Inver Grove Heights City Council

Monday, August 21, 2023 at 6:00 PM

8150 Barbara Avenue, Inver Grove Heights, MN 55077

AGENDA

NOTICE TO RESIDENTS: Individuals may submit written public comments in advance of the meeting by emailing comments to Rebecca Kiernan (rkiernan@ighmn.gov). Comments received prior to 4:00 p.m. on Monday, August 21, 2023, will be provided to the Council at or before the August 21, 2023 meeting.

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Discussion Items**
   - **A.** 2024 Budget Discussion (cont.)
   - **B.** LMCIT Insurance Renewal
   - **C.** Dakota County Drug Task Force
   - **D.** State Funding for Rock Island Swing Bridge Lights & Mississippi River Boat Launch
   - **E.** 2023 Legislative Update
4. **Adjourn**

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Agenda Item 3.A.

CITY OF INVER GROVE HEIGHTS

Request for Council Action

SUBJECT: 2024 Budget Discussion (cont.)

MEETING DATE: August 21, 2023
ITEM TYPE: Discussion Items
CONTACT: Kris Wilson, City Administrator, 651.450.2511
Amy Hove, Finance Director, 651.450.2521

ACTION REQUESTED

The Council is asked to continue its review and discussion of the City's 2024 budget; specifically the non-General Fund components that impact the property tax levy.

BACKGROUND

At the Council's July 31 work session, information was presented and discussed regarding the 2024 budget requests for the City's General Fund, which includes many operating departments and divisions, such as Police, Fire, Administration, Finance, Recreation, Planning, etc.

At this Council work session, staff will review the non-General Fund budget areas that also impact the City's property tax levy. These include debt service, the Economic Development Authority (EDA), and Pavement Management. A draft budget will also be presented for the Host Community Fund, which does not directly impact the levy but does impact Pavement Management.

Staff had previously indicated that the Convention & Visitors Bureau (CVB) budget and the Community Center (VMCC) budget would be presented at this work session. However, since both require some additional fine tuning and neither impacts the levy, these have been postponed to a future meeting.

Attached for Council's review and information prior to the meeting are the presentation slides related to the debt service levies and the EDA. Additional information regarding the Host Community Fund and Pavement Management budgets will be presented during the work session.

Also, attached are responses to several Council questions asked at the July 31 work session - related to how dispatch services are funded in other counties, whether there is an opportunity to combine the City's contracts related to wellness services for public safety staff, and how IGH's commercial / industrial tax base percentage compares to that of other Dakota County cities. Staff is still working on responses to the remaining questions asked on July 31.

The next step after this work session discussion will be to consider the tax impact of various levy scenarios on a median homestead and to receive the City Administrator's recommendations for prioritizing departmental requests. Both of these pieces will be provided at the Council's August 28 meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT

RECOMMENDATION

ATTACHMENTS

1. 2024 Budget-Debt Slides
2. 2024 Budget-EDA Slides
3. Taxbase Composition of Dakota Co Cities
4. Dispatching Costs
5. Wellness Services for Public Safety Staff

Debt Levies

DEBT SERVICE FUNDS

Street-Related Debt

- 2015A G.O. Improvement Bonds
- 2016A G.O. Improvement Bonds
- 2017B G.O. Improvement Bonds
- 2020A G.O. Improvement Bonds
  - Refinanced 2010 G.O. Bonds

Fire Station Debt

- 2018A G.O. Improvement Bonds
- 2019A G.O. Improvement Bonds

Debt Levies

Bond Issuance	2020 Budget	2021 Budget	2022 Budget	2023 Budget	2024 Budget
2010A G.O. Bonds	177,250	177,250			
2015A G.O. Bonds	636,762	638,972	635,669	637,301	633,210
2016A G.O. Bonds	636,759	656,289	695,874	718,134	718,292
2017B G.O. Bonds	262,910	263,140	263,211	263,125	262,882
2018A G.O. Bonds	737,714	735,614	737,977	739,289	739,552
2019A G.O. Bonds	194,985	190,785	186,585	187,635	188,475
2020A G.O. Bonds			177,250	177,250	177,250
	Use of Closed Bond Fund		-177,250	-177,250	-177,250
Total	**$2,646,380**	**$2,662,050**	**$2,519,316**	**$2,545,484**	**$2,542,411**

