

Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

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Agenda Item #

Requested Meeting Date: 01/28/2025

Title of Item: Annual Employee Dishonesty and Faithful Preformance Bond **Action Requested: Direction Requested** REGULAR AGENDA Approve/Deny Motion Discussion Item **CONSENT AGENDA** Adopt Resolution (attach draft) Information Only Hold Public Hearing *provide copy of hearing notice that was published Submitted by: **Department:** Tara Snyder Recorder's Presenter (Name and Title): **Estimated Time Needed:** Kathleen Ryan, County Auditor 5 min **Summary of Issue:** Approve Recording of the annual Employee Dishonesty and Faithful Performance Bond for \$50,000 and to further define employees to include the following Aitkin County Officials and any successor of such official: Administrator, Assessor, Attorney, Auditor & Treasurer and deputies, County Commissioners, County Recorder & Registrar of Titles and deputies, Engineer, Surveyor, Health & Human Services Director, Environmental Services Director, Veteran Service Officer **Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:** Recommended Action/Motion: Approve Recording of the annual Employee Dishonesty and Faithful Performance Bond for \$50,000 and to further define employees to include the following Aitkin County Officials and any successor of such official Financial Impact: Yes Is there a cost associated with this request? What is the total cost, with tax and shipping? \$ Is this budgeted? Yes Please Explain:



MINNESOTA COUNTIES INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRUST

COVERAGE DECLARATIONS

EMPLOYEE DISHONESTY AND FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF

DUTY - ARTICLE FOUR

DOCUMENT NO.:

PC108025-1

MEMBER:

Aitkin County

MAILING ADDRESS:

307 2nd Street NW #121

Aitkin, MN 56431

COVERAGE PERIOD:

FROM 1/1/2025 TO 1/1/2026 AT 12:01 A.M. CENTRAL STANDARD TIME

EMPLOYEE DISHONESTY AND FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF DUTY COVERAGE

MCIT LIMIT OF COVERAGE:

\$50,000 Per Occurrence

DEDUCTIBLE:

\$0.00

IF YOU HAVE PURCHASED EMPLOYEE DISHONESTY AND FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF DUTY COVERAGE IN EXCESS OF THAT PROVIDED BY THIS COVERAGE DOCUMENT; FORGERY OR ALTERATION COVERAGE; OR CREDIT, DEBIT OR CHARGE CARD FORGERY COVERAGE THROUGH MCIT, YOU HAVE BEEN ISSUED AN OLD REPUBLIC SURETY COMPANY CRIME POLICY. PLEASE REFER TO YOUR OLD REPUBLIC POLICY FOR THE TERMS, CONDITIONS AND LIMITS OF SUCH COVERAGE.

COUNTERSIGNED 12/5/2024

BY

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EMPLOYEE DISHONESTY AND FAITHFUL PERFORMANCE OF DUTY



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ARTICLE FOUR - Employee Dishonesty and Faithful Performance of Duty Coverage

Some provisions in this "Coverage Document" restrict coverage. Read the entire "Coverage Document" carefully to determine rights, duties and what is and is not covered. The titles of the various sections and paragraphs in this "Coverage Document" are inserted solely for convenience of reference and shall not be deemed in any way to limit or affect the provisions to which they relate. Throughout this "Coverage Document" the words we, us, our and MCIT refer to the Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust. The words you and your refer to the "Member" shown in the "Declarations". Words and phrases that appear in quotation marks are defined in G. DEFINITIONS of this "Coverage Document", unless noted otherwise.

A. COVERAGE AGREEMENT

We will pay for loss of or damage to "Money", "Securities" and "Property Other than Money and Securities" caused:

- 1. Directly by "Employee Dishonesty"; or
- 2. Directly and immediately by the failure of an "Employee" to perform his or her duties as prescribed by "Law".

B. INCLUDED COVERAGE

Temporary Absence of Employee from Coverage Territory

We will pay for loss caused by an "Employee" during the first 90 days of his or her temporary absence from the "Coverage Territory". This coverage provision does not increase the Limit of Coverage provided by this "Coverage Document".

C. EXCLUSIONS

This "Coverage Document" does not apply to any:

Deprivation of Civil Rights or Tortious Conduct

Damages for which you are legally liable as a result of:

- a. The deprivation or violation of the civil rights of any person by an "Employee"; or
- b. The tortious conduct of an "Employee", except conversion of property of other parties held by you in any capacity.
- 2. Dishonest or Criminal Acts

10. War and Similar Actions

Loss resulting from declared or undeclared war, warlike action, rebellion, revolution, insurrection or any associated act or incident.

