HENNEPIN COUNTY
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FINAL COMMITTEE AGENDA

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2026
1:30 PM

Chair: Kevin Anderson, District 7
ViceChair: Marion Greene, District 3
Members: Jeff Lunde, District 1
Irene Fernando, District 2
Angela Conley, District 4
Debbie Goettel, District 5
Heather Edelson, District 6

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1. Minutes from Previous Meeting

1.A. May 12, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Attachments: PW-COMMITTEEMINUTES-12-May-2026

2. New Business

Routine Items

2.A. **26-0206**

Neg Agmt PW 29-40-26 with MnDOT and Stantec to perform an architectural history survey of CSAH 5 in Saint Louis Park (CP 2168000) (est county cost $9,402 State Aid Regular)

Attachments: Map of Minnetonka Blvd Phase II Reconstruction CP 2168(
Financial CP 2168000 survey

2.B. **26-0207**

Agmt PW 21-40-26 with MnDOT to accept LBRP grant funds for the Bridge No. 27542 replacement along CSAH 1 in Eden Prairie (CP 2181200); adjust budget; (county recv $742,794.26 State Grants)

Attachments: Map of Bridge 27542 Replacement along CSAH 1

2.C. **26-0208**

Neg Amd 2 to Agmt PR00005488 with Met Council and HCRRA for Blue Line Extension Project, ext end date to 06/30/27; no increase to the NTE

2.D. **26-0209**

Agmt PR00008437 with the City of Eden Prairie for an organics drop-off grant, 06/15/26-06/15/28, NTE $2,470

2.E. **26-0210**

Neg various agmts for aquatic invasive species prevention projects, various periods, total combined NTE $132,086

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Board Action Request

TMP-26-0464

Item Description:
May 12, 2026 Meeting Minutes

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COMMITTEE MINUTES

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Commissioner Kevin Anderson, Chair, called the meeting of the Public Works Committee for Tuesday, May 12, 2026 to order at 2:39 p.m.

Present: Commissioner Kevin Anderson, Commissioner Marion Greene, Commissioner Irene Fernando, Commissioner Angela Conley, Commissioner Debbie Goettel and Commissioner Heather Edelson
Absent: Commissioner Jeff Lunde

1. Minutes from Previous Meeting

1.A. April 21, 2026 Meeting Minutes

APPROVE

Commissioner Angela Conley moved, seconded by Commissioner Irene Fernando, to approve the Minutes.

Aye: Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Greene, Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Goettel and Commissioner Edelson

Absent: Commissioner Lunde

2. New Business

Routine Items

2.A. **26-0176**
Authorization to negotiate five operations and maintenance agreements with the Met Council and cities along the METRO Green Line Extension LRT corridor (no county cost or recv)

CONSENT

Commissioner Irene Fernando moved, seconded by Commissioner Marion

Greene, to approve the Resolution.

Aye: Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Greene, Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Goettel and Commissioner Edelson

Absent: Commissioner Lunde

2.B. **26-0177**

Negotiate Agmt PW 15-38-26 with Minnehaha Creek Watershed District for programmatic maintenance responsibilities, no county cost

CONSENT

Commissioner Irene Fernando moved, seconded by Commissioner Marion Greene, to approve the Resolution.

Aye: Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Greene, Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Goettel and Commissioner Edelson

Absent: Commissioner Lunde

2.C. **26-0178**

Neg Agmt 42-40-25 with MnDOT and Hess, Roise and Co to perform an architectural history survey of CSAH 22 in Minneapolis (CP 2052300) (est county cost $13,500)

CONSENT

Commissioner Irene Fernando moved, seconded by Commissioner Marion Greene, to approve the Resolution.

Aye: Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Greene, Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Goettel and Commissioner Edelson

Absent: Commissioner Lunde

2.D. **26-0179**

Amd 1 to Cowley Lake Conservation Easement A10326129 with Rachel Development Inc for temporary ROW access

CONSENT

Commissioner Irene Fernando moved, seconded by Commissioner Marion Greene, to approve the Resolution.