Closed Bond Fund

$ 1,429,797	Current Cash Balance – June 30, 2023
(531,750)	Replace Future Debt Levies for 2020A Bonds
$ 898,047	Estimated Remaining Balance

Staff Recommendation: Continued use of Closed Bond Fund to replace future debt levies for 2020A Bonds (2024-2026 budgets) until they expire; in the future, consider potential uses for balance remaining in fund.

2023 Debt Budgets

Bond Issuance	Debt Levy	Other Revenues	Total Revenues	Less: Principal + Interest, Other	Net
2015A G.O. Bonds	633,210	27,250	660,460	654,400	6,060
2016A G.O. Bonds	718,292	5,000	723,292	677,013	46,279
2017B G.O. Bonds	262,882	46,350	309,232	322,238	-13,006
2018A G.O. Bonds	739,552	2,500	742,052	694,710	47,342
2019A G.O. Bonds	188,475	750	189,225	177,100	12,125
2020A G.O. Bonds		221,750	221,750	251,505	-29,755
Total	**$2,542,411**	**$303,600**	**$2,846,011**	**$2,776,966**	**$69,045**

Economic Development Authority (EDA)

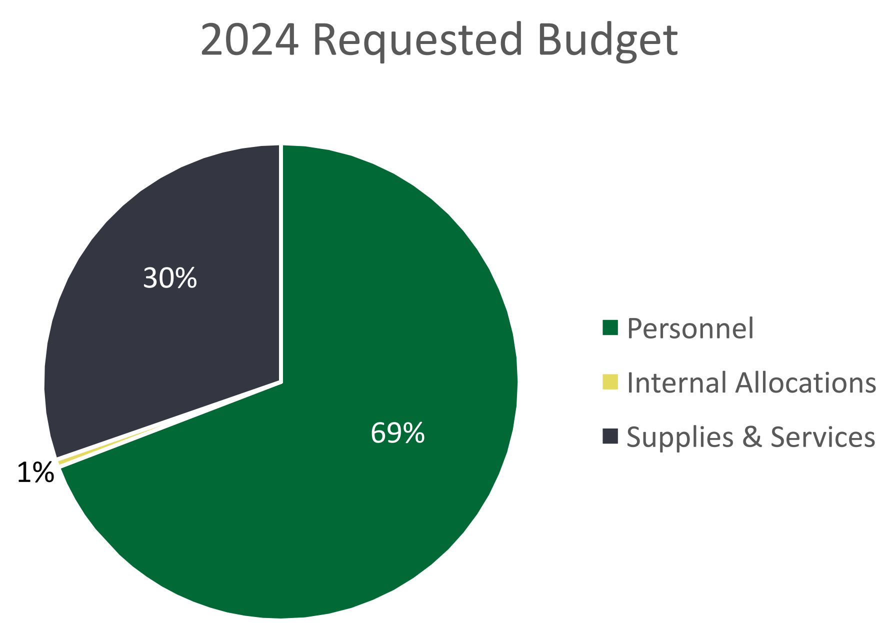
Submitted by:

Kris Wilson
City Administrator

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

- EDA 2024 Budget Request
- Consideration of fund balance

Economic Development Authority (EDA)



	2021 Activity	2022 Activity	2023 Budget	2023 Requested
Personnel	$20,512	$20,136	$144,665	$147,000
Internal Allocations	700	500	700	1,115
Supplies & Services	72,709	16,367	82,700	64,400
Total	**$93,921**	**$37,003**	**$228,065**	**$212,515**

EDA
Additional Consideration

- 2023 Budget contained funds for a staff person focused on economic development
  - Position funding was planned at 50% from the tax levy and 50% using EDA Fund Balance
  - Council decided to hire consultant instead in 2023
  - Contract comes up in September 2023
- Proposed 2024 Budget contains similar funds that may be used for a staff person or consultant

EDA
Funding Recommendation

- EDA Fund Balance December 31, 2022 = $272,09
  - 2023 assumed spending down $59,500 of fund balance which would leave $212,590 in the fund
  - Recommendation is to budget for the use of $40,000 in fund balance in 2024
    - Allows for staggering of levy increases related to the staff position / consultant; and
    - Recognizes that the funds set aside in 2023 will most likely not be fully utilized in 2023.

