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Subject Capital improvement projects prior appropriations modified

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Overview

Article 1 contains amendments to prior appropriations of general obligation bonds and authorizes a conveyance of state-bond financed property.

Article 2 contains provisions that relate to a new targeted community capital project grant program to be administered by the Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED).

Article 1: Amendments to Prior Appropriations

Contains amendments to prior appropriations of general obligation bonds.

Section Description – Article 1: Amendments to Prior Appropriations

1 Regional exchange district public infrastructure projects.

Clarifies that eligible costs for the described projects include expenditures as defined in section 469.54. Amends descriptions of certain projects and changes appropriation amounts. Authorizes site improvements made on private property and within the public realm to the list of eligible projects. Authorizes any balance of certain projects to be put toward roadway, utility, and site improvements and capacity upgrades to support medical entity west hospital construction, so long as the Duluth City Council submits a written plan to the commissioner of DEED.

Effective the day after the governing body of the city of Duluth and its chief clerical officer timely comply with the requirements for special laws.

2 Veterans cemeteries.

Adds "construct and equip" as authorized uses of the appropriation. Also extends the bond sale authorization and appropriation until December 31, 2024.

3 Thief River Falls Airport – public infrastructure.

Amends the nonstate match requirement to be at least 20 percent of the total cost of the project rather than a fixed amount.

4 Virginia – Highway 53 utilities relocation.

Authorizes the balance of the appropriation to be used for a grant to the St. Louis & Lake Counties Regional Railroad for construction of a segment of the Mesabi Trail. Extends the bond sale authorization and appropriation until December 31, 2022.

5 City of Rice Lake – water main replacement and extension.

Allows the balance of the appropriation after completion of the project to be used to predesign, design, construct, furnish, and equip a municipal utility extension in the city of Rice Lake. Clarifies that a nonstate match is not required. Also extends the availability of the appropriation until December 31, 2022.

Effective the day following final enactment, except that the extension of time for availability of the appropriation is effective retroactively from December 30, 2020.

6 St. Louis River cleanup.

Extends the bond sale authorization and appropriation to restore water quality in the St. Louis River Area of Concern to December 31, 2023.

7 Local road improvement fund grants.

Amends an appropriation to be a grant to Swift County for preliminary and final design, engineering, and reconstruction of a segment of County State-Aid Highway 6. The bond sale authorization and appropriation are available until December 31, 2025.

8 Eagle Bend High School.

Authorizes the city of Eagle Bend to predesign, design, prepare, and renovate the high school building for redevelopment and reuse of the site and buildings. The city may contract with a third party to manage the renovation and operate the housing project. The bond sale authorization and appropriation are extended until December 31, 2024.

9 Minneapolis – Pioneers and Soldiers Cemetery and restoration.

Removes installation of a new steel fence and pillars from the uses of the appropriation.

10 Minneapolis – Norway House.

Extends the bond sale authorization and appropriation for Norway House in the city of Minneapolis until December 31, 2026.

11 Local road improvement fund grants.

Provides that an appropriation to the city of Inver Grove Heights may be for one or more grants to the city, Dakota County, or both.

12 St. Paul – Nature Sanctuary Visitor Center.

Extends the 2018 bond sale authorization and appropriation for the Wakan Tipi project through December 31, 2024.

13 St. Peter Regional Treatment Center campus – Dietary Building HVAC and electrical replacement.

Allows any unspent portion of the appropriation upon substantial completion of the Dietary Building project to be used for asset preservation.

14 Anoka Metro Regional Treatment Center – roof and HVAC replacement.

Authorizes the balance of the appropriation upon substantial completion of the project to be used for asset preservation. Also extends the availability of the bond sale authorization and appropriation until December 31, 2023.

15 Minneapolis – Upper Harbor Terminal Redevelopment.

Extends the bond sale authorization and appropriation for the Upper Harbor Terminal Redevelopment project to December 31, 2024.

