

**OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS, MINNESOTA,
HELD ON JULY 5, 2016**

The Board of County Commissioners of the County of St. Louis, Minnesota, met this 5th day of July 2016, at 9:40 a.m., at the St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, Minnesota, with the following members present: Commissioners Frank Jewell, Patrick Boyle, Chris Dahlberg, Tom Rukavina, Pete Stauber, Keith Nelson, and Chair Steve Raukar - 7. Absent: None - 0.

Chair Raukar asked for a moment of silence to honor U.S. troops, their families, and for all innocent victims of war and conflict, and asked that everyone pray that mankind comes to the realization that our commonalities far outweigh our differences on a global scale, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Chair Raukar offered his “Words of Wisdom” by quoting George Washington, John Hancock, Mark Twain, Harry S. Truman, and Bill Vaughan. (Board File No. 60292)

The Board recognized partners and St. Louis County employees who assisted with the Government Services Center – Duluth Project. St. Louis County Property Management Director Tony Mancuso said the project received three awards for excellence and was approximately \$1,000,000 under-budget.

The Board recessed at 10:09 a.m. and reconvened at 10:16 a.m. with all Commissioners present.

Chair Raukar then opened the meeting to persons who wanted to address the Board concerning issues not on the agenda. Todd Youngberg, of Duluth, discussed various concerns relating to property issues he had during 2015 and believes St. Louis County violated MN Statute § 373.01.

At 10:23 a.m., a joint public hearing with the County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) was conducted pursuant to County Board Resolution No. 16-366, adopted June 7, 2016 and County HRA Resolution No. 16-08, adopted May 24, 2016, to receive public comment regarding the issuance of consider the issuance of Governmental Housing Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2016 to refinance the Northwood’s Townhome, Series 2006 and Series 2008 Bonds (Ely). Commissioner Jewell stepped out of the meeting from 10:24 a.m. to 10:36 a.m. St. Louis County Planning and Community Development Director/HRA Executive Director Barb Hayden gave the Board an overview regarding the issuance of the bonds and said that refinancing would result in better cash flow. Chair Raukar asked if there were any governmental entities, supporters or opponents, or citizens who wished to speak regarding the proposed action and no one came forth. At 10:29 a.m., Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Boyle, moved to close the public hearing. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays.

Commissioner Rukavina, supported by Commissioner Nelson, moved to approve the terms of sale of the Governmental Housing Revenue Refunding Bonds (Refunding Bonds) to be issued by the Housing and Redevelopment Authority in and for the City of Ely, Minnesota (City HRA), to

refinance the Northwoods Townhome Project. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays. Resolution No. 16-446.

The Board recessed at 10:32 a.m. to meet as the St. Louis County Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) and reconvened at 10:34 a.m. with all Commissioners present.

At 10:35 a.m., a hearing was conducted pursuant to County Board Resolution No. 16-393, adopted June 14, 2016, to receive public comment regarding an Amendment to the Transportation Sales and Use Tax Transportation Improvement Plan. St. Louis County Public Works Director Jim Foldesi reviewed changes to the plan. Commissioner Boyle stepped out of the meeting from 10:52 a.m. to 10:54 a.m. Chair Raukar asked if there were any governmental entities, supporters or opponents, or citizens who wished to speak regarding the proposed action and no one came forth. Commissioner Jewell stepped out of the meeting from 10:58 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. At 11:01 a.m., Commissioner Jewell, supported by Commissioner Stauber, moved to close the public hearing. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays.

Commissioner Stauber, supported by Commissioner Nelson, moved to approve the St. Louis County Greater MN Transportation Sales and Use Tax Transportation Improvement Plan, dated November 25, 2014, Amended July 5, 2016 and approves the funding of such transportation improvements identified in the Transportation Improvement Plan, as amended, by the local option sales and use tax for transportation authorized by County Board Resolution No. 14-665, adopted December 2, 2014. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays. Resolution No. 16-447.

At 11:09 a.m., a hearing was conducted pursuant to County Board Resolution No. 16-394, adopted June 14, 2016, to receive public comment regarding an Amendment to the Capital Improvement Plan and on the Intent to Issue Capital Improvement Bonds, Series 2016A and 2016B. St. Louis County Deputy Administrator Linnea Mirsch gave the initial presentation and said that the entire plan was reviewed with all departments. Public Works Director Jim Foldesi said that the county delivered \$40,000,000 in road and bridge projects from 2015-2016 and beat their original project goal by one year. St. Louis County Auditor Don Dicklich said that the refinancing of the bonds used to finance the Government Services Building project will result in a savings of approximately \$600,000. Chair Raukar asked if there were any governmental entities, supporters or opponents, or citizens who wished to speak regarding the proposed action and no one came forth. At 11:23 a.m., Commissioner Boyle, supported by Commissioner Dahlberg, moved to close the public hearing. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays.

Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Jewell, moved to approve the Capital Improvement Plan, as amended, and state the intent to issue general obligation capital improvement bonds. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays. Resolution No. 16-448

Commissioner Jewell, supported by Commissioner Nelson, moved to approve the official terms of offering of general obligation capital improvement bonds, series 2016A. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays. Resolution No. 16-449.

Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Jewell, moved to approve the official terms of offering of general obligation capital improvement refunding bonds, series 2016B. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays. Resolution No. 16-450.

The Board recessed at 11:43 a.m. and reconvened at 11:54 a.m. with all Commissioners present.

Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Boyle, moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays.

Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Jewell, moved to approve the sale of approximately 1.2 acres of state tax forfeited land to the Duluth HRA for the market value of \$12,000 plus the following fees: 3% assurance fee of \$360, deed fee of \$25, deed tax of \$39.60, recording fee of \$46 and appraisal fee of \$800, for a total of \$13,270.60 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund); and further, that the St. Louis County Auditor may offer for sale at public auction the state tax forfeited land described here if the Duluth HRA does not purchase the land by December 31, 2016. After further discussion, the motion was withdrawn. Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Boyle, moved to return the resolution to St. Louis County Administration for further review. Linda Ross Sellner, of Duluth, expressed concerns on the legality of the HRA being involved in economic development and said she opposed the sale of the property. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays.

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

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and Donald Dicklich, County Auditor/Treasurer, submitting Board Letter No. 16-295, Memorandum of Understanding – Lake Superior Wetland Bank Fund Agreement.—60399

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and Barbara Hayden, Planning and Community Development Director, submitting Board Letter No. 16-275, Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Aid Funding Increase (Canosia Township).—60400

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and Mark St. Lawrence, Environmental Services Director, submitting Board Letter No. 16-276, Authorization to Apply for and Accept 2017 MPCA SSTS Base, Incentive and Low-Income Fix-up Grant Funding.—60401

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, Mark Monacelli, Public Records and Property Valuation Director, and Donald Dicklich, County Auditor/Treasurer, submitting Board Letter No. 16-290, Proposed Abatement of Penalties and Interest for Veteran with Military Disability.—60402

Kevin Gray, County Administrator, and Dave Lee, Public Health and Human Services Director, submitting Board Letter No. 16-296, Appointment of Public Health and Human Services Advisory Committee Member.—60403

Addendum to Purchase Agreement, Contract No. 40053I, to Memorandum of Understanding #40053H, between the St. Louis County Public Health and Human Services and Arrowhead

Regional Corrections (ARC) for 1.0 FTE Social Worker for the Duluth and Iron Range Drug Courts.—[16-564](#)

Amendment, Contract No. 21012A, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Duluth Abuse Intervention Programs (DAIP) – Duluth Family Visitation Center (DFVC), Duluth, MN.—[16-565](#)

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15705, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Lisa Nelson, Duluth, MN, for Chore Services during the period January 1, 2016 to June 30, 2016.—[16-566](#)

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15815, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Andy Ross, Hibbing, MN, for Chore Services during the period February 1, 2016 to February 29, 2016.—[16-567](#)

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15817, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Mike Thelen, Gilbert, MN, for Chore Services during the period May 1, 2016 to May 31, 2016.—[16-568](#)

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15819, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Alex Duchene, Chisholm, MN, for Chore Services during the period May 1, 2016 to June 30, 2016.—[16-569](#)

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15821, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Tim Ellison, Chisholm, MN, for Chore Services during the period May 1, 2016 to June 30, 2016.—[16-570](#)

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15823, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Jeremy Powell, Virginia, MN, for Chore Services during the period May 1, 2016 to June 30, 2016.—[16-571](#)

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15824, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Scooters Snow and Lawn, Hibbing, MN, for Chore Services during the period May 1, 2016 to June 30, 2016.—[16-572](#)

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15827, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Tim Ellison, Chisholm, MN, for Chore Services during the period June 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.—[16-573](#)

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15828, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Tim Ellison, Chisholm, MN, for Chore Services during the period June 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.—[16-574](#)

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15829, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Scooters Snow and Lawn, Hibbing, MN, for Chore Services during the period June 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.—[16-575](#)

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15830, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Scooters Snow and Lawn, Hibbing, MN, for Chore Services during the period June 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.—16-576

Purchase of Service Agreement, Contract No. 15832, between the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners and Alex Duchene, Chisholm, MN, for Chore Services during the period July 1, 2016 to December 31, 2016.—16-577