Taxable Market Value, Taxes Payable 2024

City	Total Market Value
Eagan	$12,808,635,798
Lakeville	$12,575,100,222
Burnsville	$9,504,570,209
Apple Valley	$8,081,415,327
Inver Grove Heights	$5,524,289,151
Rosemount	$4,508,019,849
Farmington	$3,054,027,231
Mendota Heights	$3,032,545,083
Hastings	$2,814,518,789
West St. Paul	$2,707,029,881
South St. Paul	$2,319,213,174

City	% Comm. / Indus.
Eagan	21.72%
Burnsville	19.02%
Mendota Heights	14.98%
South St. Paul	13.06%
West St. Paul	12.33%
Inver Grove Heights	10.32%
Lakeville	10.22%
Rosemount	9.99%
Hastings	9.38%
Apple Valley	8.44%
Farmington	4.70%

City	% Residential
Farmington	89.54%
Lakeville	84.38%
Rosemount	83.54%
Hastings	82.37%
Apple Valley	80.60%
Mendota Heights	79.28%
Inver Grove Heights	76.61%
South St. Paul	76.50%
Eagan	66.29%
West St. Paul	64.47%
Burnsville	62.91%

City	% Apartments
West St. Paul	22.92%
Burnsville	15.66%
Eagan	11.28%
Apple Valley	10.34%
Inver Grove Heights	10.05%
South St. Paul	8.33%
Hastings	7.50%
Mendota Heights	4.58%
Lakeville	4.33%
Rosemount	2.96%
Farmington	1.87%

Summary of Taxable Market Value *(Large Dakota County Cities, Taxes Payable 2024)*

	Apple Valley *(population 55,673)*		Burnsville *(population 64,522)*		Eagan *(population 68,889)*	
Residential	$6,513,789,127	80.60%	$5,979,718,209	62.91%	$8,490,257,079	66.29%
Apartments	$835,495,400	10.34%	$1,487,997,700	15.66%	$1,444,402,600	11.28%
Commercial	$526,128,000	6.51%	$940,392,100	9.89%	$1,503,397,100	11.74%
Industrial	$156,004,100	1.93%	$866,945,600	9.12%	$1,278,939,800	9.98%
Other	$49,998,700	0.62%	$229,516,600	2.41%	$91,639,219	0.72%
TOTAL	**$8,081,415,327**	**100.00%**	**$9,504,570,209**	**100.00%**	**$12,808,635,798**	**100.00%**

	Farmington *(population 23,719)*		Hastings *(population 22,153)*		Inver Grove Heights *(population 35,652)*	
Residential	$2,734,597,589	89.54%	$2,318,363,076	82.37%	$4,231,993,525	76.61%
Apartments	$57,072,700	1.87%	$211,177,600	7.50%	$554,934,800	10.05%
Commercial	$83,997,400	2.75%	$198,604,100	7.06%	$348,298,000	6.30%
Industrial	$59,679,200	1.95%	$65,340,100	2.32%	$221,914,500	4.02%
Other	$118,680,342	3.89%	$21,033,913	0.75%	$167,148,326	3.03%
TOTAL	**$3,054,027,231**	**100.00%**	**$2,814,518,789**	**100.00%**	$5,524,289,151	100.00%