16 Ramsey County – Southeast Asian Language Job Training Facilities.

Changes Ramsey County to the grantee. Adds acquisition of the Sycamore Street facility to the authorized uses of the appropriation. Authorizes a portion of the Plato site to be used for child care facilities and authorizes both the Sycamore and Plato sites to include on-site supportive services.

17 Aurora; Hoyt Lakes; Biwabik; and White Township – drinking water system.

Allows the appropriation to be used for acquisition of a long-term lease. Also amends the water system to be for the city of Aurora and the town of White, designed for the future use of other cities. Extends the availability of the bond sale authorization and appropriation to December 31, 2024.

18 South St. Paul – Seidl's Lake.

Extends the bond sale authorization and appropriation to December 31, 2024.

19 Flood hazard mitigation.

Clarifies that the portion of the flood hazard mitigation appropriation for the Toelle Coulee applies in Traverse County.

20 Lake City; Ohuta Beach breakwater.

Adds "engineer" to the authorized uses of the appropriation.

21 Construction and renovation of public skate parks.

Adds predesign, design, construct, furnish, and equip to the authorized uses of the appropriation. Requires construction to be designed by designers with expertise in the field of skate park design.

Effective retroactively from October 21, 2020.

22 Anoka County; marked Trunk Highway 65 interchange.

Adds environmental analysis of local road intersections and associated improvements along marked Trunk Highway 65 to the authorized uses of the appropriation.

23 Golden Valley; Douglas Drive and Highway 55.

Amends the authorized uses of the appropriation to design engineering, environmental analysis, acquisition of easements and right-of-way, reconstruction, and construction engineering of local roads. Also specifies the area where the safety improvements apply.

24 Highway 13 interchange at marked intersections of Dakota and Yosemite Avenues.

Removes Scott County as the grantee and adds public utility relocations as an authorized use of the appropriation.

25 Olmsted County; Trunk Highway 14 and County Road 104 interchange construction.

Adds Olmsted County as the grantee for the county's share of general obligation bond eligible portions of the project. Adds environmental analysis to and deletes "construct, furnish, and equip" from the authorized uses of the appropriation. Authorizes the balance of the appropriation after substantial completion of certain work to be applied to the county's share of right-of-way acquisition, construction, furnishing, and equipping the interchange.

26 Minnesota Correctional Facility – St. Cloud.

Amends the living units to which the appropriation applies.

27 Minnesota Correctional Facility – Togo.

Authorizes the commissioner of administration to enter into a lease for a term of at least 125 percent of the useful life of any improvements to be constructed on the Minnesota Correctional Facility – Togo site.

28 Crookston; Colborn Property development.

Adds design to the authorized uses of the appropriation.

29 Fergus Falls; riverfront corridor.

Deletes an amphitheater from the project.

30 Hennepin County; Avivo.

Removes demolition and site work from Phase I of the project. Allows any unspent portion of the appropriation remaining after substantial completion of Phase I to be used for renovation or construction after providing written notice to MMB.

31 St. Joseph; Jacob Wetterling Recreation Center.

Adds predesign to the authorized uses of the appropriation. Clarifies that the recreation center is adjacent to the city community center. Authorizes the city to enter into a lease or management agreement for operation of recreation programs.

32 Wadena; access road.

Changes the grantee from the city of Wadena to Wadena County, Otter Tail County, or both.

33 Willernie; maintenance building.

Amends the project from city hall roof replacement and capital improvements related to a county road project to replacement of a maintenance building.

34 Arden Hills; water main.

Adds acquisition of easements and engineering to the authorized uses of the appropriation.

35 Austin; wastewater treatment plant.

Authorizes amounts remaining after substantial completion of the project to be used to construct the wastewater treatment facility.

36 Mahnomen; water infrastructure.

Deletes erroneous cross-references and clarifies that the appropriation is for wastewater infrastructure improvements.

37 Mahnomen; drinking water infrastructure.

Deletes erroneous cross-references.

38 Mendota; water infrastructure.

Clarifies that the appropriation is for improvements to the water distribution system.