11. Probate Duties in a Fiduciary Capacity

Loss resulting from any person or class of persons acting in the capacity of public administrator, public guardian and any other "Employee" performing probate duties in any fiduciary capacity.

D. LIMIT OF COVERAGE

The maximum amount of coverage provided by this "Coverage Document" for any one "Occurrence" is the applicable Limit of Coverage shown in the "Declarations".

E. DEDUCTIBLE

For any one "Occurrence", we will pay, subject to the Limit of Coverage, the amount of a loss covered by this "Coverage Document" that is in excess of the Deductible shown in the "Declarations".

F. CONDITIONS

1. Application of Printed Conditions

The "Terms" and conditions of forms attached to this "Coverage Document" shall take precedence over the printed conditions of the "Coverage Document". The terms and conditions of the Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust Joint Powers or Participation Agreement and By-Laws and interpretations thereof shall take precedence over all printed conditions of the "Coverage Document" and any "Terms", conditions or endorsements attached thereto.

2. Breach of Conditions

The breach of any condition of this "Coverage Document" will not affect coverage if, at the time of loss or damage, the breach of condition does not exist.

3. Cancellation of Coverage on an Employee

Should the need arise to cancel coverage on any "Employee", the cancellation will be effective on the date specified in a notice mailed to you. That date will be at least 30 days after the date of mailing. The mailing of notice to you at the last mailing address known to us will be sufficient proof of notice. Delivery of notice is the same as mailing.

4. Concealment, Misrepresentation or Fraud

This coverage is void in any case of:

However, this condition shall in no event apply to any differences between:

- a. The Limit of Coverage or Deductible provisions of this "Coverage Document" and any Limit of Insurance or Deductible provisions of the Old Republic coverage; or
- b. Exclusion 9. POLLUTION of this "Coverage Document" and any application of the Old Republic coverage to a pollution loss.

9. Coverage Changes, Cancellation and Termination

The first "Member" shown in the "Declarations" is authorized to make changes in the "Terms" of this "Coverage Document" with our consent. Changes, cancellation or termination shall be made only in accordance with the MCIT By-Laws and Joint Powers or Participation Agreement. This "Coverage Document" and the MCIT By-Laws and Joint Powers or Participation Agreement contain all the agreements between you and us concerning the coverage afforded. The "Coverage Document's" "Terms" can be amended or waived only by endorsement issued by us and made a part of this "Coverage Document".

10. Coverage Under Two or More Coverages

If two or more MCIT coverages apply to the same loss, we will pay no more than the actual amount of the loss.

11. Divisible Document

The breach of any condition of this "Coverage Document" with respect to any one or more covered items shall not prejudice the right to recover for loss occurring to any other covered item with which, at the time of the loss, a breach of condition does not exist.

12. Examination of Your Books and Records

We may examine and audit your books and records as they relate to this "Coverage Document" at any time during the "Coverage Period" and up to one year afterward.

13. Indemnification

We will indemnify your officials who are required by "Law" to give bonds for the faithful performance of their service against direct and immediate loss to "Money", "Securities" and "Property Other than Money and Securities" caused by an "Employee" under their supervision failing to faithfully perform his or her duties as prescribed by "Law"

14. Inspection and Surveys

MCIT shall have the right, but not the obligation, to at all reasonable times during the "Coverage Period":

- a. Make inspections and surveys of covered property;
- b. Give you reports on the conditions we find; and

after the date on which the loss or the situation that may give rise to a loss is discovered.

Any civil action taken against MCIT as may be permitted by Section (16) (a) must be venued in Ramsey County, Minnesota.

17. Liberalization

If any authorized endorsements or filed rules or regulations affecting this "Coverage Document" are revised by statute or otherwise so as to broaden the coverage without additional contribution, such extended or broadened coverage shall inure to the benefit of the "Member" hereunder, effective as of the date of the change.

18. Limit of Coverage Non-Cumulation

The Limit of Coverage does not cumulate from one "Coverage Period" to another, regardless of the number of years this "Coverage Document" remains in force or the contributions paid.