	Lakeville *(population 73,828)*		Mendota Heights *(population 11,658)*		Rosemount *(population 26,943)*	
Residential	$10,610,347,273	84.38%	$2,404,132,883	79.28%	$3,765,818,536	83.54%
Apartments	$545,023,800	4.33%	$138,752,400	4.58%	$133,643,100	2.96%
Commercial	$655,401,600	5.21%	$227,723,400	7.51%	$125,375,100	2.78%
Industrial	$630,172,500	5.01%	$226,688,500	7.48%	$325,151,900	7.21%
Other	$134,155,049	1.07%	$35,247,900	1.16%	$158,031,213	3.51%
TOTAL	**$12,575,100,222**	**100.00%**	**$3,032,545,083**	**100.00%**	**$4,508,019,849**	**100.00%**

	South St. Paul *(population 20,489)*		West St. Paul *(population 21,169)*	
Residential	$1,774,282,074	76.50%	$1,745,095,481	64.47%
Apartments	$193,173,000	8.33%	$620,341,400	22.92%
Commercial	$94,896,500	4.09%	$268,070,700	9.90%
Industrial	$207,990,100	8.97%	$65,588,300	2.42%
Other	$48,871,500	2.11%	$7,934,000	0.29%
TOTAL	**$2,319,213,174**	**100.00%**	**$2,707,029,881**	**100.00%**

Dispatching Services / Costs

All police, fire and EMS dispatching in Dakota County is done by Dakota 911, a joint powers organization. Operational costs are divided between Dakota County and each of the participating cities, with city costs determined based on total calls for service. At the July 31 work session, the question was asked whether cities in other metro-area counties pay for dispatching services or if this is a county-funded service elsewhere. Staff reached out to counterparts in other counties and learned the following:

Anoka, Carver, Scott and Washington Counties – dispatch services are operated and fully-funded by the county – cities are not charged.

Ramsey County – cities are charged for dispatch services, based on population.

Hennepin County – dispatch services for some communities are provided by the county and other cities still operate their own dispatch centers (Bloomington, Edina, Eden Prairie and possibly others). Funding varies.

Wellness Services for Public Safety Staff

The City currently provides some wellness services for public safety staff (police officers and firefighters) and staff is proposing to add additional support services for 2024. Currently, the Police Department has a contract with a local provider for mental health wellness checks and crisis support services for officers. The Department is seeking to add a physical wellness component in 2024, that would help screen for and monitor officer wellness, specifically as it relates to areas of high risk for the profession. Additionally, the Fire Department is seeking to add mental health wellness supports in 2024.

The question was asked whether these could be combined all under one contract. Staff's initial response is that it may be feasible to have a single contract for mental health wellness and one for physical wellness, but at this time we are not aware of an experienced company that provides both – they tend to specialize in one or the other (physical wellness or mental health wellness). Additionally, there may be pros and cons to having a single contract for mental health wellness. If we were to have a major incident impacting both our police and fire staff, the ability of a single firm to support both simultaneously may be challenged. That said, if funding for mental health wellness is approved as part of the Fire Department's 2024 budget, staff will seek proposals and price quotes from multiple providers and can certainly consider in more detail whether a single provider for the entire city is the most effective and efficient route.

Agenda Item 3.B.

Request for Council Action

SUBJECT: LMCIT Insurance Renewal

MEETING DATE: August 21, 2023
ITEM TYPE: Discussion Items
CONTACT: Sam Hosszu, Assistant Finance Director, 651.450.2516

ACTION REQUESTED
The Council is asked to accept the following presentation, reviewing the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust (LMCIT) insurance policy renewals for Property/Casualty and Workers Compensation for the coverage period of September 1, 2023 to September 1, 2024.

BACKGROUND
The League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust (LMCIT) is a not-for-profit, self-insured membership cooperative formed by Minnesota cities in 1980 and specifically designed to help cities address their property/casualty and workers' compensation insurance needs. LMCIT provides coverage unique to cities for items such as land use litigation, cyber security, property damage, sewer backups, etc. and continues to develop new coverage as needed. The City of IGH has been a member of the cooperative since 1985.

Annual premium costs for cities participating in these programs are affected by municipal market rates, exposures, and experience. A specific city's premium will also be impacted by changes in exposure such as payrolls, city expenditures, property values or changes in workers' compensation claims.