Aye: Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Greene, Commissioner Fernando, Commissioner Conley, Commissioner Goettel and Commissioner Edelson

Absent: Commissioner Lunde

There being no further business, the Public Works Committee for Tuesday, May 12, 2026 was declared adjourned at 2:41 p.m.

Maria Rose
Clerk to the County Board

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Board Action Request

26-0206

Item Description:
Neg Agmt PW 29-40-26 with MnDOT and Stantec to perform an architectural history survey of CSAH 5 in Saint Louis Park (CP 2168000) (est county cost $9,402 State Aid Regular)

Resolution:
BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Administrator be authorized to negotiate Agreement PW 29-40-26 (State Contract 1062259) with the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) and Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. to perform an architectural history survey of County State Aid Highway (CSAH) 5 (Minnetonka Boulevard), county project 2168000, at an estimated county cost of $9,402; that upon review and approval by the County Attorney's Office, the Chair of the Board be authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the county; and that the Controller be authorized to disburse the funds as directed.

Background:
Hennepin County, in coordination with the City of Saint Louis Park, is leading a roadway reconstruction project using a complete and green streets design along CSAH 5 (Minnetonka Boulevard) from Xylon Avenue to Vernon Avenue. The project includes federal funding.

The Federal Highway Administration requires compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act, including completion of an architectural history survey for projects with federal funding. This survey will identify any significant or historical properties near the project that may be historically or culturally important and ensure they are considered and protected during the project. MnDOT will manage the survey, scheduled for completion in 2027.

Agreement PW 29-40-26 will authorize MnDOT and Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. to complete the architectural history survey. MnDOT will pay 80 percent of the consultant cost; Hennepin County will pay 20 percent (estimated county cost is $9,402). Project funding is available in CP 2168000.

Current Request: This request seeks authorization to negotiate Agreement PW 29-40-26 with MnDOT and Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. to perform an architectural history survey of CSAH 5 (Minnetonka Boulevard), CP 2168000, at an estimated county cost of $9,402.

Impacts/Outcomes: Approval of this request will allow for the completion of the required architectural history survey for the project to retain federal funding to make critical investment in modernizing our infrastructure to support connectivity and climate resiliency strategies.

This request funds services that are: core services

Recommendation from County Administrator: Recommend Approval

CP 2168000 | PW 29-40-26

Minnetonka Boulevard (CSAH 5) Reconstruction in St. Louis Park

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Agreement #	Contractor Name	Vendor Number	Revenue Fund #	Rev. Dept. ID #	Rev. Capital funding source	Rev. Account # (4xxxx)	Rev. Project #	Rev. Original Amount	Rev. Budgeted? Y/N	Rev. Budget Year	Expense Fund #	Exp. Dept. ID #	Exp. Capital funding source	Exp. Account (5xxxx)	Exp. Project #	Exp. Original Amount	Exp. Budgeted? Y/N	Exp. Budget Year
PW 29-40-26	State of Minnesota	13087	53	910253	ST001	42600	2168000	$ 9,402.00	y	2026	53	910253	ST001	56500	2168000	$ 9,402.00	y	2026

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Board Action Request

26-0207

Item Description:
Agmt PW 21-40-26 with MnDOT to accept LBRP grant funds for the Bridge No. 27542 replacement along CSAH 1 in Eden Prairie (CP 2181200); adjust budget; (county recv $742,794.26 State Grants)

WHEREAS, Hennepin County has applied to the Commissioner of Transportation for a Local Bridge Replacement Program grant from the Minnesota state transportation fund for the replacement of Bridge No. 27542; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner of Transportation has given notice that funding for this bridge is available through Local Bridge Replacement Program; and

WHEREAS, the amount of the Local Bridge Replacement Program grant is $742,794.26.