On-line Software Subscriber Agreement between the County of St. Louis, Auditor's Office, and North Shore Bank of Commerce, Duluth, MN, at \$70 per month (Recorder's data only).—16-578

Upon motion by Commissioner Nelson, supported by Commissioner Boyle, resolutions numbered 16-421 through 16-445, 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 June 28, 2016, are hereby approved.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-421

WHEREAS, Remodel of the Duluth Government Services Center required the elimination of as much paper storage as possible, resulting in the development of the Public Health and Human Services (PHHS) Department's Internal Document Management System; and

WHEREAS, Storage of closed Duluth files in leased office space in the Arvig Building had to be eliminated, but PHHS lacked the staffing and resources to complete the scanning internally; and

WHEREAS, National Business Systems, Inc., of Eagan, MN, (NBS) was awarded a bid of \$231,529 for the project on August 11, 2015 (County Board Resolution No. 15-535); and

WHEREAS, NBS stored the PHHS files at no charge to accommodate the required date of vacating the Arvig Building and because a need by county staff developed to access files while in the custody of NBS, a rate of \$250/month for ten months (\$2,500 total) was agreed on to provide needed documents during this period; and

WHEREAS, The original contract included the creation of a manifest by NBS to include Social Security numbers and client name identifiers for each file and there were a number of files that did not contain this data and NBS agreed to manually go into each file and find the missing information; and

WHEREAS, It was necessary for NBS to perform this service because they were in possession of the files and they offered a quote of \$12,752.76 for this additional work, plus the \$2,500 for providing the necessary file access over a ten-month period;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes an addendum to the current contract with National Business Systems, Inc., of Eagan, MN, for the additional work required during the process of scanning closed PHHS files in an amount not to exceed \$15,272.76, payable from the PHHS Technology Improvements fund balance, Fund 230, Object 311401, 2016 budget.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-422

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Board awarded the 2016 Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Prevention Aid by County Board Resolution No. 16-159, dated March 8, 2016; and

WHEREAS, Canosia Township has requested an additional \$6,000 in 2016 AIS Funding for a total amount of \$16,000 to increase boat launch site inspections and public awareness and education of AIS on Caribou and Pike Lakes in Canosia Township; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has adequate 2016 AIS funds to support the funding increase;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves increasing Canosia Township's 2016 Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Aid from \$10,000 to \$16,000, payable from Fund 100, Agency 109999, Grant 10910, Year 2016;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the appropriate county officials are authorized to execute a contract amendment with Canosia Township subject to approval by the County Attorney.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-423

WHEREAS, The Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) notified the Environmental Services Department that funding is available to assist in subsurface sewage treatment systems (SSTS) program administration and the upgrade of substandard SSTS for low-income residents; and

WHEREAS, St. Louis County Environmental Services Department has applied for and received funding through this grant since 2012;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Environmental Services Department to apply for and accept \$68,600 in FY2017 SSTS Base, Incentive & Low-Income Fix-up Grant Funding from the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-424

WHEREAS, St. Louis County is committed to providing waste disposal services to residents in the northern regions of the county; and

WHEREAS, The county has been leasing property from Embarrass Township located in the SW ¼ of the SW ¼ of Section 22, Township 60 North, Range 15 West, under the terms of the existing five-year agreement which expires on September 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, It has been determined that it is in the best interest of the county and the township to continue to provide a canister site to the residents in this area;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Environmental Services Department to enter into an agreement with Embarrass Township to lease the above parcel to operate a solid waste canister site. The agreement will renew annually until terminated by either or both parties. The cost of this lease will be \$300 per year, payable from Fund 600, Agency 603001 Canister Site.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-425

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, costs, and interest; and

WHEREAS, The applicant, Mary Meyer of Duluth, MN, has applied to repurchase state tax forfeited land legally described as:

CITY OF DULUTH
LOTS 1 THRU 29, BLOCK 68
GARY CENTRAL DIVISION DULUTH

GARY CENTRAL DIVISION DULUTH

Parcel Code: 010-1790-04200; and

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

WHEREAS, Approving the repurchase will correct undue hardship and 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 Mary Meyer of Duluth, MN, on file in County Board File No. 60327, subject to payments including total taxes and assessments of \$6,491.79, service fee of \$114, deed tax of \$21.42, deed fee of \$25, and recording fee of \$46, for a total of \$6,698.21 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-426

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, costs, and interest; and

WHEREAS, The applicant, Tyler Jespersen of Duluth, MN, has applied to repurchase state tax forfeited land legally described as:

CITY OF DULUTH
N 40 FEET OF W 45 FEET, LOT 65, BLOCK 125
DULUTH PROPER THIRD DIVISION
Parcel Code: 010-1350-08020; and

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

WHEREAS, Approving the repurchase will correct undue hardship and 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 Tyler Jespersen of Duluth, MN, on file in County Board File No. 60327, subject to payments including total taxes and assessments of \$700.71, service fee of \$114, deed tax of \$2.31, deed fee of \$25, and recording fee of \$46, for a total of \$888.02 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-427

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, costs, and interest; and

WHEREAS, The applicant, Deana Marie Smith of Culver, MN, has applied to repurchase state tax forfeited land legally described as:

TOWN OF NEW INDEPENDENCE
WLY 594 FT OF NLY 1320 FT OF NE1/4 OF SW1/4 EX 1 AC FOR THE
COUNTY
SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 52 NORTH, RANGE 17 WEST
Parcel Code: 475-0010-04585; and

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

WHEREAS, Approving the repurchase will correct undue hardship and 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 Deana Marie Smith of Culver, MN, on file in County Board File No. 60327, subject to payments including total taxes and assessments of \$18,737.80, service fee of \$114, deed tax of \$61.83, deed fee of \$25, recording fee of \$46, and well fee of \$50, for a total of \$19,034.63 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-428

WHEREAS, Lake Country Power has requested a utility easement across state tax forfeited land; and

WHEREAS, Exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts and will not conflict with public use of land; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 282.04, Subd. 4, authorizes the 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 County Auditor to grant a 0.6 acre non-exclusive utility easement to Lake Country Power across state tax forfeited lands as described in County Board File No. 60294;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That granting of this easement is conditioned upon payment of \$1,036 land use fee, \$37 timber damage fee, \$100 administration fee and \$46 recording fee, for a total of \$1,219 to be deposited into Fund 240 (Forfeited Tax Fund).

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-429

WHEREAS, Buyers of lots in the plat of Registered Land Survey (RLS) No. 127 must cross state tax forfeited land to access their property; and

WHEREAS, There are no reasonable alternatives to obtain access to the property; and

WHEREAS, Exercising the easement will not cause significant adverse environmental or natural resource management impacts and will not conflict with public use of the land; and

WHEREAS, Minn. Stat. § 507.47 and § 282.04, Subd. 4, authorize the St. Louis County Auditor to impose 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 impose an easement across state tax forfeited lands for access to the plat of Registered Land Survey No. 127 for the benefit of the State of Minnesota in Trust for the Taxing Districts and for the public, as described in County Board File No. 60294.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-430

WHEREAS, St. Louis County has applied to the Commissioner of Transportation for a grant from the Minnesota State Transportation Fund for Local Road Improvement; and

WHEREAS, The Commissioner of Transportation has given notice that funding for this project is available; and

WHEREAS, The amount of the grant has been determined to be \$750,000 by reason of the lowest responsible bid;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That St. Louis County does hereby agree to the terms and conditions of the grant consistent with Minnesota Statutes § 174.50, subdivision 5, clause (3), and will pay any additional amount by which the cost exceeds the estimate, and will return to the

Minnesota State Transportation Fund any amount appropriated for the project but not required. The proper county officials are authorized to execute a grant agreement with the Commissioner of Transportation concerning the above-referenced grant;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That this project is further identified as SAP 069-604-075, CP 0004-226569 with funds for this project received into Fund 220, Agency 220404.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-431

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes an agreement, and any amendments approved by the County Attorney, with the City of Eveleth whereby the county will pay its local share for items listed in the Schedule of Prices in the Proposal/Plan Packages and Plans described as:

CP 0000-299343, Sidewalk Repairs 2016, payable with St. Louis County Local funds from Fund 200, Agency 203446, Object 652800, not to exceed \$10,000; and

CP 0000-299344, Sidewalk Repairs 2017, Fund 200, Agency 203447, Object 652800, not to exceed \$10,000.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-432

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Works Department plans a culvert replacement project on 7.9 miles of County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 5 within Morcom Township (T61N-R21W) and Unorganized Township 62-21 (T62N-R21W); and

WHEREAS, The project begins at the intersection of CSAH 5 and CSAH 22 in Morcom Township (Section 16, Township 61 North, Range 21 West) and ends 7.9 miles north near the intersection of CSAH 5 and MN State Hwy. 1 in Section 7, Township 62 North, Range 21 West; and

WHEREAS, The improvement consists of removing and replacing culverts 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 construction, together with temporary construction easements;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the Public Works Director to proceed with the acquisition of the necessary lands and temporary easements, 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 July 5, 2016. No. 16-433

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department establishes weight restrictions on county roads during the spring thaw in order to prevent road damage; and