The renewal process involves two separate applications and quotes through LMCIT - a property/casualty application and a workers' compensation application. The property and casualty application involves listing the City's assets, expenditures, and other exposure items and an analysis by LMCIT. The application for a workers' compensation quote involves submitting payroll data to LMCIT and having them perform risk calculations based on employee types.

Property/Casualty Program for Property, Liability, Auto Insurance
As a condition of participating in the property/ casualty program, cities must have an insurance agent. An agent helps coordinate the gathering of information to complete the renewal application, provides advice on selecting coverage options, reviews coverage documents, answers questions on coverage and premium calculations, reviews loss reports for correct reporting and helps in identifying and dealing with risk exposures, among many other services.

On April 11, 2023 the City distributed a Request for Proposal for the City’s insurance agent. The City received three proposals and Council approved North Risk Partners LLC as the city's new agent of record.

Staff have worked with LMCIT and North Risk Partners to submit the required renewal paperwork. At the time of packet publication, a renewal quote for the Property/Casualty renewal had not yet been received. If the quote is not received in time to disseminate for the August 21 meeting, staff will bring this portion of the renewal forward at a future meeting.

Workers Compensation Policy
The LMCIT provides workers' compensation coverage and benefits as required under state statutes, and offers additional coverage for things such as exposure testing for employees exposed to bloodborne pathogens or infectious diseases, employer's liability for work-related injuries, and additional injury provisions provided under federal laws. The policy covers employees, elected and appointed officials, separate boards and commissions, emergency response employees, and volunteers.

As part of the RFP noted in the property casualty section, North Risk Partners became the City's insurance agent of record for workers' compensation. In consultation with North Risk, staff completed the workers' compensation renewal and received back a quote for 2023-2024. At the worksession, staff will walk through key highlights and fiscal impacts for 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT

RECOMMENDATION

ATTACHMENTS
None

Agenda Item 3.C.

CITY OF INVER GROVE HEIGHTS

Request for Council Action

SUBJECT: Dakota County Drug Task Force

MEETING DATE: August 21, 2023
ITEM TYPE: Discussion Items
CONTACT: Melissa Chiodo, Police Chief, 651.450.2526

ACTION REQUESTED

The Council is asked to receive a presentation regarding the Dakota County Drug Task Force and ask questions / provide direction as it sees fit.

BACKGROUND

The Inver Grove Heights Police Department was part of a joint powers agreement (JPA) with the Dakota County Drug Task Force from 2015-2020. In July of 2020, the assigned IGH Officer asked to leave the task force, which led the Chief of Police to evaluate department staffing and needs. In the fall of 2020, the Chief gave formal notice as required by the JPA of the Department's intent to leave the task force at the end of 2020. As a result, the IGH Police Department is not currently a member of the Task Force and has not been since the end of 2020.

At Monday's work session, the Chief will present a description of the Task Force, the costs and obligations of participation and reasons for the decision to depart, and then answer any Council questions.

FISCAL IMPACT

RECOMMENDATION

ATTACHMENTS

1. Draft Presentation Regarding Dakota Co Drug Task Force

Presentation to City Council

Dakota County Drug Task Force

(DTF)

Melissa Chiodo, Chief of Police

August 14, 2023

City of Inver Grove Heights

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Current Partnerships

- Embedded Social Worker Program
- Domestic Preparedness Committee
- Special Operations Team
- Electronic Crimes Unit
- SWAT
- CJIN
- Mobile Field Force
- Dakota County Chief’s association
- Human Trafficking Task Force
- And more

Dakota County Drug Task Force (DTF) Purpose

- Focus law enforcement efforts on individuals involved in the sale, distribution, and use of illegal narcotics. The task force also investigates gang and violent offender crimes. The task force is a cooperative effort on behalf of Dakota County law enforcement agencies and the Savage Police Department.

Location of DTF

- The task force leases space from Dakota County in one of its facilities.
- The assigned officer is not located within their home agency department, all agents are together in one location.