Resolution:
BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Administrator be authorized to execute Agreement PW 21-40-26 (State Agreement No. 1062646) with the Minnesota Department of Transportation to accept Local Bridge Replacement Program grant funds for the replacement of Bridge No. 27542 (Capital Project 2181200, State Project 027-601-047), in the amount of $742,794.26; that upon review and approval by the County Attorney's Office, the Chair of the Board be authorized to sign the agreement and amendments on behalf of the county; and the Controller be authorized to accept the funds as directed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Hennepin County does hereby agree to the terms and conditions of the grant consistent with Minnesota Statutes, section 174.50, and will pay any additional amount by which the cost exceeds the grant and will return to the Minnesota state transportation fund any amount appropriated for the project but not required; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that revenues for CP 2181200 be adjusted to add $742,794.26 in State Highway Grants and decrease State Aid Regular by the same amount, with no change to the total project budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that sponsorship and acceptance of grant funding for the program by the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners does not imply a continued commitment by Hennepin County for this program when grant funds are no longer available.

Background:
Hennepin County, in coordination with the City of Eden Prairie, plans to replace Bridge No. 27542 over the Minnesota River Bluffs LRT Regional Trail as it is nearing the end of its service life. This project was awarded federal formula funding through the 2022 Regional Solicitation. In addition, a state grant has been awarded through the Local Bridge Replacement Program for this project, which is scheduled to begin construction this year and will include the following multi-modal safety improvements:

- Dedicated multi-modal space on the bridge connecting to the regional trail

- A trail entrance within close proximity to this bridge
- New left-turn lane at Trails End Road

Current Request: This request seeks authorization of the following for CP 2181200:

- Execute Agreement PW 21-40-26 with the Minnesota Department of Transportation, accepting $742,794.26 in Local Bridge Replacement Program grant funds.
- Adjust project revenues by adding $742,794.26 in State Highway Grants and decreasing State Aid Regular by the same amount.

Impacts/Outcomes: This action supports the county's Mobility 2040 goals, climate action, and disparity elimination efforts by preserving and modernizing our transportation system and improving accessibility, mobility, and safety for all people using this bridge.

Replace Bridge #27542 along Pioneer Trail (CSAH 1) over the Minnesota River Bluffs LRT Regional Trail

