg fee for services may be approved annually by the PHHS Director and expenditures will not exceed the budgeted annual amount, payable from Fund 230, Agency 230011, Object 629900.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That for the actual cost of the waived services ride, PHHS will bill the waiver for reimbursement. For the actual cost of the non-waived social services ride, it will be paid from Fund 230, Agency 232005, 232006, 232008, Object 606800, 608400, and 602000.

Adopted February 22, 2022. No. 22-115

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department has scheduled County Bridge (CB) 801 reconstruction project (CP 0980-368351) to be completed in 2022 and shall utilize county staff for construction; and

WHEREAS, The replacement structure for CB 801 is designed and permitted to be a single 20-foot span by 8-foot tall precast concrete box culvert which is considered to be a special design; and

WHEREAS, Requests for quotes went out to two local suppliers, Oldcastle Infrastructure and Forterra, in which only one quote was received from Oldcastle Infrastructure as Forterra rejected the work for they cannot produce this special design size; and

WHEREAS, The purchase of the precast concrete box culvert shall be by the sole source process with Oldcastle Infrastructure of Cannon Falls, MN, in the amount of \$199,528.20.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes a purchase with Oldcastle Infrastructure of Cannon Falls, MN, a sole source provider, for the replacement bridge structure, a 20-foot span precast concrete box culvert, for CB 801 reconstruction project (CP 0980-368351) in the amount of \$199,528.20 with funds payable from Fund 220, Agency 220689, Object 651000.

Adopted February 22, 2022. No. 22-116

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department is planning a reclaim and overlay project on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 20 in Unorganized Township 57 North, Range 16 West and Biwabik Township (CP 0020-398242); and

WHEREAS, The improvement consists of grading, aggregate base and bituminous surfacing in said roadway as determined necessary to provide for the safety and convenience of the traveling public; and

WHEREAS, In addition to the existing highway right-of-way, certain lands are required for said construction, together with temporary construction easements.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the acquisition of the necessary lands and temporary easements for CP 0020-398242 and to execute, on behalf of the County, any easement documents as may become necessary with funds payable from Fund 200, Agency 203001.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4, the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Auditor to grant highway easements across tax forfeited lands necessary for the project.

Adopted February 22, 2022. No. 22-117

WHEREAS, St. Louis County is implementing county state aid construction projects in 2022 which require state aid funds in excess of those available in its state aid regular construction account; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County is prepared to proceed with the construction of said projects through the use of an advance from the county state aid construction fund to supplement the available funds in their state aid regular/municipal construction account; and

WHEREAS, The advance is based on the following determination of estimated expenditures:

Project No. SP 069-625-016	\$1,300,000
Project No. SAP 069-627-009	\$2,600,000
<u>Project No. SAP 069-633-014</u>	<u>\$1,100,000</u>
Total 2022 Advance Amount:	\$5,000,000; and

WHEREAS, Repayment of the funds so advanced will be made in accordance with the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 162.08, Subd. 5 and 7, and Minnesota Rules, Chapter 8820; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County acknowledges advance funds are released on a first-come-first-serve basis and this resolution does not guarantee the availability of funds.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Commissioner of Transportation be and is hereby requested to approve this advance for financing approved county state aid highway projects of the County of St. Louis in an amount up to \$5,000,000 in accordance with Minnesota Rules 8820.1500, Subp. 9.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That St. Louis County hereby authorizes repayments from subsequent accruals to the regular state aid construction account of St. Louis County with repayment from the 2023 year allocation until fully repaid.

Adopted February 22, 2022. No. 22-118

WHEREAS, St. Louis County, in cooperation with Leiding Township, plans to replace County Bridge (CB) 777 (State Bridge L9571) in the summer of 2022; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department shall prepare plans and specifications, and obtain the necessary environmental permits and right-of-way for said project and shall perform all necessary contract administration, construction inspection, staking, material testing, record keeping and shall construct the project as specified in the plans; and

WHEREAS, The estimated cost for reconstructing CB 777 is \$897,628; and

WHEREAS, Town bridge account funds are being secured to pay for most of the construction costs which require a \$10,000 local contribution match per the regulations of the State Aid for Local Transportation Manual; and

WHEREAS, Public Works Department and Leiding Township agree to cost share this local contribution of \$10,000 for CB 777 reconstruction project (CP 7992-398713, SAP 069-599-049) at a 50/50 split.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to enter into an agreement, and approve any amendments authorized by the County Attorney, whereby the County and Leiding Township agrees to cost share the local contribution of \$10,000 at a 50/50 split for CB 777 reconstruction project (CP 7992-398713, SAP 069-599-049) with funds received from Leiding Township for this project being receipted to Fund 220, Agency 220690, Object 551626 in the amount of \$5,000.