WHEREAS, The Sheriff's Office provides the enforcement of these road weight restrictions; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department benefits from this enforcement which helps protect county roads from damage;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes an agreement between the Public Works Department and the Sheriff's Office whereby Public Works reimburses the Sheriff's Office \$10,000 per year for years 2016 through 2020 (5 years) as its share of the equipment and operation costs associated with enforcing county road weight restrictions;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That this reimbursement will be paid from Public Works Fund 200, Agency 200001, Object 627700, to the Sheriff's Office Fund 100, Agency 129001, Revenue Object 583101.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-434

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes an agreement with Canosia Township, and any amendments approved by the County Attorney, for crack sealing, seal coat and scrub sealing, whereby the township will pay its local share for items listed in the Schedule of Prices in the Proposal/Plan Package and Plan described as CP 0007-241426/SAP 69-607-051(Low), CP 0005-287158(Low), and CP 0000-277015(Low), with the funds to be receipted into Fund 220, Agency 220389; Fund 200, Agency 203425; and Fund 200, Agency 201085.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-435

WHEREAS, A Supplemental Agreement is proposed in the amount of \$50,000 on Project CP 0091-304809 under project CP 0005-287158(Low) for an additional Scrub Seal project on County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 91/Haines Road in Duluth; and

WHEREAS, An additional Supplemental Agreement is proposed in the amount of \$160,000 on Project CP 0009-153304 under project CP 0005-287158(Low) for a second additional Scrub Seal project on CSAH 9/Woodland Avenue in Duluth;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes Supplemental Agreements No. 1 and 2 with Fahrner Asphalt Sealers of Eau Claire, WI, related to work on Project CP 0005-287158 (Low) in the amount of \$50,000 for a Scrub Seal Project on CP 0091-304809, payable from Fund 200, Agency 203448, Object 652800, and for \$160,000 on CP 0009-153304, payable from Fund 200, Agency 203449, Object 652800.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-436

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department's 2016 budget includes purchase of sodium chloride (road salt) for snow and ice control on roads; and

WHEREAS, The Public Works Department requested State Contact Pricing for road salt; and

WHEREAS, Compass Minerals America, Inc., submitted the bid for the lowest delivered price to seventeen (17) locations in the amount of \$1,389,074.40;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the estimated purchase of salt at the State of Minnesota Contract price from Compass Minerals America, Inc., of Overland Park, KS, for a maximum delivered cost of \$1,389,074.40, payable from Fund 200, Agency 207015, Object 651700.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-437

WHEREAS, Bids have been received electronically by the St. Louis County Public Works Department for a temporary traffic signal project described as follows:

CP 0136-298567, County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 136/6th Street and TH 73 in Chisholm, MN; and

WHEREAS, Bids were opened in the Richard H. Hansen Transportation & Public Works Complex, Duluth, MN, on June 23, 2016, 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>
Hunt Electric Corp.	4300 W. 1st St. Duluth, MN 55807	\$119,432.00

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 Fund 200, Agency 203445, Object 652800.

With additional revenue budgeted for expense:

Hibbing Taconite Co.	Fund 200, Agency 203445, Rev. Obj. 583100	\$59,716.00
		Adopted July 5, 2016. <u>No. 16-438</u>

RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves the applications for abatements, correction of assessed valuations and taxes plus penalty and interest, and any additional accrual, identified in County Board File No. 60288.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-439

WHEREAS, Mr. William Hanegmon is a disabled American Veteran who has qualified for Minnesota's Disabled Veterans' Homestead Property Tax Exclusion Program since 2009; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hanegmon failed to timely file the required notice to receive the market value exclusion for property taxes payable 2010; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hanegmon has agreed to pay the 2010 property taxes due, but has requested relief in the form of abatement of penalty and interest charges that have accrued on the unpaid balance; and

WHEREAS, The General Provisions of the St. Louis County Real Property Tax Abatement Policy, Item 4 (b. iii), authorizes the County Auditor to refer any penalty abatement request to the county board for consideration; and

WHEREAS, County Auditor Donald Dicklich has made such a request;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes an abatement of penalty and interest charges in the amount of \$1,024.02 accrued on the unpaid 2010 property tax payable balance of the homestead property of William Hanegmon at 1607 Merryview Lane, Hibbing, MN;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the unpaid 2010 property tax must be paid no later than July 31, 2016, to avoid further interest charges.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-440

WHEREAS, The Iron Range Youth in Action Program (IRYA) has initiated an annual "Service Learning Trip" for IRYA participants as an educational and cultural learning experience; and

WHEREAS, Various community agencies and organizations have occasion to generate proceeds and donations intended to specifically benefit the activities of participants in the IRYA program; and

WHEREAS, County Youth Program Coordinators plan and manage fundraising activities to financially support specific events and these activities and community donations have provided revenue to fund the 2016 IRYA Service Learning Trip; and

WHEREAS, Purchases outside the normal St. Louis County Purchasing Rules and Regulations are necessary to facilitate payment of trip expenses;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board authorizes the County Auditor to manage purchases outside the normal purchasing policy related to standard procurement and p-Card policies for the County Extension Office-sponsored "Iron Range Youth in Action Service Learning Trip", with estimated trip expenses of \$4,000, payable from Fund 184, Agencies 186006 and 186007, Objects 629900 and 641100.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-441

RESOLVED, That pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 349.213, Subd. 2, the St. Louis County Board approves the following Lawful Gambling License Application (Pull-Tabs {paper}) on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 60394, for the following organization:

Climb, Inc., Inver Grove Heights, Minnesota, to operate out of the following:
The Shack, Unorganized Township 59-16, 7075 Highway 169, Virginia, Minnesota,
55792, NEW.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-442

WHEREAS, The Lake Superior Wetland Bank Fund ("the Fund") has been established to ensure that St. Louis County continues to receive distributions equivalent to current property tax revenue from the Lake Superior Wetland Bank area; and

WHEREAS, In order to obtain contributions to the Fund to realize the goal of replicating the current property tax revenue, a per-credit contribution amount must be set based on the total number of credits to be sold, now known to be 4,644.63 credits; and

WHEREAS, The Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation (DSACF) and Ecosystem Investment Partnership Credit Company LLC (EIP) agree that EIP's per-credit contribution to the Fund should be set at \$402 per credit sold in order to realize the aforementioned goal, said calculation having been verified by the St. Louis County Auditor;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board approves and authorizes the execution of the proposed Memorandum of Understanding regarding the Lake Superior Wetland Bank Fund agreement (County Board File No. 60399).

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-443

RESOLVED, That the workers' compensation report of claims by employees for work-related injuries, dated June 24, 2016, on file in the office of the County Auditor, identified as County Board File No. 60274, is hereby received and ratified as payable from Fund 730, Agency 730001.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-444

WHEREAS, The St. Louis County Public Health and Human Services (PHHS) Advisory Committee was established to make recommendations relative to the public health and human service needs of St. Louis County communities; and

WHEREAS, Members of the PHHS Advisory Committee are appointed by the St. Louis County Board to serve three-year staggered terms of membership, with each Commissioner District represented by two (2) members; and

WHEREAS, Cynthia Kafut-Hagen from Hibbing, MN, has applied to serve on the Advisory Committee representing Commissioner District 7; however, no vacancy exists in that District, but does exist in Commissioner District 6; and

WHEREAS, The PHHS Advisory Committee By-Laws allow some flexibility in appointments; and

WHEREAS, Based on that flexibility an agreement has been reached between Commissioners Raukar and Nelson to allow the applicant to be appointed into the District 6 vacancy and to waive the Board Appointment Policy three (3) week review period for consideration of applicants;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board appoints Cynthia Kafut-Hagen, Hibbing, MN, to the St. Louis County Public Health and Human Services Advisory Committee representing Commissioner District 6, for a term ending December 31, 2016.

Adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-445

BY COMMISSIONER RUKAVINA:

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TERMS OF OFFERING OF AN ISSUE OF GOVERNMENTAL HOUSING REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS OF THE HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY IN AND FOR THE CITY OF ELY

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Commissioners (the "Board") of St. Louis County, Minnesota (the "County"), as follows:

Section 1. Recitals. The Board makes the following recitals of fact:

A. The Housing and Redevelopment Authority of St. Louis County (the "HRA") was established by the County and is authorized to exercise housing and economic development powers among others.

B. In furtherance of the objectives of the HRA, the HRA and the Housing and Redevelopment Authority in and for the City of Ely, Minnesota (the "City HRA") undertook a qualified housing development project consisting of 26 units of housing for moderate income elderly persons (the "Project") located on Washington Street between Eighth and Tenth Avenues in the City of Ely, Minnesota (the "City"). The City HRA requested the HRA to assist in financing the Project.

C. In order to refinance the Project, the City HRA proposes to issue its Governmental Housing Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2016, in an amount of not to exceed \$4,100,000, excluding original issue discount and premium (the "Bonds"), to refund the outstanding amount of the following obligations of the City HRA:

i. Housing Development Revenue Bonds, Series 2006A (St. Louis County, Minnesota, General Obligation), dated November 16, 2006; and

ii. Housing Development Revenue Bond, Series 2008, dated June 4, 2008.