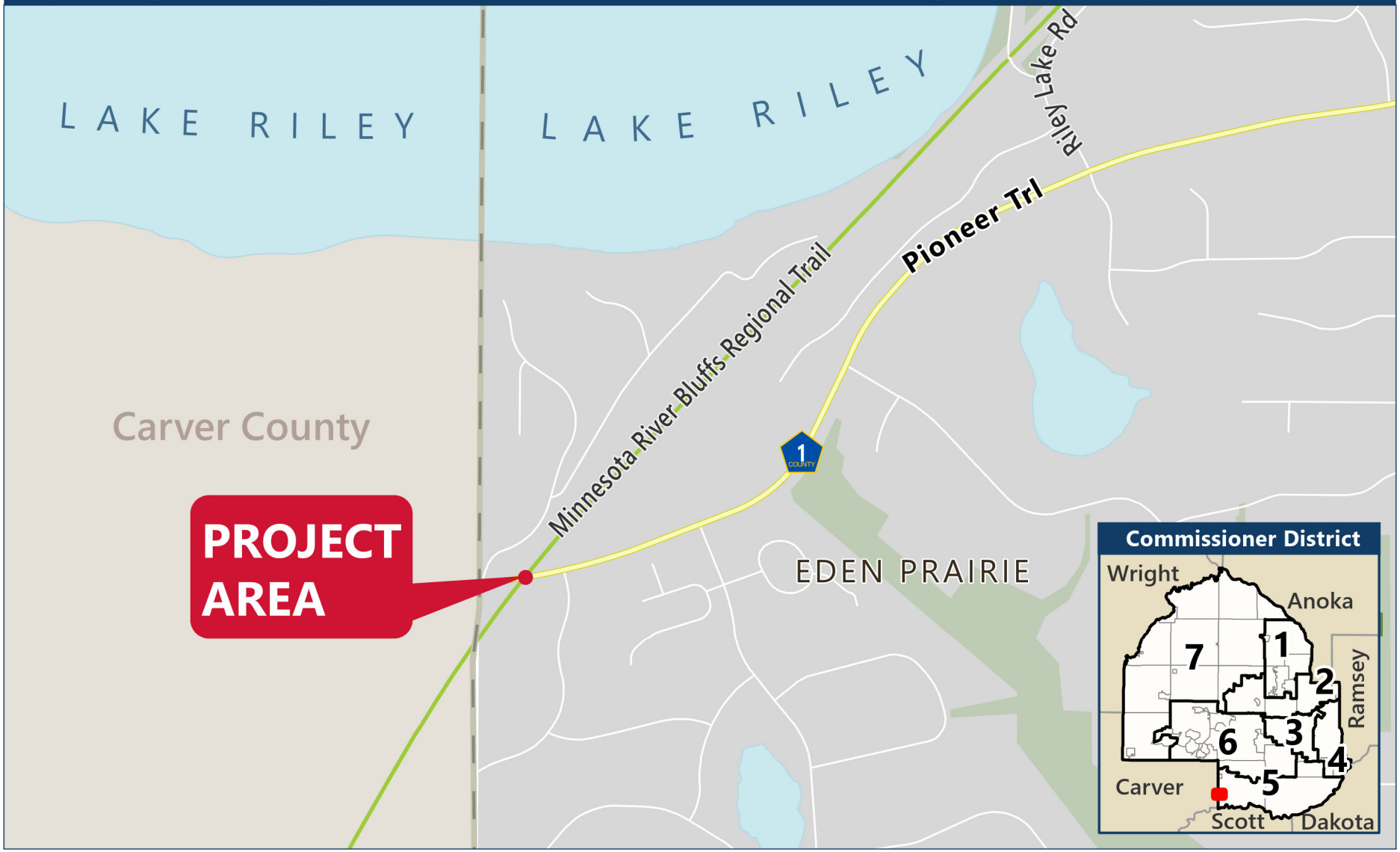
Revenues	Budget to Date	Current Request	Total
State Aid Regular	$2,980,000	($742,794.26)	$2,237,205.74
Federal Aid	$4,760,000	-	$4,760,000.00
Eden Prairie	$265,000	-	$265,000.00
State Highway Grants (LBRP MVLST)	-	$742,794.26	$742,794.26
Total	**$8,005,000**	**$0**	**$8,005,000**
Expenditures	Budget to Date	Current Request	Total
Consulting	$150,000	-	$150,000
Right of Way	$110,000	-	$110,000
Construction	$6,110,000	-	$6,110,000
Contingency	$1,645,000	-	$1,645,000
Total	**$8,005,000**	**$0**	**$8,005,000**

This request funds services that are: core services

Recommendation from County Administrator: Recommend Approval

CP 2181200

Replace Bridge #27542 along Pioneer Trail (CSAH 1) over the Minnesota River Bluffs Regional Trail in the City of Eden Prairie



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Board Action Request

26-0208

Item Description:

Neg Amd 2 to Agmt PR00005488 with Met Council and HCRRA for Blue Line Extension Project, ext end date to 06/30/27; no increase to the NTE

WHEREAS, there exists a Capital Grant Agreement for the METRO Blue Line Extension Light Rail Transit Project (Capital Project 1005877) with the Metropolitan Council and the Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority (HCRRA); and

WHEREAS, Resolution 24-0513 authorized an increase of the combined County and HCRRA maximum grant amount to $248,905,000, and subsequently a combined grant amount of $208,100,000 was memorialized in Amendment One to Agreement PR00005488; and