Obligations of full DTF Membership

- 1 Officer full time to task force from IGH
  - $ 163,000 approximately for Salary, Fringe not including education incentive
  - $5000-$15,000 Overtime paid by home agency*
- 1 Car assigned to the officer
  - $6,600 yearly car payments not including fuel
- Yearly Dues, have been as high as $25,000 and as low as $4000*
- IGH Chief or designee sits on the board of the DTF

Inver Grove Heights Membership History

- Last Officer assigned started January 2020 and asked IGH Command staff to leave DTF in July 2020
- August through September of 2020 thorough review of staffing and priorities for IGH done in conjunction with 2040 comp plan and Police Department Strategic Plan
- Discussions with other Chief's in Dakota County (ongoing)
- Inver Grove Heights submitted their letter of intent to withdraw October 30, 2020
- Inver Grove Heights withdrawal was official December 31, 2020

Current Full Membership on DTF

- Apple Valley
- Burnsville
- Eagan
- Hastings
- West St. Paul
- Lakeville
- Rosemount
- South St. Paul
- Savage

Current Dues Paying Agency

- Mendota Heights
- Farmington*

Benefits to having a person on DTF

- Training with task force
- Working with officers you normally would not
- Bring new ideas/skillsets back to home agency
- Work large scale, multi jurisdictional drug and violent crime case

Benefit to withdrawal from DTF

- Prioritize our city and police departments staffing plan
- Prioritize our Strategic Response Group (SRG) development and growth
- Prioritize our Investigations Unit and Patrol Officers
- Dedicate our resources/budget to best support IGH community
- Keeping an officer here, yearly cost range of $180,000+
- Support priorities in yearly community safety survey, community feedback and council feedback
- Ability to best supervise/support our officer's work
- Recognition of officer burn out while on DTF
- Other*

Options

- 3 Options regarding participation and/or support of the Drug task Force

Option One Continue with Staffing Plan

- Maintain current staffing at IGH until full staffing needs are met with IGH police department at that point reconsider sending an officer to the task force.
- Add one Officer to Strategic Response Group
- Add a permanent sergeant position to Investigations
- Add a full-time crime analyst
- Add a second School Resource Officer

Option Two Become a Supporting Member

- Pay Yearly DTF Dues
- Assign an investigator to attend weekly intelligence meetings when available
- Information Share between IGH and DTF
- Provide officers when able, to assist at DTF events in IGH (currently doing this)
- DTF provide support to IGH if requested
- Reconsider providing a full-time person in the future when IGH staffing goals are met.

Option 3

- Staff DTF with an officer
    - Assign an existing patrol officer to DTF
    - Fund a new officer that will be assigned to DTF

Staff Recommendation

Questions?

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Agenda Item 3.D.

CITY OF INVER GROVE HEIGHTS

Request for Council Action

SUBJECT: State Funding for Rock Island Swing Bridge Lights & Mississippi River Boat Launch

MEETING DATE: August 21, 2023
ITEM TYPE: Discussion Items
CONTACT: Kris Wilson, City Administrator, 651.450.2511
Adam Lares, Parks & Recreation Director, 651.450.2587

ACTION REQUESTED

The Council is asked to provide direction regarding its interest in projects related to lighting of the Rock Island Swing Bridge and a possible new public boat launch along the Mississippi River.

BACKGROUND

During the final days of the 2023 legislative session, language was added to the Omnibus Environment and Natural Resources Bill appropriating $458,000 to Dakota County for lighting or other improvements to the Rock Island Swing Bridge and another $1,200,000 to Dakota County for the creation of a public boat launch along the Mississippi somewhere between South St. Paul and Hastings. *(See attached excerpts from the Bill for the exact wording of the appropriations.)*

While it appears both ideas may have been informally discussed within the community over the years, neither the City of Inver Grove Heights nor Dakota County had requested this funding during the legislative session or been involved in discussions of such projects. Representatives of Dakota County have suggested an interest or willingness to pass through the funds for both projects to the City of Inver Grove Heights.