D. The Project is and would continue to be jointly owned by the City HRA and the HRA and operated by the City HRA pursuant to an Operating Agreement between the City HRA and the HRA (the "Operating Agreement"), which contains an option to purchase the Project by the City HRA.

E. Under the Operating Agreement, the City HRA would operate the Project in a manner to generate rents in amounts sufficient to pay 110% of principal of and interest on the Bonds.

F. In order to provide additional security for the Bonds, the City HRA has requested that the

County approve the pledge by the City HRA of the general obligation of the County, subject to the terms and conditions of a Joint Powers Agreement (the "JPA") between the City HRA, the City, the HRA and the County. Under the JPA, the City would indemnify the County for payment of a \$3,000,000 portion of principal of the Bonds plus accrued interest.

G. The Board has this day held a public hearing on the matter of securing the Bonds with the general obligation of the County at which all wishing to speak were heard.

Section 2. The Bonds. The Board hereby finds and determines that it is necessary and desirable that in order to reduce debt service costs the City HRA issue, sell and deliver the Bonds to refinance the Project and pay the costs of issuance of the Bonds.

Section 3. Notice of Sale. The terms and conditions for the sale of the Bonds set forth in the Notice of Sale attached hereto as Exhibit A are approved.

Section 4. Further Action.

A. The form, specifications and provisions for repayment of the Bonds and the JPA shall be considered in a subsequent resolution of the Board.

B. The Board shall meet on August 2, 2016, at 1:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as reasonably possible, to take further action with respect to the Bonds and the JPA. Such approval shall be subject to approval by the City HRA of the issuance of the Bonds and the approval by the County HRA and the City of Ely.

EXHIBIT A
NOTICE OF SALE

\$4,045,000*

GOVERNMENTAL HOUSING REVENUE REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2016A
(ST. LOUIS COUNTY GENERAL OBLIGATION)

HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY IN AND FOR THE CITY OF ELY, MINNESOTA
(Book-Entry Only)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that these Bonds will be offered for sale according to the following terms:

TIME AND PLACE:

Proposals will be opened by the Executive Director of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority in and for the City of Ely, Minnesota (the "Issuer" or the "HRA"), or designee, on Tuesday, August 2, 2016, at 10:30 A.M., CT, at the offices of Northland Securities, Inc., 45 South 7th Street, Suite 2000, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402. Consideration of the Proposals for award of the sale will be by the HRA at its meeting at the Offices beginning Tuesday, August 2, 2016 at 5:00 P.M., CT.

The Issuer reserves the right to increase or decrease the principal amount of the Bonds. Any such increase or decrease will be made in multiples of \$5,000 and may be made in any maturity. If any maturity is adjusted, the purchase price will also be adjusted to maintain the same gross spread.

SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Proposals may be:

- a) submitted to the office of Northland Securities, Inc.,
- b) faxed to Northland Securities, Inc. at 612-851-5918,
- c) for proposals submitted prior to the sale, the final price and coupon rates may be submitted to Northland Securities, Inc. by telephone at 612-851-5900 or 612-851-4920, or
- d) submitted electronically.

Notice is hereby given that electronic proposals will be received via PARITY™, or its successor, in the manner described below, until 10:30 A.M., CT, on Tuesday, August 2, 2016. Proposals may be submitted electronically via PARITY™ or its successor, pursuant to this Notice until 10:30 A.M., CT, but no Proposal will be received after the time for receiving Proposals specified above. To the extent any instructions or directions set forth in PARITY™, or its successor, conflict with this Notice, the terms of this Notice shall control. For further information about PARITY™, or its successor, potential bidders may contact Northland Securities, Inc. or i-Deal® at 1359 Broadway, 2nd floor, New York, NY 10018, telephone 212-849-5021.

Neither the Issuer nor Northland Securities, Inc. assumes any liability if there is a malfunction of PARITY™ or its successor. All bidders are advised that each Proposal shall be deemed to constitute a contract between the bidder and the Issuer to purchase the Bonds regardless of the manner in which the Proposal is submitted.

BOOK-ENTRY SYSTEM

The Bonds will be issued by means of a book-entry system with no physical distribution of bond certificates made to the public. The Bonds will be issued in fully registered form and one bond certificate, representing the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds maturing in each year, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee of Depository Trust Company (“DTC”), New York, New York, which will act as securities depository of the Bonds.

Individual purchases of the Bonds may be made in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any multiple thereof of a single maturity through book entries made on the books and records of DTC and its participants. Principal and interest are payable by the Issuer through Northland Trust Services, Inc. Minneapolis, Minnesota (the “Paying Agent/Registrar”), to DTC, or its nominee as registered owner of the Bonds. Transfer of principal and interest payments to participants of DTC will be the responsibility of DTC; transfer of principal and interest payments to beneficial owners by participants will be the responsibility of such participants and other nominees of beneficial owners. The successful bidder, as a condition of delivery of the Bonds, will be required to deposit the bond certificates with DTC. The Issuer will pay reasonable and customary charges for the services of the Paying Agent/Registrar.

DATE OF ORIGINAL ISSUE OF BONDS

September 1, 2016

AUTHORITY/PURPOSE/SECURITY

The Bonds are being issued pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Chapters 469.001 through 469.047, as amended. Proceeds will be used to current refund the existing maturities of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority in and for the City of Ely’s Housing Revenue Bonds, Series 2006A and current refund the existing maturities of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority in and for the City of Ely’s Housing Revenue Bonds, Series 2008. The Bonds are payable from net revenues of the Northwoods Townhouse Project (a senior rental housing facility) and are valid and binding general obligations of St. Louis County, Minnesota.

INTEREST PAYMENTS

Interest is due semiannually on each May 1 and November 1, commencing May 1, 2017, to registered owners of the Bonds appearing of record in the Bond Register as of the close of business on the fifteenth day (whether or not a business day) of the calendar month preceding such interest payment date.

MATURITIES

Principal is due annually on November 1, inclusive, in each of the years and amounts as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2017	\$45,000	2025	\$120,000	2033	\$190,000
2018	70,000	2026	130,000	2034	200,000
2019	75,000	2027	145,000	2035	210,000
2020	85,000	2028	140,000	2036	230,000
2021	90,000	2029	140,000	2037	245,000
2022	95,000	2030	150,000	2038	260,000
2023	105,000	2031	165,000	2039	275,000
2024	110,000	2032	170,000	2040	290,000
				2041	310,000

Proposals for the Bonds may contain a maturity schedule providing for any combination of serial bonds and term bonds, subject to mandatory redemption, so long as the amount of principal maturing or subject to mandatory redemption in each year conforms to the maturity schedule set forth above.

INTEREST RATES

All rates must be in integral multiples of 1/20th or 1/8th of 1%. The dollar price of the callable maturities, 2025 through 2041, inclusive, shall not exceed a maximum price of 102.00%. All Bonds of the same maturity must bear a single uniform rate from date of issue to maturity.

ADJUSTMENTS TO PRINCIPAL AMOUNT AFTER PROPOSALS

The Issuer reserves the right to increase or decrease the principal amount of the Bonds. Any such increase or decrease will be made in multiples of \$5,000 and may be made in any maturity. If any maturity is adjusted, the purchase price will also be adjusted to maintain the same gross spread. Such adjustments shall be made promptly after the sale and prior to the award of Proposals by the Issuer and shall be at the sole discretion of the Issuer. The successful bidder may not withdraw or modify its Proposal once submitted to the Issuer for any reason, including post-sale adjustment. Any adjustment shall be conclusive and shall be binding upon the successful bidder.

OPTIONAL REDEMPTION

Bonds maturing on November 1, 2025 through 2041 are subject to redemption and prepayment at the option of the Issuer on November 1, 2024 and any date thereafter, at a price of par plus accrued interest. Redemption may be in whole or in part of the Bonds subject to prepayment. If redemption is in part, the maturities and principal amounts within each maturity to be redeemed shall be determined by the Issuer and if only part of the Bonds having a common maturity date are called for prepayment, the specific Bonds to be prepaid shall be chosen by lot by the Bond Registrar.

CUSIP NUMBERS

If the Bonds qualify for assignment of CUSIP numbers such numbers will be printed on the Bonds, but neither the failure to print such numbers on any Bond nor any error with respect thereto shall constitute cause for a failure or refusal by the successful bidder thereof to accept delivery of and pay for the Bonds in accordance with terms of the purchase contract. The CUSIP Service Bureau charge for the assignment of CUSIP identification numbers shall be paid by the successful bidder.

DELIVERY

Delivery of the Bonds will be within forty days after award, subject to an approving legal opinion by Fryberger, Buchanan, Smith & Frederick, P.A., Bond Counsel. The legal opinion will be paid by the Issuer and delivery will be anywhere in the continental United States without cost to the successful bidder at DTC.