WHEREAS, an extension of the grant activity period and a combined amount of $40,805,000 in previously authorized County and HCRRA funds will be memorialized in Amendment Two to Agreement PR00005488

Resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Hennepin County Board of Commissioners authorizes the County Administrator to negotiate Amendment 2 to Agreement PR00005488, Capital Grant Agreement for the METRO Blue Line Extension Light Rail Transit Project with the Metropolitan Council and the Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority (HCRRA), memorializing a maximum grant amount of $248,905,000 and extending the grant activity period to June 30, 2027; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the Chair to execute Amendment 2 to Agreement PR00005488 on behalf of the County, after review and approval by the County Attorney's Office; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board authorizes the Controller to transfer and disburse funds as necessary to carry out the intent of this Resolution.

Background:

Resolution 17-0207, on June 13, 2017, approved the assumption of certain not-yet paid funding commitments for the METRO Blue Line Extension Light Rail Transit Project (Capital Project 1005877) ("Project"), of the 2017 Counties Transit Improvement Board (CTIB) Capital Grant Agreement (CTIB 02201701/Met Council 174I001/County A177882A) with the Metropolitan Council for the Project, and the imposition of the 0.5% Transportation Sales and Use Tax and $20 motor vehicle excise tax that are the primary sources of funds for Hennepin County contributions to the Project. Through these and other actions, Hennepin County agreed to take responsibility for the remainder of the project funding formerly committed by CTIB and the remainder of funding formerly anticipated from the State of Minnesota.

Agreement A177882A set the maximum grant amount at $66 million, to be paid with a mixture of CTIB and County funds. The parties subsequently amended Agreement A177882A twelve times to extend the agreement's end date, as well as to authorize the expenditure of $30,887,084 in county funds, in addition to the maximum grant amount. The most recent amendment to this Agreement, approved by Resolution 23-0188

R1, extended the end date to August 31, 2023, with no increase to the maximum grant amount.

On August 22, 2023, the County adopted Resolution 23-0323, which authorized execution of a new grant agreement, Agreement PR00005488, with the Metropolitan Council and HCRRA to supersede prior agreements and become the vehicle for all future County and HCRRA contributions to the Project. This Agreement provided for a maximum grant amount of $75,305,000, of which the County contributed $60,244,000 and HCRRA contributed $15,061,000. The Agreement also put in place several important project governance requirements, including the creation of a Project Decisions Board, which is empowered to make a range of critical decisions related to the Project. The Project Decisions Board consists of two Metropolitan Council members, two Hennepin County commissioners, and one HCRRA commissioner. The Agreement's initial end date was December 31, 2024.

The agreement has been amended once. Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority likewise approved negotiation of the same amendment on the same day as Hennepin County Board approval. The amendment was as follows:

- Amendment One extended the term through June 30, 2026, and despite a county-authorized increase to $248,905,000, Amendment One increased the maximum grant amount to $208,100,000
- Amendment One further authorized the Project Decisions Board, subject to certain requirements, to utilize grant funds for project expenditures that could not be paid with use of federal funds (Resolution 24-0513).

This Resolution would authorize negotiation of Amendment 2 to Agreement PR00005488. This Amendment would extend the grant activity period to June 30, 2027, and would increase the maximum grant amount to the previously authorized sum of $248,905,000.

Upon approval of Amendment 2, approximately $398.6 million of CTIB, County and HCRRA funds will be committed to the project. This amount includes $248.9 million committed by the Capital Grant Agreement PR00005488; $82.8 million in CTIB funding through earlier agreements, nearly $18.1 million provided by the County and CTIB pursuant to Agreement A177882A; and $48.8 million in HCRRA funding through three separate agreements, most recently Agreement A176897.

The Blue Line Extension Project is currently in the engineering phase, at approximately 90% design. Primary activities during the grant activity period under the proposed Amendment would include final route design and engineering. Also included in the grant activity period would be the acquisition of project right of way and early construction work in the North Loop neighborhood.