19. Loss Coverage, Discovery Period and Extended Discovery Period

We will pay only for losses sustained by you within the "Coverage Territory":

- a. As a result of acts committed or events occurring at any time and discovered by you during the "Coverage Period"; or
- b. Prior to the effective date of termination or cancellation of this coverage and discovered by you no later than 60 days from the date of that termination or cancellation. However, this extended loss discovery period terminates upon the effective date of any other similar coverage or insurance obtained by you that covers the loss in whole or in part.

Loss discovery occurs when you first become aware of facts which would cause a reasonable person to assume that a loss covered by this "Coverage Document" has been or will be incurred, even though the exact amount or details of loss may not then be known.

Loss discovery also occurs when you receive notice of an actual or potential claim against you involving a loss covered under this "Coverage Document".

20. Member Responsibilities After Loss

Upon discovery of a loss or a situation that may give rise to a loss under this "Coverage Document", the "Member" must:

- a. Notify MCIT as soon as the "Member" reasonably should have known of any loss of the type covered by this "Coverage Document", even if the loss may be less than the Deductible.
- Provide MCIT with a detailed statement of loss, under oath if requested, within 120 days.

- You will be reimbursed for that part of the loss equal to any applicable Deductible.
- b. Recoveries do not include any recovery:
 - 1) From insurance, suretyship, reinsurance, security or indemnity taken for our benefit; or
 - 2) Of original "Securities" after duplicates of them have been issued.
- 26. Transfer of Your Rights and Duties Under This Coverage Document

Your rights and duties under this "Coverage Document" may not be transferred without our written consent.

- 27. Valuation Settlement
 - a. Subject to the applicable Limit of Coverage, we will pay for:
 - Loss of "Money" but only up to and including its face value. We may, at our option, pay for loss of "Money" issued by any country other than the United States of America:
 - a) At face value in the "Money" issued by that country; or
 - b) In the United States of America dollar equivalent determined by the rate of exchange on the day the loss was discovered.
 - 2) Loss of "Securities" but only up to and including their value at the close of business on the day the loss was discovered. We may, at our option:
 - Pay the value of such "Securities" or replace them in kind, in which event you must assign to us all your rights, title and interest in and to those "Securities"; or
 - b) Pay the cost of any Lost Securities Bond required in connection with issuing duplicates of the "Securities". However, we will be liable only for the payment of so much of the cost of the bond as would be charged for a bond having a penalty not exceeding the lesser of the:
 - (1) Value of the "Securities" at the close of business on the day the loss was discovered; or
 - (2) Limit of Coverage.
 - 3) Loss of or damage to "Property Other than Money and Securities" or loss from damage to the "Premises" for not more than the:
 - a) Actual cash value of the property on the day the loss was discovered;
 - b) Cost of repairing the property or "Premises"; or

- b. Furnished to you to:
 - 1) Substitute for a permanent "Employee" on leave; or
 - 2) Address staffing needs;

while that person is subject to your direction and control and performing services for you excluding, however, any such person while having care and custody of property outside the "Premises";

- c. Sitting on your governing board, commission or committee; or
- d. Serving as one of your elected or appointed officials.

But "Employee" does not mean any agent, broker, person leased to you by a labor leasing firm, unpaid intern, volunteer, factor, commission merchant, consignee, independent contractor or representative of the same general character.

- 6. "Employee Dishonesty" means only dishonest acts committed by an identified or unidentified "Employee" acting alone or in collusion with other persons, with the manifest intent to:
 - a. Cause you to sustain loss; and also
 - b. Obtain financial benefit (other than employee benefits earned in the normal course of employment, including: salaries, commissions, fees, bonuses, promotions, awards, profit sharing or pensions) for:
 - 1) The "Employee"; or
 - 2) Any person or organization intended by the "Employee" to receive that benefit.
- 7. "Law" means all governmental statutes, laws, ordinances, rules, regulations or other similar enactments having the force or effect of law and judicial or administrative interpretations thereof.
- 8. "Member" means the entity first named in the "Declarations".
- 9. "Money" means currency, coins and bank notes in current use and having a face value; bullion; negotiable instruments; and orders.
- 10. "Occurrence" means all loss up to the Limit of Coverage caused by each "Employee", whether the result of a single act or series of acts.
- 11. "Premises" means the interior of that portion of any building you occupy in conducting your business.
- 12. "Property Other than Money and Securities" means any tangible property other than "Money" and "Securities" that has intrinsic value but does not include any property listed by this "Coverage Document" as not being covered.