Adopted February 22, 2022. No. 22-119

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

CP 0000-554771, SAP 069-030-056 (2022 Scrub Seal) (Prime); and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on February 3, 2022, 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:

<u>LOW BIDDER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Asphalt Surface Technologies Corp.	PO Box 1025 St. Cloud, MN 56302	\$644,523.12

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 0000-554771, SAP 069-030-056 (2022 Scrub Seal) (Prime)

Fund 220, Agency 220691, Object 652700 – State Aid Regular Funds and City of Chisholm Funds \$644,523.12

With additional revenue budgeted for expense:

City of Chisholm, Fund 220, Agency 220691, Object 551530 \$67,735.28

Adopted February 22, 2022. No. 22-120

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 2022; 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 2022; and

WHEREAS, The Depot Foundation was awarded \$200,000 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.

Adopted February 22, 2022. No. 22-121

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, Range Transitional Housing (RTH) has addressed homeless needs in northern St. Louis County since 1993 and has serviced in excess of 1,400 people in 2021 for homeless and at-risk individuals and families; and

WHEREAS, RTH maintains 90 serviceable units for homeless individuals and families throughout St. Louis County; and

WHEREAS, The COVID-19 pandemic and its lingering effects has put additional stresses on family units and increased domestic abuse violence; and

WHEREAS, On February 1, 2022, RTH submitted documentation seeking funding assistance from the County's ARPA funds to develop up to five (5) family emergency housing units for such families on a parcel of property located at 214 5th Street North, Virginia, MN, and such property is included within a Federal Qualified Census Tract (QCT).

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That after an initial review of the Project Eligibility form and other submitted materials, the family emergency housing project proposed by RTH is eligible under the following categories of the US Treasury Final Rule guidance:

- The proposed project is located within a Qualified Census Tract as determined by the Federal government.
- Qualified Census Tracts are those in which 50% or more of the households are income eligible and the population of all census tracts that satisfy this criterion does not exceed 20% of the total population of the respective area.
- The project would provide services to disproportionately impacted communities as defined under Housing Support: Services for Unhoused Persons.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the St. Louis County Board approves the use of \$1.2 million of American Rescue Plan Act funding to RTH for the construction of up to five (5) family emergency housing units.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That all construction and renovations shall be in compliance with local zoning regulations, state building code and accomplished using St. Louis County purchasing rules.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That RTH shall comply and submit all necessary information, documentation and reporting materials required by the County, State or US Treasury to ensure that the project meets any and all conditions as required under the American Rescue Plan Act.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the above project be payable from Fund 239, American Rescue Plan Act Funds.

Adopted February 22, 2022. No. 22-122

RESOLVED, That pursuant to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 340A, as amended, and Rules and Regulations adopted by this Board under St. Louis County Ordinance No. 28, dated May 22, 1978, as amended, the following applications for permit authorizing the consumption and display of intoxicating liquor are hereby approved, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 61645:

Vernon Skoglund dba Silver Fox Lodge, Gnesen Township, renewal;
Melrude Whistle Stop, LLC dba Melrude Whistle Stop, LLC, Ellsburg Township, renewal.

Adopted February 22, 2022. No. 22-123

RESOLVED, That pursuant to Ordinance No. 28, Section 11, Subdivision 11.06 authorization is hereby granted to Elephant Lake Lodge, Inc. dba Melgeorge's Elephant Lake Lodge, Camp 5 Township, to sell/serve outside the designated serving area of the County Liquor License for the date of March 12, 2022, as per application on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 61636.

Adopted February 22, 2022. No. 22-124

RESOLVED, That pursuant to the provisions of Minn. Stat. § 340A, as amended, and Rules and Regulations adopted by this Board under St. Louis County Ordinance No. 28, dated May 22, 1978, as amended, the following application for an intoxicating liquor license is hereby approved, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 61636.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That said license is approved contingent upon license holder paying real estate or personal property taxes when due.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That if the named license holder sells their licensed place of 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.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That said license is approved contingent upon proof of Liquor Liability Insurance.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That said license is approved contingent upon proof of Worker's Compensation Policy.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That said license shall be effective through June 30, 2022:

Cotton Inc. dba El Toro/El Toro Package Store/Wilbert Cafe, Cotton Township, On-Sale and Sunday On-Sale Intoxicating Liquor License, transfer.

Adopted February 22, 2022. No. 22-125

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

WHEREAS, The Board of Adjustment has a current vacancy for an alternate to fulfill quorum requirements; and

WHEREAS, Daniel Manick, who is currently on the Planning Commission, has applied for a position on the Board of Adjustment.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board hereby appoints Daniel Manick to the Board of Adjustment as an alternate for a term expiring December 31, 2024.

Adopted February 22, 2022. No. 22-126

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 508A authorizes the possessory title to real estate located within the county to be registered in accordance with the provisions of and in the manner provided in Chapter 508A; and

WHEREAS, The County Board by resolution may authorize the possessory title to real estate in that county to be registered in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 508A; and

WHEREAS, Possessory title to real estate in St. Louis County will allow the opportunity for a voluntary procedure for registration of certain possessory estates in land with certainty, at reasonable cost and speed, and without the necessity for initial adjudication by a district court; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Recorder/Registrar of Titles has recommended that the County Board implement Minn. Stat. § 508A.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the possessory title to real estate in St. Louis County, in accordance with the provisions of and in a manner provided in Minn. Stat. §§ 508A to 508A.85, with implementation and acceptance of CPTs beginning on June 1, 2022.

