



Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

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Agenda Item #

Requested Meeting Date: 11-14-23

Title of Item: Sponsorship Resolution for City of Aitkin LRIP Project

<input type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA	Action Requested:	<input type="checkbox"/> Direction Requested
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONSENT AGENDA	<input type="checkbox"/> Approve/Deny Motion	<input type="checkbox"/> Discussion Item
<input type="checkbox"/> INFORMATION ONLY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopt Resolution (attach draft)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold Public Hearing* <i>*provide copy of hearing notice that was published</i>

Submitted by: John Welle	Department: Highway Department
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Presenter (Name and Title): NA	Estimated Time Needed: NA
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Summary of Issue:

The 2023 Legislature appropriated \$102.967 million to the Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) as part of the bonding bill. These funds are available to fund improvements on city, township, and county roads throughout Minnesota. Grant applications are currently being accepted by the Minnesota Department of Transportation for eligible local projects through December 8, 2023. Applications from cities and townships are required to be sponsored by their county.

Attached is a sponsorship resolution for a project on Bunker Hill Drive in the City of Aitkin.

Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:

Recommended Action/Motion:
Request approval of the attached resolution.

Financial Impact:

Is there a cost associated with this request? Yes No

What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$

Is this budgeted? Yes No *Please Explain:*

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

By Commissioner: xxx

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RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR AND AGREEMENT TO SPONSOR THE CITY OF AITKIN'S PURSUIT OF 2023 LOCAL ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FUNDING FOR THE BUNKER HILL DRIVE PROJECT

WHEREAS, the Bunker Hill Drive project includes a one-mile stretch from 4th St SE (TH47) to Aitkin County Road 12, and

WHEREAS, the Bunker Hill Drive project provides direct access to the local hospital and is a critical route for emergency services vehicles, and

WHEREAS, the Local Road Improvement Program (LRIP) administered by the Minnesota Department of Transportation makes available up to \$1,500,000 to apply towards projects on local roads that are regionally significant, result in safety improvements, address transportation deficiencies, and contribute to economic development, and

WHEREAS, the LRIP requires a city, such as Aitkin, that is not a State Aid city, to have a county sponsor and the support of the County Board, and

WHEREAS, the proposed year for project construction is 2025.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AITKIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AS FOLLOWS; that

1. The County supports the City of Aitkin's pursuit of LRIP funds for the reconstruction of Bunker Hill Drive from 4th St SE (TH47) to Aitkin County Road 12, within the Bunker Hill Drive project, and
2. The County agrees to sponsor the City of Aitkin's Local Road Improvement Program application to MnDOT and act as the city's fiscal agent for this project.

Commissioner xxx seconded the adoption of the resolution and it was declared adopted upon the following vote

xxx MEMBERS PRESENT

All Members Voting xxx

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 October 2023, and that the same is a true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 24th day of October 2023

Jessica Seibert
County Administrator