The official budget for the Project has not been updated since 2016. At that time, the total Project budget was $1.536 billion, including a commitment of $530.1 million from the County and $149.6 million from HCRRA. These numbers do not reflect the current alignment, nor the cost escalation that has occurred over the past ten years.

Project staff estimate that the current project budget, after accounting for price escalation and the new alignment, will be approximately $3.2 billion, including a project contingency factor of 37.5%. New funding commitments, including from the County and HCRRA, will thus be required to complete the Project. Staff expect to seek updated commitments from the County and HCRRA after a project budget is finalized and prior to applying for a federal Full Funding Grant Agreement.

Current Request: Authorization to negotiate and execute Amendment Two to Agreement PR00005488 with the Metropolitan Council and Hennepin County Regional Railroad Authority for the METRO Blue Line Extension Project (CP 1005877), extending the grant activity period from June 30, 2026, to June 30, 2027, with no newly approved funding. The agreement will allow for continued work on the METRO Blue Line

Extension Project.

Impact/Outcomes: This action supports the county's disparity elimination and climate action efforts by investing in clean-energy transit infrastructure that expands transportation options and strengthens regional connections to housing, jobs, education, healthcare, and other essential destinations.

This request funds services that are: core services

Recommendation from County Administrator: Recommend Approval

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Board Action Request

26-0209

Item Description:
Agmt PR00008437 with the City of Eden Prairie for an organics drop-off grant, 06/15/26-06/15/28, NTE $2,470

Resolution:
BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Administrator be authorized to negotiate Agreement PR00008437 with the City of Eden Prairie for an organics drop-off grant during the period of June 15, 2026 through June 15, 2028, with a not to exceed amount of $2,470; that following review and approval by the County Attorney's Office, the County Administrator be authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the county; and that the Controller be authorized to disburse funds as directed.

Background:
Expanding access to organics drop-off sites is a priority in the county's plan to reinvent the solid waste system and in the Solid Waste Management Plan. Studies continue to show that organic materials comprise about 25 to 30% of trash. Organics recycling is our biggest opportunity to make further progress toward our zero waste and climate action goals.

Organics drop-off sites fill a service gap for people who do not have access to city curbside organics recycling programs. For people who live in multifamily buildings, organics drop-off sites may be the most accessible option for recycling organic waste. Grants are available to cities, businesses, nonprofit organizations, and multifamily properties to cover the initial costs of setting up and hosting public organics drop-off sites in the county.

There are more than 60 organics drop-off sites throughout the county, many of them established with county funding. However, the need for additional options remains. The City of Eden Prairie has requested $2,470 to establish its first organics drop-off site which will benefit multifamily residents who do not have access to curbside organics collection.

Funding from this grant will be used to construct an enclosure, pay for hauling expenses, and purchase outreach materials and supplies to make the transition to organics recycling easier for residents, and set up the new drop-off site for success. The city expects about 150 residents to sign up to participate, given the high density of multifamily housing nearby.

Board approval is requested because the county has contracts with the City of Eden Prairie where expenditures exceed $100,000 during the previous 365 days.

Current Request: This request seeks authorization for the County Administrator to negotiate Agreement PR00008437 with the City of Eden Prairie for an organics drop-off grant, during the period of June 15, 2026 through June 15, 2028, with an amount not to exceed $2,470.

Impact/Outcomes: These funds will establish one new organics drop-off site in the county and increase access to organics recycling, especially for people who live in multifamily buildings that are not served by city programs. This drop-off site will increase service to at least 150 households who do not currently have access

to organics recycling.

Diverting organic material from the trash is a foundational strategy for the county's Climate Action and Zero Waste plans. Increasing access to organics recycling supports these goals.

Organics drop-off grants also support the county's commitment to disparity elimination by increasing access to organics recycling for people without curbside service and for those in designated environmental justice areas.