Adopted February 22, 2022. No. 22-127

BY COMMISSIONER NELSON:

WHEREAS, The Information Technology (IT) Department has observed a significant increase in the number of malicious cybersecurity threats throughout St. Louis County and across the nation; and

WHEREAS, In 2021, the IT Department partnered with an external security firm to perform an information security health check that included both Information Technology Department team members and County Administration staff; and

WHEREAS, A key takeaway from the security health check identified a need to increase the overall documentation of and response to cybersecurity threats via incident log monitoring, analysis, and mitigation; and

WHEREAS, The IT Department performed an analysis of available next generation anti-virus and threat prevention software tools within the cybersecurity industry and this analysis resulted in a recommendation to acquire a product called CrowdStrike Falcon Complete of CrowdStrike Holdings, Inc.; and

WHEREAS, CrowdStrike Holdings, Inc., is already a vendor of the County providing locally installed anti-virus protection on county personal computer workstations.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Information Technology Department to enter into an evergreen 12-month software purchase and subscription monitoring services agreement with CrowdStrike Holdings, Inc., for their CrowdStrike Falcon Complete software subscription service with an estimated annual cost of \$145,000.00 annually payable from Fund 100, Agency 117001, Object 634801, with funds transferred from the Information Technology assigned fund balance, Fund 100, Object 311139.

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate county officials are hereby authorized to execute a service agreement with CrowdStrike Holdings, Inc., for the software purchase and for monitoring services.

Yeas – Commissioners Grimm, Nelson, Jugovich and Chair McDonald – 4

Nays – Commissioner Jewell – 1

Absent – Commissioners Boyle and Musolf – 2

Adopted February 22, 2022. No. 22-128

BY COMMISSIONER JEWELL:

WHEREAS, Administration performed an assessment of the Duluth County Boardroom to better understand the space, technology, and logistical needs of the room for the purpose of hosting County Board meetings; and

WHEREAS, It was determined that there are several items that need to be addressed including improvements to acoustics, lighting, technology, ADA accessibility and overall design including the ability to host the committee of the whole and regular board agendas within the same space; and

WHEREAS, Administration has worked closely with the County Board, Property Management, Information Technology, and vendor partners Architecture Advantage and iSpace to design the County Boardroom in a manner that addresses issues identified within the space; and

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board approved the investment in the remodeling project on November 16, 2021, via Resolution No. 21-645; and

WHEREAS, There are construction services required to execute the design specifications of the Boardroom remodeling; and

WHEREAS, The County Purchasing Division issued RFB #5778 with opening of competitive bids on February 3, 2022, where Gardner Builders of Duluth, MN, was the low bidder at \$158,255.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the appropriate county officials to enter into a construction services contract with Gardner Builders of Duluth, MN, for the remodeling of the St. Louis County Boardroom with funding available from Fund 403, Agency 403001, Object 663100.

Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Grimm, Nelson, Jugovich and Chair McDonald – 5

Nays – None – 0

Absent – Commissioners Boyle and Musolf – 2

Adopted February 22, 2022. No. 22-129

BY COMMISSIONER NELSON:

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

CP 0141-493350 (Low); CP 0145-493352 (Tied); and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation and Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on January 20, 2022, 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:

<u>LOW BIDDER</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Mesabi Bituminous, Inc.	P.O. Box 728 Gilbert, MN 55741	\$2,715,865.61

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 0141-493350 (Low)

Fund 204, Agency 204224, Object 652806 – Transportation Sales Tax Funds - \$1,035,957.84

Fund 220, Agency 220686, Object 652700 – City of Eveleth Funds - \$582,801.55

With additional revenue budgeted for expense:

City of Eveleth, Fund 220, Agency 220686, Object 551519 - \$582,801.55

CP 0145-493352 (Tied)

Fund 204, Agency 204225, Object 652806 – Transportation Sales Tax Funds - \$748,842.75

Fund 220, Agency 220688, Object 652700 – City of Eveleth Funds - \$348,263.47

With additional revenue budgeted for expense:

City of Eveleth, Fund 220, Agency 220688, Object 551519 - \$348,263.47

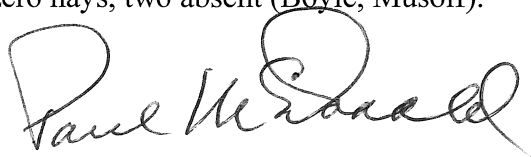
Yeas – Commissioners Jewell, Grimm, Nelson, Jugovich and Chair McDonald – 5

Nays – None – 0

Absent – Commissioners Boyle and Musolf – 2

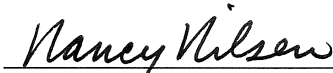
Adopted February 22, 2022. No. 22-130

At 9:46 a.m., February 22, 2022, Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Jewell, moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed; five yeas, zero nays, two absent (Boyle, Musolf).



Paul McDonald, 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)