39 Oronoco; regional wastewater system infrastructure grant.

Corrects an erroneous cross-reference and authorizes the appropriation to be used for the restoration of a portion of the streambank of the Zumbro River in the city of Oronoco to obtain permitting for the wastewater system funded in this section.

40 **South Haven; wells.**

Adds a well house, water main, and other related drinking water improvements to the project.

41 Spring Park; city utilities.

Clarifies that the improvements include improvements to the adjacent roadway. Corrects the name of the road.

42 Vernon Center; water infrastructure improvements.

Removes parts of the project and adds wastewater treatment facilities and sanitary sewer and storm water collection systems to the project.

43 Railroad grade separations.

Adds environmental analysis, predesign, design, and engineering to the authorized uses of the appropriation. Deletes a cross-reference and identifies the Department of Transportation study identifying the project.

44 Flood mitigation.

Adds environmental analysis, predesign, design, and engineering to the authorized uses of the appropriation.

45 Conveyance of state land; Isanti County.

Authorizes the commissioner of administration to convey to Isanti County, for no consideration and in the form approved by the attorney general, all or a part of certain state-owned real property located in the county that is no longer needed for any state purpose. The property will continue to be considered state bond-financed property after the conveyance and until all requirements are satisfied for it to no longer be considered as such.

46 Effective date.

Clarifies that the sections in this article are effective the day following final enactment unless provided otherwise.

Article 2: Targeted Community Capital Project Grant Program

Sections that pertain to a new targeted community capital project grant program administered by DEED.

Section Description – Article 2: Targeted Community Capital Project Grant Program

1 Targeted community capital project grant program.

Creates a new targeted community capital project grant program under section 116J.9924.

- **Subd. 1. Definitions.** Defines various terms for the purposes of the program.
- **Subd. 2. Grant program established.** Provides that the commissioner of DEED shall make grants for capital projects to nonprofit organizations, government entities, and small businesses that provide services in one or more of several specified areas. Priority shall be given to applicants that do not have a history of receiving capital grants from the state or have previously received phased grant funds under the program.
- **Subd. 3. Eligibility.** A prospective grantee must submit a written application to the commissioner that includes certain information. Priority shall be given to applicants that specialize in providing services to certain communities or applicants that are nonprofits that are majority operated and governed by one or more persons who identify as a women, Black, Indigenous, a person of color, or a person with a substantial physical disability.
- **Subd. 4. Project phasing; minimum grant amount.** Authorizes the commissioner to only fund one or more phases of a project, up to the total project. A grant may not be less than the amount required to complete a project phase, less any nonstate sources committed for such activities.
- **Subd. 5. Determination of application.** The commissioner must provide written notice to the applicant regarding whether the applicant has been determined to receive a grant. The notice must include the basis for the determination. An

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applicant that is not selected for a grant award may apply again the following fiscal year.

Subd. 6. Applicability of other laws. Clarifies that the provisions that apply to general fund appropriations under chapter 16A apply to the grants awarded under this program. Grant funds are available until the project is completed or abandoned, subject to cancellation under section 16A.642.

Subd. 7. Appropriation; administration and monitoring. Authorizes up to five percent of any appropriation for the program to be used for administration and monitoring of the program, as well as technical assistance, education, and support for program applicants.

Subd. 8. Report to legislature. Requires a report to be submitted to the legislature and to the chairs of the capital investment committees in the house and senate on the program on January 15, 2022, and every January 15 thereafter.

Effective August 1, 2021.

2 Eligibility of prior targeted grant recipients for targeted community capital project grants.

Allows any grantee under article 3 of the 2020 bonding bill to qualify for a grant under the targeted community capital project grant program in fiscal year 2022 so long as the grantee timely and appropriately submits a written application to DEED.

Effective August 1, 2021.

3 Appropriation; targeted community capital project grant program.

Appropriates \$24 million in fiscal year 2022 from the general fund to DEED for the targeted community capital project grant program. The appropriation is available until June 30, 2023.

Effective August 1, 2021.



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