



Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

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Agenda Item #

Requested Meeting Date: August 24, 2021

Title of Item: Great River Energy Land Sale - Resolution

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA <input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION ONLY	Action Requested: <input type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft) <small>*provide copy of hearing notice that was published</small>	<input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item <input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing*
Submitted by: Rich Courtemanche		Department: Land
Presenter (Name and Title): Rich Courtemanche, Land Commissioner		Estimated Time Needed: 5 min
Summary of Issue: <p>Great River Energy has requested the direct purchase of the NENE, Sec 11, Kimberly Township to build electrical infrastructure adjacent to the existing power line easement that runs east/west at the north property line (maps attached).</p> <p>The County Board directed the Land Department seek the necessary special state legislation for direct sale of lands classified as conservation through special legislation 282.02 Sub 2. (4)</p> <p>In 2021, Senator Ruud and Representative Lueck authored legislation for such a purpose.</p> <p>Minnesota State Legislature has enacted legislation during the 1st Special Session 2021, Chapter 6, S.F. No 20, Article 2, Section 119 permits the direct sale of these tax forfeited lands.</p>		
Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments: 		
Recommended Action/Motion: Adopt County Board resolution for the sale of the north half of NENE of Sec 11		
Financial Impact: Is there a cost associated with this request? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$ Is this budgeted? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>Please Explain:</i>		

Legally binding agreements must have County Attorney approval prior to submission.

CERTIFIED COPY OF RESOLUTION OF COUNTY BOARD OF AITKIN COUNTY, MINNESOTA

ADOPTED August 24, 2021

By Commissioner: xxxx

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Great River Energy Land Sale

WHEREAS, Great River Energy, 12300 Elm Creek Blvd., Maple Grove, MN 55369 has requested to purchase the following lands to build electrical infrastructure adjacent to an existing powerline easement:

County Tax Forfeited Lands – Approximately 15 acres, The North Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter lying East of 275th Avenue in Section 11, Township 47 North, Range 25 West, Aitkin County, Minnesota (part of parcel 15-0-017700).

WHEREAS, on February 9, 2021 the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners discussed the proposal and recommended approval for the sale of such lands,

WHEREAS, the 2021 Minnesota State Legislature has enacted legislation during the 1st Special Session, Chapter 6, S.F. No 20, Article 2, Section 119 which permits the direct sale of these tax forfeited lands,

WHEREAS, Great River Energy agrees to the proposed to the appraised values and closing fees,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Aitkin County Board of Commissioners authorizes the Land Commissioner's Office to proceed with the sale of such lands

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the lands exchanged are subject to zoning ordinances adopted by the County Board and that all lands are subject to highway and utility easements.

Commissioner xxxx moved for adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

FIVE MEMBERS PRESENT

All Members Voting

STATE OF MINNESOTA}
COUNTY OF AITKIN}

I, Jessica Seibert, County Administrator, Aitkin County, Minnesota do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing with the original resolution filed in the Administration Office of Aitkin County in Aitkin, Minnesota as stated in the minutes of the proceedings of said Board on the 24th day of August, 2021 and that the same is a true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 24th day of August, 2021

Jessica Seibert
County Administrator

1st Special Session, Chapter 6, S.F. No 20, Article 2, Section 119

Sec. 119. PRIVATE SALE OF TAX-FORFEITED LAND; AITKIN COUNTY.

(a) Notwithstanding the public sale provisions of Minnesota Statutes, chapter 282, or other law to the contrary, Aitkin County may sell by private sale the tax-forfeited land described in paragraph (c).

(b) The conveyance must be in a form approved by the attorney general. The attorney general may make changes to the land description to correct errors and ensure accuracy.

(c) The land to be sold is located in Aitkin County and is described as:

The North Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter lying East of 275th Avenue in Section 11, Township 47 North, Range 25 West, Aitkin County, Minnesota (part of parcel 15-0-017700).

(d) The county has determined that the county's land management interests would best be served if the land was returned to private ownership.