Both projects would essentially be starting from scratch, as current City staff is unaware of any formal plans, cost estimates, etc. that were previously developed for either project. In regards to a potential boat launch, City and County staff have been attempting to set up a meeting with the Department of Natural Resources to determine the parameters or allowable uses of these funds. Some type of public - private partnership may be possible, but that is not entirely clear at this time. Installing lighting on the Swing Bridge may be a somewhat simpler project to undertake, but it would nonetheless require City staff time and some upfront costs for planning and project management.

During Monday's work session, staff would like to discuss both projects with the Council and obtain some preliminary feedback as to the Council's interest or willingness to have the City take the lead on one, both or none. What level of priority does the Council wish to apply to these projects in relation to other projects and priorities already assigned to staff? What should be communicated to Dakota County regarding the City's interest or possible involvement in these projects?

FISCAL IMPACT

While the money appropriated by the state does not contain requirements for a local match, it is unknown at this time whether the state funds would be sufficient to cover the total cost of either project.

RECOMMENDATION

ATTACHMENTS

1. Language from Omnibus Environment Bill Appropriating Money to Dakota County

fund for parks and trails of regional significance outside of the seven-county metropolitan area under Minnesota Statutes, section 85.535, based on the recommendations from the Greater Minnesota Regional Parks and Trails Commission. This appropriation is from revenue deposited in the natural resources fund under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, paragraph (i).

(m) $400,000 the first year and $600,000 the second year are from the natural resources fund for projects and activities that connect diverse and underserved Minnesotans through expanding cultural environmental experiences, exploration of their environment, and outdoor recreational activities. This appropriation is from revenue deposited in the natural resources fund under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, paragraph (j).

(n) $250,000 the first year and $250,000 the second year are from the all-terrain vehicle account in the natural resources fund to the commissioner of natural resources for a grant to Aitkin County, in cooperation with the Northwoods Regional ATV Trail Alliance, to maintain and repair the Northwoods Regional ATV trail system. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2026.

(o) $458,000 the first year is for a grant to Dakota County for improvements to the Swing Bridge Trailhead and historic Rock Island Swing Bridge along the Mississippi River Greenway, including LED lighting.

(p) $1,200,000 the first year is for a grant to Dakota County for adding a public boat launch along the Mississippi River between South St. Paul and Hastings.

(q) $400,000 the first year is for a grant to the city of Silver Bay for construction of the Silver Bay Trailhead.

(r) $500,000 the first year is for a grant to the city of Chisolm for trail development, maintenance, and related amenities at Redhead Mountain Bike Park.

(s) $1,900,000 the first year is for a grant to the town of Crane Lake for construction, improvements, and maintenance at one or more of the following locations: the Crane Lake Voyageurs National Park Visitor Center and Campground and the state-operated boat ramp at Crane Lake. This is a onetime appropriation and is available until June 30, 2026.

(t) The total general fund base budget for the parks and trails division for fiscal year 2026 and later is $35,707,000.

Subd. 6. **Fish and Wildlife Management**	111,125,000	96,963,000

Appropriations by Fund

	2024	2025
General	23,643,000	9,888,000
Natural Resources	2,082,000	2,082,000
Game and Fish	85,400,000	84,993,000

(a) $11,158,000 the first year and $11,158,000 the second year are from the heritage enhancement account in the game and fish fund only for activities specified under Minnesota Statutes, section 297A.94, Agenda Item 3.E.

CITY OF INVER GROVE HEIGHTS

Request for Council Action

SUBJECT: 2023 Legislative Update

MEETING DATE: August 21, 2023
ITEM TYPE: Discussion Items
CONTACT: Bridget Nason, City Attorney

ACTION REQUESTED

During the 2023 regular legislative session, the Minnesota legislature adopted a number of changes to state statutes that impact cities. This legislative update will provide background information to the Council regarding the following three areas of significant legislative changes:

1. Native Landscaping
2. Sacred Communities and Micro-Unit Dwellings
3. Hotel Licensing

Information regarding these legislative changes and their impact on the City will be provided to the Council, and direction will be sought from the Council in response to these new statutory provisions.

BACKGROUND

FISCAL IMPACT

n/a

RECOMMENDATION

Review presentation regarding legislative changes and provide direction to staff regarding the City's response to the same.

ATTACHMENTS

None