TYPE OF PROPOSAL

Proposals of not less than \$3,996,460 (98.80%) and accrued interest on the principal sum of \$4,045,000 must be filed with the undersigned prior to the time of sale. Proposals must be unconditional except as to legality. Proposals for the Bonds should be delivered to Northland Securities, Inc. and addressed to:

Marty Hendrickson, Executive Director
Housing and Redevelopment Authority in and for the City of Ely
114 North Eighth Avenue, #111
Ely, Minnesota 55731

A good faith deposit (the "Deposit") in the amount of \$80,900 in the form of a federal wire transfer (payable to the order of the Issuer) is only required from the apparent winning bidder, and must be received within two hours after the time stated for the receipt of Proposals. The apparent winning bidder will receive notification of the wire instructions from the Municipal Advisor promptly after the sale. If the Deposit is not received from the apparent winning bidder in the time allotted, the Issuer may choose to reject their Proposal and then proceed to offer the Bonds to the next lowest bidder based on the terms of their original proposal, so long as said bidder wires funds for the Deposit amount within two hours of said offer.

The Issuer will retain the Deposit of the successful bidder, the amount of which will be deducted at settlement and no interest will accrue to the successful bidder. In the event the successful bidder fails to comply with the accepted Proposal, said amount will be retained by the Issuer. No Proposal can be withdrawn after the time set for receiving Proposals unless the meeting of the Issuer scheduled for award of the Bonds is adjourned, recessed, or continued to another date without award of the Bonds having been made.

AWARD

The Bonds will be awarded on the basis of the lowest interest rate to be determined on a true interest cost (TIC) basis. The Issuer's computation of the interest rate of each Proposal, in accordance with customary practice, will be controlling. In the event of a tie, the sale of the Bonds will be awarded by lot. The Issuer will reserve the right to: (i) waive non-substantive informalities of any Proposal or of matters relating to the receipt of Proposals and award of the Bonds, (ii) reject all Proposals without cause, and (iii) reject any Proposal which the Issuer determines to have failed to comply with the terms herein.

INFORMATION FROM SUCCESSFUL BIDDER

The successful bidder will be required to provide, in a timely manner, certain information relating to the initial offering price of the Bonds necessary to compute the yield on the Bonds pursuant to the provisions of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

By awarding the Bonds to any underwriter or underwriting syndicate submitting a Proposal therefor, the Issuer agrees that, no more than seven business days after the date of such award, it shall provide to the senior managing underwriter of the syndicate to which the Bonds are awarded, the Final Official Statement in an electronic format as prescribed by the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board (MSRB).

FULL CONTINUING DISCLOSURE UNDERTAKING

The County will covenant in the resolution awarding the sale of the Bonds and in a Continuing Disclosure Undertaking to provide, or cause to be provided, annual financial information, including audited financial statements of the Issuer, and notices of certain material events, as required by SEC Rule 15c2-12.

BANK QUALIFICATION

The Issuer will designate the Bonds as qualified tax-exempt obligations for purposes of Section 265(b)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

BOND INSURANCE AT UNDERWRITER'S OPTION

If the Bonds qualify for issuance of any policy of municipal bond insurance or commitment therefor at the option of the successful bidder, the purchase of any such insurance policy or the issuance of any such commitment shall be at the sole option and expense of the successful bidder of the Bonds. Any increase in the costs of issuance of the Bonds resulting from such purchase of insurance shall be paid by the successful bidder, except that, if the Issuer has requested and received a rating on the Bonds from a rating agency, the Issuer will pay that rating fee. Any other rating agency fees shall be the responsibility of the successful bidder. Failure of the municipal bond insurer to issue the policy after the Bonds have been awarded to the successful bidder shall not constitute cause for failure or refusal by the successful bidder to accept delivery on the Bonds.

The Issuer reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals, to waive informalities and to adjourn the sale.

Dated: June 7, 2016
REDEVELOPMENT
ELY

BY ORDER OF THE HOUSING
AUTHORITY IN AND FOR THE CITY OF

/s/ Marty Hendrickson _____
Executive Director

Additional information may be obtained from:
Northland Securities, Inc.
45 South 7th Street, Suite 2000
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402
Telephone No.: 612-851-5900

Unanimously adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-446

BY COMMISSIONER STAUBER:

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA, APPROVING AN AMENDMENT
TO THE TRANSPORTATION SALES AND USE TAX
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN**

WHEREAS, Under and pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 297A.993 (the “Act”), the St. Louis County Board (the “County Board”) has previously approved Resolution No. 14-665 on December 2, 2014, implementing the Greater Minnesota Transportation Sales and Use Tax and approving the projects to be funded with such sales and use tax as set forth in the transportation improvement plan identified as the St. Louis County Greater MN Transportation Sales and Use Tax Transportation Plan dated November 25, 2014, and approved on December 2, 2014 (the “Transportation Improvement Plan”); and

WHEREAS, The County Board has proposed an amendment to the Transportation Improvement Plan, which includes within the proposed amendment the additional projects to be funded from local option sales and use tax for transportation and an increase in the estimated cost of the projects to be financed under the Transportation Improvement Plan, as amended, from \$642,000,000 to \$894,916,448; and

WHEREAS, Pursuant to the Act and County Board Resolution No. 14-665 and following published notice of the public hearing, the County Board held a public hearing for the purpose of receiving comments on the proposed amendment to the Transportation Improvement Plan on Tuesday, July 5, 2016, in the St. Louis County Courthouse, Duluth, Minnesota.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the St. Louis County Greater MN Transportation Sales and Use Tax Transportation Improvement Plan, dated November 25, 2014, Amended July 5, 2016 (County Board File No. 60387), and approves the funding of such transportation improvements identified in the Transportation Improvement Plan, as amended, by the local option sales and use tax for transportation authorized by County Board Resolution No. 14-665 adopted December 2, 2014.

Unanimously adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-447

BY COMMISSIONER NELSON:

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. LOUIS
COUNTY, MINNESOTA APPROVING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN, AS**

**AMENDED, AND STATING THE INTENT TO ISSUE GENERAL OBLIGATION
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS UNDER MINNESOTA STATUTES,
SECTION 373.40**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners (the “Board”) of St. Louis County, Minnesota (the “County”), as follows:

Section 1. The Board, pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 373.40 (the “Act”), previously approved a Capital Improvement Plan, as amended (the “Capital Improvement Plan”). Following a public hearing on July 5, 2016, as required by the Act, the Board considered a proposed amendment to the Capital Improvement Plan, and the Board has considered the following for each project described in the proposed amendment and the overall plan:

- (i) the condition of the County’s existing infrastructure, including the projected need for repair or replacement;
- (ii) the likely demand for the improvement;
- (iii) the estimated cost of the improvement;
- (iv) the available public resources;
- (v) the level of overlapping debt in the County;
- (vi) the relative benefits and costs of alternative uses of the funds;
- (vii) operating costs of the proposed improvements; and
- (viii) alternatives for providing services more efficiently through shared facilities with other cities or local government units.

The Board, based on the considerations set forth in the amendment and overall plan and as set forth herein, hereby approves the Capital Improvement Plan, as amended for the years 2016 through 2020, as presented to the Board, and on file as County Board Document File No. 60388 (the “Plan”).

Section 2. Under and pursuant to the authority contained in the Act and Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, the County is authorized to issue capital improvement bonds to provide funds for capital improvements pursuant to the Plan.

Section 3. Following a public hearing on July 5, 2016, regarding the issuance of capital improvement bonds, the Board hereby finds and determines that it is necessary, expedient, and in the best interests of the County’s residents that the County issue, sell and deliver general obligation capital improvement bonds in the maximum amount of \$25,000,000 (the “Bonds”), for the purpose of providing funds for the following capital improvements under the Plan and for the payment of costs of issuance of the Bonds:

Road and Bridge Improvements – a portion of the road and bridge improvements identified in the St. Louis County Greater MN Transportation Sales and Use Tax Transportation Improvement Plan dated November 25, 2014, and approved on December 2, 2014, as amended on July 5, 2016, which is a part of the County’s Capital Improvement Plan, as amended.

Section 4. The County Auditor shall publish a notice of intent to issue capital improvement bonds in substantially the form attached hereto as Exhibit A as soon as practicable following the public hearing in the official newspaper of the County. If, within 30 days after July 5, 2016, a petition is filed with the County Auditor calling for a vote on the proposition of issuing the Bonds, signed by voters residing within the boundaries of the County equal to five percent of the votes cast in the County in the last County general election, (i) the Bonds shall not be issued until the question of their issuance has been authorized by a majority of the voters voting on the question at the next general or special election called to decide the question, or (ii) if

the County elects not to submit the question to the voters, the County shall not propose the issuance of bonds under the Act for the same purpose and in the same amount for a period of 365 days from the date of receipt of such petition.

EXHIBIT A

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS
PURSUANT TO MINNESOTA STATUTES, SECTION 373.40,
BY ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that under and pursuant to the authority contained in Minnesota Statutes, Section 373.40 (the "Act"), and Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, the Board of Commissioners of St. Louis County, Minnesota (the "Board"), is authorized to issue general obligation capital improvement bonds to provide funds for capital improvements pursuant to an amendment to the Capital Improvement Plan for the years 2016 through 2020 approved by the Board on July 5, 2016 (the "Plan"). Following a public hearing on July 5, 2016, the Board by resolution adopted July 5, 2016 (the "Resolution"), determined that it is necessary, expedient, and in the best interests of the County's residents that the County issue, sell and deliver general obligation capital improvement bonds in the maximum amount of \$25,000,000 (the "Bonds"), to provide funds for the following capital improvements under the Plan and for costs of issuance of the Bonds:

Road and Bridge Improvements – a portion of the road and bridge improvements identified in the St. Louis County Greater MN Transportation Sales and Use Tax Transportation Improvement Plan dated November 25, 2014, and approved on December 2, 2014, as amended on July 5, 2016, which is a part of the County's Capital Improvement Plan, as amended.