This request funds services that are: mandated

Recommendation from County Administrator: Recommend Approval

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Board Action Request

26-0210

Item Description:
Neg various agmts for aquatic invasive species prevention projects, various periods, total combined NTE $132,086

Resolution:
BE IT RESOLVED, that the County Administrator be authorized to negotiate the following five grant agreements to provide funding for aquatic invasive species prevention projects during a one-year period beginning on the date of execution:

- PR00008426 with Three Rivers Park District, in an amount not to exceed $30,000;
- PR00008425 with Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board, in an amount not to exceed $30,000;
- PR00008419 with Bolton & Menk Inc., in an amount not to exceed $24,999;
- PR00008422 with Bolton & Menk Inc., in an amount not to exceed $21,737;
- PR00008418 with City of Eden Prairie, in an amount not to exceed $20,350; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Administrator be authorized to negotiate the following agreement to provide funding for an aquatic invasive species rapid response project during a one-year period beginning on the date of execution:

- PR00008417 with City of Champlin, in an amount not to exceed $5,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that following review and approval by the County Attorney's Office, the County Administrator be authorized to sign the agreements on behalf of the county; that the County Administrator be authorized to approve one 12-month extension of the agreements; that costs incurred by the grantees after the board approval date be eligible for reimbursement upon execution of the agreements; and that the Controller be authorized to disburse funds as directed.

Background:
Aquatic invasive species (AIS), such as zebra mussels and Eurasian watermilfoil, threaten natural resources and can cause economic, environmental, and human health risks. Lakes and other water resources throughout the county have been negatively affected by AIS or are highly vulnerable to the introduction of new AIS. Preventing the introduction of AIS is the foremost strategy because, once established, infestations have no viable or cost-effective remedy.

The State of Minnesota started allocating funding to counties in 2014 to prevent the introduction or limit the spread of AIS. Counties may use the funding for their own projects and programs or may provide funding to other entities in the county.

The Hennepin County Board designated oversight of the AIS Prevention Aid program to the County Administrator and delegated to the County Administrator the responsibility to prepare and implement guidelines for use of aid received for the prevention of AIS (Resolution 14-0438). Since 2014, the county has received $3.6 million in AIS Prevention funding. New guidelines for 2026-2030 were finalized in December 2025.

In January 2026, the county released two requests for proposals (RFP) for projects that prevent the introduction or limit the spread of AIS. Following feedback from stakeholders during the development of the new guidelines, for the first time a separate RFP related to supplementing existing or supporting new AIS watercraft inspection programs was released alongside a more general RFP related to early detection, education, access redesign, research, and innovation. Local government agencies, nonprofit organizations, and public entities and institutions were eligible for both grants. Businesses were eligible for AIS prevention grants.

The RFPs were promoted through lake associations, cities, watersheds, and natural resource partners, email lists, and the Environment and Energy Department's Green Notes and AIS Prevention e-newsletters. The county received four proposals to supplement watercraft inspection programs and eight proposals for the general RFP, for a combined total of $233,162.

The watercraft inspection requests were reviewed and rated by a six-member panel consisting of county staff and external partners with AIS expertise, including representatives from the Pioneer-Sarah Creek Watershed Management Commission, University of Minnesota Invasive Species Research Center, Carver County, and Minnesota Lakes and Rivers. The AIS prevention proposals were reviewed and rated by a five-member panel consisting of the same people, except the Carver County representative.

Board approval for the following six agreements is required because the county has agreements with these organizations that exceed $100,000.