Parcel # **0** Twp: 47 Rge: 25 Sec: 11 Township: **Kimberly** Acres: 15 Access: Maintained
 Description: North Half of the Northeast Quarter of the Northeast Quarter lying East of 275th Avenue PIN: 15-0-017700 Well Fee: No

Starting Price: **\$30,000.00**

Parcel #:
0



Purchaser Social Security #s

Purchaser:

Signature

Winning Bidder:

Bid Price: **\$30,000.00**

Purchase Amount

Bid Price:	\$30,000.00
State Deed Fee:	\$25.00
Recording Fee:	\$46.00
Real Estate Assurance:	\$900.00
State Deed Tax:	\$99.00
Well Certificate Fee:	\$0.00
Total:	\$31,070.00
Down Payment 25%	\$7,500.00
Total Fees	\$1,070.00
Due Today	\$8,570.00
Remainder Due in 60 Days	\$22,500.00
Total:	\$31,070.00



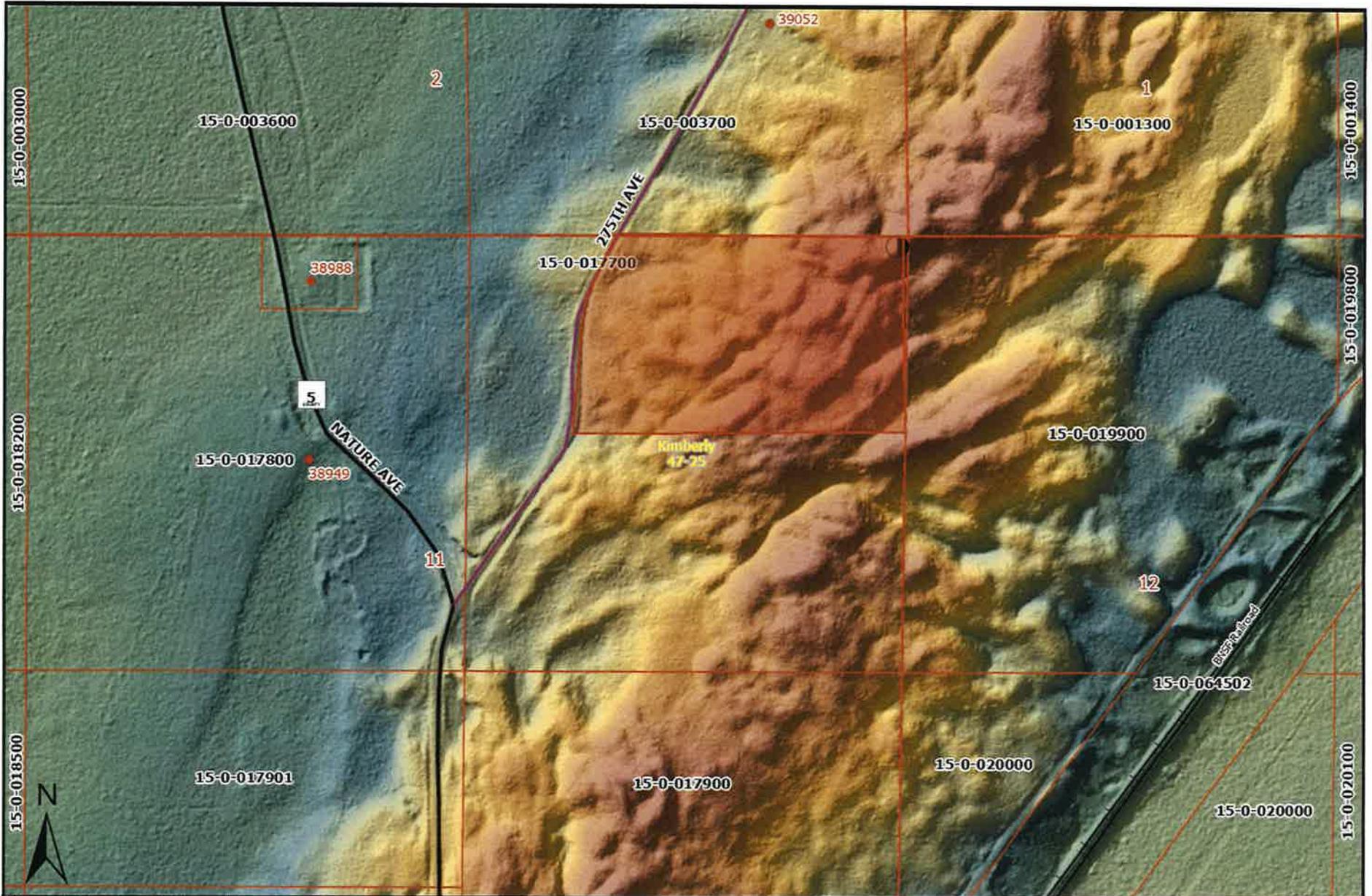
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Sec 11 Kimberly

0 225 450 ft 1 inch = 591 feet rpc



Date: 2/2/2021



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