If, within 30 days after July 5, 2016, a petition is filed with the County Auditor calling for a vote on the proposition of issuing the Bonds, signed by voters residing within the boundaries of the County equal to five percent of the votes cast in the County in the last County general election, the Bonds shall not be issued until the question of their issuance has been authorized by a majority of the voters voting on the question at the next general or special election called to decide the question, except as otherwise permitted under the Act.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Donald Dicklich, County Auditor
Unanimously adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-448

BY COMMISSIONER JEWELL:

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF
ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA, APPROVING OFFICIAL TERMS
OF OFFERING OF GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2016A**

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") of St. Louis County, Minnesota (the "County"), as follows:

Section 1. Under and pursuant to the authority contained in Minnesota Statutes, Section

373.40, and Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475 (collectively the “Act”), the County is authorized to issue general obligation capital improvement bonds to provide funds for capital improvements pursuant to an approved capital improvement plan.

Section 2. Pursuant to a Resolution adopted by the Board on July 5, 2016 (the “Resolution”), the Board stated its intention to issue general obligation capital improvement bonds in the maximum amount of \$25,000,000 for certain capital improvements, including road and bridge improvements, authorized in an amendment to the County’s Capital Improvement Plan for the years 2016 through 2020 and approved by the Board on July 5, 2016.

Section 3. The Board hereby determines that it is necessary, expedient, and in the best interests of the County’s residents that the County issue, sell and deliver its general obligation capital improvement bonds in the maximum principal amount of \$25,000,000, together with up to 2% of additional amount as authorized by Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.56, for the purpose of providing funds for the following capital improvements pursuant to the Capital Improvement Plan, as amended, for the years 2016 through 2020, and for costs of issuance of such bonds:

Road and Bridge Improvements – a portion of the road and bridge improvements identified in the “St. Louis County Greater MN Transportation Sales and Use Tax Transportation Improvement Plan” dated November 25, 2014, and approved on December 2, 2014, as amended, which is a part of the County’s Capital Improvement Plan, as amended.

Section 4. The County’s administrative staff is hereby authorized and directed to work with bond counsel, and Springsted Incorporated, independent financial adviser to the County, to solicit proposals and to arrange for the sale of the County’s General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds, Series 2016A in the maximum amount of \$25,000,000, together with up to 2% of additional amount as authorized by Minnesota Statutes, Section 475.56 (the “Bonds”), for the purposes of and pursuant to the authorizations recited in Sections 2 and 3 above in substantial compliance with the Terms of Proposal attached hereto as Exhibit A. Each and all of the terms and provisions set forth in the Terms of Proposal are adopted and confirmed as the terms and conditions of the Bonds and the sale thereof. Due to a rapidly changing bond market, the County Auditor, after consulting with the County’s financial advisor and bond counsel, is authorized to modify the Terms of Proposal prior to accepting the proposals, including but not limited to rescheduling the sale or cancelling the sale. The proposals shall be received at the administrative offices of Springsted Incorporated until 11:30 a.m. central time on August 8, 2016, and consideration for the award of the Bonds will be by the Board at 9:30 a.m. on August 9, 2016.

Section 5. The Board shall meet on August 9, 2016, in accordance with the Terms of Proposal, to consider proposals for the purchase of the Bonds and to take whatever actions are necessary for the acceptance or rejection of the proposals.

Section 6. Declaration of Official Intent. This resolution constitutes a declaration of official intent under Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2. The County reasonably expects to reimburse expenditures with respect to the capital expenditures of the Project being financed.

Adopted: July 5, 2016.

EXHIBIT A

THE COUNTY HAS AUTHORIZED SPRINGSTED INCORPORATED TO NEGOTIATE THIS ISSUE ON ITS BEHALF. PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED ON THE FOLLOWING BASIS:

TERMS OF PROPOSAL

\$25,000,000*

ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA

GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2016A

(BOOK ENTRY ONLY)

Proposals for the Series 2016A Bonds will be received on Monday, August 8, 2016, until 11:30 A.M., Central Time, at the offices of Springsted Incorporated, 380 Jackson Street, Suite 300, Saint Paul, Minnesota, after which time proposals will be opened and tabulated. Consideration for award of the Series 2016A Bonds will be by the County Board at 9:30 A.M., Central Time, of the following day, Tuesday, August 9, 2016.

SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Springsted will assume no liability for the inability of the bidder to reach Springsted prior to the time of sale specified above. All bidders are advised that each proposal shall be deemed to constitute a contract between the bidder and the County to purchase the Series 2016A Bonds regardless of the manner in which the proposal is submitted.

(a) **Sealed Bidding.** Proposals may be submitted in a sealed envelope or by fax (651) 223-3046 to Springsted. Signed proposals, without final price or coupons, may be submitted to Springsted prior to the time of sale. The bidder shall be responsible for submitting to Springsted the final proposal price and coupons, by telephone (651) 223-3000 or fax (651) 223-3046 for inclusion in the submitted proposal.

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2. **OR**

3.

(b) **Electronic Bidding.** Notice is hereby given that electronic proposals will be received via PARITY®. For purposes of the electronic bidding process, the time as maintained by PARITY® shall constitute the official time with respect to all proposals submitted to PARITY®. *Each bidder shall be solely responsible for making necessary arrangements to access PARITY® for purposes of submitting its electronic proposal in a timely manner and in compliance with the requirements of the Terms of Proposal.* Neither the County, its agents nor PARITY® shall have any duty or Series 2016A Bond to undertake registration to bid for any prospective bidder or to provide or ensure electronic access to any qualified prospective bidder, and neither the County, its agents nor PARITY® shall be responsible for a bidder's failure to register to bid or for any failure in the proper operation of, or have any liability for any delays or interruptions of or any damages caused by the services of PARITY®. The County is using the services of PARITY® solely as a communication mechanism to conduct the electronic bidding for the Series 2016A Bonds, and PARITY® is not an agent of the County.

If any provisions of this Terms of Proposal conflict with information provided by PARITY®, this Term of Proposal shall control. Further information about PARITY®, including any fee charged, may be obtained from:

PARITY®, 1359 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, New York 10018
Customer Support: (212) 849-5000

DETAILS OF THE SERIES 2016A BONDS

The Series 2016A Bonds will be dated as of the date of delivery and will bear interest payable on June 1 and December 1 of each year, commencing June 1, 2017. Interest will be computed on the basis of a 360-day year of twelve 30-day months.

The Series 2016A Bonds will mature December 1 in the years and amounts* as follows:

2017	\$1,375,000	2020	\$1,550,000	2023	\$1,630,000	2026	\$1,720,000	2029	\$1,830,000
2018	\$1,505,000	2021	\$1,575,000	2024	\$1,655,000	2027	\$1,755,000	2030	\$1,875,000
2019	\$1,525,000	2022	\$1,600,000	2025	\$1,690,000	2028	\$1,790,000	2031	\$1,925,000

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Proposals for the Series 2016A Bonds may contain a maturity schedule providing for a combination of serial bonds and term bonds. All term bonds shall be subject to mandatory sinking fund redemption at a price of par plus accrued interest to the date of redemption scheduled to conform to the maturity schedule set forth above. In order to designate term bonds, the proposal must specify "Years of Term Maturities" in the spaces provided on the proposal form.

BOOK ENTRY SYSTEM

The Series 2016A Bonds will be issued by means of a book entry system with no physical distribution of Series 2016A Bonds made to the public. The Series 2016A Bonds will be issued in fully registered form and one Series 2016A Bond, representing the aggregate principal amount of the Series 2016A Bonds maturing in each year, will be registered in the name of Cede & Co. as nominee of The Depository Trust Company ("DTC"), New York, New York, which will act as securities depository of the Series 2016A Bonds. Individual purchases of the Series 2016A Bonds may be made in the principal amount of \$5,000 or any multiple thereof of a single maturity through book entries made on the books and records of DTC and its participants. Principal and interest are payable by the registrar to DTC or its nominee as registered owner of the Series 2016A Bonds.

Transfer of principal and interest payments to participants of DTC will be the responsibility of DTC; transfer of principal and interest payments to beneficial owners by participants will be the responsibility of such participants and other nominees of beneficial owners. The purchaser, as a condition of delivery of the Series 2016A Bonds, will be required to deposit the Series 2016A Bonds with DTC.

REGISTRAR

The County Auditor of the County will serve as registrar for the series 2016A Bonds.

