



Board of County Commissioners Agenda Request

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Agenda Item #

Requested Meeting Date: September 28, 2021

Title of Item: MSA Professional Services Grant

<input type="checkbox"/> REGULAR AGENDA <input checked="" 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: n/a
Summary of Issue: <p>Aitkin County Land Department (ACL D) manages the Jacobson Wayside Rest Area at 19844 - State Highway 200, Jacobson, MN. The west shore of the Mississippi River at the rest area is experiencing severe erosion threatening infrastructure at the rest area. Alan Goodman, P.E., senior project engineer with MSA Professional Services, Inc of Duluth, MN has approached ACL D and John Welle (Highway) believing that MSA has the ability to obtain grants and engineer a solution to the erosion problems at this location.</p> <p>MAS seeks permission to seek grants on behalf of Aitkin County to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Stabilize the Mississippi River shoreline 2. Improve access road surfacing and potential parking improvements 3. Conduct minor landscaping 4. Build a canoe access 5. Update signage and interpretation 6. Construct a turn lane off TH 200 if necessary, and 7. Update vault toilet(s) <p>There is no financial obligation to Aitkin County.</p>		
Alternatives, Options, Effects on Others/Comments:		
Recommended Action/Motion: Approve allowing MSA the opportunity to seek a solution of the erosion problem at the wayside rest in Jacobson, MN at no cost to Aitkin County.		
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 Please Explain:		

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

By Commissioner: xxx

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MSA Professional Services Grant

WHEREAS, Aitkin County Land Department maintains the wayside rest area which is located on the Mississippi River at 19844 – State Highway 200, Jacobson, MN

WHEREAS, the Mississippi River is eroding the bank and threatens rapid loss of the wayside rest-area

WHEREAS, MSA Professional Services, Inc. of Duluth, MN proports to have the engineering and grant writing capacity to design a solution to the erosion and site amenities

WHEREAS, MSA desires to seek grants on behalf of Aitkin County to construct such improvements as:

1. Stabilize the Mississippi shoreline,
2. Improve access road surfacing and potential parking improvements,
3. Conduct minor landscaping,
4. Build a canoe access,
5. Update signage and interpretation,
6. Construct a turn off lane off TH 200, and
7. Update vault toilet(s)

WHEREAS, MSA has stated that there are no financial obligations to the County

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Board of Commissioners grants permission for MSA to apply for grants on behalf of Aitkin County, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, If grants are awarded, Aitkin County may enter into an agreement with MSA to accept the grant award(s) and for the above referenced restoration project. Aitkin County will comply with all applicable laws, environmental requirements, and regulations as stated in the grant agreement(s).

Commissioner Niemi 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 28th day of September, 2021 and that the same is a true and correct copy of the whole thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this 28th day of September, 2021

Jessica Seibert
County Administrator