- PR00008426 with Three Rivers Park District, in an amount not to exceed $30,000, for supplemental funding to support its watercraft inspection and education activities on Medicine Lake, Fish Lake, Lake Minnetonka Regional Park, Lake Independence, and Bryant Lake.
- PR00008425 with Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board, in an amount not to exceed $30,000, for supplemental funding to support its watercraft inspection and education activities at Bde Maka Ska, Lake Harriet, and Lake Nokomis.
- PR00008419 with Bolton & Menk, Inc., in an amount not to exceed $24,999, to monitor all 59 Hennepin County public boat accesses for new AIS infestations. The company will also work directly with lake associations and community members on recognizing, reporting, and helping prevent the introduction of AIS in their local waters.
- PR00008422 with Bolton & Menk, Inc., in an amount not to exceed $21,737, for research on the effectiveness of manually removing floating vegetation from public boat accesses as a strategy to reduce the unintentional transport of AIS on boats and trailers.
- PR00008418 with the City of Eden Prairie, in an amount not to exceed $20,350, for replacing an aging CD3 station at the Lake Riley Public Access. CD3 stations provide self-service tools to assist boaters in removing AIS from their boats and trailers before leaving a public water access.
- PR00008417 with the City of Champlin, in an amount not to exceed $5,000, for control of non-native Phragmites located on an island in Mill Pond. Non-native Phragmites is an aggressive grass that can harm wildlife, recreation, ecological function, and infrastructure. This project will support and protect over $18 million in recent restoration investments at Mill Pond and Elm Creek.

In addition to the agreements requested for approval by county board, the following six agreements will be approved through the administrative process:

- PR00008424 with Christmas Lake Homeowner's Association, in an amount not to exceed $15,000, for supplemental AIS inspection and decontamination programing at the Christmas Lake public access, including inspections of incoming and outgoing watercraft with on-site decontamination.
- PR00008423 with Fish Lake Area Residents Association, in an amount not to exceed $2,800, for supplemental watercraft inspections in May and September at the Fish Lake public access.
- PR00008415 with Waterfront Restoration, LLC, in an amount not to exceed $24,636, for boater

education at boat launches. Waterfront Restoration Ambassadors will be stationed at Surfside, Grays Bay, Carsons, and Halstead Bay accesses on Lake Minnetonka along with accesses on Medicine and Long Lake in 2026.

- PR00008421 with WaterGuards LLC, in an amount not to exceed $23,600, for boater education at boat launches. WaterGuards ambassadors will be stationed at high-use accesses that are not otherwise covered by ambassadors and inspectors. County staff will share information with the grantee about inspection and ambassador plans for other partners/grantees and review and approve location plans for WaterGuards ambassadors.
- PR00008416 with Lake Minnetonka Association, in an amount not to exceed $7,850, for surveys around 16 public and private accesses on Lake Minnetonka, focusing on any early detection of starry stonewort.
- PR00008420 with Lake Minnetonka Association, in an amount not to exceed $24,990, for conducting an AIS suitability survey in three bays of Lake Minnetonka. Findings from this study will be used to guide future AIS and water-quality early detection and management efforts.

Altogether, 13 agreements supporting AIS prevention work will be executed totaling $230,962.

Current Request: This request seeks to authorize the County Administrator to negotiate six agreements to provide funding for aquatic invasive species prevention projects with the following organizations:

- PR00008426 with Three Rivers Park District, in an amount not to exceed $30,000
- PR00008425 with Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board, in an amount not to exceed $30,000
- PR00008419 with Bolton & Menk Inc, in an amount not to exceed $24,999
- PR00008422 with Bolton & Menk Inc, in an amount not to exceed $21,737
- PR00008418 with City of Eden Prairie, in an amount not to exceed $20,350
- PR00008417 with City of Champlin, in an amount not to exceed $5,000

The request also seeks to authorize the County Administrator to approve one 12-month extension of the agreements and to reimburse costs incurred by the grantees after the board approval date and upon execution of the grant agreements.

Impact/Outcomes: The recommended projects will prevent and slow the spread of AIS by supporting early detection, education, access re-design, watercraft inspection, and rapid response. The grantees will be required to collect data and submit final reports specific to each project's goals. Findings will be used by county staff and shared with other water resource professionals to inform future AIS prevention work.

This request funds services that are: core services

Recommendation from County Administrator: Recommend Approval