OPTIONAL REDEMPTION

The County may elect on December 1, 2025, and on any day thereafter, to prepay Series 2016A Bonds due on or after December 1, 2026. Redemption may be in whole or in part and if in part at the option of the County and in such manner as the County shall determine. If less than all Series 2016A Bonds of a maturity are called for redemption, the County will notify DTC of the particular amount of such maturity to be prepaid. DTC will determine by lot the amount of each participant's interest in such maturity to be redeemed and each participant

will then select by lot the beneficial ownership interests in such maturity to be redeemed. All prepayments shall be at a price of par plus accrued interest.

SECURITY AND PURPOSE

The Series 2016A Bonds will be general obligations of the County for which the County will pledge its full faith and credit and power to levy direct general ad valorem taxes. The proceeds of the Bonds will be used to finance road improvement projects within the County.

BIDDING PARAMETERS

Proposals shall be for not less than \$25,000,000 (Par) plus accrued interest, if any, on the total principal amount of the Series 2016A Bonds. No proposal can be withdrawn or amended after the time set for receiving proposals unless the meeting of the County scheduled for award of the Series 2016A Bonds is adjourned, recessed, or continued to another date without award of the Series 2016A Bonds having been made. Rates shall be in integral multiples of 1/100 or 1/8 of 1%. The initial price to the public for each maturity must be 98.0% or greater. Series 2016A Bonds of the same maturity shall bear a single rate from the date of the Series 2016A Bonds to the date of maturity. No conditional proposals will be accepted.

GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT

To have its proposal considered for award, the lowest bidder is required to submit a good faith deposit to the County in the amount of \$250,000 (the "Deposit") no later than 3:00 P.M., Central Time on the day of sale. The Deposit may be delivered as described herein in the form of either (i) a certified or cashier's check payable to the County; or (ii) a wire transfer. The lowest bidder shall be solely responsible for the timely delivery of their Deposit whether by check or wire transfer. Neither the County nor Springsted Incorporated have any liability for delays in the receipt of the Deposit. If the Deposit is not received by the specified time, the County may, at its sole discretion, reject the proposal of the lowest bidder, direct the second lowest bidder to submit a Deposit, and thereafter award the sale to such bidder.

Certified or Cashier's Check. A Deposit made by certified or cashier's check will be considered timely delivered to the County if it is made payable to the County and delivered to Springsted Incorporated, 380 Jackson Street, Suite 300, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101 by the specified time.

Wire Transfer. A Deposit made by wire will be considered timely delivered to the County upon submission of a federal wire reference number by the specified time. Wire transfer instructions will be available from Springsted Incorporated following the receipt and tabulation of proposals. The successful bidder must send an e-mail including the following information: (i) the federal reference number and time released; (ii) the amount of the wire transfer; and (iii) the issue to which it applies.

Once an award has been made, the Deposit received from the lowest bidder (the "purchaser") will be retained by the County and no interest will accrue to the purchaser. The amount of the Deposit will be deducted at settlement from the purchase price. In the event the purchaser fails to comply with the accepted proposal, said amount will be retained by the County.

AWARD

The Series 2016A Bonds will be awarded on the basis of the lowest interest rate to be determined on a true interest cost (TIC) basis calculated on the proposal prior to any adjustment made by the County. The County's computation of the interest rate of each proposal, in accordance with customary practice, will be controlling.

The County will reserve the right to: (i) waive non-substantive informalities of any proposal or of matters relating to the receipt of proposals and award of the Series 2016A Bonds, (ii) reject all proposals without cause, and (iii) reject any proposal that the County determines to have failed to comply with the terms herein.

BOND INSURANCE AT PURCHASER'S OPTION

The County has **not** applied for or pre-approved a commitment for any policy of municipal bond insurance with respect to the Series 2016A Bonds. If the Series 2016A Bonds qualify for municipal bond insurance and a bidder desires to purchase a policy, such indication, the maturities to be insured, and the name of the desired insurer must be set forth on the bidder's proposal. The County specifically reserves the right to reject any bid specifying municipal bond insurance, even though such bid may result in the lowest TIC to the County. All costs associated with the issuance and administration of such policy and associated ratings and expenses (other than any independent rating requested by the County) shall be paid by the successful bidder. Failure of the municipal bond insurer to issue the policy after the award of the Series 2016A Bonds shall not constitute cause for failure or refusal by the successful bidder to accept delivery of the Series 2016A Bonds.

CUSIP NUMBERS

If the Series 2016A Bonds qualify for assignment of CUSIP numbers such numbers will be printed on the Series 2016A Bonds, but neither the failure to print such numbers on any Series 2016A Bond nor any error with respect thereto will constitute cause for failure or refusal by the purchaser to accept delivery of the Series 2016A Bonds. The CUSIP Service Bureau charge for the assignment of CUSIP identification numbers shall be paid by the purchaser.

SETTLEMENT

On or about September 8, 2016, the Series 2016A Bonds will be delivered without cost to the purchaser through DTC in New York, New York. Delivery will be subject to receipt by the purchaser of an approving legal opinion of Fryberger, Buchanan, Smith & Frederick, P.A., Duluth, Minnesota, and of customary closing papers, including a no-litigation certificate. On the date of settlement, payment for the Series 2016A Bonds shall be made in federal, or equivalent, funds that shall be received at the offices of the County or its designee not later than 12:00 Noon, Central Time. Unless compliance with the terms of payment for the Series 2016A Bonds has been made impossible by action of the County, or its agents, the purchaser shall be liable to the County for any loss suffered by the County by reason of the purchaser's non-compliance with said terms for payment.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

In accordance with SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(5), the County will undertake, pursuant to the resolution awarding sale of the Series 2016A Bonds, to provide annual reports and notices of certain events. A description of this undertaking is set forth in the Official Statement. The purchaser's obligation to purchase the Series 2016A Bonds will be conditioned upon receiving evidence of this undertaking at or prior to delivery of the Series 2016A Bonds.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The County has authorized the preparation of a Preliminary Official Statement containing pertinent information relative to the Series 2016A Bonds, and said Preliminary Official Statement will serve as a nearly final Official Statement within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. For copies of the

referred to the Municipal Advisor to the County, Springsted Incorporated, 380 Jackson Street, Suite 300, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101, telephone (651) 223-3000.

A Final Official Statement (as that term is defined in Rule 15c2-12) will be prepared, specifying the maturity dates, principal amounts and interest rates of the Series 2016A Bonds, together with any other information required by law. By awarding the Series 2016A Bonds to an underwriter or underwriting syndicate, the County agrees that, no more than seven business days after the date of such award, it shall provide without cost to the sole underwriter or to the senior managing underwriter of the syndicate (the "Underwriter" for purposes of this paragraph) to which the Series 2016A Bonds are awarded up to 25 copies of the Final Official Statement. The County designates the Underwriter of the syndicate to which the Series 2016A Bonds are awarded as its agent for purposes of distributing copies of the Final Official Statement to each Participating Underwriter. Such Underwriter agrees that if its proposal is accepted by the County, (i) it shall accept designation and (ii) it shall enter into a contractual relationship with all Participating Underwriters of the Series 2016A Bonds for purposes of assuring the receipt by each such Participating Underwriter of the Final Official Statement.

Dated July 5, 2016

BY ORDER OF THE COUNTY BOARD

/s/ Kevin Gray

County Administrator

Unanimously adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-449

BY COMMISSIONER NELSON:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA, APPROVING OFFICIAL TERMS OF OFFERING OF GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2016B

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners (the "Board") of the St. Louis County, Minnesota (the "County"), as follows:

Section 1. The 2013A Bonds. Under and pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 373.40 and Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475, the County previously issued its \$20,650,000 General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds, Series 2013A, dated September 5, 2013 (the "2013 Bonds"), to fund capital improvements pursuant to an approved capital improvement plan.

Section 2. Authority. Under and pursuant to the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 475 (the "Act") and Section 475.67, Subd. 1 through 3 and 13 of the Act, the County is authorized to issue and sell its general obligation refunding bonds to refund the 2022 through 2033 maturities of the 2013 Bonds in advance of their scheduled maturities on an advance refunding basis, if consistent with covenants made with the holders thereof, when determined by the County to be necessary or desirable for the reduction of debt service cost to the County.

Section 3. The Bonds. The Board hereby finds and determines that it is necessary and desirable that in order to reduce debt service costs the County to issue, sell and deliver its General Obligation Capital Improvement Refunding Bonds, Series 2016B (the "Bonds"), in the approximate amount of \$15,535,000, to provide for (i) the refunding of the 2022 through 2033 maturities of the 2013 Bonds; and (ii) payment of the costs of issuance of the Bonds.

Section 4. Terms of Proposal. The County's administrative staff is hereby authorized and directed to work with Springsted Incorporated, independent financial advisor to the County, and Fryberger,

Buchanan, Smith & Frederick, P.A., bond counsel, to solicit proposals and arrange for the sale of the Bonds in substantial compliance with the Terms of Proposal attached hereto as Exhibit A. Each and all of the terms and provisions set forth in the Terms of Proposal are adopted and confirmed as the terms and conditions of the Bonds and the sale thereof. Due to a rapidly changing bond market, the County Auditor, after consulting with the County's financial advisor and bond counsel, is authorized to modify the Terms of Proposal prior to accepting the proposals, including but not limited to rescheduling the sale or cancelling the sale. The proposals shall be received at the administrative office of Springsted Incorporated until 11:30 a.m. central time on August 8, 2016, and consideration for the award of the Bonds will be by the Board at 9:30 a.m. central time on August 9, 2016.

Section 5. Repayment of Bonds. The form, specifications and provisions for repayment of the Bonds shall be set forth in a subsequent resolution of the Board.

Section 6. Consideration of Proposals. The Board shall meet on August 9, 2016, in accordance with the Terms of Proposal, to consider proposals for the purchase of the Bonds and to take whatever actions are necessary for the acceptance or rejection of the proposals.

Adopted July 5, 2016.

EXHIBIT A

THE COUNTY HAS AUTHORIZED SPRINGSTED INCORPORATED TO NEGOTIATE THIS ISSUE ON ITS BEHALF. PROPOSALS WILL BE RECEIVED ON THE FOLLOWING BASIS:

TERMS OF PROPOSAL

\$15,535,000*

**ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MINNESOTA
GENERAL OBLIGATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2016B**

(BOOK ENTRY ONLY)

Proposals for the Series 2016B Bonds will be received on Monday, August 8, 2016, until 11:30 A.M., Central Time, at the offices of Springsted Incorporated, 380 Jackson Street, Suite 300, Saint Paul, Minnesota, after which time proposals will be opened and tabulated. Consideration for award of the Series 2016B Bonds will be by the County Board at 9:30 A.M., Central Time, of the following day, Tuesday, August 9, 2016.

SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS

Springsted will assume no liability for the inability of the bidder to reach Springsted prior to the time of sale specified above. All bidders are advised that each proposal shall be deemed to constitute a contract between the bidder and the County to purchase the Series 2016B Bonds regardless of the manner in which the proposal is submitted.

(a) ***Sealed Bidding.*** Proposals may be submitted in a sealed envelope or by fax (651) 223 3046 to Springsted. Signed proposals, without final price or coupons, may be submitted to Springsted prior to the time of sale. The bidder shall be responsible for submitting to Springsted the final proposal price and coupons, by telephone (651) 223 3000 or fax (651) 223 3046 for inclusion in the submitted proposal.

OR

(b) ***Electronic Bidding.*** Notice is hereby given that electronic proposals will be received via PARITY®. For purposes of the electronic bidding process, the time as maintained by PARITY® shall constitute the official time with respect to all proposals submitted to PARITY®. Each bidder shall be solely responsible for making necessary arrangements to access PARITY® for purposes of submitting its electronic proposal in a timely manner and in compliance with the requirements of the Terms of Proposal. Neither the County, its agents nor PARITY® shall have any duty or Series 2016B Bond to undertake registration to bid for any prospective bidder or to provide or ensure electronic access to any qualified prospective bidder, and neither the County, its agents nor PARITY® shall be responsible for a bidder's failure to register to bid or for any failure in the proper operation of, or have any liability for any delays or interruptions of or any damages caused by the services of PARITY®. The County is using the services of PARITY® solely as a communication mechanism to conduct the electronic bidding for the Series 2016B Bonds, and PARITY® is not an agent of the County.

If any provisions of this Terms of Proposal conflict with information provided by PARITY®, this Terms of Proposal shall control. Further information about PARITY®, including any fee charged, may be obtained from:

PARITY®, 1359 Broadway, 2nd Floor, New York, New York 10018
 Customer Support: (212) 849-5000

DETAILS OF THE SERIES 2016B BONDS

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The Series 2016B Bonds will mature December 1 in the years and amounts* as follows:

2022	\$1,165,000	2025	\$1,225,000	2028	\$1,300,000	2031	\$1,385,000
2023	\$1,185,000	2026	\$1,250,000	2029	\$1,325,000	2032	\$1,420,000
2024	\$1,200,000	2027	\$1,275,000	2030	\$1,350,000	2033	\$1,455,000

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of a single maturity through book entries made on the books and records of DTC and its participants. Principal and interest are payable by the registrar to DTC or its nominee as registered owner of the Series 2016B Bonds. Transfer of principal and interest payments to participants of DTC will be the responsibility of DTC; transfer of principal and interest payments to beneficial owners by participants will be the responsibility of such participants and other nominees of beneficial owners. The purchaser, as a condition of delivery of the Series 2016B Bonds, will be required to deposit the Series 2016B Bonds with DTC.

REGISTRAR

The County Auditor of the County will serve as registrar for the Series 2016B Bonds.

OPTIONAL REDEMPTION

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SECURITY AND PURPOSE

The Series 2016B Bonds will be general obligations of the County for which the County will pledge its full faith and credit and power to levy direct general ad valorem taxes. The proceeds of the Bonds will be used to advance refund the December 1, 2022 through December 1, 2033 maturities of the County's General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds, Series 2013A, dated September 5, 2013.

BIDDING PARAMETERS

Proposals shall be for not less than \$15,535,000 (Par) plus accrued interest, if any, on the total principal amount of the Series 2016B Bonds. No proposal can be withdrawn or amended after the time set for receiving proposals unless the meeting of the County scheduled for award of the Series 2016B Bonds is adjourned, recessed, or continued to another date without award of the Series 2016B Bonds having been made. Rates shall be in integral multiples of 1/100 or 1/8 of 1%. The initial price to the public for each maturity must be 98.0% or greater. Series 2016B Bonds of the same maturity shall bear a single rate from the date of the Series 2016B Bonds to the date of maturity. No conditional proposals will be accepted.

GOOD FAITH DEPOSIT

To have its proposal considered for award, the lowest bidder is required to submit a good faith deposit to the County in the amount of \$155,350 (the "Deposit") no later than 3:00 P.M., Central Time on the day of sale. The Deposit may be delivered as described herein in the form of either (i) a certified or cashier's check payable to the County; or (ii) a wire transfer. The lowest bidder shall be solely responsible for the timely delivery of their Deposit whether by check or wire transfer. Neither the County nor Springsted Incorporated have any liability for delays in the receipt of the Deposit. If the Deposit is not received by the specified time, the County may, at its sole discretion, reject the proposal of the lowest bidder, direct the second lowest bidder to submit a Deposit, and thereafter award the sale to such bidder.

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delivered to the County if it is made payable to the County and delivered to Springsted Incorporated, 380 Jackson Street, Suite 300, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101 by the specified time.

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Once an award has been made, the Deposit received from the lowest bidder (the “purchaser”) will be retained by the County and no interest will accrue to the purchaser. The amount of the Deposit will be deducted at settlement from the purchase price. In the event the purchaser fails to comply with the accepted proposal, said amount will be retained by the County.

AWARD

The Series 2016B Bonds will be awarded on the basis of the lowest interest rate to be determined on a true interest cost (TIC) basis calculated on the proposal prior to any adjustment made by the County. The County's computation of the interest rate of each proposal, in accordance with customary practice, will be controlling.

The County will reserve the right to: (i) waive non-substantive informalities of any proposal or of matters relating to the receipt of proposals and award of the Series 2016B Bonds, (ii) reject all proposals without cause, and (iii) reject any proposal that the County determines to have failed to comply with the terms herein.

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CUSIP NUMBERS

If the Series 2016B Bonds qualify for assignment of CUSIP numbers such numbers will be printed on the Series 2016B Bonds, but neither the failure to print such numbers on any Series 2016B Bond nor any error with respect thereto will constitute cause for failure or refusal by the purchaser to accept delivery of the Series 2016B Bonds. The CUSIP Service Bureau charge for the assignment of CUSIP identification numbers shall be paid by the purchaser.

SETTLEMENT

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shall be made in federal, or equivalent, funds that shall be received at the offices of the County or its designee not later than 12:00 Noon, Central Time. Unless compliance with the terms of payment for the Series 2016B Bonds has been made impossible by action of the County, or its agents, the purchaser shall be liable to the County for any loss suffered by the County by reason of the purchaser's non-compliance with said terms for payment.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

In accordance with SEC Rule 15c2-12(b)(5), the County will undertake, pursuant to the resolution awarding sale of the Series 2016B Bonds, to provide annual reports and notices of certain events. A description of this undertaking is set forth in the Official Statement. The purchaser's obligation to purchase the Series 2016B Bonds will be conditioned upon receiving evidence of this undertaking at or prior to delivery of the Series 2016B Bonds.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The County has authorized the preparation of a Preliminary Official Statement containing pertinent information relative to the Series 2016B Bonds, and said Preliminary Official Statement will serve as a nearly final Official Statement within the meaning of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. For copies of the Preliminary Official Statement or for any additional information prior to sale, any prospective purchaser is referred to the Municipal Advisor to the County, Springsted Incorporated, 380 Jackson Street, Suite 300, Saint Paul, Minnesota 55101, telephone (651) 223-3000.

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Dated July 5, 2016

BY ORDER OF THE COUNTY BOARD

/s/ Kevin Gray

County Administrator

Unanimously adopted July 5, 2016. No. 16-450

At 12:09 p.m., July 5, 2016, Commissioner Boyle, supported by Commissioner Jewell, moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed; seven yeas, zero nays.


Steve Raukar, Chair of the Board
of County Commissioners

Attest:


Donald Dicklich, County Auditor *-chief Deputy*
and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board
of County Commissioners

(Seal of the County Auditor)